







Still No Budget and Build Back Better with a Civilian Climate Corps



"Our responsibility is to take care of (South Mountain Park) for the next 100 years...so we can keep it healthy for future generations.

—Masavi Perea with Chispa AZ discusses taking action with Civilian Climate Corps to care for Arizona parks

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Hi everyone!

The Republicans in the Arizona House failed to jam through a budget as they had no Democratic support and lost one Republican due to the inclusion of a flat tax. With just a couple of weeks until the end of the fiscal year, Arizona still has no budget. As I noted last week, there is much to dislike in this budget. It is unclear still what the path forward is. Sierra Club is opposed to the budget as it includes the irresponsible appropriations related to unsustainable water projects, funding for border wall, and that flat tax that will hurt all of our communities.

Next week, the Governor plans to call a special AZ session on fires, but it is unclear what that will entail. It sure would be nice if he would propose investing in addressing what is making these fires bigger -- the climate crisis -- and in climate resiliency planning.

As there is no proposal yet on the fires and the budget is stalled, this week we are again asking you to act on a federal issue. This time, to [ask Congress to build upon President Biden's American Jobs Plan and go bigger for stronger climate, labor, and equity standards](#). With the multiple crises we face of climate change, racial injustice, and mass unemployment, we need a program to address all three of these by supporting big and bold investments for a clean energy and livable future in the infrastructure package.

Use the button below to take action.

Act on Climate!

To hear more about a component of the American Jobs Plan, the Civilian Climate Corps, [check out our news release](#) and the links to video interviews with community members.

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Thank you for acting on climate!



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Coming Up This Week at the Arizona Legislature

There will be a special session on the fires and possibly regular session action on the budget, but nothing is currently posted.

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Burrowing owl in a relocation site photo by Scott Mittelsteadt



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