

NORTH WEST COMMUNITIES FOR CLIMATE ACTION - CONFERENCE PROGRAM

FREE



FRIDAY & SATURDAY, JUNE 4-5, 2021

Free Community Event / Delivered Online

PRESENTED BY NORTH WEST METROPOLITAN COUNCILS AND PARTNERS.



Moreland
City Council



NORTH WEST COMMUNITIES FOR CLIMATE ACTION

DAY 1

Friday 4 June

9:30AM

WELCOME / ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

10AM



STREAM 1

YOUTH AND SCHOOL-LED INITIATIVES FOR CLIMATE SOLUTIONS.

*Youth-led initiatives
Facilitated by CERES
10:10am - 11am*

Youth-led initiatives like Zoos youth leadership program and Climate Adaptation Requires Youth Action (CARYA) are leading the way organising for climate advocacy and action. Whittlesea student Rudra Sekhri has written a book, *The Earth Needs You: What We Can Do To Stop Climate Change*. Find out what students can do in our local areas to get active around climate change.

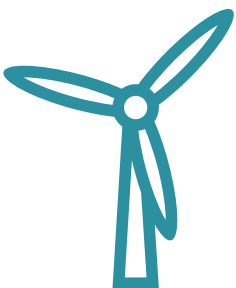
STREAM 2

HOW CAN COMMUNITY AND WELFARE ORGANISATIONS BEST SUPPORT VULNERABLE PEOPLE?

*Exploring vulnerabilities, scenario planning and building collaborative networks for supporting the community.
Facilitated by Northern Alliance for Greenhouse Action
10am - 12:30pm*

Northern Alliance for Greenhouse Action and community service organisations will take us through some tools for supporting community members dealing with climate change impacts, and discuss how services can build collaborative networks for ongoing support.

11:10AM - 12PM



SHOWCASE SCHOOL-LED ACTION

Youth-led initiatives

Showcasing leading school-based projects that are reducing emissions. Featuring Roxburgh Rise Primary School, winners of ResourceSmart School energy award. Footscray High School present their Tiny House that runs on wind turbines!

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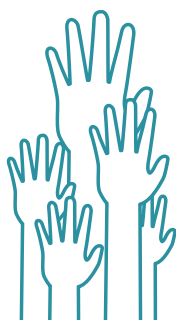
Friday 4 June continued

12PM

LUNCH

1PM - 2:30PM

STREAM 1



COUNCIL SUPPORTED YOUTH ENVIRONMENTAL ADVOCACY

1pm - 2:30pm

Local Government Councillors and staff are invited to hear recommendations and have discussions about students' environmental concerns.

Resource for students pre-reading [Civics | Local Government: Local government services and 'Joining In'](#) (curriculum.edu.au)

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DAY 2

Saturday 5 June

9AM

WELCOME / ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

9:30AM

KEYNOTE ADDRESS

Professor Bruce Pascoe, author of Dark Emu and appointed Enterprise Professor in Indigenous Agriculture, University of Melbourne.

Professor Pascoe will discuss the role of cultural burning fire in helping to prevent bushfires. He will also discuss his experience of the 2019/20 bushfires, volunteering with the Mallacoota CFA.

10AM - 11:20AM



PLENARY - CARING FOR COUNTRY, CARING FOR EACH OTHER PLENARY WITH GHERAN-YARRAMAN STEEL BRIGGS, CEO AND OPERATIONS, BOON WURRUNG FOUNDATION

Featuring examples of how cultural burns can help prevent bushfires. Featuring a video of a cultural burn at the Sunbury Rings Cultural Landscape where staff from Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung trained staff from Hume City Council.

11.30AM - 12:15PM



STREAM 1

WHAT CAN I DO IN AN EMERGENCY? VOLUNTEER WITH THE CFA, FIRE SERVICES VICTORIA, SES AND VICTORIAN COUNCIL OF CHURCHES.

Hear from experienced volunteers and staff about why they volunteer in extreme weather events and emergencies and how emergency support has changed since Black Saturday. Learn about training opportunities and what to expect from the volunteer roles.

STREAM 2

LOCAL ACTION DURING AN EMERGENCY.

Local community groups play a crucial role in connecting our communities. Learn how a range of groups are using community organising to take action and build the community groundswell on climate change. Find out how to get involved!

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DAY 2

Saturday 5 June, continued

12:15PM - 1PM

LUNCH



SCREENING OF *BEYOND THE BURNING*

*Directed by: David Franjic
Script/interviews by: James Norman
Produced by: Environment Victoria
Film Duration: 25 minutes
Followed by Q&A with Producer Greg Foyster*

Beyond the Burning is a production of Environment Victoria and was funded by Lord Mayor's Charitable Foundation.

Now the smoke has cleared, how can we move forward from last summer's devastating bushfires? Through intimate personal stories, Beyond the Burning explores the terrible toll of this tragedy, the underlying causes of climate change and destructive logging, and two inspiring local solutions – handing back forest management to Traditional Owners and rebuilding with renewables.

1.10PM - 2PM

LAND RIGHTS, TREATY AND CLIMATE CHANGE WITH GHERAN-YARRAMAN STEEL BRIGGS, CEO AND OPERATIONS, BOON WURRUNG FOUNDATION



By listening to and learning from the Traditional Owners and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, we can get a deeper, historical and cultural understanding of the impacts of a changing climate. A Treaty with sovereign land rights would enable Traditional Owner groups to have a much greater say in land management, and would lead to positive environmental outcomes.

2:00PM - 2.30PM

WHERE TO FROM HERE?

Creative action for a better future.
Summarising the actions we can all take.

2.30PM

CLOSE