



E-Sierran Newsletter



Events, Updates, News, and more!
July 2026

Dear Friend,

Hope you have been able to stay cool in the heat wave — this past month has been a busy one! In early June we co-hosted a "Follow the Money" walking tour of utility profits in Boston. Just last week we turned out almost 400 letters to Senators and showed up at the Statehouse for the Senate energy bill vote. And as July continues we are kicking off a summer of action with a No Immunity for Big Oil campaign.

☀️ Keep reading to see the full highlights!

Energy bill passes Senate, moves to conference committee



Mass Power Forward Coalition at the Statehouse last week. Photo by Celeste Venolia.

On Wednesday, July 1st, the first day in a historic heatwave across Massachusetts, the Senate voted 32-8 to pass a bill aimed to cut our utility bills and pave the way for a cleaner, cheaper, grid. The bottom line is that the bill that just passed the Senate is far better than the House bill— it protects funding for [Mass Save](#), phases out the [GSEP program](#), and maintains the public right to vote on new nuclear facilities in Massachusetts, among many other provisions.



Send a message to your legislators!

A group of diverse people, including men and women of various ages, are standing outdoors on a paved area, possibly a street or park. They are holding a large, white banner that reads "PEOPLE POWER FOR A LIVABLE PLANET" in bold, colorful letters. The banner features a graphic of a wind turbine in the center. The people are dressed in casual summer clothing, and some are wearing hats. In the background, there are green trees and a building. The overall atmosphere is one of a community gathering or protest.

A woman wearing a black top hat, sunglasses, and a black jacket over a white shirt is speaking into a microphone. She is holding a yellow sign that reads "MR. Ever source". In the background, a young woman is holding a large white sign that says "MR. Ever source". The scene is outdoors on a street with trees and buildings in the background.

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Summer of Action: No Immunity for Big Oil

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SUMMER OF ACTION



Action Call

NO IMMUNITY FOR BIG OIL!

Thursday, July 16th
06:00 pm



Join Sierra Club MA Volunteers to take plan and take action related to the No Immunity for Big Oil campaign. Federal legislation (HR8330 and S4340) was introduced this year that would shield fossil fuel companies from being held responsible for the climate crisis. We think polluters should pay!

➡ [Sign up to join our next campaign action call on July 16th!](#)

📢 ACTION OF THE MONTH 🦊

Time is Running out for PFAS action in this Legislative Session!

The 2025-2026 legislative session ends on July 31st, so we have less than a month to be sure taking action on PFAS “forever chemicals” does not fall off the radar of our Massachusetts’ leadership! Please send and personalize a message to your legislators telling them to support An Act to Protect Massachusetts Public Health from PFAS ([H4870/S3034](#)) and An Act relative to Toxic Free Kids ([H4357/S2660](#)) even if you already have this session!

➡ [Contact your legislators for PFAS action today!](#)

Upcoming Chapter Events

Outings Leader Training



Saturday, August 22nd, 9am



Chapter office, Boston MA

RSVP

Do you like spending time with people outside? Ready to take the leap towards building leadership and coordination skills? Come take outings leader training in person in Boston this Summer! Outings Leader Training (OLT) is designed to provide participants with the knowledge required to lead day trips and/or overnight car-camping trips for the Sierra Club. The goal is to create trip leaders who lead safe and fun trips while inspiring their participants to become more involved in protecting their environment.

Narrative Organizing Training



Monday, August 24th, 7pm



Virtual event

RSVP

Join us for an organizing training and community building hour! The training topic for this week is Narrative Organizing. Sierra Club Massachusetts volunteer Katherine will guide us through the narrative arc and how we tell our stories to better advocate for change.

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



Friend & Partner Events

July 18 | [Composting 101 with CERO](#)

July 22 | [Your Neighborhood, Your Voice: Getting Involved in Large-Scale Development Projects](#)

July 23 | [Jason Dove Mark with Julia Sklar: The Earth Said Remember Me](#)

August 2 | [Deadline to apply for Massachusetts Energy Champion Program](#)

What We're Reading

- Mass. Senate passes sweeping energy affordability bill ([The New Bedford Light](#))
- Healing or harming? Boston hospitals struggle with emissions. ([CommonWealth Beacon](#))
- 8M gallons of wastewater a day entering Merrimack River due to sewer breaks ([NBC Boston](#))
- When the heat doesn't stop ([CommonWealth Beacon](#))
- Governor Healey Halts Data Center Tax Incentive and Calls for Strict Guardrails to Protect Ratepayers, Environment & Public Health ([Mass Gov](#))



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