

Jenna Kay

From: Mary Goody <marygoody65@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 20, 2024 10:46 AM
To: Jenna Kay
Subject: Re: Reminder: 6/22 Climate Project Workshop - Resilience

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Jenna - I regret I will not be able to attend. A family matter has come up so my two tickets will not be used (unless I can find someone to use them.) If possible, could my remarks be considered?

Greetings - I am a licensed private investigator living and working in Clark County. I am licensed in Oregon and Washington. I have lived in both Josephine County, Oregon, Clark and Cowlitz Counties for many years. We have always lived rurally and it is our great joy to be among the forests of our beautiful country. Currently, we live on five acres just west of the Lewisville Market, near Lewisville Park.

Although we live just outside of the impact area, we live very near the Heidleberg (sorry for misspelling) quarry on SR503. The quarry is located just across 503 from Lewisville Park. Recently, the quarry gained approval to expand and began a devastating removal of large trees and vegetation along the 503 area. Previously, those trees gave a substantial amount of shade to Lewisville Park, allowing the cedar and other native vegetation much needed shade from the afternoon sun and heat. The trees in the park have been suffering these last years from our heat domes, and generalized climate change activity. In short, they are dying at an alarming rate.

It is my absolute belief that if we wait until 2035 or some such date into the future to re-establish our tree canopy in Clark County, the future will be grim. We need to start establishing a greater canopy NOW. We need to get creative about this. For instance - you could have not served refreshments today - but instead handed out tree seedlings to be planted by those attending. We need to be looking for areas where small groves can be planted - perhaps start a fund for planting small groves in loved ones names. We need to make it easier for people with smaller lots than is already designated to plant trees for a tax break. We need to see trees as AGRICULTURE - because it provides us with shelter - for people and animals. If we planted trees that produce food - such as nuts or fruit - we create produce.

Developers should have to plant MORE than 1-2 small trees per lot, and plant not only deciduous trees but those conifers that will survive the heat. They should be required to provide a lot of shaded areas in their small park areas.

I am hopeful that some of my ideas can spark simple and inexpensive ways to begin to add to our canopy right now - so that by the time 2025 rolls around - we'll have mature trees working for our clean air, providing shading and cooling areas, and maybe even enthusiasum for the restoration of our beautiful forests of Washington.

Thank you,
Mary Goody

On Jun 20, 2024, at 8:41 AM, Jenna Kay <Jenna.Kay@clark.wa.gov> wrote:

Good morning,

Thank you for registering to attend the **Clark County Climate Project Community Workshop: Resilience**.

We look forward to seeing you this **Saturday, June 22, 9:00-11:00am** at Sarah J Anderson Elementary School, 2215 NE 104th St, Vancouver, WA 98686.

Doors open at 8:30am. We will be meeting in the school commons. There will be signs pointing the way to the workshop location.

Attached please find a copy of the workshop program.

Please let us know if you have any questions!

Regards,
Jenna

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