

UCLA Law is coming to the Bay Area next week for the [Global Climate Action Summit](#), a major gathering of climate leaders from states, cities, universities, the private sector and civil society to advance action on global warming.

Jurisdictions and organizations involved are moving forward with new commitments. Last week, the California legislature [sent](#) one of the world's most aggressive clean energy policies to the desk of Governor Jerry Brown, a co-host of the summit. And yesterday, the University of California [upped the ambition](#) of its Carbon Neutrality Initiative, committing to 100 percent clean electricity by 2025. Expect more announcements as the summit approaches.

We'd like to extend an invitation to *Legal Planet* readers to three official affiliate events co-hosted by UCLA Law's Emmett Institute and featuring our faculty. **Space is limited and RSVPs are required for each of these events.** The events will address sustainability challenges for the universities (and other large organizations), megacities and the transportation sector:

- At UC Berkeley on September 11 from 4:30 p.m - 7:00 p.m., [Leading the Way to Carbon Neutrality: Lessons from the University of California, Kaiser Permanente and Microsoft](#) will feature **Ann Carlson** and other UC faculty, staff and students discussing how the UC system can reach its carbon neutrality goal by 2025 - and how other large organizations, like health and technology companies are reaching their ambitious climate goals.

UC Berkeley Chancellor **Carol Christ** will provide opening remarks and the event will include speakers from **Kaiser Permanente, Microsoft, UC Berkeley, UC Global Climate Leadership Council, UC Office of the President** and **UCLA Law**.

- In downtown SF on September 12 from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m., [Thriving in a Hotter Los Angeles: Can L.A. Model Sustainability for the World's Megacities, and What Can It Learn From Others?](#), **Cara Horowitz** will moderate a panel discussion on how Los Angeles and other global megacities can achieve sustainability goals for water, energy and biodiversity.

**California State Senator Ben Allen** has been invited to deliver featured remarks and panel speakers include **Mark Gold**, associate vice chancellor for environment and sustainability, UCLA; **Laurel Hunt**, executive director, Los Angeles Regional Collaborative for Climate Action and Sustainability; **Barbara Norman**, foundation chair of urban and regional planning in the Faculty of Business, Government and Law,

University of Canberra; and **Nancy Sutley**, chief sustainability officer, Los Angeles Department of Water and Power.

- At Uber HQ on September 11 from 2:00 p.m – 7:00 p.m., [Harnessing the 3 Revolutions for Climate Goals](#) will feature **Ethan Elkind** and address policy tools needed to harness revolutions in shared, electric and automated transportation to meet climate goals.

Read Ethan's [post](#) earlier today about the event, which will include experts from government (**Metropolitan Transportation Commission/Association of Bay Area Governments Panelists**), industry (**Chariot, EVgo, Lyft, Lime, Uber, Zoox and Via**) and universities (**Georgetown Climate Center, Institute of Transportation Studies at UC Davis, Berkeley Law and UCLA Law**).

In addition to the events we're hosting, our new faculty member **William Boyd** is organizing a meeting of the [Governor's Climate and Forests Task Force](#) and **Ann Carlson** will speak on September 13 at [Higher Education Leadership on Carbon Pricing](#), a public event exploring best practices for carbon pricing at colleges and universities.

UCLA Law faculty, fellows and students will be at the [summit itself](#).

We look forward to seeing many *Legal Planet* readers in the Bay Area next week. Let us know if there are any important events we should know about!