



E-Sierran Newsletter



Events, Updates, News, and more!
April 2026

Dear Emma,

Happy Earth Month! With new blooms starting to pop up around the state and warmer temperatures incoming, we're welcoming spring with new outings and action opportunities.

We're so excited to welcome a new member to our Massachusetts team! Eva Morgan joined us last month as our new Energy Organizer. Eva will be supporting our clean energy and legislative work at the Chapter, please join us in giving her a warm welcome!




🌸 Keep reading to see what else is happening this month at the Chapter!

Offshore Wind is Online in New England!



Great clean energy news for New England! 📣 **Vineyard Wind offshore wind farm has completed construction and Revolution Wind offshore wind farm is now sending power to the electric grid.** This follows two stop work orders issued by the Trump Administration in 2025. Twice the orders were overturned in court, allowing local workers to return to work and finish the job.

 [Read Sierra Club's full statement](#) on this recent victory.

 [Watch and share our latest video](#), made in collaboration with Sierra Club Chapters across the Northeast!

April is Drive Electric Earth Month and Massachusetts is Celebrating:



Photo credit: Green Energy Consumers Alliance

Electric vehicles are a key component in achieving a clean transportation future. Right now, there's no better place to see that up close than at a [Drive Electric Earth Month](#) event. These community-led EV showcases feature real EV owners eager to share their experience with anybody who has questions about cost, charging, or the benefits of EVs. Some events will include ride-and-drives, family-friendly activities, and other types of electric vehicles like e-bikes, electric school buses.

- ⚡ **April 12th, Salem:** [Salem Kicks Gas: A North Shore Electric Vehicle Expo](#) - Sierra Club Massachusetts will be tabling here. Come say hi!
- 🌱 **April 25th, Amherst:** [The role of EVs for sustainability and safety.](#)

It will be a celebration and a powerful reminder that a clean transportation future is not only possible, we're already building it together!

Support transit research: Green Streets Initiative, a Cambridge-based nonprofit that helps people shift trips to healthier, cheaper, cleaner alternatives — is conducting strategic planning research to identify the biggest gaps and opportunities for reducing car dependency in Massachusetts. They've created a short survey—available in English, Spanish, Portuguese, and Chinese—and would greatly appreciate your participation! [Fill out the survey here.](#)

Energy Affordability & Policy



Activists outside the Statehouse last fall, calling for energy justice.

What would be the impact of a \$1 billion dollar cut to the Mass Save budget that was recently passed by the State House? The reality is that energy efficiency benefits us all by reducing costly peaks in energy demand, especially for communities in range of expensive and polluting peaker plants. There have also been targeted investments in outreach to working class, immigrant, and renter communities in Massachusetts in the 2025-2027 Mass Save plan. Just as we have begun to see progress towards our demands for equity, \$1 billion dollar cut to the budget would put the entire program as risk.

➔ [Continue reading our guest blog for Salem Alliance for the Environment \(SAFE\)!](#)

The Senate will be releasing their version of the energy bill sometime this Spring and we are ready to engage, to defend the many wins advocates have fought so tirelessly for and to protect the future of the Mass Save program. Are you ready?

📣 ACTION OF THE MONTH 🦊

Keep Mass Save Funding!

At the end of February, the House passed a massive energy affordability bill that, in part because of activist voices like yours, has a lot of significant wins. Unfortunately, it still contains an amendment that cripples Mass Save, the state's energy efficiency program. People do need relief from high energy bills, but cutting \$1 billion from Mass Save won't get us there. Now it's the Senate's turn to discuss the bill and we need YOU to tell your Senator to:

- Keep funding Mass Save, which saves ratepayers over \$3 for every \$1 spent and creates the tens of thousands of clean energy jobs.
- And INSTEAD stop allowing utilities to extract increasingly higher profits from their customers.

➔ [Take action and send a message to your Senator today!](#)

🌍 Earth Month Events 🌱

Postcarding Party for Environmental Progress

📅 April 2nd at 6pm

RSVP

 **Chapter Office, Boston, MA**

Join us to kick-off Earth month taking collective environmental action and meeting new people! We'll be writing postcards to policymakers in support of our 2025-2026 legislative priorities! We will be providing all the necessary materials and light food and drinks. We will give quick lightning descriptions of the top priority bills before we dive into taking action on PFAS, utility lobbying, large gas pipelines, state forests, and statehouse transparency.

Film Screening & Panel: *How to Poison a Planet*

 *April 9th at 6pm*

 *UMASS Dartmouth*

RSVP

A partnership with South Coast Neighbors United, UMass Dartmouth Sustainability and Sierra Club Massachusetts! A sweeping investigative documentary that uncovers how toxic “forever chemicals” came to be so widely used—and why accountability has been so elusive. Following the screening, we will host a virtual Q&A panel featuring members of the cast and the film’s director.

PFAS Action Hour


 *April 15th at 7pm*

 *Virtual event*

RSVP

Join us to take action on PFAS in MA! We will start the hour orienting everyone to the PFAS problem generally and specific ways to improve the problem in MA. We'll take action together on H.4870/S.1504 An Act to Protect Massachusetts Public Health from PFAS and advocate to pass municipal resolutions for PFAS-free purchasing/procurement.

Geothermal Networks - A Path to Fossil Fuel Freedom Starts Here

 *April 22nd at 5pm*

 *Boston Public Library, Boston, MA*

RSVP

The Boston Public Library and the Neighborhood Association of Back Bay (NABB)'s Green Committee are hosting an important panel discussion in observation of Earth Day 2026! Panelists representing a range of local climate action organizations (including us!) will speak about the latest geothermal advances. You'll have an opportunity to learn about their work and task Q&A.

Mattahunt Woods Outing


 *April 25th at 10am*

 *Mattahunt Woods, Boston, MA*

RSVP

Join us for an Earth Month Outing in the newly restored Mattahunt Woods Urban Wild in Mattapan! This Outing is in partnership with local community organizations: Mattapan Food and Fitness, and Alternatives for Community and Environment (ACE). We will take a leisurely walk through the urban wild and learn about environmental justice advocacy efforts happening in Mattapan and how we can get involved.

Women's Charles River Cleanup

 *April 25th at 10am*

 *Boston, MA*

RSVP

Join Women Outdoors and Sierra Club Massachusetts in celebrating Earth Day by cleaning up the banks of the Charles River and contributing to the health of the Charles River. All women and women identified are invited. Bring your lunch for a picnic after the clean-up where we'll learn about Sierra Club's campaigns and ongoing environmental projects and hear about Women Outdoors's trips and wilderness activities.

Visit our [Chapter events calendar](#) to see all upcoming committee and team meetings, in addition to special events!



Friend & Partner Events

April 4 | [Boston Neighborhood Bike Forum](#)

April 8 | [MassEnergyize Community Climate Leaders Annual Conference](#)

What We're Reading

- Massachusetts leaders have plans to reduce utility bills. Does their math add up? ([Boston Globe](#))
- Two dozen states, 10 cities sue EPA over repeal of 'endangerment' finding central to climate fight ([AP News](#))
- Let's build a better energy future in Dorchester ([Dorchester Reporter](#))
- Shifting politics around data centers scramble Healey AI push ([Commonwealth Beacon](#))
- Offshore wind farms race toward completion despite Trump's attacks ([Canary Media](#))
- Healey's shift toward nuclear energy raises affordability, feasibility questions ([CommonWealth Beacon](#))
- Vineyard Wind, country's first large-scale offshore wind project, finishes construction ([WBUR](#))



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