

## September 2022 Climate Newsletter

*Fossil Free Fed, 350 Wisconsin Action, Let's Get Together, Stayin' Alive, Unprecedented Controversy Over Line 5 Proposal, Survey Guide for Endangered Species, Good Neighbor Gathering, Join the Willy Street Parade, New Podcast Episode*



### Fossil Free Fed Campaign: Starring Emily Park!

In late August, the US Federal Reserve and central bankers and economists from around the world gathered in Jackson Hole, WY for their annual Economic Policy Symposium. Our own Emily Park figured prominently in this #FossilFreeFed rally at the symposium.

Emily writes, "We kicked things off in a big way, when we were accidentally seated directly next to Jerome Powell (the Chair of the Federal Reserve) at dinner at the Jackson Lake Lodge. When the universe offers you an opportunity like that... you have to take it, right? We waited until he was leaving his table, and then we politely tried to engage him in discussion about what the Federal Reserve could do to protect our economy's stability from the climate crisis. As you can see in [this video](#), he refused to engage with us at all."

"Over the next few days, we greeted the symposium attendees with activists and banners lining the highway between the airport and the lodge. We had an amazing press conference and rally right by the lodge entrance just before the opening banquet, and for me it was an honor to be a featured speaker with several other amazing, inspiring activists." Watch the wrap video below!

[Watch the Wrap Video Here](#)



## 350 Wisconsin Action: Making Climate Front and Center in Politics

The midterm election is just around the corner! 350 Wisconsin Action will be there to support climate champions and to make climate change front and center in our state's political discourse.

Our Political Action Team is planning a robust campaign, focused on Congressional District 3 in Western Wisconsin, Milwaukee, and Dane County. We're in the final stages of planning the campaign and will be sharing details soon.

One thing is certain –**we will need many volunteers to make this campaign a success.** Are you interested in direct voter contact through phone, mail, texting, or canvassing? Are you an artist, or do you enjoy posting on social media? Can you write letters to the editor or op-eds? Or do you like behind-the-scenes administrative work? No matter what your interests, where you live, or how much time you have to volunteer, there are opportunities for you!

The results of the Wisconsin midterm election will have dramatic consequences for our ability to fight climate change and protect the earth for future generations. Please help us share that message with voters, and urge them to vote for Governor Evers, Mandela Barnes and other climate champions.

Please add your name to our election volunteer list. We'll then be in touch about specific volunteer opportunities.

[Volunteer](#)



## Let's Get Together: Olbrich Biergarten

Join 350 Wisconsin for the second in a series of fun, casual gatherings to build solidarity with fellow climate activists and community members. Enjoy the beautiful end of summer weather and views of Lake Monona. Whether you're just getting to know us or a long-time supporter, we'd love to see you!

**WHAT:** "Let's Get Together!" community event

**WHEN:** Thursday, September 8, 5:00PM - 7:30PM (*rain date September 15*)

**WHERE:** The Biergarten at Olbrich Park, Atwood Avenue, Madison, WI 53714

**The first 15 registrants receive a free drink token!**

[Register Here](#)

**CHICAGO  
CLIMATE  
RALLY -  
9/23**



*Calling all climate activists in Chicago, Madison, and Milwaukee!*

350 Chicago, 350 Wisconsin, and 350 Milwaukee are co-hosting a major climate rally in Chicago on 9/23... and we want YOU to join us!

Visit [tinyurl.com/923chicago](http://tinyurl.com/923chicago) for more information, or email [emily.park@350.org](mailto:emily.park@350.org).

## Stayin' Alive in a Climate Crisis

350 Wisconsin is excited to announce our first coalition event with our friends in 350 Chicago, 350 Milwaukee, the Chicago Climate Youth Coalition, and other climate justice groups in the upper Midwest!

On Friday, September 23 at 11 AM, we're going to be gathering in downtown Chicago for a large rally. Our demands:

- Federal Reserve - regulate the flow of money from banks to fossil fuels, and incentivize investment in sustainable technology, green lending, and a just transition to a livable future for all!
- Chase Bank - stop profiting from the climate crisis, and put your money where your mouth is by living up to your commitment to aligning investments with the Paris Climate Agreement.
- BP - end fossil fuel production and infrastructure activities, and move Beyond Petroleum.

We'll be telling people in power that we are trying to STAY ALIVE in a climate crisis with a new performance of our famous [Civil DISCObedience flash mob](#). Bus transportation from Madison and Milwaukee to downtown Chicago will be provided!

If you want to participate in the dance, and if you want to reserve a spot on the bus - register by clicking the button below.

Contact Emily for more information at [emily.Park@350wisconsin.org](mailto:emily.Park@350wisconsin.org).

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Register for Stayin' Alive

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## Unprecedented Controversy Over Line 5 Expansion Proposal

Since April 15, when the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WI DNR) closed the comment period for the public to weigh in on the draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) on Enbridge's proposed Line 5 expansion, we've been waiting to view all the public comments. On Wed., Aug. 17, the rest of the ~32,000 comments were posted on the DNR website, and we understand that they have never received so many regarding a pipeline!

This is a tribute to the widespread concern in Wisconsin about protecting our waterways, stopping all new fossil fuel infrastructure, and respecting Indigenous treaty rights. It's also thanks to the many hours our Tar Sands Team and many allies have put into spreading the word through social media, phonebanking, letters to the editor, newspaper ads, tabling, testifying, presenting, and planning.

Now we have to keep the pressure on the decision makers, and you can help with that! Write to [phyllis.hasbrouck@350Wisconsin.org](mailto:phyllis.hasbrouck@350Wisconsin.org) to sign up for the tactic that most appeals to you. The next step in the regulatory process will be either a final EIS or a new DEIS. We are requesting a new one, as the first one was dismally inadequate.

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## Your Hike Could Help Protect Endangered Species!

Want to help protect endangered and threatened species along the proposed Line 5



expansion route in Ashland and Iron Counties? [Clean Wisconsin](#), in collaboration with the Great Lakes Indian Fish & Wildlife Commission ([GLIFWC](#)), and the Bad River Band of Lake Superior Chippewa ([Mashkiiziibii](#)) Natural Resources Department, has created a [survey guide](#) for rare and sensitive species in the Bad River watershed.

This attractive and family-friendly guide to finding rare species and getting the right kind of data into the right hands will be a great help for those who want to protect wildlife while enjoying the great outdoors. And with correct identification, documentation, and submission, sightings of these species will help increase scrutiny of the Line 5 re-route.

The Bad River Band of Lake Superior Chippewa is conducting similar surveys on their reservation. Your help is needed with the survey in **off-reservation areas** of the watershed.

Please share the guide with your networks and help protect critical habitat areas for threatened species along the proposed pipeline re-route.

[Read the Guide](#)

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## CCST at the Good Neighbor Gathering on 9/11

Mark your calendar for Sunday, September 11th, noon to 5 pm, for the “kiddapalooza” of area festivals: The Madison Good Neighbor Gathering (GNG)!

# good neighbor GATHERING

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 11, 2022  
12 – 5, Brittingham Park Madison



EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO ATTEND!

For the third year, Brittingham Park will be the place for fun, food and friendship. Kids and families will enjoy a dual inflatable slide, dance classes, aerial dance, tree climbing, games, the MSCR Fit2Go Cart, the Children's Museum's Roadshow, the Humane Society's petting zoo, lots of music (including *Don't Mess with Cupid*), a bike parade, food carts, and much more!

CCST will be present at the festival to share more information about its work to help Wisconsin's local governments and other institutions set and achieve just, equitable climate goals as fast as possible.



## Join the Willy Street Parade

Want to be in the Willy St Parade? If so contact the 350 Art Collective at the email below. We will be doing a new version of the Stayin' Alive dance, but we also need lots of people to surround the dancers with Critter hats, and Stayin' Alive signs. Parade starts at 11 AM, Sunday Sept 18.

Contact [bennett.russ@gmail.com](mailto:bennett.russ@gmail.com)



## New Podcast Episode: History of Earth Day, Reducing Carbon Footprints, Book Recommendations, and More!

350 Wisconsin just released a new episode of its podcast! Host Katie Papendieck discusses the history of 350 Wisconsin, ongoing projects, and ways to join our team. Along with that, she chats about the history of Earth Day, practices to help reduce your individual environmental

footprint, and a few book recommendations for your summer reading list. Give it a listen by clicking the button below!

Listen to the Podcast

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## Upcoming Meetings

**Art Collective:** September 11, 1-4 pm | Contact: Russ Bennett [bennett.russ@gmail.com](mailto:bennett.russ@gmail.com); Dianne Brakarsh [movingfromwithin@gmail.com](mailto:movingfromwithin@gmail.com)

**Climate Justice:** September 19, 7:00–8:30 pm | Contact: Marian Fredal [marian.fredal@350wisconsin.org](mailto:marian.fredal@350wisconsin.org)

**Community Climate Solutions:** September 15, 5-6 pm | Contact: Susan Millar [Susan.Millar@350wisconsin.org](mailto:Susan.Millar@350wisconsin.org); Kermit Hovey, [Kermit.Hovey@350wisconsin.org](mailto:Kermit.Hovey@350wisconsin.org); Julia DePalma, [julia@350wisconsin.org](mailto:julia@350wisconsin.org) (For a complete schedule of various team meetings of CCST, click [here](#).)

**Communication Action:** September 19, 7:00-8:30 pm | Contact [Emily.Park@350wisconsin.org](mailto:Emily.Park@350wisconsin.org)

**Divest & Defund:** September 26, 7-8:30 pm | Contact [divest.defund@350wisconsin.org](mailto:divest.defund@350wisconsin.org)

**Fundraising:** September 21, 7-8 pm | Contact [Stephanie.Robinson@350wisconsin.org](mailto:Stephanie.Robinson@350wisconsin.org)

**State Policy:** September 7, 5:30-7:00 pm | Contact Gail Nordheim [gail.nordheim@350wisconsin.org](mailto:gail.nordheim@350wisconsin.org)

**Tar Sands:** September 12, 5:45–6:45 pm | Contact Phyllis Hasbrouck [Phyllis.Hasbrouck@350wisconsin.org](mailto:Phyllis.Hasbrouck@350wisconsin.org)

**Monthly Meeting:** September 12, 7-8 pm | Contact Julia Isaacs [Julia.Isaacs@350wisconsin.org](mailto:Julia.Isaacs@350wisconsin.org); Kelly Kearns [Kelly.Kearns@350wisconsin.org](mailto:Kelly.Kearns@350wisconsin.org)

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