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Name(s) of person(s) speaking: Mackai Sharp

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Organization Information

Organization you are representing: Youth Environmental Action

Primary purpose of the organization: Climate preservation and education.

Number of members: 25

Mailing Information

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Meeting Details

Subject matter:

Empowering youth to take action on climate change and other environmental issues.

Specific request of the regional district, if any (i.e. letter of support, funding): Proposals for positive change in regards to climate change.

Requested meeting date: May 14th

Audio-visual equipment needed: Projector and speakers.

Information for contact purposes only

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Our Valley in Your Hands

A presentation by Youth Environmental Action

Youth Environmental Action

An environmental group dedicated to empowering youth to take action on climate crisis and other environmental issues.

Youth Environmental Action is an environmental group dedicated to empowering youth to take action on climate crisis and other environmental issues. So far, our accomplishments have included taking action to clean our community of waste, meeting with our MLA and local councillors and mayors to discuss environmental issues, many of whom are here today, and organizing a climate strike on May 3rd in line with Greta Thunberg's Fridays For Future, to raise awareness around climate crisis. The event attracted around 300 people, the majority of whom were youth from around the Valley.



Long Term Goals

- ❑ Electrification of public vehicles
- ❑ Exceeding expectations in time and quality in comparison to CleanBC's projections
- ❑ Ensuring greater food security
- ❑ Putting and using solar panels in public buildings
- ❑ Promoting our local agriculture
- ❑ Replanting trees and protecting old growth forests



Our Requests



- Make the farmer's market more accessible and fund the nutrition coupon program
- Ban chemical pesticides in homes
- Have recycling pickup be each week and garbage pickup every second week throughout the Valley
- Create an environmental sustainability committee, funded by the government
- Meet with the Trustees to encourage them to talk to the provincial government about implementing climate crisis education into the curriculum
- Declare a climate state of emergency





Conclusion

Before we conclude our presentation, it's important for us to say that we are big supporters of the movement to ban single use plastics, and we hope that not only are plastic bags and straws banned in the Valley, but also that the list of banned single use items continues expanding. On that note, thank you so much for listening to our presentation and supporting our group. We hope to inspire positive environmental change in our Valley working with you, and we hope to present as a delegation soon in the future.