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Call In Day to Attorney General Olens TOMORROW!

As you may know, **Georgia Attorney General Sam Olens** - acting in your name and on behalf of our state - **recently joined other states asking EPA to wait another year or more before implementing the already 20 years in the making mercury standards for power plants.** Already, concerned citizens have submitted over 800 comments to his office expressing their disapproval and encouraging him to withdraw his support and follow the advice of Georgia EPD to support the EPA's Mercury and Air Toxics Standard.

This **Thursday, October 27th**, we'll be supplementing those letters with hundreds of phone calls to make sure that the demand from Georgia citizens is clear: "Represent People not Polluters!" We NEED your help in two ways:



- First, **make the simple phone call to the Office of Attorney General Sam Olens.** Call (404) 656-3300, between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., and ask him to rescind his law-suit against the EPA. You can find a sample script for your call [here](#). Let everyone know you made the call and how it went by posting on the [Facebook wall](#).
- Next, Help us generate dozens of more calls by **participating in our phone bank.** We will be calling thousands of our supporters from around the state and helping them connect to Attorney General Sam Olen's office. Phonebanking is simple, and can be done from home. Any amount of time you can dedicate will help boost our impact. If you would like to volunteer for any period of time on Thursday, sign up [here](#).

Together we can make sure Attorney General Sam Olens and other state leaders know that they can't get away with supporting corporate polluters at the expense of our health and jobs. **Let's remind Georgia State leaders that it's time stop pandering to big polluters and to start putting the health of our families front and center.**

Quick Links

Charles Seabrook wrote a great [column](#) for the AJC last week about an exhibit at the Atlanta History Center that every tree-hugger should see between now and December 4th: [John Muir: Nature's Beloved Son](#). As Seabrook says:

[The exhibit] features several of the botanical specimens collected by Muir during his treks across the Southeast and elsewhere and his surprise at coming across flora and fauna that he had never seen before.

Of an experience near Gainesville, he wrote: "The Chattahoochee River is richly embanked with massive, bossy, dark green water oaks, and wreathed with a dense growth of muscadine grapevines, whose ornate foliage, so well adapted to bank embroidery, was enriched with other interweaving species of vines and brightly colored flowers. This is the first truly Southern stream I have met."



Sierra Club Meetings

Smart Energy Team Meeting, Monday, November 7th, 6:30 p.m. refreshments, 7:00 p.m. start, Mike Walls - Chair, mwalls@ellijay.com

Beyond Factory Farming, Monday, November 14th, 7:30 p.m., Leah Garces - Chair, Leah.Garces@ciwf.org.uk

Wildlands and Wildlife Committee Meeting, Tuesday, November 15th, 7:00 p.m., Mike Murdock - Chair, murdock1@mindspring.com

Fundraising Committee, Wednesday, Novmeber 9th, 7:00 p.m., Clay Tucker - Chair, tuckerwf12@aol.com

RAIL Committee Meeting, Monday, November 28th, 7:00 p.m., David Emory - Chair, david.emory@gmail.com

Atlanta Inner City Outings (ICO), Tuesday, November 29th, 7:30 p.m., Naomi Bock, atlantaico@gmail.com

Hemlock Festival - November 4th thru 6th



The Wildlands Committee of the Georgia Chapter supports the Lumpkin Coalition's efforts to save Georgia's hemlocks from the woolly adelgid that is killing them.

The Hemlock Festival raises public awareness of the Hemlock problem and promotes action, supports the efforts of all three labs in Georgia that raise predatory beetles to combat the Hemlock woolly adelgid on public lands, and assists private landowners and public agencies in managing the health of their Hemlock trees. Volunteer for a shift at the Sierra Club table by contacting [Mike Murdock](mailto:Mike.Murdock).

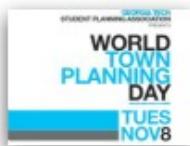
Georgia Water Coalition 10th Anniversary - November 5th

The Georgia Water Coalition's mission is to protect and care for Georgia's water resources, which are essential for sustaining Georgia's prosperity, providing clean and abundant drinking water, preserving diverse aquatic habitats for wildlife and recreation, and strengthening property values.

Join us for good food, good music, good company and a good time in celebration of the Georgia Water Coalition's 10th Anniversary! 11:30 - 3 p.m. Georgia Wildlife Federation's Alcovy Conservation Center, 11600 Hazelbrand Road Covington, GA 30014. RSVP to [Jennette Gayer](mailto:Jennette.Gayer).



World Town Planning Day - November 8th

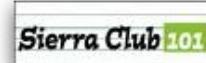


The annual [World Town Planning Day Symposium](#) held at Georgia Tech, entitled this year *CENTS & SENSIBILITY: Atlanta's Transportation Vision*, will focus on how the final list of transportation projects can support regional planning goals for the environment, economic development, and regional equity. The projects will be funded by TSPLOST if passed.

Panelists include Mayor Bucky Johnson of the City of Norcross, the Georgia Chapter's own Colleen Kiernan, and Tom Weyandt of the Atlanta Mayor's Office to discuss how the list of projects will individually and collectively impact the region. Click [here](#) to register for this free event.

Sierra Club 101 - December 10th

You got on our mailing list because you care about the environment and want help -- now what? Sierra Club 101! Come learn about the Sierra Club and how to get involved in our local efforts. Open to members and non-members alike -- bring a friend! Breakfast and coffee provided. December 10th, 10:30 a.m.- 12 p.m. Register online by clicking [here](#).



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