



The Engaged Sierran

Rally to Stop the Pipeline

Friday, December 11 ~ 10am
Concord

March up Main Street to the State House and present the NH Plan petition to Gov. Hassan with more than 10,000 signatures on it! We call upon our governor to stop the Northeast Energy Direct (NED) pipeline. It's a bad deal for New Hampshire.

[RSVP today!](#)

Read about the NED Pipeline [on our website](#).



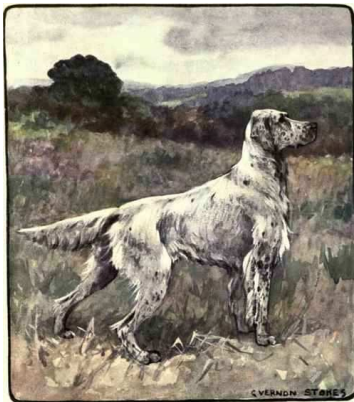
Our State Doesn't Need Northern Pass

Learn more about why we don't need Northern Pass in our [editorial](#), originally published in the October 31 of the Concord Monitor. Support the Sierra Club's position on this issue -- [write a Letter to the Editor](#),

CLIMATE ACTION on Presidential Primary Candidates - Volunteer With Us

Sunday, Dec. 13 - Training Day

This is the perfect time to commit to promoting the Sierra Club's stance on the environment! Over the next several months (yes, during the busy holiday season too), we need you and many other volunteers visible and active during presidential campaign events. The purpose is to pin candidates down on climate issues and solutions.



Our Campaign Kick Off is on **Sunday, December 13**, with a special Sierra Club Volunteer Training in Concord. This will be a very comprehensive training with Sierra Club staff from Washington D.C. We expect that the training will last from 9:30am until 4pm. The training is free and lunch will be provided.

[Sign Up for the Training](#) today!

You will learn various tactics about how to approach candidates with specific and consistent questions regarding their stand on environmental issues, get tips on social media, how to talk to reporters, and a variety of other tactics.

In January, it is absolutely crucial that we get our message out, and solidify where the candidates stand on climate issues. **Come be part of a team NH Climate Action!** Please note this special Primary Project is over in early February and open to members and non-members alike. **You need a bird-dogging buddy**, so bring that best friend/spouse/offspring who always agrees with you, too!

Please [sign up today](#) to get involved with the Primary Project!

Photo Contest Winners Announced



Mount Lafayette Columbus Day 2015, by Jerry Curran



Untitled, by Jennifer Gervais

Thank you so much to all of you who submitted a photo or voted for the People's Choice award during the 1st Annual New Hampshire Sierra Club photo contest!

Congratulations goes to:

- **Jerry Curran** for winning Judge's Choice
- **Jennifer Gervais** for winning People's Choice

A special thanks to Erika Thorsell from [Photography by Erika Thorsell](#), Mallory Parkington from [Mallory Parkington Photography](#) and Rick Dumont from [Rick Dumont Images](#) for judging the submissions. Please think of these professionals when you are in the market for a photographer!

2016 Calendars now available

Arguably the most beautiful wall and engagement calendars on the market every year, filled with exceptional photographs showcasing the incredible beauty of our wild lands. Everyone needs one for themselves, and for all those wilderness lovers on their birthday and holiday gift lists. You will be proud to display and to give these calendars!

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ORDER NOW! The calendars will be available for pick up at the NHSC office later in the season, in plenty of time for the holidays. Email nhsc603@gmail.com or call (603) 224-8222 to order.

Volunteer Opportunity - Envelope Stuffers Needed

Monday, November 30
Wednesday, December 2
10am - 2pm both days!

Please make the Sierra Club part of your day. Visit our office in downtown Concord to help us stuff envelopes for a mailing. Every pair of hands makes the job easier! Please email nhsc603@gmail.com if you can come.

Executive Committee Elections: How to Vote

The Executive Committee, or ExCom, is the Chapter's administrative body, or board of directors. All members of the New Hampshire Chapter of the Sierra Club are eligible to run. We are looking especially for members who can provide varied and vital perspectives on Club issues from all corners of the state, of different ages, backgrounds and experiences.

You will receive a postcard near the first of December, notifying you of the upcoming election for seats on the Chapter's Executive Committee. This postcard will have voting instructions on it, **and a password**, which will be necessary to register your vote.

We ask that you save the postcard, or note that information on your calendar, so that you have the information when **voting begins on December 21**. We recognize that this is a very busy time of year; giving the postcard a prominent place on your refrigerator or date book will allow you to participate in this election. The Executive Committee is a vital voice in Chapter matters. Your vote is important! If you need assistance or a password, please call the office at 224-8222.

There are seven elected members on the Executive Committee. Four positions are open this cycle. The Chapter election will be posted on the Chapter website from December 21, 2015 until January 18, 2016.

Eat and Take Climate Action - Together

This week, the New Hampshire Chapter supported an event that presented the impact of climate change on food -- from the farmer to the consumer. We heard from farmer Jane Presby from Dimond Hill Farm in Concord about impacts from extreme weather events drying out her fields or washing away the top soil.

Erin Lane from the [USDA's Northeast Climate Hub](#) gave a regional overview of trends to adapt with new practices, and Jessica Carson of the UNH [Carsey School of Public Policy](#) broadened the discussion to understand the impacts of the vulnerable communities in New Hampshire. Lastly, Jennifer Wilhelm described [NH Food Alliance's](#) pursuit to connect the diversity of farmers, producers, and consumers in New Hampshire with demand, need, and ways to expand their reach.

After the discussion, Jane gave us a firsthand view of her greenhouses, fields, and farm stand - all ways she has used her ingenuity to find creative responses to climate change at Dimond Hill Farm.



Jane Presby standing in an eroded field.

Please consider these alternatives regularly as good practice or in times of need:

1. Shop at your local farms and farmers markets for the freshest vegetables, meats, and fruits. Most NH farmers markets accept SNAP coupons.
2. Try a CSA subscription - Community Supported Agriculture programs provide weekly fresh food deliveries for you and your family while giving the farmer the security of regular clientele. There are often easy payment programs and you get a ton of food every week. Learn more about CSAs in NH at the [NH Department of Agriculture](#) website.
3. Eat seasonally - by eating foods in season in your area, you can reduce costs, like costs associated with transportation and environmental impacts.
4. Find resources at the [NH Food Bank](#).
5. Try something new - sometimes an unfamiliar local vegetable or fish can be cheaper and delicious.
6. Grow a garden - no matter how small or large, in containers or in the front yard. You can eat what you grow, share with your neighbors, or bring it to your local soup kitchen.
7. Cook all your food for one week or whole month to improve nutritional value and lower costs.
8. Reduce the uneaten or spoiled produce by buying only what you need.
9. Community Meals at local churches, granges and community centers is a great way to lower costs and meet your neighbors.

To help those in need:

1. Host a Food Drive: at work, in your neighborhood, at church, at school, at the hockey game.
2. The New Hampshire Food Bank needs volunteers year round. Hunger knows no boundaries and can hide in plain sight.

3. [Donate items to the food bank](#), soup kitchen, local programs, and other service groups.
4. Volunteer your time with food programs for people in your town, like school children, homelessness, and the elderly.
5. One on One: carpool grocery runs with an elderly person, refugee family, or a busy neighbor; plan a neighborhood cooking group to explore and share cooking experiences.
6. Grow a garden - no matter how small or large, in containers or in the front yard. You can eat what you grow, share with your neighbors, or bring it to your local soup kitchen.

Happy Thanksgiving to All

SAVE THE PLANET & SOME GREEN.
JOIN AND ENJOY NEW MEMBER BENEFITS



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