

NOVEMBER 17-19, 2017 HAW RIVER STATE PARK BROWN SUMMIT, NC

WELCOME TO THE NC CLIMATE JUSTICE SUMMIT

We deserve a world in which we can all thrive! We demand a world where no people or places are treated as sacrifice zones to corporate greed and exploitation. That's why hundreds of community leaders of all ages and backgrounds are coming together at this fourth annual gathering of the NC Climate Justice Summit.

The NCCJS is rooted in the understanding that **all** people have a vital contribution to make in dealing with climate change. We also recognize that **some** people—particularly people of color and poor people—are hit first and worst by the carbon polluting industries causing climate change and by the intensifying floods, droughts, hurricanes and sea level rise that result from it.

We believe that the NCCJS helps to grow everybody's movement, generating the broad base necessary to address the challenges we face. The NCCJS is where we build relationships across differences of age, race, region and issue in order to find common cause. It's time to skill up, get creative and take strategic, collective action.

Achieving climate justice requires a fundamental transformation of our society based on the principles of social, environmental and economic justice. We are here to plant the seeds of a life-sustaining and equitable culture.

On behalf of the Leadership Team, we welcome you and are glad you have come. We invite you to lean in to this supportive community space and make our time together memorable and generative.

Jodi Lasseter, NCCJS Founder and Co-Convener Connie Leeper, Co-Convener

GOALS OF THE NCCJS

- 1. Apply a climate justice framework for linking social, environmental and economic issues
- 2. Provide an interactive, inclusive space for learning that enhances connection and understanding between groups with unequal power (e.g., youth and adults)
- 3. Engage the head, hands and heart of each participant through experiential and popular education
- 4. Promote opportunities for civic engagement, organizing and mobilization
- 5. Provide skills development in resilient community strategies
- 6. Develop and showcase cultural work
- 7. Support the leadership development of youth and grassroots leaders
- 8. Lay new groundwork for effective local organizing while seeding a trans-local network

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- CLIMATE ACTIVIST -

Abundance NC Appalachian Voices Eco-Institute at Pickards Mountain Sierra Club – NC Chapter Working Films

COMMUNITY GUIDELINES

We hope to create an environment here at the NCCJS that honors and values each of our unique backgrounds, experiences and identities. We seek to create a safe, inclusive, creative, equitable and fun learning space for all.

Show Respect: Be mindful of varied perspectives and understandings that may be different from your own; treat yourself, others and the land with the utmost care and love in all interactions.

No alcohol or drugs are allowed; tobacco use is limited to outdoor areas only, away from buildings.

W.A.I.T (Why Am I Talking?) and Move Up, Move Back: Let's make sure everyone's voice is heard. If you tend to talk a lot, then watch your airtime and "step back" so others may participate. If you usually keep quiet, try to step up and engage!

Please put cell phones on silent or vibrate mode when in public spaces.

All are Teachers, All are Learners: We are all experts of our own lived experience, and we are all learners about others' experiences.

Be mindful of quiet hours: Some of us are night owls and some of us are early birds, so please observe quiet hours in the public spaces between midnight and 8:00am.

Cabins are off limits: Youths may only visit each other's cabins when an adult chaperone is present.

Communicate your whereabouts: Enjoy the grounds, but let someone know where you're going first.

Be fragrance-free: Out of respect for participants and facilitators with chemical sensitivities that impact their health, please refrain from using perfume, cologne or other strongly scented hair or body care products or detergents.

Practice good dining room etiquette: Eat according to what you said on your registration form so that everyone has enough of the foods they need (for example, if you registered as a vegetarian, this is not the time to experiment with meat or vice versa). Meal times are not flexible, so please arrive on time. The dining room is off limits between meal times. Everyone should bus their own tables and follow instructions for composting and handling the dishes.

All genders restrooms: Non gender-specific restrooms are located outside of the Fox Den.

Demonstrate hospitality: Lend a helping hand (assist with setting up, cleaning up and other volunteer tasks) and strive to create a welcoming atmosphere.

These guidelines were adapted from IDEC 2013

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ONGOING OFFERING: Healing and Reflection Space

Located in the Haw River Lounge, there is a Healing and Reflection Space offered throughout the time we are together. People can come there to rest, shift and uplift their energy and simply "be." If Kilimanjaro will be offering her home remedies, teas and an energetic cleanse. There will also be volunteer support people on hand if you need a caring listener.

REQUEST FOR SUPPORT: NC Climate Refugees Need Your Help!

Many families in Eastern North Carolina are still displaced and coping with losses from last year's Hurricane Matthew. A community-based organization in Lumberton, Seeds of Hope, has formed to offer direct support to these families. Here are the words of Adrienne Kennedy, Seeds of Hope founder:

It's a struggle trying to recoup...yet simultaneously we are trying to make households work. It's a hard time when I have to choose between gas in the car and food on the table or children's shoes and paying car insurance. I think the average survivor is thinking of a plan to NOT be in this position for too long and hopefully never again.

Seeds of Hope has a donations table in the gym for household items and financial contributions.

NCCJS AGENDA

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17TH

4-6PM Registration

6-6:45рм **Dinner**

7-9:30PM Opening Session in the Heron's Roost

Welcoming Ceremony by Vivette Jeffries Logan

Vivette Jeffries-Logan is a citizen of the Occaneechi Band of the Saponi Nation (OBSN); the Indigenous people of Orange, Alamance and Caswell counties in North Carolina. She is Founder & Principal of Biwa Consulting; her independent Leadership, Organizational Development, Equity and Training consulting business. She served her People as an elected member of the Tribal Council and as Founding Director of the OBSN Tribal Health Circle. For 10 years, Vivette was a trainer with Dismantling Racism Works (dRworks). She is passionate about dismantling all oppressive systems and replacing them with an equitable system that ensures all voices are heard and all cultures are valued and integrated. She lives in Hillsborough with her husband Douglas and their sons Uriah and Elijah.

Introductions and Community Agreements

Creating Our Community Hearth & Standing in Solidarity

As the United Nations' annual climate conference (COP 23) comes to a close in Germany, we will be taking part in an international climate action here at the NCCJS. The Alliance for Climate Education (ACE) Action Fellows will be leading us through a process to create a time capsule, linking our struggles with those of people from all over the world.

Making A Just Transition: Talk by Ed Whitfield

Ed Whitfield is a social critic, writer and community activist who has lived in Greensboro since 1970. He is co-Managing Director of the Fund for Democratic Communities. Ed's political activism started with attending Little Rock Central High School and beginning to do anti-war work as a teenager. He now speaks and writes on issues of cooperatives and economic development while continuing to be interested in issues of war and peace, as well as education and social responses to racism. Ed serves on the boards of the New Economy Coalition, The Working World, and the Southern Reparations Loan Fund. Ed can often be found playing jazz or blues flute and practicing bass guitar. He recently won the "Plays the Most Instruments" award at Greensboro's long-running Open Mic night.

Just Transition Giant Puppet Performance with Paperhand Puppet Intervention

This performance is a collaborative effort between the NC Climate Justice Summit, Paperhand Puppet Intervention and 350.org's national arts organizer, David Solnit. Over 100 people, including many NCCJS participants, worked together during a month-long art build to produce the puppets and banners and create this show that we performed twice during the People's Climate March in Washington, DC in April. Over 500 people—including hundreds from NC—participated in the performance and carried the puppets during the march. We are now working to develop NC-specific shows that we can bring to YOUR community. Let us know if you'd like to learn more by contacting jodi@ncclimatejustice.org

10-11:30PM Late Night Activities

Fire Circle and s'mores with Growing Change (at the fire pit in the field by the gym) Stargazing with astronomer Mike Gallagher (gather in front of the gym) Night Hike with naturalist Gary Phillips (gather in front of Heron's Roost) Music Jam/Drumming Circle (in the Fox Den) Basketball (gym)

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18TH

- 7-8AM Early morning offerings (sign-ups in the Heron's Roost)
- 8-8:45AM Breakfast

9AM-12:30PM Morning Session in the Heron's Roost

Hip-hop performance by Ayo Agunbiade and Mitch Darrell

Ayo Agunbiade, is an independent American Hip-Hop recording artist. Dynamic melodies and thought-provoking lyrics are the signature of Ayo's music. Ayo is currently in the process of recording his first EP, slated for release in early 2018. Ayo was born in Washington, D.C., and grew up in Prince George's County, MD. He now resides in Raleigh, NC.

Mitch Darrell is a 21 year old Rapper/Singer out of Charlotte North Carolina who uses hiphop to shed light on God, race relations and social issues.

Overview of Climate Justice Frontlines in NC - Research and tech support by Anita Simha

Facilitated Breakout Sessions: Climate Justice Frontlines

Facilitated breakout sessions on coal ash, gentrification, hog waste from CAFOs, Atlantic Coast Pipeline and deforestation. There will also be a breakout session facilitated for and by youth. Each breakout will include a talking circle with impacted community members and issue briefing from partnering organizations

Linking Our Issues and Strategies: Working with the 4Rs of Social Transformation

Facilitated discussions to explore organizing strategies to align our frontlines

Weaving the Connections: Whole Group Debrief with Kim Pevia

12:30-1:15рм **Lunch**

1:15-1:30PM Group photos in front of cafeteria (for our time capsule)

1:30-2:30рм Вгеак

Guided Nature Walk with naturalist Gary Phillips (meet in front of Heron's Roost) Always a highlight of the NCCJS, Gary combines his vast knowledge of this region's ecology with his passion for storytelling and folklore.

Basketball in the gym

2:30-3PM NC CLEAN PATH 2025 Presentation by NC WARN (Heron's Roost)

NC CLEAN PATH 2025 is a strategy to slow climate change, create jobs and reduce power bills using local solar power and battery storage.

3:15-4:30PM Outer Resilience Workshops

Spoken Word as a Path of Resistance (Fox Den)

Focusing on the importance of art for social justice we will explore how hip-hop and spoken word can be used as tools for activism and social change.

Brandon iShine Evans is a poet and youth advocate. Beginning his spoken word journey while attending the University of North Carolina Greensboro, iShine has achieved tremendous success both as a performer and poetry slam competitor. Representing the Jambalaya Soul Slam in 2014, he finished 16th in the nation at the Individual World Poetry Slam. In addition, slamming with the Bull City Slam Team, the Rocky Mount poet has reached the National Poetry Slam semi-finals and earned a Southern Fried Poetry Slam championship. When he's not working as a unit director for an after school program or performing alongside the Bull City/Jambalaya Slam team, he's striving to improve and enrich the lives of the youth in his community. He hails from Rocky Mount and he aspires to be a "southern legend" of spoken word.

Community Rights: Taking Our Power Back (Longleaf Room)

The greatest barrier to communities taking action on climate change is the current Corporatocracy. North Carolina is rapidly becoming ground zero for state preemption. The General Assembly is making decisions about things that affect our daily lives - living wages, which bathroom we use, anti-discrimination laws and how our electricity is generated - while we are prevented from making these decisions locally. The profits of big corporations are often prioritized over the inalienable Rights of People and our planet. The national Community Rights movement is empowering communities to take back decision-making power at the local level to protect our communities and the ecosystems on which we depend for life.

Kat and Tyler are co-founders of Asheville based nonprofit, Community Roots, dedicated to helping communities establish 100% renewable energy while dismantling corporate rule. Kat Houghton PhD is a psychologist committed to cultural change through personal transformation. Tyler Garrisons is a father, activist, philanthropist and social entrepreneur.

Green Jobs and Career Pathways (Heron's Roost)

Ever wondered if a green career might be a good fit for you? Do you want to learn how economic development can be good for people and the planet? In this workshop, participants will begin to examine the green economy, match green jobs with their own interests and skills, explore opportunities for green livelihoods that build sustainability, resilience, and equity in their communities, and link trends in work with conditions of climate and environmental risk. We will also learn about PowerUp NC's Green Jobs Pathway pilot project that has created employment opportunities, improved housing conditions and reduced energy bills for under-served neighborhoods in Fayetteville and Winston-Salem.

A former high school teacher, Thomas Fletcher now operates Education Allies (EAC) working with youth and young adults as a learning specialist and community educator. He offers Roots of Success, a green worker readiness and environmental literacy program that connects people who have experienced barriers to education and employment with work opportunities in green businesses and organizations.

Rashad Gibson is the Field and Mobilization Director for the NC League of Conservation Voters. Rashad's primary focus is directing the non-partisan voter participation program and serving on the Leadership Team for PowerUp NC's grassroots organizing campaigns. He developed the Green Jobs Pathway pilot project in Winston-Salem and continues to advocate for equitable and sustainable development in under-served communities of color. Rashad is a native North Carolinian hailing from Newton.

Building a Representative Democracy (Rhododendron Room)

There are many ways to serve our community. LEAD NC Institute is working in partnership with folks like you--the insiders and connectors in your region--to identify emerging leaders to serve in elected office. Each community is unique and the only way we can be closer to getting the kind of representation we need and want is by engaging you in this process of building a reflective democracy.

WHY YOU? You are someone who knows your community well. Not only do you know the big shots and they know you, but you also have an eye and ear on the ground to know who the rising stars are in your geographic area. This is invaluable and that's why we want you as part of our scouting network.

WHAT IS A SCOUTING WORKSHOP? A scouting workshop is a brainstorming session. We will spend some time drafting the qualities we seek in a leader and then we'll spend some time sharing the names of those who meet these qualifications of a leader. The goal of the scouting workshop is to generate a list of people who would be great for our leadership pipeline. ---

Irene Godínez is a Durham native of Mexican heritage. She is the Director of Programs and Engagement at LEAD NC Institute, where she works on building a leadership pipeline that reflects all North Carolinians. Irene is mother of 19 month old Emerald Valentina, with whom she's rediscovering the world.

Elizabeth Kazal is a native of the south, born on the gulf waters in southern Mississippi, and has been working on environmental issues in the south for a decade. Most recently, she's worked with Friends of the Earth to help launch a national grassroots volunteer program and now works with America Votes to help further progressive causes.

4:30-4:45 PM Вreak

4:45-6PM Outer Resilience Workshops Continue

"Skilling Up" for Life on a Climate-Resilient Farm (Longleaf Room)

Farm-life is often romanticized, but what exactly does it require? In this workshop, farmeractivist Randall Williams will share lessons learned from his 10 years of building and running Fireside Farm, a permaculture-inspired, climate-resilient farm outside of Chapel Hill. Participants will learn about the skills that help on the farm, hear about climate resiliency projects, and finish with a philosophical and hands-on workshop about tool maintenance.

Randall Williams co-runs Fireside Farm, a permaculture-inspired climate-resilient farm outside of Chapel Hill. Before farming full-time, he taught literature and activism at Carolina Friends School.

Greater Ease with Difficult Conversations (Fox Den)

In this experiential workshop, you will learn the impact of biology, emotions and story underlying the most difficult conversations. Using the story circle method, we will explore what happens when the stakes are high and the emotions are too. You will leave with tools that can help communications that deliver the impact we desire.

Kim Pevia is a seasoned facilitator who brings her lifetime of emotional intelligence skills to the social justice work, offering us all a chance to move beyond our personal stuff to create the collective world that we want. Teacher, student, coach, friend.

Grassroots Lobbying: Holding Our Elected Officials Accountable (Rhododendron Room)

Elected officials are accountable to us, the voters. Unfortunately, everyday lobbyist from special interest groups like oil companies and agribusiness, try to influence our elected leaders to side with them, not the people. That's why we need to be out there talking to our elected officials so they know the stories of their constituents, and that we are going to hold them accountable. Come learn about how to tell your story and influence your elected officials, and get the tools you can use to make your case!

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Briana Steele is a proud North Carolinian from Greensboro, with family roots in both Montgomery and Richmond counties. She currently resides in Raleigh. She works as a grassroots organizer with Friends of the Earth US to activate volunteers to ensure a healthy and just planet for all. She previously worked with Alliance for Climate Education facilitating the Action Fellowship program for high school students, presenting the ACE Assembly to high schools in the central part of the state, and instructing a program for high school students focused on climate change and community resiliency with Climate Leadership and Energy Awareness (Climate LEAP)

Melissa Malkin-Weber is a volunteer with Citizens' Climate Lobby, a national organization that is building the political will for a liveable planet. She is a native of Brooklyn, NY and has lived in Durham since 1996. In her non-volunteer life, she directs environmental sustainability at a credit union focused on community economic development and investing in clean energy and small businesses.

Creating Liberated Zones (Heron's Roost)

This workshop is an exploration with Ed Whitfield. Liberated Zones are spaces where we can move beyond meeting all our basic needs to freely express our full potential.

6рм **Dinner**

ZPM Campaign Fair (tabling and networking in the gym) Campus Organizing Meeting for College Students (Fox Den)

8:30PM Open Mic with iShine

iShine, is an award-winning slam poet and our emcee for the evening. Like many Bull City poets, Dasan Ahanu's mentorship instilled in iShine the value of being an ambassador for Bull City/Jambalaya Slam Team, the American South, and his North Carolina community. His work on stage intersects with his work off it. A Unit Director at the Salvation Army Boys and Girls Club, iShine never forgets that "poets get a platform." iShine sees the arts as not just a means of entertainment and inspiration, but also as a vehicle for lifting marginalized voices and fostering radical change. iShine invites you to bring YOUR voice to this open mic!

- 10:30PM Dance Party (Fox Den) Music Jam (Heron's Roost)
- 12AM End evening activities

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19TH

7-8AM Early morning offerings

- 8-9AM Breakfast and Checkout
- 9-9:15AM Opening in the cafeteria

9:15-10:15AM Inner Resilience Workshops

Joy in the Journey: Kundalini Yoga & Meditation for Keeping It Together (Heron's Roost)

This workshop will introduce participants to the elements of a Kundalini yoga and meditation practice. Kundalini yoga is a transformational technology that works on all systems of the body and strengthens and trains the mind so that we can access the depth, resilience and power of our Spirit. Elements of the practice include breath work, exercises, postures, meditation, chanting, and relaxation. Kundalini yoga is a great antidote to chronic stress and burnout. Appropriate for all levels of experience/abilities.

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Keval Kaur Khalsa, M.A., is a Lead Kundalini Yoga Trainer, North Carolina Regional Coordinator for Y.O.G.A. for Youth, and Professor of the Practice in Dance & Theater Studies and Service-Learning Faculty Fellow at Duke University. Keval Kaur is a long-time member and former board member/board chair of NC WARN.

Lift Every Voice and Sing: Movement Song Swap (Fox Den)

Did you know that our heartbeats synch up when we sing together? Our voices are important tools for social justice work and like any tool, we should know how to use it! Come swap movements songs and learn more about how singing in movements can help in building solidarity and deeper alignment. No skills required, just bring your voice!

Holly Roach is a cultural organizer and contemplative activist who lives at the intersections of faith, justice and racial equity. Holly loves holistic models for change that engage us in drawing from the deepest wells of our being to sustain our work for justice. Holly is also a core group member of Asheville Showing Up for Racial Justice (SURJ) and the SURJ Faith Core Group. She is a practicing contemplative who works to take her mindfulness off the cushion into the world each day.

Inner YOU and Inner WE: Inner Resilience through Art (Rhododendron Room)

We will conduct a "Haiku" which is a traditional form of Japanese poetry. Haiku poems consist of 3 lines. The first and last lines of a Haiku have 5 syllables and the middle line has 7 syllables.

We will be overviewing the key components of climate justice and climate injustice, acknowledging our inner-resilience (personal well-being) and outer-resilience (community/ organization) in regards to what our environment means to us as individuals and as a human race. There will be a relaxation activity followed by expressive visual art activities with paint and other materials.

Jasmine O'Nell is from Winston-Salem, North Carolina. She is 25 years old and a mother of one beautiful girl. She graduated from Guilford College in 2015 with a BA in Psychology and minor in Art design. She is currently working as an upcoming artist of poetry, painting, and music (Artist name: J Canvas). Jasmine is currently seeking her Masters degree in clinical mental health counseling and Person-Centered Expressive Arts therapy.

Getting Free: Theater Games for Liberation (Gym)

This workshop will feature theatre games designed to stretch us out of the norm and allow us to live in our liberation. These Theatre of the Oppressed techniques, a set of games developed by Augusto Boal, will challenge us to think collaboratively while also finding ways to be free in otherwise restricting situations and embodiments. With a goal of building internal resistance and resilience, we will prepare ourselves to see freedom and claim it for ourselves.

After graduating from Duke University with a BS in psychology, Elijah Brunson began his career at Thrive Upstate, where he served the public via healing techniques and supported individuals with special needs. Now as the Environmental Education Associate at the Rachel Carson Council, he provides theatrical and diplomatic approaches to environmental change and advocacy as a tool for relationship-building between frontline communities, activists, and environmental non-profits. Elijah brings renewed vision, vigor, positivity, and an engaging personality to his work and advocacy.

Earth Sabbath Celebration (Longleaf Room)

Come to this interfaith service to express the deep concerns as well as the hopes we have as we face the realities of climate change in the world today.

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Susannah Tuttle is the Director of NC Interfaith Power and Light. She received a Masters of Divinity degree from Starr King School for the Ministry at the Graduate Theological Union in Berkeley, CA. In 2004, Susannah was hired as UNC Chapel Hill's first Sustainability Research Associate and went on to co-initiate Trace Collaborative, LLC a consulting firm specializing in the implementation of sustainability within the design and construction industry.

10:30AM-12PM Planning to Win in 2018 (Heron's Roost)

12-12:45PM Evaluations and Closing Ceremony (Heron's Roost)

1-1:30рм Lunch

1:30PM Departure and Clean Up

Bali Principles of Climate Justice

29 August 2002

PREAMBLE

Whereas climate change is a scientific reality whose effects are already being felt around the world;

Whereas if consumption of fossil fuels, deforestation and other ecological devastation continues at current rates, it is certain that climate change will result in increased temperatures, sea level rise, changes in agricultural patterns, increased frequency and magnitude of "natural" disasters such as floods, droughts, loss of biodiversity, intense storms and epidemics;

Whereas deforestation contributes to climate change, while having a negative impact on a broad array of local communities;

Whereas communities and the environment feel the impacts of the fossil fuel economy at every stage of its life cycle, from exploration to production to refining to distribution to consumption to disposal of waste;

Whereas climate change and its associated impacts are a global manifestation of this local chain of impacts;

Whereas fossil fuel production and consumption helps drive corporate-led globalization;

Whereas climate change is being caused primarily by industrialized nations and transnational corporations;

Whereas the multilateral development banks, transnational corporations and Northern governments, particularly the United States, have compromised the democratic nature of the United Nations as it attempts to address the problem;

Whereas the perpetration of climate change violates the Universal Declaration On Human Rights, and the United Nations Convention on Genocide;

Whereas the impacts of climate change are disproportionately felt by small island states, women, youth, coastal peoples, local communities, indigenous peoples, fisherfolk, poor people and the elderly;

Whereas local communities, affected people and indigenous peoples have been kept out of the global processes to address climate change;

Whereas market-based mechanisms and technological "fixes" currently being promoted by transnational corporations are false solutions and are exacerbating the problem;

Whereas unsustainable production and consumption practices are at the root of this and other global environmental problems;

Whereas this unsustainable consumption exists primarily in the North, but also among elites within the South;

Whereas the impacts will be most devastating to the vast majority of the people in the South, as well as the "South" within the North; Whereas the impacts of climate change threaten food sovereignty and the security of livelihoods of natural resource-based local economies;

Whereas the impacts of climate change threaten the health of communities around the world-especially those who are vulnerable and marginalized, in particular children and elderly people;

Whereas combating climate change must entail profound shifts from unsustainable production, consumption and lifestyles, with industrialized countries taking the lead;

We, representatives of people's movements together with activist organizations working for social and environmental justice resolve to begin to build an international movement of all peoples for Climate Justice based on the following core principles:

- 1. Affirming the sacredness of Mother Earth, ecological unity and the interdependence of all species, Climate Justice insists that communities have the right to be free from climate change, its related impacts and other forms of ecological destruction.
- 2. Climate Justice affirms the need to reduce with an aim to eliminate the production of greenhouse gases and associated local pollutants.
- 3. Climate Justice affirms the rights of indigenous peoples and affected communities to represent and speak for themselves.
- 4. Climate Justice affirms that governments are responsible for addressing climate change in a manner that is both democratically accountable to their people and in accordance with the principle of common but differentiated responsibilities.
- 5. Climate Justice demands that communities, particularly affected communities play a leading role in national and international processes to address climate change.
- Climate Justice opposes the role of transnational corporations in shaping unsustainable production and consumption patterns and lifestyles, as well as their role in unduly influencing national and international decision-making.
- 7. Climate Justice calls for the recognition of a principle of ecological debt that industrialized governments and transnational corporations owe the rest of the world as a result of their appropriation of the planet's capacity to absorb greenhouse gases.
- 8. Affirming the principle of ecological debt, Climate Justice demands that fossil fuel and extractive industries be held strictly liable for all past and current life-cycle impacts relating to the production of greenhouse gases and associated local pollutants.

- 9. Affirming the principle of Ecological debt, Climate Justice protects the rights of victims of climate change and associated injustices to receive full compensation, restoration, and reparation for loss of land, livelihood and other damages.
- 10. Climate Justice calls for a moratorium on all new fossil fuel exploration and exploitation; a moratorium on the construction of new nuclear power plants; the phase out of the use of nuclear power world wide; and a moratorium on the construction of large hydro schemes.
- 11. Climate Justice calls for clean, renewable, locally controlled and low-impact energy resources in the interest of a sustainable planet for all living things.
- 12. Climate Justice affirms the right of all people, including the poor, women, rural and indigenous peoples, to have access to affordable and sustainable energy.
- Climate Justice affirms that any market-based or technological solution to climate change, such as carbon-trading and carbon sequestration, should be subject to principles of democratic accountability, ecological sustainability and social justice.
- 14. Climate Justice affirms the right of all workers employed in extractive, fossil fuel and other greenhouse-gas producing industries to a safe and healthy work environment without being forced to choose between an unsafe livelihood based on unsustainable production and unemployment.
- 15. Climate Justice affirms the need for solutions to climate change that do not externalize costs to the environment and communities, and are in line with the principles of a just transition.
- 16. Climate Justice is committed to preventing the extinction of cultures and biodiversity due to climate change and its associated impacts.
- 17. Climate Justice affirms the need for socio-economic models that safeguard the fundamental rights to clean air, land, water, food and healthy ecosystems.
- 18. Climate Justice affirms the rights of communities dependent on natural resources for their livelihood and cultures to own and manage the same in a sustainable manner, and is opposed to the commodification of nature and its resources.

- 19. Climate Justice demands that public policy be based on mutual respect and justice for all peoples, free from any form of discrimination or bias.
- 20. Climate Justice recognizes the right to selfdetermination of Indigenous Peoples, and their right to control their lands, including sub-surface land, territories and resources and the right to the protection against any action or conduct that may result in the destruction or degradation of their territories and cultural way of life.
- 21. Climate Justice affirms the right of indigenous peoples and local communities to participate effectively at every level of decision-making, including needs assessment, planning, implementation, enforcement and evaluation, the strict enforcement of principles of prior informed consent, and the right to say "No."
- 22. Climate Justice affirms the need for solutions that address women's rights.
- 23. Climate Justice affirms the right of youth as equal partners in the movement to address climate change and its associated impacts.
- 24. Climate Justice opposes military action, occupation, repression and exploitation of lands, water, oceans, peoples and cultures, and other life forms, especially as it relates to the fossil fuel industry's role in this respect.
- 25. Climate Justice calls for the education of present and future generations, emphasizes climate, energy, social and environmental issues, while basing itself on real-life experiences and an appreciation of diverse cultural perspectives.
- 26. Climate Justice requires that we, as individuals and communities, make personal and consumer choices to consume as little of Mother Earth's resources, conserve our need for energy; and make the conscious decision to challenge and reprioritize our lifestyles, re-thinking our ethics with relation to the environment and the Mother Earth; while utilizing clean, renewable, low-impact energy; and ensuring the health of the natural world for present and future generations.
- 27. Climate Justice affirms the rights of unborn generations to natural resources, a stable climate and a healthy planet.

Adopted using the "Environmental Justice Principles" developed at the 1991 People of Color Environmental Justice Leadership Summit, Washington, DC, as a blueprint.

Endorsed by:	
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Jemez Principles for Democratic Organizing

Meeting hosted by Southwest Network for Environmental and Economic Justice (SNEEJ), Jemez, New Mexico, Dec. 1996

Activists meet on Globalization

On December 6-8, 1996, forty people of color and European-American representatives met in Jemez, New Mexico, for the "Working Group Meeting on Globalization and Trade." The Jemez meeting was hosted by the Southwest Network for Environmental and Economic Justice with the intention of hammering out common understandings between participants from different cultures, politics and organizations. The following **"Jemez Principles" for democratic organizing** were adopted by the participants.

#1 Be Inclusive

If we hope to achieve just societies that include all people in decision-making and assure that all people have an equitable share of the wealth and the work of this world, then we must work to build that kind of inclusiveness into our own movement in order to develop alternative policies and institutions to the treaties policies under neoliberalism.

This requires more than tokenism, it cannot be achieved without diversity at the planning table, in staffing, and in coordination. It may delay achievement of other important goals, it will require discussion, hard work, patience, and advance planning. It may involve conflict, but through this conflict, we can learn better ways of working together. It's about building alternative institutions, movement building, and not compromising out in order to be accepted into the anti-globalization club.

#2 Emphasis on Bottom-Up Organizing

To succeed, it is important to reach out into new constituencies, and to reach within all levels of leadership and membership base of the organizations that are already involved in our networks. We must be continually building and strengthening a base which provides our credibility, our strategies, mobilizations, leadership development, and the energy for the work we must do daily.

#3 Let People Speak for Themselves

We must be sure that relevant voices of people directly affected are heard. Ways must be provided for spokespersons to represent and be responsible to the affected constituencies. It is important for organizations to clarify their roles, and who they represent, and to assure accountability within our structures.

#4 Work Together In Solidarity and Mutuality

Groups working on similar issues with compatible visions should consciously act in solidarity, mutuality and support each other's work. In the long run, a more significant step is to incorporate the goals and values of other groups with your own work, in order to build strong relationships. For instance, in the long run, it is more important that labor unions and community economic development projects include the issue of environmental sustainability in their own strategies, rather than just lending support to the environmental organizations. So communications, strategies and resource sharing is critical, to help us see our connections and build on these.

#5 Build Just Relationships Among Ourselves

We need to treat each other with justice and respect, both on an individual and an organizational level, in this country and across borders. Defining and developing "just relationships" will be a process that won't happen overnight. It must include clarity about decision-making, sharing strategies, and resource distribution. There are clearly many skills necessary to succeed, and we need to determine the ways for those with different skills to coordinate and be accountable to one another.

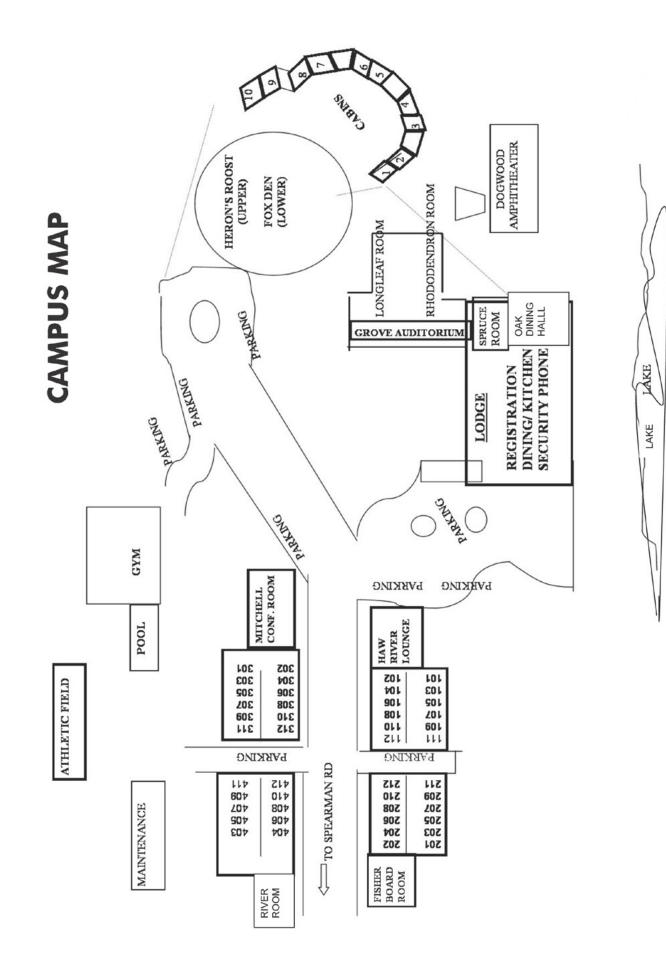
#6 Commitment to Self-Transformation

As we change societies, we must change from operating on the mode of individualism to community-centeredness. We must "walk our talk." We must be the values that we say we're struggling for and we must be justice, be peace, be community.

This and other environmental justice documents can be downloaded from: www.ejnet.org/ej/

ACTIVITIES MAP

Friday	CLIMATE JUSTICE INTERSECTIONS AND CONNECTIONS							
7:00 - 9:30	Welcome Ceremony and Opening Session (Heron's Roost)							
10:00 - midnight	Fire Circle & Stargazing (big field), Night Hike, Music Jam & Drumming (Fox Den), Basketball (Gym)							
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Saturday	ALIGNING OUR FRONTLINES							
7:00-7:45	Yoga; Meditation (meet at Heron's Roost)							
8:00-8:45	BREAKFAST							
9:00-12:30	Morning Session (Heron's Roost)							
	Hip Hop Performance with Ayo Agunbiade and Mitch Darrell							
	Climate Justice Frontline Breakout Sessions (various locations; see detailed schedule)							
	Linking Our Strategies: Working with the 4 Rs (various locations; see detailed schedule)							
12:30-1:15	LUNCH							
1:15-1:30	Group Photo							
1:30-2:30	Break: Nature Walk (meet at Heron's Roost); Basketball (Gym)							
2:30-3:00	NC Clean Path 2025 Presentation by NC WARN (Heron's Roost)							
	SKILLING UP IN THE 4 RS: WORKSHOPS							
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Rooms:	Rhododendron	Longleaf	Heron's Roost	Fox Den	Lounge	Gym		
3:15-4:30	Building Representative Democracy	Community Rights: Taking Our Power Back	Green Jobs & Career Pathways	Spoken Word as Path of Resistance	Healing and Reflection Space*			
4:45 - 6:00	Grassroots Lobbying: Holding Elected Officials Accountable	Skilling Up for Life on a Climate Resilient Farm	Creating Liberated Zones	Greater Ease with Difficult Conversations	Healing and Reflection Space*			
	*note, the Healing and Reflection Space is not a workshop; see detailed schedule for more info							
6:00 - 7:00	DINNER							
7:00-8:30	Campaign Fair & Networking (Gym); Campus Organizing Meeting for College Students (Fox Den)							
8:30 - 10:30	Open Mic with Ishine (Heron's Roost)							
10:30 - midnight	Dance Party (Fox Den), Music Jam (Heron's Roost)							
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Sunday	PLANNING TO WIN IN 2018							
7:00-7:45	Yoga; Meditation (meet at Heron's Roost)							
8:00-9:00	BREAKFAST							
	INNER RESILIENCE WORKSHOPS							
Rooms:	Rhododendron	Longleaf	Heron's Roost	Fox Den	Haw River Lounge	Gym		
9:15-10:15	Inner You and Inner We	Earth Sabbath	Joy in the Journey: Kundalini Yoga & Meditation	Lift Every Voice and Sing: Movement Song Swap	Healing and Reflection Space*	Getting Free: Theater Games for Liberation		
10:30-12:00	Planning to Win in 2018: Issue Breakouts (Heron's Roost)							
12:00 - 12:45	Evaluations and Closing Ceremony							
1:00 - 1:30	LUNCH							
1:30	DEPARTURE & CLEAN UP							
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