

Western Climate Initiative – Background Research, Resources

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Western Climate Initiative

<http://www.westernclimateinitiative.org/>

Official website of the Western Climate Initiative

David Suzuki Foundation

Media Briefing Information – May 8, 2008

<http://www.davidsuzuki.org/latestnews/dsfnews05080801.asp>

Backgrounder

http://www.davidsuzuki.org/files/climate/WCI_Media_Backgrounder_Final.pdf

Pembina Institute – Sustainable Energy Solutions – Publications

<http://climate.pembina.org/pubs>

Carbon Taxes: Key Issues, Key Questions

<http://pubs.pembina.org/reports/carbontaxfactsheetv2.pdf>

Canadians' Views on a Carbon Tax to Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions

<http://pubs.pembina.org/reports/C-TaxPoll-Backgrounder.pdf>

Pembina Institute – British Columbia Sustainable Energy Solutions

<http://bc.pembina.org/climate-change>

Cap and Trade: Reducing Pollution, Inspiring Innovation

<http://www.pembina.org/pub/1616>

BC Federation of Labour

Media Release, May 21, 2008 <http://www.bcfed.ca/node/1279>

"Any cap and trade system must take into account, workers in vulnerable industries that will inevitably be affected," said Jim Sinclair, President of British Columbia Federation of Labour.

"We need to protect our industries against foreign manufacturers who haven't introduced a cap and trade system and who continue to pollute."

"Reaching mitigation goals will require a broad mindset, including an understanding of labour market dynamics and job training needs. Such an understanding is only possible through partnering with trade unions who have on-the-ground experience," said Tim Rainey of the California Labour Federation.

"Labour unions are learning from the experiences of our counterparts around the world. We know that efforts to deal with global warming present major opportunities to create good, family wage jobs - but only if labour is at the table to insist on wage and benefit standards," said Barbara Byrd, Secretary-Treasurer of the Oregon AFL-CIO.

Sightline Institute

http://www.sightline.org/research/energy/res_pubs/climate-policy-project

Sightline Institute is a not-for-profit research and communication center--a think tank--based in Seattle. Nonpartisan and wholly independent, Sightline's only ideology is commitment to the shared values of community, fairness, responsibility, and opportunity.

Cap & Trade and Consumer Fairness

http://www.sightline.org/research/energy/res_pubs/windfalls

Transportation in a Cap & Trade System

http://www.sightline.org/research/energy/res_pubs/fact-sheet-why-transportation-matters-in-cap-and-trade

Sightline Comments on Western Climate Initiative Scope

http://www.sightline.org/research/energy/res_pubs/wci-scope-comments/view

Cap and Trade for the West: FAQs

http://www.sightline.org/research/energy/res_pubs/cap-and-tradeFAQ/?searchterm=western%20climate%20initiative

Climate Pricing 101 http://www.sightline.org/research/energy/res_pubs/climate-pricing-primer/?searchterm=western%20climate%20initiative

Carbon Offset Providers Coalition

<http://www.carbonoffsetproviders.org/4.html>

Founded in 2007, the Carbon Offset Providers Coalition (the “COPC”) is a cooperative alliance of leading entities operating in the carbon offset market. The Coalition’s members include those involved in financing, producing, generating, providing, aggregating and/or marketing these greenhouse gas (GHG) emission reductions for sale as offsets in existing and emerging voluntary and compliance GHG emission trading markets. The COPC’s purpose is to ensure that evolving GHG regulatory regimes in the United States develop in a manner that promotes both environmental integrity and economic efficiency, which the COPC believes is best achieved through the establishment of a robust marketplace for offset providers and their customers.

COPC Comments on WCI Draft Design Recommendations

<http://www.carbonoffsetproviders.org/resources/COPC+Comments+on+WCI+Draft+Design+Recommendations.pdf>

Comments for the Western Climate Initiative Offsets Subcommittee

<http://www.carbonoffsetproviders.org/resources/Comments+of+the+COPC+for+the+WCI+Offsets+Subcommittee+doc.pdf>

Faskin Martineau

http://www.fasken.com/wci_bulletin_may_21_2008/

Law Firm serving clients who are members or stakeholders of the WCI

Regional Climate Initiatives – An Overview

<http://www.fasken.com/publications/detail.aspx?publication=4488>

Western Climate Initiative Issues Cap and Trade Design Recommendations

http://www.fasken.com/files/Publication/3a43f0de-160e-4819-9d55-00895e1fe460/Presentation/PublicationAttachment/c014dd4d-1a09-459a-ba32-219dbbadff47/WCI_Bulletin_May_21_2008.PDF