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## UPCOMING EVENTS



### MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Saturday, September 28th from  
10am to Noon  
North Bend Public Library  
Gallery Meeting Room

All members are invited to join as we discuss updates on the Jordan Cove Energy Project and our local program for action. Review [LWVCC positions here](#).

### VOTER REGISTRATION DAY

Tuesday, September 24th from 10:30am to 3:30pm  
Coos Bay Public Library

*Did you know September is Voter Registration Month?*

Each year, millions of Americans miss the opportunity to vote because they don't know how to register or they miss their state's deadline to register. LWVCC members will proudly be at the Coos Bay Public Library helping our community with registration.

You can check and update registration online [here](#).

### Today is National Voter Registration Day!

Read a [message](#) from Maggie Bush, the Programs and Outreach Director for the League of Women Voters of the US. She currently manages the League's nationwide voter registration programs. You can read her post [here](#).

### Leagues Register Over 20,000 New Youth

#### Voters

Read a [blog post](#) from Alicia Gurrieri, an organizer with LWV, about the record breaking number of student voters registered in 2019.

You can find her message [here](#).

## WANT TO SEE MORE EVENTS?

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Photo by Alex Derr

## **Four Local Leagues of Women Voters from Coos Bay to Malin and LWVOR Call for State and Federal Agencies to Deny Permits to Jordan Cove Energy Project**

*Shirley Weathers, LWVRV Climate Change Coordinator and Christine Moffitt, LWVCC Board*

At the 2018 Convention of the LWVUS, grass-roots membership from around the nation approved a Resolution: "The League of Women Voters supports a set of climate assessment criteria that . . . require that the latest climate science be used to evaluate proposed energy policies and major projects. ...." The Resolution hits home for the four local Leagues in southern Oregon counties that, along with their communities, have faced for over a decade the proposed Jordan Cove Energy Project (JCEP). Canadian Pembina Corporation seeks to build the two-part JCEP, consisting of a 530-acre liquefied natural gas storage and export facility known as the Jordan Cove LNG project on Coos Bay and a 230-mile 36" Pacific Connector Gas Pipeline to supply it from a hub in Malin, Oregon. Proponents see jobs (mostly temporary) and tax revenues as benefits; Pembina spares no expense on high-dollar promotional efforts. Opponents, including the four local Leagues and the LWVOR, see unacceptable negative impacts on the natural environment from air to water to aquatic and wildlife, as well as serious safety risks. Build a massive LNG storage and export facility hosting 950-foot tankers traveling in and out of the bay in the Cascadia Subduction and tsunami zone? This activity near the largest population center on the Oregon coast—an important fishing port and tourist center with many schools and regional health centers? Allow a foreign corporation to bury a highly pressurized natural gas pipeline across 230 miles of drought-stressed, heavily timbered and landslide-prone terrain, while exercising eminent domain against hundreds of private landowners for right-of-way takings? Install a massive new, methane-emitting fossil fuel infrastructure in Oregon—or anywhere—with a climate emergency already upon us?

Based on our understanding of the potential impacts of this proposed project and an ample list of League positions, the local LWVs of Coos County, Umpqua, Rogue Valley, and Klamath County have determined that this project is contrary to the public interest. We have exerted extensive efforts to stop it through regulatory advocacy. This means submitting well-researched, substantive technical comments to effect denial of key state and federal permits JCEP needs to move forward to construction.

We will not drag you "into the weeds" with us. Our local websites, as well as that of the LWVOR, have our four major comments posted for anyone interested. More are on the way. We also act individually in our own local communities, sponsoring presentations for our members and the public, testifying at public hearings, supporting comment writing workshops hosted by allied groups, and encouraging League members to write.

This joint action by the four local Leagues, taken in solidarity with other community members and organizations and Tribes, is a step in the long journey to stop this harmful project. We thank the LWVOR for their support and welcome the participation of local Leagues and Leaguers statewide.

## **STAY UP TO DATE ON THE JORDAN COVE ENERGY PROJECT**

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