

June 29, 2021

Dear Speaker Pelosi and Leader Schumer,

We, the undersigned organizations, write to urge your support for the elimination of fossil fuel subsidies and other giveaways in any infrastructure, economic recovery, and/or reconciliation legislative package.

We appreciate your past and ongoing support on this crucial issue. In 2011, you rose on the floors of the House of Representatives and Senate in support of eliminating a raft of fossil fuel subsidies enshrined in federal law.¹ These important speeches highlighted the injustice and destructiveness of these giveaways to an industry responsible for the destruction of communities, nature, and climate. As you noted, fossil fuels are outdated energy sources that produce enormous levels of pollution that harm our communities, natural areas, and climate. These impacts fall hardest on historically marginalized communities, including Black and Indigenous communities in particular.

Ten years later, climate impacts are mounting but more than \$15 billion in annual wasteful and destructive federal giveaways to the fossil fuel industry remain on the books. These subsidies have persisted despite numerous calls for their elimination, including the international commitments of our government and strong recent calls from President Joe Biden, as expressed repeatedly over the last two years and most recently in his FY2022 budget proposal. In fact, the set of subsidy repeals the President has proposed are alone estimated at \$121 billion of tax expenditures over the next ten years.

It is past time to remove the burden of dirty energy support from the public and instead turn the efforts of the government to supporting clean energy and the jobs it generates. Action taken now will help us protect our climate, promote a more equitable, clean energy economy for America, and strengthen international leadership.

As you know, public dollars continue to flow to fossil fuel companies in many ways, including but not limited to:

- Special giveaways that exempt oil and gas companies from paying taxes on much of their foreign income and allow inappropriate deductions for fossil fuel development, exploration, and production costs.
- Research and development tax credits that encourage expansion of fossil fuel infrastructure.
- Lax financial requirements for cleanup of oil and gas wells that leave the public with the bill (if the wells get cleaned up at all).

¹ "It's long past time to turn off the spigot of public funds flowing to Big Oil... So I rise to ask my colleagues today: should the American taxpayers continue to subsidize Big Oil's profits?" – Speaker Nancy Pelosi, on the floor of the House of Representatives, in support of a procedural motion to allow the consideration of H.R. 1689, the Big Oil Welfare Repeal Act of 2011

"You don't have to worry about [the fossil fuel industry's] desire to explore. They are looking every place they can. They don't have to have a subsidy to do it... So the time to repeal these giveaways is now." – Leader Chuck Schumer, Congressional Record Volume 157, Number 63 (Tuesday, May 10, 2011)

- Below-market leasing rates, royalties, and fees that encourage further oil and gas development and exploit our public lands.

In keeping with your support for ending these antiquated and wasteful measures, we urge you to advocate for the elimination of fossil fuel subsidies and giveaways in any legislative package so that they no longer undermine the just transition to clean energy jobs and infrastructure that we need for our future.

Sincerely,

Adorers of the Blood of Christ, U.S. Region – National

Adrian Dominican Sisters – Michigan

Advocates for the Environment – California

Advocates for Springfield – New York

Affordable Beauty: Photo Collage, Photography, Poetry – New York

Alabama Interfaith Power & Light – Alabama

Alaska Community Action on Toxics – Alaska

Alliance for Climate Education – National

Alliance to Protect Our People & the Places We Live – North Carolina

Alliance for the Wild Rockies – Northern Rocky Mountains

Alpha Epsilon Lambda – National

American Family Voices – National

American Federation of Government Employees Local 704 – Great Lakes

American Public Health Association – National

American Sustainable Business Council – National

Andrew Weil Center for Integrative Medicine at University of Arizona – Arizona

Animals Are Sentient Beings – National

Anthropocene Alliance – National

Appraccel – California

Arm in Arm – National

ART NOT WAR – National

Ashfield Alliance – Massachusetts

Atchafalaya Basinkeeper – Louisiana

Aytzim: Ecological Judaism – National

Azul – National

Balance & Accuracy in Journalism – North Carolina

Beloved Earth Community of The Riverside Church – New York

Benedictine University Faculty – Illinois

Berks Gas Truth – Pennsylvania

Better Path Coalition – Pennsylvania

Beyond Extreme Energy – National

Big Reuse – New York

Blue Future – National

Blue Ridge Environmental Defense League –

Alabama / Georgia / North Carolina / South Carolina / Tennessee / Virginia

Bold Alliance – National

The Borneo Project – California

Breach Collective – Pacific Northwest / National

Breast Cancer Prevention Partners – National

Breathe Project – Pennsylvania

Bronx Climate Justice North – New York

Bronx Jews for Climate Action – New York

Bucks Environmental Action – Pennsylvania

Build A Movement 2022 – National

Businesses for a Livable Climate – National

California Businesses for a Livable Climate – California

California Democratic Party Environmental Caucus – California

California Democratic Party Progressive Caucus – California

California Environmental Justice Alliance – California

Call to Action Colorado – Colorado
Campus Climate Corps – Florida

Carolina Biodiesel – North Carolina
Cascadia Wildlands – Pacific Northwest
Catalyst Miami – Florida
Catskill Mountainkeeper – New York
Catholic Network US – National

Cedar Lane Unitarian Universalist Church
Environmental Justice Ministry – Maryland
Center for Biological Diversity – National
Center for the Blue Economy at Middlebury
Institute of International Studies – California
Center for Civic Policy – New Mexico
Center for a Competitive Waste Industry –
National

Center for Environmentally Recycled Building
Alternatives – Arizona / California
Center for International Environmental Law –
National
Central Maryland Beekeepers Association –
Maryland
CEO Pipe Organs – Wisconsin
Change the Chamber – National

Charleston Climate Coalition – South Carolina
Chautauqua-Conewango Consortium – New
York / Pennsylvania
Cheyenne River Grassroots Collective – South
Dakota
Chicago Area Peace Action – Illinois
Chicago Asian Americans for Environmental
Justice – Illinois

Christian Council of Delmarva – Delaware
Church Women United in New York State –
New York
Citizens Awareness Network – National
Citizens for Clean Air & Water in Brazoria
County – Texas
Citizens' Resistance at Fermi Two – Michigan

Clean Energy Action – National
Clean Water Action – National
CLEO Institute – Florida
Climate Action Campaign of the Humboldt
Unitarian Universalist Fellowship – California
Climate Action Group at Seattle Insight
Meditation Society – Washington

Climate Action Rhode Island / 350 Rhode Island
– Rhode Island
Climate Action Team of the Unitarian
Universalist Fellowship of Corvallis – Oregon
Climate Advocates Voces Unidas – New Mexico
The Climate Center – California
Climate Crisis Policy – National

Climate Generation: A Will Steger Legacy –
National
Climate Hawks Vote – National
Climate Health Now – California
The Climate Mobilization – National
Climate Reality Project Baja Arizona – Arizona

Climate Reality Project Bay Area – California
Climate Reality Project Chicago Metro – Illinois
Climate Reality Project Massachusetts
Southcoast – Massachusetts
Coalition Against Pilgrim Pipeline – New Jersey
Coalition Against Pipelines – Texas

Coalition for Outreach, Policy, & Education –
New York
Colorado Businesses for a Livable Climate –
Colorado
Colorado Small Business Coalition – Colorado
Columbus Community Bill of Rights – Ohio
Communities for a Better Environment –
California

Community Action Works Campaigns –
Connecticut / Maine / Massachusetts / New
Hampshire / Rhode Island / Vermont
Community Advocates for a Sustainable
Environment – New York

Community Power – Minnesota
Compressor Free Franklin – New York
Concerned Ohio River Residents – Ohio River
Valley

Conejo Climate Coalition – California
Congregation of Our Lady of Charity of the
Good Shepherd, U.S. Provinces – National
Congregation of Saint Joseph Peace & Justice
Team – National
Congregation of Sisters of St. Agnes –
Wisconsin
Cooperative Energy Futures – Minnesota

Corporate Accountability – National
Corvallis Climate Action Alliance – Oregon
Corvallis Interfaith Climate Justice Committee –
Oregon
Covenant Tribal Solar Initiative – National
Croatan Institute – National

Daily Acts – California
Dayenu: A Jewish Call to Climate Action –
National
DC Dorothy Day Catholic Worker – District of
Columbia
Defend Our Health – Maine
Democratic Environmental Caucus of Florida

The Democracy Collaborative – National
DirtyGirlsAg – Florida
Divest New York – New York
DNC Environment & Climate Crisis Council –
National
Dogwood Alliance – Southeast

Dominican Sisters of Sinsinawa – National
Dominican Sisters of Sparkill – New York
Don't Gas the Meadowlands Coalition – New
Jersey
Don't Waste Arizona – Arizona
Drawdown Bay Area – California

Earth Action – Gulf South

The Earth Bill Network – National
Earth Day Initiative – National
Earth Day Network – National
Earthjustice – National

Earthkeeper Health Resources – National
Earthworks – National
Ecoaction Committee of Green Party of the
United States – National
EcoEquity – California
EcoHealth Network – National

Eco-Healthy Solutions – Georgia
Eco-Logic – New York
Eco-Poetry – National
Elders Climate Action – National
Electric Auto Association Central Coast
California – California

Elgin Green Groups 350 – Illinois
Elmirans & Friends Against Fracking – New
York
Empower Our Future – Colorado
Empowering Pacific Islander Communities –
National
Endangered Habitats League – California

The Enviro Show – National
Environeers – Pennsylvania
Environment America – National
Environment Texas – Texas
Environmental Defense Center – California

Environmental Integrity Project – National
Environmental Transformation Movement of
Flint – Michigan
Environmental Working Group – National
Escambia County Democratic Environmental
Caucus – Florida
Evergreen Action – National

Extinction Rebellion New Orleans – Louisiana
Extinction Rebellion San Francisco Bay Area –
California

Faithful America – National
Fairbanks Climate Action Coalition – Alaska
Fayetteville Police Accountability Community
Taskforce – North Carolina

Florida Student Power Network – Florida
Food & Water Watch – National
Fossil Free California – California
Fossil Free Tompkins – New York
Fossil Fuel Divest Harvard – Massachusetts

Fox Valley Citizens for Peace & Justice –
Illinois

FracTracker Alliance – National
Franciscan Action Network – National
The Freedom BLOC – Ohio
FreshWater Accountability Project – Ohio

Fresnans Against Fracking – California
Fridays For Future USA – National
Friends Committee on National Legislation –
National
Friends of the Earth U.S. – National
Friends of Public Banking Santa Rosa –
California

Frontera Water Protection Alliance – Texas
Future Coalition – National
The Future Left – California
Gas Free Seneca – New York
Georgia Conservation Voters – Georgia

Georgia Interfaith Power & Light – Georgia
Georgia STAND-UP – Georgia
Giniw Collective – Minnesota
Glades County Democratic Environmental
Caucus – Florida
Glades County Democratic Executive
Committee – Florida

Global Climate & Health Alliance – National
Global Consortium on Climate & Health
Education at Columbia University – National

Global Observatory on Pollution & Health at
Boston College – Massachusetts
Global Witness – National
Golden Ponds Farm – Wisconsin

Grassroots Central Mass – Massachusetts
Grassroots Global Justice Alliance – National
Great Old Broads for Wilderness – National
Greater-Birmingham Alliance to Stop Pollution
– Alabama
Greater Highland Area Concerned Citizens –
Illinois

The Greater Prince William Climate Action
Network – Virginia
The Green House Connection Center – Colorado
Green Neighbor Challenge – National
Green New Deal Network – National
Green Sanctuary of Unitarian Universalist
Congregation of Binghamton – New York

Green Sanctuary of Unitarian Universalist
Society of Geneva – Illinois
Green Workers Alliance – National
Greenbelt Climate Action Network / 350
Greenbelt – Maryland
GreenFaith – National
GreenLatinos – National

Greenpeace USA – National
Greenvest – National
Grey Nuns of the Sacred Heart
Guernsey County Citizens Support on Drilling
Issues – Ohio
Gulf Coast Center for Law & Policy – Gulf
Coast

Health Care Without Harm – National
Health Professionals for a Healthy Climate –
Minnesota
HealthLink – Massachusetts
Healthy Gulf – Gulf of Mexico
Heartwood – National

Hendry County Democratic Environmental
Caucus – Florida
Holy Spirit Missionary Sisters USA Justice,
Peace, & Integrity of Creation Committee –
National
Honeydew Energy Advisors – District of
Columbia
Hudson River Sloop Clearwater – New York
Human Impact Partners – National

Huntington Breast Cancer Action Coalition –
New York
Idle No More San Francisco Bay – California
In the Shadow of the Wolf – National
Indian Point Safe Energy Coalition – New York
Indigenous Environmental Network – National

Indivisible – National
Indivisible Nation BK – New York
Inland Ocean Coalition – Colorado
Institute on Taxation & Economic Policy –
National
Institute for Policy Studies Inequality Program –
National

Institute for Agriculture & Trade Policy –
Minnesota
Intercommunity Peace & Justice Center –
Washington
Interfaith Earthkeepers Eugene & Springfield –
Oregon
Interfaith Moral Action on Climate – National
Interfaith Oceans – National

International Indigenous Youth Council Los
Angeles – California
International Marine Mammal Project – National
Iowa Citizens for Community Improvement –
Iowa
Islamic Circle of North America Council for
Social Justice – National
Jewish Climate Action Network – Massachusetts

Jewish Climate Action Network NYC – New
York
John Muir Project – National
Justice Committee of The Sisters of St. Joseph
of Carondelet Albany Province – New York
Kissimmee Waterkeeper – Florida
Kitsap Unitarian Universalist Fellowship –
Washington

Labor Network for Sustainability – National
LaPlaca & Associates – North Carolina
Leadership Conference of Women Religious –
National
League of Conservation Voters – National
LITE Initiatives – California

Little Sprouts Preschool – Washington
Local Environmental Action Demanded Agency
– Oklahoma
Longmeadow Pipeline Awareness Group –
Massachusetts
Love Wild Horses – National
MADRE – National

Maryknoll Office for Global Concerns –
National
Martin County Democratic Environmental
Caucus – Florida
Massachusetts Jobs with Justice – Massachusetts
Maternal & Child Health Access – California
Mazaska Talks – Washington

Mercury Policy Project – National
Metro NY Catholic Climate Movement – New
York
Michigan Climate Action Network – Michigan
Michigan Environmental Justice Coalition –
Michigan
Mid-Atlantic Invasive Plant Council – Maryland
Mid-Missouri Peaceworks – Missouri

Milwaukee Riverkeeper – Wisconsin
MIT Divest – Massachusetts

Mothers & Others for Clean Air – Alabama /
Arkansas / Florida / Georgia / Louisiana /
Mississippi / North Carolina / South Carolina /
Virginia / Tennessee
Mothers Out Front – National

Mothers Out Front Long Island – New York
Mothers Out Front Tompkins – New York
Mountain Progressives Frazier Park – California
Napa Climate NOW! – California
National Advocacy Center of the Sisters of the
Good Shepherd – Maryland

National Religious Coalition on Creation Care –
National
Natural Resources Defense Council – National
Nature Coast Conservation – Florida
NC WARN – North Carolina
NETWORK Lobby for Catholic Social Justice –
National

New Energy Economy – New Mexico
New Jersey State Industrial Union Council –
New Jersey
New Mexico Climate Justice – New Mexico
New York Climate Advocates – New York
New York Communities for Change – New York

New York Lawyers for the Public Interest – New
York
New York / New Jersey Environmental Watch –
New Jersey / New York
New Yorkers for Clean Power – New York
Newark Water Coalition – New Jersey
NJ-08 for Progress – New Jersey

North American Climate, Conservation &
Environment – New York
North Bronx Racial Justice – New York
North Country Earth Action – New York
North Georgia Conservation Coalition – Georgia
North Range Concerned Citizens – Colorado

Northern California Recycling Association –
California
Northern Michigan Environmental Action
Council – Michigan
Northwest Detroiters for Social Justice –
Michigan
Nuclear Energy Information Service – Illinois

NYC H2O – New York
NYC Safe Energy Campaign – New York
Occupy Bergen County – New Jersey
Ocean Conservancy – National
Ocean Conservation Research – National
Oceana – National

Oceanic Preservation Society – National
Ohio Valley Environmental Coalition – West
Virginia
Oil & Gas Action Network – National
Oil Change International – National
Oregon Democratic Party Environmental
Caucus – Oregon

Our Climate Education Fund – National
Our Revolution – National
Our Revolution Greenville – South Carolina
Our Revolution Hawaii – Hawaii
Our Revolution Howard County – Maryland

Our Revolution Michigan – Michigan
Our Revolution Minnesota – Minnesota
Our Revolution Montgomery County –
Maryland
Our Revolution New Jersey – New Jersey
Our Revolution South Carolina – South Carolina

Oxfam America – National
Pacific Environment – National
Los Padres ForestWatch – California
Palm Beach County Democratic Environmental
Caucus – Florida
Pass the Federal Green New Deal Coalition –
Washington

Peace Action Wisconsin – Wisconsin
Pennsylvania Council of Churches –
Pennsylvania
People of Albany United for Safe Energy – New
York
People Demanding Action – National
The People's Justice Council – Alabama

People's Party – National
Peoples Climate Movement New York – New
York
Pesticide Action Network – National
Phil Berrigan Memorial Chapter Veterans For
Peace – Maryland
Physicians Against Red Meat – California

Physicians for Social Responsibility – National
Physicians for Social Responsibility Arizona –
Arizona
Physicians for Social Responsibility
Pennsylvania – Pennsylvania
Pivot Point – Washington
Progressive Democrats of America – National

Progressive Democrats of America Central
Florida – Florida
Progressive Democrats of America Tucson –
Arizona
Progressive Democrats of Howard County –
Maryland
Project CoffeeHouse – Pennsylvania
Project Eleven Hundred – Utah

Property Rights & Pipeline Center – National
Public Citizen – National
Public Goods Institute – National
Public Justice Center – Maryland
Publish What You Pay United States – National

Puget Sound Advocates for Retirement Action –
Washington
Rachel Carson Council – National
Rainforest Action Network – National
Rapid Shift Network – National

RedTailed Hawk Collective – North Carolina

Redwood Coast Land Conservancy – California
Reedsburg Area Concerned Citizens –
Wisconsin
Religious of the Sacred Heart of Mary Western
American Area – California
Resource Renewal Institute – California
Responsible Drilling Alliance – Pennsylvania

Revolution Coalition – National
Rio Grande Valley Great Old Broads for
Wilderness – New Mexico
River Guardian Foundation – North Carolina
Rockland Citizens Action Network – New York
Rogue Climate – Oregon

RootsAction – National
Safe Energy Rights Group – New York
Safe Skies Maryland – Maryland
Safer States – National
San Antonio Bay Estuarine Waterkeeper – Texas

San Diego 350 – California
San Francisco Bay Physicians for Social
Responsibility – California
San Luis Obispo Mothers for Peace – California
Santa Barbara Standing Rock Coalition –
California
Santa Barbara Urban Creeks Council –
California

Santa Cruz Climate Action Network – Local
Santa Rosa Junior College – California
Save the Frogs! – California
Save Our Illinois Land – Illinois
Save the Pine Bush – New York

Save RGV – Texas
School Sisters of Notre Dame Central Pacific
Province Shalom Office – National
Science & Environmental Health Network –
National
Seeding Sovereignty – National

Seneca Lake Guardian – New York

Seven Circles Foundation – California

Shenandoah Energy Services – Virginia

Sierra Club – National

Sister Health & Wellness Collective – National

Sisters of Bon Secours USA – Maryland

Sisters of Charity Federation – National

Sisters of the Holy Names of Jesus & Mary –
National

Sisters of Home Visitors of Mary – Michigan

Sisters of the Humility of Mary – Pennsylvania

Sisters of Mercy of the Americas Justice Team
– National

Sisters of St. Dominic of Blauvelt – New York

Sisters of St. Francis of Philadelphia – National

Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet – National

Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet Louisiana –
Louisiana

Sisters of St. Joseph of Concordia – Kansas

Sisters of St. Joseph of Rochester Justice & Care
for Creation Committee – New York

Sisters of St. Joseph of Springfield –
Massachusetts

SoCal 350 Climate Action – California

Social Eco Education Los Angeles – California

Social Justice Commission of Episcopal Diocese
of Western Massachusetts – Massachusetts

Solar United Neighbors Action – National

Solarize Albany County – New York

Solidarity INFO Service – National

Sonoma County Climate Activist Network –
California

South Shore Audubon Society – New York

Southcoast Energy Challenge – Massachusetts

Southern Oregon Climate Action Now – Oregon

Spirit of the Sun – Colorado

Spottswoode Winery – California

Spruill Farm Conservation Project – North
Carolina

St. Francis Xavier Church – New York

Stand.earth – National

Stop the Algonquin Pipeline Expansion – New
York

Stop NY Fracked Gas Pipeline – New York

Students for Economic Democracy – Florida

Sunflower Alliance – California

Sungage Financial – National

Sunrise Little Rock – Arkansas

Sunrise Movement – National

Sunrise Movement Fairview – Colorado

Sunrise Movement Los Angeles – California

Sunrise Movement Villanova University –
Pennsylvania

Sunrise STL – Missouri

Sunrise Worcester – Massachusetts

Susanne Moser Research & Consulting –
National

Sustainable Marblehead – Massachusetts

Sustainne – Connecticut

Tennessee Interfaith Power & Light – Tennessee

Texas Campaign for the Environment – Texas

Think Heavenly – California

Thomas Berry Forum – New York

Tompkins County Climate Protection Initiative –
New York

Transition Sebastopol – California

Tucson Climate Action Network – Arizona

Turtle Island Restoration Network – Regional

Union of Sisters of the Presentation of the
Blessed Virgin Mary – National

Unitarian Universalists for a Just Economic
Community – National

Unite North Metro Denver – Colorado

United Church of Christ Ministry of
Environmental Justice – National

U.S. Public Interest Research Group – National

Utah Valley Earth Forum – Utah

Vermont Conservation Voters – Vermont

Vermont Yankee Decommissioning Alliance – Vermont

Veterans For Peace Linus Pauling Chapter 132 – Oregon

Voices for Progress – National

Wall of Women Colorado – Colorado

Wasatch Clean Air Coalition – Utah

Washington Physicians for Social Responsibility – Washington

Water & Air Team Charlevoix – Michigan

We Want Green Too! – Michigan

The Wei – New Jersey

Westchester People's Action Coalition Foundation – New York

Western Environmental Law Center – Western United States

Western New York Environmental Alliance – New York

Wheaton Franciscans Justice, Peace, & Integrity of Creation Office – Illinois

Wild Montana – Montana

Wild Nature Institute – National

The Wilderness Society – National

Women's Earth & Climate Action Network – National

Women's International League for Peace & Freedom – National

Women's March Ann Arbor – Michigan

Women's Voices for the Earth – National

Youth Vs Apocalypse – California

Zero Hour – National

198 methods – National

350 Bay Area Action – California

350 Brooklyn – New York

350 Butte County – California

350 Central Mass – Massachusetts

350 Charlotte – North Carolina

350 Colorado – Colorado

350 Conejo / San Fernando Valley – California

350 Corvallis – Oregon

350 Eastside – Washington

350 Eugene – Oregon

350 Everett – Washington

350 Fairfax – Virginia

350 Hawaii – Hawaii

350 Humboldt – California

350 Juneau – Alaska

350 Kishwaukee – Illinois

350 Lake Norman – North Carolina

350 Maine – Maine

350 Massachusetts – Massachusetts

350 Massachusetts Metro North Node – Massachusetts

350 Montana – Montana

350 New Hampshire – New Hampshire

350 New Hampshire Action – New Hampshire

350 New Orleans – Louisiana

350 NYC – New York

350 PDX – Oregon

350 Pensacola – Florida

350 Petaluma – California

350 Seattle – Washington

350 Silicon Valley – California

350 Sonoma – California

350 Spokane – Washington

350 Triangle – North Carolina

350 Ventura County Climate Hub – California

350 West Sound Climate Action – Washington

350.org – National

1000 Grandmothers for Future Generations – California

48217 Southwest Detroit – Michigan