### Clearwater Environmental Action

**Environmental Action Committee: 2020 – 2021** 

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### **Water and Watershed Protection**

**Victory!** After years of opposition, in Jan. 2021 **Oil Barge Anchorages** were permanently banned on the Lower Hudson River.

**ACOE Storm Surge Barriers** were also prevented.





#### **Emerging Contaminants: Newburgh PFOS contamination:**

Need source remediation at Stewart Air National Guard Base; working with Newburgh Clean Water Project & others.

Remedial Advisory Council (RAC) upgraded to a Board (RAB): Excellent community representation; slow progress.



Coeymans Research Project – Fiscal sponsor for Rose Foundation funded research projects at Coeymans Industrial Park.

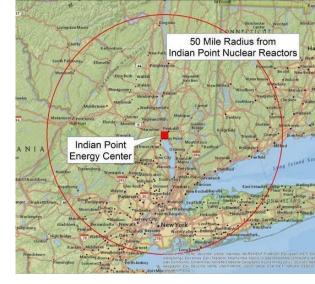
Sept. 10 - 12: Tabled and spoke at the Magic Forest Fest in Coeymans Hollow.

### Indian Point Decommissioning

- National Nuclear Waste Strategic
   Planning: Host weekly calls of National
   Decommissioning Working Group (DWG)
- United for Clean Energy Convergence (U4CE): regional group meets monthly
- Opposed Indian Point License Transfer Application (LTA) with Post-Shutdown Activities Report (PSDAR) to Holtec
- April 30, 2021: Last reactor, Indian Point Unit 3, closed permanently
- Nuclear Decommissioning Citizens
   Advisory Panel (NDCAP) absorbed by DOB.
- Sept. 27: Manna spoke at NRC EJ Listening Session



July 29:: Offered public comment opposing the flaws in Holtec's Decommissioning Plan (PSDAR) to NRC in Tarrytown.



#### **NYS Decommissioning Oversight Board (DOB)**

June 23: First meeting of the NYS DOB

#### **Congressional Briefings and Regional Forums**

- Nov. 13: What Congress Needs to Know About Pending Nuclear Waste Legislation
- Nov. 20: <u>Fall 2020 Regional Nuclear Decommissioning Forum</u>
- Feb. 24: <u>A Just Transition to 100% Renewable New York</u> with NYS Sen. Pete Harckham and others.
- March 30: Toward an Evidence-Based Nuclear Energy Policy

## Stop Danskammer Campaign

#### **Stop Danskammer Coalition**

- Weekly Coalition Planning Calls
- Offered Public Comment opposing proposed Danskammer expansion on March 31 and Sept. 28/29 to PSC Siting Board re: Title X; Aug. 23/25 re: Title V Air Permit
- NYS DEC Commissioner Basil Seggos has publicly raised "major concerns about [the proposal's] consistency with the State's Climate Law."
- Aug. 4: The STOP DANKAMMER FLOTILLA with more than 100 participants,
   60+ paddle boats, led by the Woody Guthrie with Clearwater bring up the rear, got great coverage from numerous news source







# **Environmental and Climate Justice**

**Focus on Climate Solutions** 



August 3 -8: Tabled at the Ulster County Fair Youth Activism As a Climate Solution: SHV's Climate Solutions Week Oct.17 – 24; Oct. 21 Clearwater will present a virtual panel entitled, Climate Solutions and You(th).



May 26: **Environmental Justice Forum** on the potential dangers of decommissioning and community EJ and CJ needs; summer and fall meetings with individual communities. Special thanks to Vassar interns Lisa Smart, Shanna Geiringer and Sam Kelley-Derzonfor their help with this.





### Regional Renewable Energy Working Group



Facilitating Mid-Hudson Regional Sustainability Coalition Energy Working Group

Working to implement NYS Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act (CLCPA) goals of 70% renewable generation with storage by 2030 and 100% by 2040.

Supported Climate and Community Investment Act (CCIA), which did not pass.

Planning Low Impact Hydro Consensus Process

Fall 2021: **Scenic Hudson Solar Mapping tool:** Seeking 12 participating municipalities. By mapping their community, they can give a clear signal to developers where solar and other renewables with storage should or should not go.

Oct. 14 – Dec.16: 7-County Mid-Hudson Regional Solar Mapping Project

# Thank You for Taking Action!

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