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Regarding: Rulemaking - Chapter 173-446 WAC, Climate Commitment Act Program

Thank you for moving forward on reducing emissions and stabilizing our climate. Proper action now can save money in the long-run by reducing the harmful effects of extreme climate.*

I am sure you are getting lots of great feedback on the details of CCA and I hope you will take it into consideration.

In particular, be sure to include representatives from diverse communities, front-line communities, and tribal councils.

And take steps to ensure transparency and oversight so that the important goals of the CCA are realized.

Thank you!

-M. Aufrecht

*For example, I'm currently paying to remove a tree above my home that has perished because of extreme heat and lack of rain. Under historic climate conditions in the Pacific Northwest, this tree could have lived and thrived for another hundred years or more.

Rising food prices are due, in part, to droughts reaching historic levels around the world. ("Drought's Toll on U.S. Agriculture Points to Even-Higher Food Prices" Wall Street Journal). CCA is an essential move forward to temper future droughts, save the trees we still have, and reduce overall costs in the long-term.

