

The Diplomatic Pledge

I, _____, as a diplomat, do hereby promise to live intentionally for the good of the Bioregion, and its inhabitants. Through my actions and choices, I will work to:

- be responsible and accountable,
- present a positive and united front when representing our organization or movement,
- treat fellow Cascadians, activists and organizers with respect and compassion, and find places of mutual collaboration even if we disagree. To not be negative of other people, groups or their work,
- treat fellow organizers, whether they consider themselves a bioregionalist or Cascadian OR NOT, in the same manner,
- Set aside my own personal beliefs and preferences when publicly representing the Department of Bioregion or Cascadia movement,
- support groups, businesses, food, items and events that are local, sustainable and ethical; that fit into a global system responsibly,
- value and protect the diversity of our place, people and culture,
- create spaces where those most impacted by issues can take the lead on those issues, and step in with solidarity and support,
- spread bioregionalism and grow a network of watershed movements; for a bioregion that is vibrant, resilient and autonomous,
- support systems that are democratic, accountable, transparent and increase our regional 'inter-dependence' and independence, in mutual collaboration,

SIGNED: _____ / Date: _____