

ECO conference 2016 – 13-14 August

"Moving Through the Climate Crisis, and Water Matters"

Venue: The Wesley Community Centre 740 Sandringham Road extension, Sandringham

Saturday 13th:

8.15am coffee available

8.30am registrations open and coffee available

9.00am Open gathering

9.15am Opening **Session 1: Power, politics and prices**

- Our water crisis: Dr Mike Joy Massey University
- Principles and prices: Cath Wallace, ECO Vice-Chairperson.
- Rights and obligations: Daniel Hikuroa, Senior Lecturer, Anthropology
- Practical steps in river protection: Millan Ruka,

10.15am Morning tea

10.45 **Session 2 Getting to swimmable rivers**

What can we do as citizens to get to swimmable rivers?

- Getting the national framework right: Kevin Hackwell, General Manager Advocacy, Forest and Bird
- Agriculture's new reality: Alison Dewes agri-ecologist
- Raising public awareness: Marnie Prickett : Choose Clean Water
- Genevieve Toop: Greenpeace

Followed by a discussion

12.15: Lunch

1.15pm Session 3: Organising for change: facilitated discussion on action

Panel discussion with contributions from the floor

Parallel Sessions

2.00: **ECO AGM for ECO members** only

Please let the ECO Executive Office know if you are going to attend – eco@eco.org.nz

Practical workshops:

- Working with the media – how to get your message out
- Getting your on-line off-line – how to maximize the impact of your online presence in the real world
- Direct Action Training – when you need to put yourself on the line

3.30: afternoon tea

4.00: AGM continued (if needed)

Practical workshops repeated

5.00 Formal close for the day

Sunday 14th:

8.30am Late registrations coffee, tea

9.00 Introduction to the day

Session 4: Climate change NZ nature and the law

9.15 Climate change and nature's New Zealand crisis

Nature faces big threats from climate change but can help us get through the climate crisis: **Geoff Keey**
Climate Advocate Forest & Bird – followed by questions

10.00am A climate law to help see us through the crisis

Learn about plans to write a new climate law and how you can get involved: **Generation Zero**

10.30 morning tea

Session 5: Divesting from fossil fuels

11.00 Divesting from fossil fuels to get through the climate crisis

Bill McKibben will deliver a pre-recorded speech followed by a panel discussion on divesting from fossil fuels
Discussion

12.00 lunch

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Session 6: Moving to a fossil free world

12.45 Just moving on: a just transition to a fossil fuel free world

Sean Sweeney - Trade Unions for Energy Democracy, will deliver pre-recorded presentation on initiatives in the union movement followed by a panel discussion of:

- Jeanette Fitzsimons** from Coal Action Network Aotearoa
- Sam Huggard** - Secretary of the New Zealand Council of Trade Unions (Te Kauae Kaimahi)
- Jared Abbott** from FIRST Union
- Gary Cranston**, Unite Union
- Sean Sweeney** – pre-recorded item

1.30pm wrap up and reflections

1.45pm formal session ends

