



Citizens' Climate Lobby



## **Presents: Cost-Effective Clean Energy Solutions for NH Legislators in the Monadnock Region**

**Friday, December 14th 3:00 - 5:00 PM at Hannah Grimes  
Roxbury/Wadsworth Room in the upper level**

**Schedule - Subject Presentations will be brief summaries with time for  
questions during Q&A.**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Discussion</b>	<b>Presenter</b>
<b>3:00-3:10</b>	<b>Introductions</b>	<b>Around the Room</b>
<b>3:10-3:20</b>	<b>Urgency of Problem - UN IPCC &amp; USG National Climate Assessment</b>	<b>Suzanne Butcher</b>
<b>3:20-3:40</b>	<b>Introductions to Citizen Climate Lobby - Monadnock Chapter (CCL) &amp; Monadnock Energy Hub</b>	<b>Joel Huberman &amp; John Kondos</b>
<b>3:40-3:50</b>	<b>NH Alternative Energy Plan + Gas is not the Solution</b>	<b>Marge Shepardson</b>
<b>4:00-4:50</b>	<b>Q&amp;A with Legislators - Open time for questions from legislators to CCL and MEH</b>	<b>moderator: Mary Ewell</b>
<b>4:50-5:00</b>	<b>Closing Remarks</b>	<b>John Kondos</b>



**Action Items below are of particular interest to CCL & MEH members and are welcome to be discussed during the open Q&A.**

**Links and contact information are provided within each action item. If you would like more information please reach out to our contact for help. He or she will either directly answer questions or put you in touch with industry or policy experts.**

- Carbon pricing is the most effective way to reduce greenhouse gases (GGs)- CCL proposes a national Carbon Fee & Dividend (CF&D) - a revenue-neutral fee charged per ton of carbon, distributed equally to all citizens. NH should use [shadow carbon pricing](#) in state policy and energy project analysis in anticipation of a coming national carbon price on fossil fuels. [Joel Huberman at [joel.huberman@gmail.com](mailto:joel.huberman@gmail.com)]
- Transportation, the largest source of GG emissions in NH. EV charging infrastructure will start with VW Funds, need to bring to the region. Suggest starting with a very minimal equivalent to a gas tax on public EV chargers that will ramp up as EV registrations increase. Move State highway funding toward vehicle fees for miles traveled, efficiency (encourage this) & GVW (heavier vehicles increase road/bridge wear), mileage is already recorded at inspections and best reflects road use. [Mary Ewell at [mary.c.ewell22@gmail.com](mailto:mary.c.ewell22@gmail.com)]
- Solar--Increase per-project net metering eligibility cap from 1 MW to 5 MW, fund incentives, facilitate group net metering, eliminate the provision allowing utilities to claim unregistered RECs toward their RPS compliance obligations ("REC sweeping"), allow on-bill crediting for group net metering, support community solar programs, and extend the Renewable Portfolio Standard. [Greg Blake at [greg@southpacksolar.com](mailto:greg@southpacksolar.com)]
- Wind--offshore study and plan for the initial project (we're too far behind to just study). [Pat Martin at [pmartin2894@yahoo.com](mailto:pmartin2894@yahoo.com)]
- Hydroelectricity pricing reform [Bob King at [bking31415@gmail.com](mailto:bking31415@gmail.com)]
- "Negawatts" energy efficiency (EE) is our most cost-effective energy source. [Pat Martin at [pmartin2894@yahoo.com](mailto:pmartin2894@yahoo.com)]

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- Utility 2.0--need to shift the utility industry from obsolete fossil fuel resources to more economical, efficient, clean and resilient decentralized resources. Most rules predate renewables, characteristics such as “inertia” and “spinning reserve” are attributes, not reliability. Services such as frequency stabilization and regulation, ramping, voltage regulation, disturbance ride-through, and 10- or 30-minute reserves can be provided as well or better by wind, solar, storage and demand response resources. Revise outdated rules. Restore RGGI energy efficiency (EE) funds to conservation and demand reduction. Support making municipal aggregation viable in NH by changing from opt-in to opt-out participation. Encourage EV infrastructure build out. [Pat Martin at [pmartin2894@yahoo.com](mailto:pmartin2894@yahoo.com)]
- Storage--develop incentives and fund pilot storage projects at municipal facilities with PV to create Resilience Hubs (PV + grid-tied battery systems provide critical power during blackouts and lower costs by managing demand and providing grid services like frequency regulation) and for private sector peak power shaving to reduce business' electric bills (storage saved VT \$20 million in July '18 heatwave) [John Kondos at [jkondos@home-efficiency.com](mailto:jkondos@home-efficiency.com)]
- Building efficiency--incentivize improved zoning regulations for EE, air-source heat pumps for water and heating/cooling and EV-charging-ready homes and businesses. [Peter Wotowiec at [ticonel@gmail.com](mailto:ticonel@gmail.com)]
- Clean Energy & Energy Efficiency drive quality job growth and economic growth, 11,000 in NH employed in the energy efficiency industry. Solar alone employs roughly 1,000 people in 63 solar energy companies, from manufacturers to installers. The energy efficiency and clean energy industries offer well-paying, family-friendly jobs that attract and keep young people in the Granite State. [Henry Herndon at [henry@nhsea.org](mailto:henry@nhsea.org)]

**Thank you to our other Collaborators for helping make the forum a reality:**

Mothers Out Front & MPA Clean Energy Team

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