

Indivisible Durango Environment – Climate Committee

Activity report – November 4, 2017

We have 110 members in the committee. Roughly a dozen of these are active.

The focus areas for our committee includes: legislation / policy (i.e. Methane rule, Clean Water Act, Arctic National Wildlife Refuge, local renewable energy) and community events (e.g. Climate March, Climate Symposium, poster parties, film screenings)

We have met 6 to 8 times since our committee formed in February 2017. Meetings of the entire committee are held approximately every two to three months or as the need arises.

We recently had a transition in committee leadership. Two of our three co-chairs had to step back their level of involvement, and two new people offered to fill their places. We could still use a dedicated chair person for the committee to: monitor the committee email, manage CTA's, plan agenda for monthly meetings, and send periodic emails to our committee membership.

Recent Calls to Action

- Provide comments opposing drilling in the *Arctic National Wild Refuge*.
- Attend October 17, 2017 Durango City Council Meeting in support of transitioning Durango To *100% Renewable Energy!*
 - Two ID Environment/Climate committee facilitators attended. A total of approximately 15-20 people in attendance supporting 100% renewable of the City by 2050, 80% by 2030.
- Provide comments to BLM opposing delay of implementing the *Methane Rule*.
- Attend the November 9, 2017 *Climate Change Symposium* at Ft. Lewis College.
- Provide comments opposing drilling in the *Arctic National Wild Refuge* again.
- Participate in the *Rally Against Trump's Monumental Mistake* on December 2, 2017 in Salt Lake City, Utah.

Other Activities

- Invited committee members to participate in '*Come Learn About Concrete Ways YOU Can Help Fight Climate Change*' organized by Citizens Climate Lobby and SASCO (Sustainability Alliance of SW Colorado) on September 24, 2017.
- Co-sponsored a public screening of the film '*True Cost*', shown at the Durango Library on September 26, 2017.
- Organized committee members to distribute posters publicizing November 9, 2017 *Climate Change Symposium* at Ft. Lewis College.
- Invited committee members to meet with ID Public Lands committee and Rep. McLachlan on November 14, 2017. Approximately 25 persons attended event.
- Invited all of ID to attend screening of film '*Chasing Coral*' to be shown at Ft. Lewis College on December 5, 2017.



Colorado State Representative Barbara McLachlan (L) and Lisa Pool, Southwest Field Organizer for Conservation Colorado, address a gathering of ID committee members at Carver Brewing Co. on Nov. 14.