

CT Climate Change Speakers List

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The following organizations and individuals are available to do presentations on climate change. The Governor's Steering Committee on Climate Change does not necessarily endorse these organizations or the content of their presentations. You should contact the individuals directly to determine presentation suitability and availability of the speaker for your needs.

Topic Area	Focus	Speaker/Affiliation	Contact Info
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Climate Change Powerpoint Slide Presentation from "An Inconvenient Truth" Climate Solutions – Citizen Involvement Clean Energy Campaigns 	Trained by Al Gore to present powerpoint slides on climate change from "An Inconvenient Truth." Clean energy 20% by 2010 campaign. Student and youth activism and grassroots organizing.	Colin Bennett Clean Energy Organizer Clean Water Action http://www.cleanwateraction.org/ct	Office: 860-232-6232 Cell: 860-395-8392 cbennett@cleanwater.org
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Climate Change Powerpoint Slide Presentation from "An Inconvenient Truth" Climate Change Impacts 	Trained by Al Gore to present powerpoint slides on climate change from "An Inconvenient Truth." Impacts of climate change.	Dr. R. Laurence Davis Professor of Earth and Environmental Sciences Department of Biology and Environmental Sciences University of New Haven	rldavis@newhaven.edu 203-932-7108
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Climate Change Powerpoint Slide Presentation from "An Inconvenient Truth" Climate Solutions - Green Building Climate Solutions - Corporate Carbon Initiatives & Sustainability Climate Change - Health Effects 	Trained by Al Gore to present powerpoint slides on climate change from "An Inconvenient Truth." Design and renovation of buildings, factories and homes to reduce carbon footprint. Presentations to businesses on economic impacts and opportunities of climate change and adaptation and mitigation strategies. Local and global health effects such as the rise of endemic disease, seasonal variation of disease duration & extent.	Dr. Mitch Kennedy Naturopathic Physician, Avon, CT	860-673-9954 drmitch@healwithnature.com
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Climate Change Powerpoint Slide Presentation from "An Inconvenient Truth" 	Trained by Al Gore to present powerpoint slides on climate change from "An Inconvenient Truth." Available to do presentations in Fairfield County.	Peter Libre	203-981-3246 plibre@optonline.net
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Climate Change Powerpoint Slide Presentation from "An Inconvenient Truth" 	Trained by Al Gore to present powerpoint slides on climate change from "An Inconvenient Truth."	Thomas J. Scaramellino New Haven/New York City	Thomas.Scaramellino@gmail.com
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Climate Change Powerpoint Slide Presentation from "An Inconvenient Truth" 	Trained by Al Gore to present powerpoint slides on climate change from "An Inconvenient Truth."	Marjorie Shansky Attorney at Law (Land Use) Lecturer at Yale School of Forestry and Env Studies New Haven, CT	203 469-3004 marjorie.f.shansky@snet.net
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Climate Change Science Climate Impacts 	The roles of regional processes in climate change, using global and regional numerical models of climate. How do we know what we know, how has climate changed in the past, what do the projections mean for New England? Understanding the International Panel on Climate Change Assessment Reports.	Dr. Anji Seth Assistant Research Professor; Climatology University of Connecticut http://www.geography.uconn.edu/people/seth.html	860-486-4660 anji.seth@uconn.edu

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CT Climate Change Policy Climate Solutions – All Sectors 	<p>CT Climate Change Action Plan and state policies. Climate solutions being implemented throughout CT and what individuals and organizations can do to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.</p>	<p>Lynn Stoddard Environmental Analyst Climate Change & Energy Team CT Department of Environmental Protection</p> <p>www.ct.gov/dep www.ctclimatechange.com</p>	<p>860-424-3236 lynn.stoddard@po.state.ct.us</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CT Climate Change Policy Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative Climate Solutions – All Sectors 	<p>CT Climate Change Action Plan and state policies. Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative – a regional cap-and-trade program for CO2 emissions from large power plants. CT solutions to climate change.</p>	<p>Chris Nelson Environmental Analyst Climate Change & Energy Team CT Department of Environmental Protection</p> <p>www.ct.gov/dep www.ctclimatechange.com www.rggi.org</p>	<p>860-424-3454 chris.nelson@po.state.ct.us</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Climate Solutions - Businesses Climate Solutions – Higher Education 	<p>Emerging trends in higher education, insurance, financial and business communities related to climate change. The business risks and opportunities of climate change. Examples of businesses that have responded to climate change. Higher Education and Climate Change, the American (College and University) Presidents Climate Change Commitment (APCCC).</p>	<p>John Cusack President Gifford Park Associates</p> <p>www.giffordpark.net</p>	<p>914-527-3085 jcusack@att.net</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Climate Solutions – Citizen Involvement Clean Energy Campaigns CT Progress on Climate Change 	<p>CT's progress on global warming and the importance of citizen involvement. Simple ways organizations and individuals can participate in the democratic process to reduce global warming pollution and improve CT's air quality. Citizen and municipal participation in the 20% by 2010 campaign.</p>	<p>Roger Smith Campaign Director for Clean Water Action Coordinator of the Connecticut Climate Coalition</p> <p>www.cleanwateraction.org/ct</p>	<p>860-232-6232 rsmith@cleanwater.org</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Climate Solutions – Faith Communities 	<p>Clean energy purchases for faith communities, greening congregations, life style issues, faith and Creation Care.</p>	<p>Rabbi Andrea Coehn-Kiener Director Interreligious Eco-Justice Network</p> <p>www.irejn.org</p>	<p>860-231-8554 andrea@irejn.org</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Climate Solutions – Higher Education Energy Benchmarking – Municipalities and Schools 	<p>Green Campuses. High Performance School building standards. Energy Star benchmarking and products.</p>	<p>Bill Leahy Chief Executive Director for Operations The Institute for Sustainable Energy Eastern Connecticut State University</p> <p>http://www.easternct.edu/depts/sustainenergy/</p>	<p>860-465-0252 LeahyW@easternct.edu</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Climate solutions – Kids and Families 	<p>A presentation by kids for kids and families (targeting 5th and 6th grade). A short DVD (created by students) on simple steps to reduce CO2 emissions, followed by a presentation led by four students.</p>	<p>Homeschooled students (ages 15, 13, 11, and 10)</p>	<p>Imani and homeschooled students c/o Alchemy Juice Bar Cafe 860-983-5276</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CT Electricity Portfolio Clean Energy 	<p>Overview of programs, including clean energy, intended to diversify CT electricity portfolio while over time stabilizing prices, encouraging economic growth, public health and environmental benefits. Information on DPUC's conservation and energy efficiency programs, distributed generation grant program, and other programs.</p>	<p>David Goldberg Research & Policy Division CT Dept of Public Utility Control</p> <p>www.ct.gov/dpuc</p>	<p>860-827-2886 david.goldberg@po.state.ct.us</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clean Energy 	<p>Programs to promote the purchase of clean energy in CT, including 20% by 2010 campaign, CT Clean Energy Options program, CT Clean Energy Communities Program. Learn how towns can qualify for free solar energy systems under the Clean Energy Communities incentive program.</p>	<p>Keri Enright State Program Director for CT and PA SmartPower</p> <p>www.smartpower.org www.ctcleanenergy.com/communities</p>	<p>860-249-7040 kenright@smartpower.org</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clean Energy Solar Rebate Program 	<p>Programs to promote the purchase of clean energy in CT, including 20% by 2010 campaign, CT Clean Energy Options program, CT Clean Energy Communities Program. Learn how towns can qualify for free solar energy systems under the Clean Energy Communities incentive program. Information on solar photovoltaic system rebates and clean energy development incentives.</p>	<p>Bob Wall Director, Energy Market Initiatives CT Clean Energy Fund</p> <p>www.ctcleanenergy.com www.ctcleanenergy.com/communities</p>	<p>860-563-0015 bob.wall@ctinnovations.com</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clean Energy 	<p>Sustainable Energy and global warming. Conservation and use of renewable energy technologies such as solar thermal, solar electric, and wind energy. The Sustainable Energy Studies program at ECSU helps students develop the knowledge and skills to help CT make the transition to a more sustainable society.</p>	<p>Fred Loxsom Professor, Endowed Chair in Sustainable Energy Studies Environmental Earth Sciences Department Eastern Connecticut State University</p> <p>http://www.easternct.edu/personal/faculty/loxsomf</p>	<p>860-465-0368 loxsomf@easternct.edu</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Energy Efficiency 	<p>Information about how energy efficient living impacts greenhouse gas emissions and global warming. Energy Efficiency programs and incentives, including the SmartLiving Center, eesmart education program, and incentives to purchase energy efficient products.</p>	<p>Christopher Ehlert Manager, Energy Services (Residential) The United Illuminating Company</p>	<p>203-499-2965 christopher.ehlert@uinet.com</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Environmental Purchasing – State and Municipal 	<p>Information on the State's Environmentally Preferable Products program. Contracts that allow state agencies and municipalities to purchase products and services that are less harmful to the environment.</p>	<p>Carol Wilson Procurement Director CT Department of Administrative Services</p> <p>http://www.das.state.ct.us/Purchase/Epp/Index.htm</p>	<p>860-713-5093 Carol.Wilson@ct.gov</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Solid Waste Management Plan, Amended 2006 	<p>CTDEP recently amended the state's solid waste management plan. for the first time in 15 years. The Plan serves as the basis for CT's solid waste management planning and implementation for the next twenty years. The Plan is consistent with the CT Climate Action Plan 2005 recommendation that called for an increase in recycling and source reduction of municipal solid waste. Advisory Committee established and open to all to join.</p>	<p>Tessa Gutowski Management Analyst 3 Office of Planning and Program Development CT Department of Environmental Protection</p> <p>www.ct.gov/dep</p>	<p>860-424-3096 tessa.gutowski@po.state.ct.us</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recycling 	<p>Information on CT recycling requirements and how to set up and improve source reduction, composting, and recycling programs for towns, businesses, households, and institutions.</p>	<p>Recycling Office CT Department of Environmental Protection</p> <p>http://www.ct.gov/dep/cwp/view.asp?a=2714&q=324884&depNav_GID=1645&depNav= </p>	<p>CT DEP Recycling Office 860-424-3297 or 860-424-3365</p>