

## **Subject: Follow up to Jan 21st Increasing Climate Literacy at Your Library**

Hello everyone!

Thank you for your participation on Wednesday afternoon. We completely enjoyed our time with you! We hope you found our key messages useful:

#1 There is Hope

#2 Our Choices Matter

#3 Influence Matters

#4 Make Hope Active

Below are some excellent resources for you to continue your learning.

Please feel free to connect with us in the future:

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Take care,

Caitlin, Joan and Kristen

### **Helpful websites and books:**

[drawdown.org](https://drawdown.org)

[drawdown.org/explorer](https://drawdown.org/explorer)

[https://jointheshift.earth/  
regeneration.org](https://jointheshift.earth/regeneration.org)

<https://westcoastclimateaction.ca/>

<https://westcoastclimateaction.ca/the-bc-climate-news-roundup/>

**A Good War: Mobilizing Canada for the Climate Emergency**; Author: Seth Klein  
(compares our government's actions during WWII to what our government needs to be doing now)

**Here Comes the Sun**; Author: Bill McKibben (2025 update on all things solar and electric)

### **BCLA**

[Climate Action Statement](#)

[Climate Action Framework](#)

[Climate Action Committee](#)

## **Credible, Free Newsletters:**

[Chris Hatch Zero Carbon Newsletter](#) (National Observer)  
[Carbon Brief](#)

## **Podcasts**

[CBC Radio show and podcast What on Earth](#)  
[Episode 97: The Angry Clean Energy Guy's Top 10 Good Climate News Stories of 2025](#)

## **Ideas for talking about climate solutions with everyone:**

[Humorous climate overview video](#): Share this with your network and then talk about it after

[Talk, Baby, Talk](#) - Re.Climate's 2025 article and webinar "What do Canadians Really Think about Climate Change?"

[What 2025 Taught us about Climate Communications](#)

[SHIFT](#) – take this online assessment that uses your basic personal information to recommend specific actions you can take as a citizen, professional, investor, consumer, and role model. Ask your friends to take the assessment too and then talk about it!

[Subscribe to Katharine Hayhoe's newsletter](#) - A weekly newsletter that provides current ideas of what to talk about and other actions on climate solutions.

[katharinehayhoe.com](https://katharinehayhoe.com)

[Ecological Footprint Calculator](#) is a super simple way to determine your personal footprint and then you can talk about it

[Imagine the Future Video](#) - a vision for a positive future with a stable climate so we can talk about the kind of future we want to work toward

[Neighbourhood Small Grants](#) : Host a Block Party in your neighbourhood to talk with your neighbours

[West Coast Climate Action Network newsletter](#) – subscribe to this free newsletter to stay up to date in your climate conversations

## **Credible information that you may use to clear up misinformation:**

### **Renewable energy and storage:**

[Factcheck: 16 misleading myths about solar](#)

[Clean Energy Canada](#) on the Cost of Renewable vs. Gas Energy

<https://www.iea.org/reports/world-energy-investment-2024/overview-and-key-findings> on where money is being spent on energy

[battery storage](#) on growth of battery storage

-[all the structural growth](#) in renewables supplies enough for all new electricity demand and is still growing

## **We will have enough electricity:**

[The Rewiring America Handbook](#) - why we will have enough electricity

[Reality Check B.C. is ready for an electrified 2030, and it's good news for household energy bills and grid security](#)

[The Electrotech Revolution](#) - VERY inspiring and positive!

## **Buildings:**

[Factcheck: 18 misleading myths about heat pumps](#)

### **Facts on Heat Pumps.**

[Clean BC Energy Coaches](#) - Get advice about energy efficient and low pollution housing in BC. The Energy Coach is a free coaching service for homeowners and commercial building owners. These trained staff can help you with energy efficiency upgrades and rebate information. Call Monday-Friday: 9:00am – 5:00pm Toll free: 1-844-881-9790.

[BC's Provincial guide to rebates](#) on building energy and efficiency upgrades

[Canada greener homes grant](#) : Federal guide to available grants

[Canada Greener Homes Affordability Program](#) -newly announced program based on income (good equity!)

[Which Heat Pump is Right for You?](#) - Heat Pump Options Explained – Video

[Heat Pump Myth Busting](#) : video and article

[Zero Emission Building Exchange](#)- subscribe to their excellent e-newsletter

[US town bans gas in new buildings & housing boomed anyway](#) - shows building all electric is slightly less expensive to build and operate than building mixed fuel homes

## **Clean Cooking:**

[Canadian Physicians for the Environment Heat, Cool, Breathe](#)

## **Transportation:**

[Factcheck: 21 misleading myths about electric vehicles](#)

[Coquitlam resident spends only \\$60 a month driving 3,000 kilometres. How does he do it?](#)

CBC Podcast: [The Great Canadian EV Road Trip](#)

[How does the environmental impact of mining for clean energy metals compare to mining for coal, oil and gas?](#)

[“What do I look for?” Promise and pitfalls in buying a used EV](#)

[EVs account for 1 in 4 new cars in UK, nearly 1 in 5 in Germany](#)

## **Plant rich diets:**

[Revealed: How the Meat Industry Uses Environmental Groups to Make Beef Seem Climate-Friendly - DeSmog](#)

[PR campaign may have fuelled food study backlash, leaked document shows | Food | The Guardian](#)

[The Vegan vs. Carnivore Narrative Distracts From Climate Action | The Bittman Project](#)

### **The cost of inaction:**

[A Climate Reckoning The economic costs of BC's extreme weather in 2021](#)

[Climate Change Costs in Canada](#)

[Make Polluters Pay - over half of world's CO2 emissions come from 36 fossil fuel firms](#)

### **Climate Change and Fossil Fuels:**

[Emissions Cap Fact Sheet.](#)

[Wildfire fact sheet on causes and links to the oil and gas industry.](#)

[Carbon Pricing Fact Sheet.](#)

[How the Carbon Tax Got Alberta Off Coal and Could Reduce Future Wildfires \(Podcast\).](#)

[Canada's forests haven't absorbed more carbon than they've released since 2001.](#)

[It isn't arson: untangling climate misinformation around Canada's raging wildfires & climate crisis made spate of Canada wildfires twice as likely, scientists find.](#)

[CO2 is a pollutant in the case of climate change](#) and human caused CO2 causes climate change – it's not just 'plant food.'

More on other common [climate myths](#).

### **Communicating about Climate Solutions through Art**

[Song for the Climate](#)

[You are Our Sunshine - A Climate Change Music Video](#)

[We Can Think it Out Song by BC Youth](#)