November 2022 Climate Newsletter

Be a Climate Voter, Every Vote Counts, Giving Tuesday Celebration, Donor-Advised Funds, Why Blame Wall Street?, Wisconsin Doesn’t Want Line 5, Your Comments made a Difference, 87 New Dane County Climate Champions, Don’t Let Enbridge Ruin Our Waters!

Get Involved

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Be a Climate Voter on November 8!

The mid-term elections are coming up! Now’s your chance to be a climate champion! Click the button below for details like who’s on the ballot and where your polling place is.
Every Vote Counts--Let's Close the Midterm Campaign Strong!

The election is less than a week away. Thank you to everyone who has phone banked, canvassed, written postcards, attended an event, donated, engaged on social media, written letters to the editor, or supported 350 Wisconsin Action’s campaign in other ways. Together, we have promoted outstanding candidates who will fight for the climate, and we have made sure that climate and climate justice are part of the political dialogue.

We’re not done yet! Every vote will count, and it’s essential we do everything we can to get voters to the polls.

Click here to sign up for phone banking on Saturday, November 5 from 10-12 and/or Monday, November 7 from 5:30-7:30

Click here to give rides to the polls on Tuesday, November 8. 350 Wisconsin is partnering with Freedom Inc. for this important, non-partisan GOTV project. (More information is available on the sign-up form.)

Finally, make sure that you have a plan to vote! And reach out to friends and family to make sure they do too.

Join Our Giving Tuesday Celebration!
Giving Tuesday is a time for people all around the globe to come together, strengthen our communities and change our world. Our 2022 theme – “Together for the Climate” – reminds us of our collective power to create a just, healthy and sustainable future for our planet and all living beings.

We’d love to have you join in the festivities. Check our Facebook Events Page and website for more details as we get closer to the big day!

- **Celebration.** Garver Feed Mill, November 29th, 7-9pm. Attendance is free but [registration](#) is appreciated!
- **Online Auction.** Our auction will be open November 19th-November 30th. It’s not too late to contribute a craft item or gift card. Click [here](#) to enter your item donation. Click here to [register](#) in advance for the auction.
- **Giving Tuesday Ambassadors.** If you’d like to fundraise on behalf of 350 Wisconsin, provide funds for a match, or support this campaign in other ways, please contact stephanie.robinson@350wisconsin.org.

Make an early [donation](#) and inspire others to give!

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**Build the Climate Movement with Donor-Advised Funds**

Every gift received at 350 Wisconsin has an immediate impact on building the climate movement in Wisconsin to make transformational progress toward
environmental justice and solving the climate crisis.

350 Wisconsin is grateful to receive gifts in many forms including online with a credit card and checks sent in by mail. A new way we are receiving gifts is through Donor Advised Funds or DAFs. Donor Advised Funds are a charitable investment fund account that is held by a community foundation or other sponsoring financial organization like Ameriprise, Fidelity, Schwab, and Vanguard. Donors find DAFs to be a convenient way to donate while appreciating the tax benefits of this charitable giving tool.

If you already have a DAF with funds available for distribution, consider contacting your fund holder to recommend a gift from it this year to build the climate movement.

Your fund holder will need this information:

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PO Box 2428, Madison, WI 53701  
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Questions? Contact Stephanie Robinson,  
Director of Development at  
stephanie.robinson@350wisconsin.org or (608) 345-9347.

Why Blame Wall Street?

"Since the Paris agreement was adopted, Wall Street banks have provided 1.4 trillion to the fossil fuel industry." This quote comes from Stop the Money Pipeline (STMP), a coalition of over 200 groups organizing against continued financing of coal, oil and gas. "The corporations driving
the climate crisis depend on this support from the financial sector."

As a member of the STMP coalition, 350 Wisconsin has been demanding that JP Morgan Chase Bank pass a policy prohibiting funding for any fossil fuel company that is expanding its operations aka A No Expansion Policy. Our next No Expansion Action will be at Madison’s downtown Chase branch at 11 am on Saturday, November 12. Join us by clicking the button below!

“When we stop the flow of money we stop the flow of oil.”

Join Us

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**It's Clear: Wisconsin Doesn't Want Line 5**

On Oct. 20, our Tar Sands Team held a virtual press conference to spotlight our data analysis of the 32,000+ comments that people from all over WI (and every other state too!) submitted last spring to the WI DNR (Department of Natural Resources). The comments were about the DEIS (Draft Environmental Impact Statement) for Enbridge’s proposed expansion of Line 5, which would skirt the Bad River Reservation boundaries, but remain within the Bad River watershed.

Commenters criticized how poorly researched and written the DEIS was and called upon the DNR to create a new one, written by unbiased scientists instead of TRC, a consulting company for mega-corporations doing huge engineering projects. Guess how many future jobs TRC
would get if they actually described all the myriad ways how this pipeline could devastate the environment?

_Spread the word! It's easy and quick and effective, and we need this story to get out there!_

Read the [analysis here](#).
Read the [blog](#), which includes a synopsis of the analysis.
Share a social media post

- On [Facebook](#)
- On [Twitter](#)
- On [Instagram](#)

If you’re a phonebanker, canvasser, or tabler, this report will give you great talking points!

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**Your Comments made a Difference on Climate Forward Policies in Wisconsin!**

Thank you to everyone who submitted comments recently in support of local renewable energy projects! The Community Climate Solutions Team recently highlighted the High Noon Solar Energy Center in Columbia County and the Tyto Solar Energy Project in Fitchburg. Thanks to _you_, comments in support of High Noon outnumbered negative comments by a ratio of 2 to 1! Tyto Solar also was approved with 19 supportive comments sent by Action Participation List members. Also, we recently worked to garner support for the nearly $30 million in proposed climate/environment line items in the 2023 Dane County Budget and 31 people submitted comments in support! If you would like to join
our Action Participation List to learn more about similar actions you can take quickly, please sign up by filling out the form below.

Sign Up Here!

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87 New Dane County Climate Champions

At the end of October, the Dane County Office of Energy and Climate Change inducted 87 new members into its Climate Champions program! 17 of those new members were submitted with the assistance of the Community Climate Solutions Team. New members submitted by CCST were particularly impactful in their sustainable building design. To learn more and join the Green Buildings Project Group, contact Susan Millar at susan.millar@350wisconsin.org.

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Don't Let Enbridge (and Michels) Ruin Our Waters!

Though Enbridge was able to install the new Line 3 (now called Line 93) through northern MN last year, the Water Protectors there have not given up! One new group, called Waadookawaad Amikwag (Those Who Help Beaver) is working to show the State of Minnesota the crimes against nature perpetrated by Enbridge and their contractors. You can watch the video (by clicking on the button below) that these citizen scientists created. While using horizontal directional drilling (HDD), Enbridge's contractors breached
at least 3 aquifers and caused at least 28 frac-outs, inadvertent release of drilling fluids, which may contain toxic chemicals like PFAS, and do contain bentonite clay, which can smother small organisms like trout fry. Enbridge created “solutions” that didn’t fully stop the ongoing loss of groundwater while creating serious new problems.

Says Jami Gaither, a citizen scientist, "We continue standing for Water, reporting Enbridge’s damages to the public, as state officials and agencies are not."

Enbridge and the Michels Corporation are planning to use the same dangerous HDD in the Line 5 expansion that they are planning for northern Wisconsin. We cannot let this happen. Contact phyllis.hasbrouck@350Wisconsin.org to join the Tar Sands Team. You can reach Jami at WaadookawaadAmikwag@gmail.com.

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**Upcoming Meetings**

**Art Collective:** November 10, 7:15 pm | Contact: Russ Bennett bennett.russ@gmail.com; Dianne Brakarsh movingfromwithin@gmail.com

**Climate Justice:** November 14, 7:00–8:30 pm | Contact: Marian Fredal marian.fredal@350wisconsin.org

**Community Climate Solutions:** November 17, 5-6 pm | Contact: Susan Millar Susan.Millar@350wisconsin.org; Kermit Hovey, Kermit.Hovey@350wisconsin.org; Julia DePalma, juliadepalma1@gmail.com (For a complete schedule of various team meetings of CCST, click [here](#).)

**Communication Action:** November 21, 7:00-8:30 pm | Contact Emily.Park@350wisconsin.org

**Divest & Defund:** November 21, 7-8:30 pm | Contact divest.defund@350wisonsin.org

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Watch the Video
**Fundraising:** November 16, 7-8 pm | Contact Stephanie.Robinson@350wisconsin.org

**State Policy:** November 16, 5:30-7:00 pm | Contact Gail Nordheim gail.nordheim@350wisconsin.org

**Tar Sands:** November 14, 5:45–6:45 pm | Contact Phyllis Hasbrouck Phyllis.Hasbrouck@350wisconsin.org

**Monthly Meeting:** November 14, 7-8 pm | Contact Julia Isaacs Julia.Isaacs@350wisconsin.org; Kelly Kearns Kelly.Kearns@350wisconsin.org

**CCST Monthly Meeting:** Nov. 17, 5-6pm | Contact susan.millar@350wisconsin.org

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