



Action Update: Build Back Fossil Free

Support climate proposals in the Governor's budget, April 6 general election, 'Pizza for the Planet' fundraiser with Ian's, Earth Day Scavenger Hunt, and more.



Support climate proposals in the Governor's budget

Governor Evers' 2021-23 Biennial Budget proposal would significantly strengthen Wisconsin's ability to equitably reduce carbon emissions and mitigate the impacts of climate change. 350 Madison urges its supporters to speak out in support of the Governor's budget recommendations for climate and the environment.

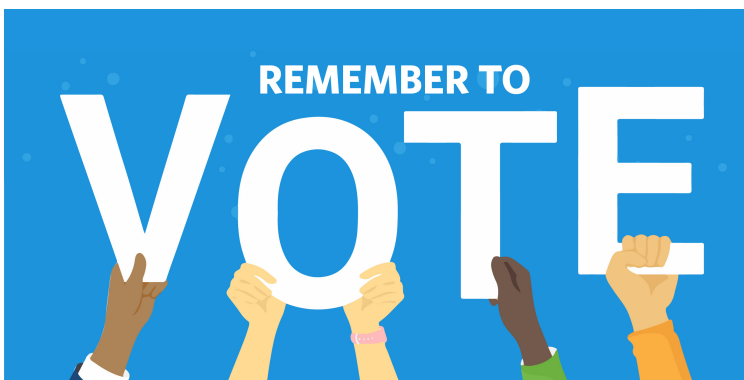
The Governor's budget includes 28 provisions aimed at climate and energy. These include expanding the number of electric vehicle charging stations, doubling the size of the Focus on Energy program, and establishing a green job training program, among many others. [Here is a link](#) to the Governor's climate-related proposals, prepared by RENEW Wisconsin.

The budget now goes to the Joint Finance Committee, which will be holding public hearings in April. We strongly encourage our members to participate in the virtual hearing, and to submit written

testimony to the JFC at budget.comments@legis.wisconsin.gov. Hearings begin at 10:00am:

- Friday, April 9, 2021, UW-Whitewater, Whitewater
- Wednesday, April 21, 2021, The Hodag Dome, Rhinelander
- Thursday, April 22, 2021, UW-Stout, Menomonie, WI
- Wednesday, April 28, 2021, Virtual

We also encourage you to attend the Governor's Bounceback Live Session "Climate Change & Our Environment" on April 21 at 6:00pm. This session will provide an opportunity to provide feedback on Gov. Evers' budget proposals concerning climate change, water, and natural resources. To attend the live session, register [here](#).



Local elections matter!

350 Madison's Alder Election Team reached out to general election alder candidates to find out how they will address carbon emissions and achieve carbon goals. Tell them what you think with your vote April 6!

350 Madison's Alder Election Team asked two questions of general election candidates:

1. In 2017, the Common Council passed a [resolution](#) to "establish community-wide Energy and Carbon goals of 100% renewable energy and net-zero carbon emissions." As an alder, what actions will you take to ensure that these goals are established within your tenure?
2. As an alder, how will you use city policy to reduce Madison's carbon emissions?

Not sure which district you live in?

Find your candidates using the [City of Madison web tool](#).

[Read the full Q&A on our blog!](#)

Build Back Fossil Free!

350 Madison's Week of Action 4/1 – 4/9 Get involved!

- [Sign the petition](#) to President Biden requesting executive action to end the era of fossil fuels, protect communities reeling



Everyone can agree that President Biden's slogan of "Build Back Better" is great: We need to put America back to work by repairing our aging infrastructure, which has been so poorly maintained. But rebuilding America is an opportunity that cannot be wasted. While we create family-supporting jobs for those struggling during the pandemic, we've got to "Build Back Fossil Free."

Build Back Fossil Free, a coalition of 72 national organizations, has created ***Biden's Executive Action Blueprint***. 25 key executive actions that he can take (without Congressional action) to avert further climate devastation. The coalition has named the week of April 1 to April 9 as a week of action, coinciding with the congressional recess. Congress and Biden need to hear from us in large numbers. If you live outside of the Madison area, here is a [map](#) showing where actions are planned, so that you can locate the nearest one to you.

To get involved with the Tar Sands Team, which fights oil pipelines in the Midwest, contact phyllis.hasbrouck@350Madison.org.

from the climate and COVID-19 crises, and #BuildBackFossilFree.

- Call the White House at (888) 724-8946 and tell them you're calling to urge President Biden to revoke permits for all oil and gas pipelines like Dakota Access and Line 3, and stop approving all new fossil fuel projects.
- Checkout StopLine3.org for more actions you can take! Sign the petition and donate to one of the organizations actively fighting Line 3, either in the courtroom or in the forests of Minnesota.
- Help hold our huge new banner saying "Tell Biden: #Stop Line 3!" on overpasses in high traffic areas during rush hours from April 3-9. Contact bennett.russ@gmail.com.
- Watch our moving [dance video](#) "Love Song to the Earth: Stop Line 3," with powerful footage of Indigenous-led resistance to Line 3.
- View a [video](#) of the April "Fuels" Day press conference starring "Enbridge" corporate staff and the iconic Enbridge Octopus.

According to a recent article in The New Republic, "The alliances forming around the PRO Act buck long-held wisdom in Washington about what it would take to get labor unions and environmentalists to work together. James Williams Jr., IUPAT's vice president at large, has



Protecting the right to organize

On March 9, the House passed the “Protecting the Right to Organize” bill ([HR 842](#)). If and when it passes the Senate, it will be the first pro-union organizing legislation passed in many decades. This is an example of a successful legislative collaboration between environmental groups and labor groups.

The interests of environmental groups and labor groups can often be at odds (think fossil fuel-related jobs like mining and pipeline installation), but to successfully fight climate change, we need to find areas of agreement and form broad coalitions between many different organizations across many interest areas. It is an example of the intersectionality of climate change with other issues that are not thought of as climate change-related.

been frustrated by years of seeing the two talk past one another. Construction unions, in particular, have come to loggerheads with climate hawks over infrastructure projects like the Keystone XL and Dakota Access pipelines. ‘I would blame labor a lot of the time for this,’ he says, ‘but there have to be deeper conversations about the fact that labor is going to lose jobs that have been really good jobs for a really long time. . . A new generation of climate organizers see workers as a critical piece of the mobilization needed to pass any sweeping climate legislation and create a more sustainable world. Labor reforms like the PRO Act, they reason, are necessary for making both possible.’”

If you’re looking to reflect on and develop these coalitions, the upcoming [Global Just Recovery Gathering](#) (April 9-11) includes a session on “Building Labor-Climate Coalitions for a Just Recovery” on April 10, 12:15-1:45 pm EST. Check it out!

Greenwash meets resistance

JP Morgan Chase and 17 other banks recently canceled a \$2.1 billion dollar loan with Enbridge. After the cancellation, it was replaced with an \$800 million dollar “sustainability” loan. Tribal attorney Tara Houska insists that “this greenwash will not stand.” In the Twin Cities,



news of the greenwash inspired an Open and Shut Chase Action.



3/9, 9:01am: Chase branch locked its front doors because dozens of people held a die-in, demanding it #DefundEnbridge.

3/9, 9:00am: A brand new branch in Minneapolis opened its doors for the first time.

Earth Day Activities

*happening 5-9pm
April 21st*



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Doughnation Night

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(show it on your smartphone)*

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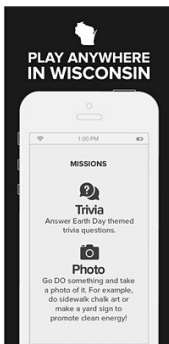
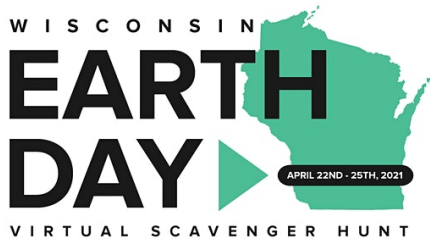
- 1 Phone orders:**
Call (608)257-9248 and mention that you are supporting 350 Madison.
- 2 Online orders:**
Visit ianspizza.com or use our smart phone app and add "350 Madison" after your last name.

'Pizza for the Planet' fundraiser

We're excited to team up with Ian's Pizza Garver for this Earth Day-themed fundraiser on April 21, 5-9pm. Mark your calendar and share with your friends and family--the more people who participate, the higher percentage of funds we receive! You can pre-order for curbside pickup, or enjoy your pie outside on Garver's lovely terrace. Ian's also delivers to Madison's east side and Monona. For more details, check out this [flyer](#), and be sure to mention 350 Madison when you place your order!

In the spirit of Earth Day, we encourage you to bike to Ian's Pizza Garver, located right off of the Capital City Trail. Also consider enjoying one of their many delicious vegetarian options.

Add event to calendar



Earth Day Scavenger Hunt!

Do you have plans for Earth Day this year? 350 Madison is excited to collaborate with organizations across the state to run the Wisconsin Earth Day Virtual Scavenger Hunt. Launching on April 22nd, 2021, join a 4-day game to celebrate and support climate action and environmental justice initiatives in Wisconsin! Fun and family-friendly, tickets are being sold on a sliding scale so all can participate! [Register today!](#) Check out the event pages on [Eventbrite](#) and [Facebook!](#)



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