

# White Pine Needle

## 2022-23 AUTUMN/WINTER

(September, 2022 - February, 2023.)

White Pine Group, Northeast Iowa Sierra Club

(Howard, Winneshiek, Allamakee, Fayette, Clayton, Delaware, Dubuque, and Jackson Counties.) "Explore, Enjoy and Protect"

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"Winter" in Autumn at Echo Valley Pond (Faraway Farm)

### Newsletter/Membership:

This 2022-23 Autumn/Winter Needle is being mailed and/or emailed to our approximate (8/12/22) roster of 440 memberships. Emailed versions are **in full color**. If you did not receive this by email and it is okay with you to do so, including occasional email-only updates, send an email to Dick Worm giving your name, mailing address, and complete Zip Code (example: 52031-9557) for helpful, Zip Code membership list identification. ([raworm@msn.com](mailto:raworm@msn.com)). An email address alone may not specifically identify the person by name with that email address.

Membership in the Sierra Club and renewal is through the national office. Our White Pine Group receives monthly updates listing new and expiring memberships for our 8 county region. General memberships are to be renewed on a yearly basis. Some mailing labels include a "reminder" regarding when a renewal is due. For example, a "1022" indicates expiration in October of 2022. An "M/A22" on a SIERRA magazine label "reports" a March/April, 2022, final issue. **Your membership is vital to helping carry out Sierra Club goals.**

We do not know individual reasons, but so far in 2022 there has been a decrease of 48 memberships. Drops of Membership has surpassed the gain of New Memberships. Keeping track of that on a monthly basis is difficult at our level so you may receive this even if your membership has expired. It happens. Any detail regarding why a membership is allowed to expire would help us understand the nature of the turn-over in memberships.

### Featured in this 2022-23 Autumn/Winter

#### White Pine Needle Newsletter

- \* Programs, Events, **VOTE Nov. 8!!!**
  - \* Turkey Dinner Fundraiser: **10/15/22.**
- Swiss Valley Park Nature Center**

(Note the week-earlier CHANGE OF DATE

from the previously announced date.) **Make a Reservation, Donate &/or Volunteer**

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#### White Pine Group on Facebook

For updates and to review past events go to:

[www.facebook.com/whitepinegroup](http://www.facebook.com/whitepinegroup)



## WHITE PINE GROUP

### CALENDAR:PROGRAM/MEETINGS

#### OUTINGS & EVENTS

#### EXPLORE, ENJOY, PROTECT, SHARE

\*\*Meeting/Programs this Autumn and Winter will be held in the Upper Level dining area of the A&W, Fuel Express Food Mart, 250 W 1<sup>st</sup> St., Dubuque. (Via Locust Street north off US 20 just before the Iowa/Illinois Mississippi River bridge.)

Join us at **7 PM** for a Root Beer as we plan and discuss group business and activity and share programs of an explore-and-enjoy nature. Let's get to know one another as we seek to carry out Sierra Club ideals in our region. (Most outings are the same as described in the "White Pine Needle, 2022.)

**\*September 24 (Sat.), OUTING:** Plum Creek Park (Earlville) and Indian Hills Wildlife Area (across US 20 from Earlville.) Meet at 9:30 AM at Plum Creek Park: Exit from US 20 onto 285<sup>th</sup> Ave. between Mile Posts 287 and 288. (Car Pool Option: Meet by 9 AM between the two frontage road entrances in the Menard's parking lot.) Plum Creek Park has a Picnic Shelter where we can convene (rain or shine.) Anyone wishing to linger at the park after hikes could bring a lunch. CONTACT: Dick Worm: 563-582-2580. Cell: (563-590-2557.) Jane's 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday.

**\*September 25 (Sunday):** Swiss Valley Park, Green Ash Pavilion. Friends of DCCB Chili Feed. 11 AM – 2 PM. Bring your own dinner ware. Suggested \$7/person.

**\*September 27 (Tues.) Meeting/Program:** "1976 Sierra Society, Hempstead High, summer trip to the Glacier Peak Wilderness, North Cascades, Washington." One student participant "recently" asked for some photos from that trip. Eventually, the colored slide photos were discovered in a non-descript box. Trip photos will be reviewed for selection as this program. Glacier Peak is a volcano hidden deep inside this 570,573 acre wilderness, a wilderness set aside in 1964 as part of the Wilderness Act's inaugural class. Come and get the story behind this side-stream crossing photo along the Napeequa River, the Shangri-La of the Cascades, protected on all sides by steep walls and glaciated peaks. We got to the valley by climbing more than 4000 feet to reach Little Giant Pass and then descending into the secluded valley. (One sometimes looks back and wonders -- How did I ever do this??!) Going upstream led to a looping exit climb.



# TURKEY DINNER FUNDRAISER

- **WHITE PINE GROUP**
- **Northeast Iowa Sierra Club**
- **Traditional Turkey Dinner**
- **Saturday, October 15, 2022**
- **Swiss Valley Nature Center**
- **13606 Swiss Valley Road, Peosta, 52068**
- **Public Is Welcome.**
- **\*Advance Reservations Required\***
- 5:30 PM: Social, Cider, Displays (outings, CAFO's)
- 6:00 PM: Buffet-Style Turkey Dinner
- 7:00 PM: Welcome
- 7:30 PM: **Program: Iowa Conservation**
- Jessica (Jess) Mazour, Iowa Chapter, Sierra Club, Conservation Coordinator.
- Who pays for a \$3 billion **CO2 pipeline**? What are the impacts on Iowa farmland? 10% ethanol is 90% gasoline. Nature of the CO2 inside such a pipeline. Pipeline leak dangers. Sequestration questions. County objections. Also, the Supreme Beef CAFO threat to our Bloody Run.
- 8:30 PM: Clean-Up (Volunteers Welcome!)
- **VOLUNTEERS and DONATIONS** make this event the fundraiser it is intended to be.
- **Make reservations and report or seek donation offers by Tuesday, October 11, 2022:**
- Jane Worm, 3680 Echo Hills Dr., Bellevue, IA 52031; 563-582-2580; [jworm924@msn.com](mailto:jworm924@msn.com). (Can pay at door.)
- Checks payable to **White Pine Group, Sierra Club.**
- **Volunteer & Donate:** \_\_Pies, \_\_Cake, \_\_Cranberries, \_\_Milk, \_\_Potato recipe, \_\_Roast a provided turkey.
- \_\_Door Prizes, \$\_\_; \_\_Room Set-up 2 PM Saturday;
- \_\_Kitchen help 4 PM Saturday. \_\_Clean-Up.
- Give: name and phone number: \_\_\_\_\_
- # Adults \$12; Students \$8; Age 5-10 \$5.
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- **TOTAL: \$** \_\_\_\_\_

## **Fundraiser Dinner, Oct. 15, 2022**

This year, since one offer has been made to roast a turkey, MAYBE go that route again if get more EARLY offers!

Volunteer assistance is what makes this event a fundraiser. Sierra Club Groups get no income from National Sierra Membership dues. The fundraiser supports the distribution of our White Pine Needle newsletter and finances other projects such as a donation to the solar installation at Jackson County Conservation's Hurstville Interpretive Center, donation support for welcoming turtle statues at a variety of area conservation interpretive centers, and a donation toward a trail interpretive sign at the Mines of Spain. Suggestions for such projects are always welcome.

# Meetings/Outings/Events Calendar (P. 2)

**Note: White Pine Group hosted OUTINGS are open to the general public, friends, and family.**

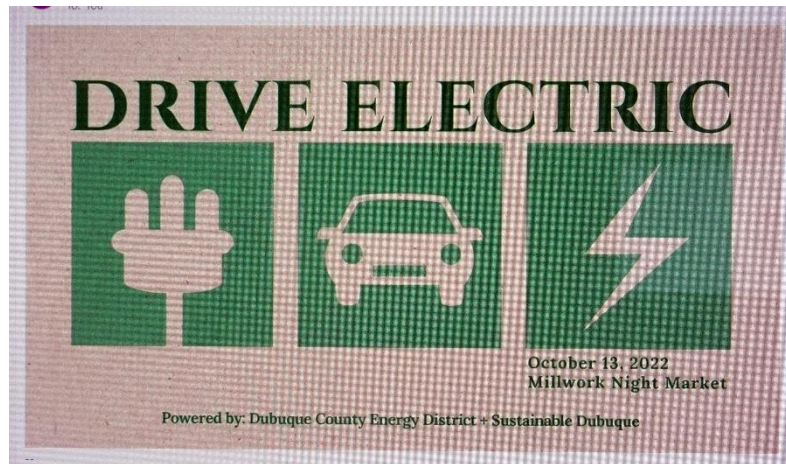
**An RSVP to an Outing's CONTACT person** facilitates outing details and any change updates. An outing may be cancelled or altered due to a variety of potential reasons.

Participants will be asked to sign a liability waiver which can be previewed at

<http://www.sierraclub.org/outings/chapter/forms>

**October 1 (Sat): Iowa Chapter, Sierra Club, Annual Dinner.** "Celebrating 50 Years of the Clean Water Act." Keynote Speaker, Lunch, and Panel, 10:30 AM – 4 PM. Waterloo Center for the Arts, 225 Commercial Street. **\$30. RSVP's were due by Sept. 20 but might try 575-277-8868.** One panel member, Steve Veysey, is working with the Sierra Club's challenge of a permit for the Supreme Beef CAFO plan in Clayton County. Bloody Run in danger.

**October 13 (Thursday):** "Drive Electric" Millwork Night Market. "Powered by Dubuque County Energy District.& Sustainable Dubuque." White Pine is a District contributor. 5-8 PM, 7<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> Jackson Street/7 Hills Center, 1098 Jackson St. Meet with EV owners.



Many of our shallow detractors are like Congresswoman Ashley Hinson who in her "The Bottom Line" Weekly... ooops Weekly Wrap-Up, when castigating the "Inflation Reduction Act," includes the following: "Tax Breaks for the Wealthy: It's full of giveaways for wealthy Americans, like a tax break for buying a luxury electric vehicle. You can't get more out-of-touch." First, who was it during Trump's regime that approved huge tax breaks for the wealthy corporate interests? Secondly: is not a huge gas guzzling vehicle that costs \$65,000 a luxurious way to drive to work? Thirdly: General Motors says a new electric vehicle battery plant in Ohio has started producing cells to go into GM's Ultium batteries used in several of GM's EV vehicles. The Inflation Reduction Act requires that in order to qualify for the tax credit, the vehicle purchased and its batteries must be constructed in North America. A roughly \$30,000, electric vehicle is also on the horizon. Just who is it that is out-of-touch when it comes to trying to combat the influence of climate change? The bottom line is that Rep. Hinson might very well qualify. (Ed. R. Worm)

**More Meetings/Outings/Events: 2022-23. (P. 3)**

**Electric Car info from Sierra Club Fact Sheets:**  
(www.sierraclub.org/evguide/) Benefits of Driving Electric: Cheaper, Cleaner, Convenient (at home charging and as public chargers become available, for instance, at HyVee, S. Locust in Dubuque.) National and State tax credits and rebate incentives. 100% Clean Transportation in cities by 2035: Programs include Pedestrian, Biking, Municipal EV Fleet, Zero Emission Bus, Transit Oriented Development, Robust Public Transit Systems, EV Charging Installation. Explore, Enjoy, PROTECT!

**October 6 (Thursday): Upper Mississippi River National Park.** Meet with Aaron Ostrem of Des Moines who plans to create a Citizens Group to lobby for creation of a Upper Mississippi River National Park. He has met with Senator Grassley and Rep. Chuck Isenhardt. (Grassley would claim bi-partisan credit if it should fly!) Time and place TBD. But, if interested, since our Group borders the Upper Mississippi, contact Aaron at aroyostrem@gmail.com or Dick Worm (582-2580) for meeting details as they develop.

**October 6 (Thursday): Webinar at 6:30 PM: State Constitution, Public Measure #1, "Gun Rights" that would eliminate gun safety measures. VOTE NO on November 8. Register for the webinar at <https://bit.ly/3Lffb4M> (A Wild Wild West measure!)**

It seems there may be another similar measure that would ban abortion. Do your research!!! We need a healthy and wanted population.

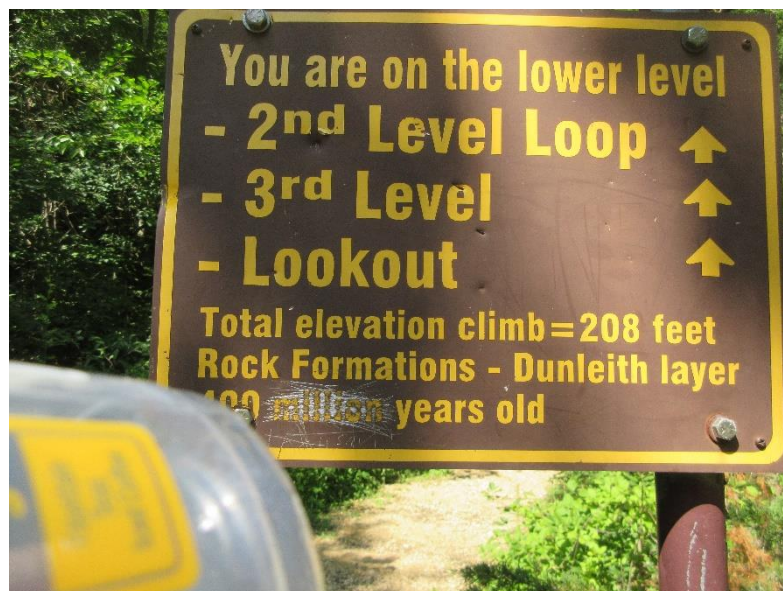
**October 15, Dinner fundraiser.** Date was changed FROM October 22 due to an October 14, 2023, similar Dinner date being available; "Late Night Catechism (touring)" at Five Flags Theater in Dubuque on Oct. 22 ("uproariously funny Off Broadway hit – interactive theater at its best) and a desire to help support local theater venues; and no Iowa Hawkeye football game at all on Oct. 15! And, so it goes! Mark your calendar and **sign up for our Dinner to show your support for Iowa Chapter Conservation. Protect!**

Also, there has often been a **Mississippi Trails Hiking Club hike** at Swiss Valley prior to the Dinner—meeting at 3:30 PM. In any case, Dick Worm could lead a portion of a hike to see the Swiss Valley PIG near the Hanging Bog. Sort of "Bog Hog." Good reason for not having a Ham Dinner!

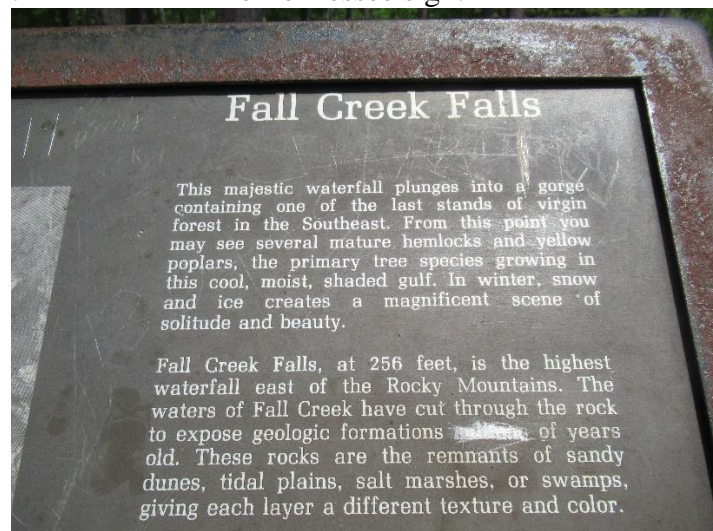
**October 23 (Sunday): 1 PM: "Henry Glade: His Mill and the Rockdale Flood of 1876."** Swiss Valley Nature Center. 13606 Swiss Valley Road, Peosta. (Compare it with the 36 inches of Climate Change rain on Puerto Rico!)

**October 25 (Tuesday):** INFORMAL gathering ("meeting") at the A&W. 250 W 1<sup>st</sup> St., at 7 PM for a Root Beer and to discuss any needs remaining to help get out the environmental and civil rights vote for the Nov. 8 election: an election that could impact the state of our US democracy and the fate of environmental safeguards. Any candidate that has helped in any way to enable Trump needs to be defeated: Grassley and Hinson at the national level and others at the state level (Governor) and within our region. Be active on this matter. Vote FOR Liz Mathis, US House District 02 and FOR Christina Bohannon, US House District 01. 314 Action (that endorses STEM candidates) had this to say about Bohannon: "Christina is an environmental engineer, a current Iowa state representative, and a law professor specializing in intellectual property."

**Speaking of the science vote,** this sign at the Quarry in the Mines of Spain had the word "million" scratched out for the 400 million years old Dunleith rock layer. (Sorry about the water bottle that got in the way!) Saw similar vandalism at a water fall in Tennessee. The "religious" or faux Christian right has become a dangerous ally of Trump. Should public tax dollars go to Private/Religious Schools?



The Tennessee sign:





**November 5: (Saturday): OUTING.** Eden Valley Hike, 9:30 AM.: (Dream that an Eden will survive the election.) 8 miles west of Maquoketa on IA Rt.64 turn south at Baldwin on 50<sup>th</sup> Ave (Y 34) and go 1.5 mile to the Eden Valley parking lot on the right. (Or carpool from Banworth Udelhoven at the US 151/US 52 intersection on the south edge of Dubuque, leaving at 8:45 AM.) Enjoy an observation tower, a swinging bridge, and numerous trails. **CONTACT:** Dick Worm, who must leave by noon! (563-582-2580) Cell: 563-590-2557. (GO UNI Panthers!)

**November 8 (Tuesday):**

**NOVEMBER 8, 2022, VOTE!**



**November 9: The day after... Take a deep breath.**

**November 24, 2022**

**Let's Hope it's at least a bit Happy.**



**HAPPY  
THANKSGIVING!**

**November 29 (Tuesday):** Program/Meeting, 7 PM, at A&W, Corner of Locust and 1<sup>st</sup>. St., Dubuque. Program: **Features of Three Summer Outings: White Pine Hollow, Backbone State Park, and Sny Magill Unit of Effigy Mounds National Monument.** Some new exploration occurred at each of these areas. Never too old for such to happen! Come and find out if they are new to you, also.



**December 17 (Saturday): OUTING**

Welcome Winter with an almost "Winter Solstice Stroll." Meet at the Mines of Spain's EB Lyons Interpretive Center's "Avenue of Trees" parking lot at 3:15 PM for the walk to the viewing platform at the end of the Avenue to watch the southwestern SUNSET at around 4:05 PM. Dine afterwards at the nearby Dairy Queen and watch a yellow, pineapple SUNdae go down again. (Oh, well, we try!) **CONTACT:** Dick Worm 563-582-2580 / 563-590-2557.

There is NO Program/Meeting in December.

**January 7 (Saturday): OUTING Welcome 2023.**

Meet at the Mines of Spain's Horseshoe Bluff parking lot at 9:30 AM for a LOOK into the Quarry but mainly to trek (hike, snowshoe, x-country ski) the 1-mile, **Sauk & Fox Trail** out and back (round trip); OR shuttle a vehicle to the south end parking lot for a one-way trek. (Hikers and Snowshoers must stay off any x-country ski track.)

**January 24 (Tuesday): Meeting/Program 7 PM**

at A&W (1<sup>st</sup> and Locust, Dubuque.) **EXCOM Election results and selection of Officers for 2023. Program:** Branson, MO Aquarium (a real surprise); Wonders of Wildlife National Museum & Aquarium (an amazing "wonder"), Springfield, MO; and three Ozark region caves of far differing appeal. Plan some for Spring/Summer.

**EXCOM ELECTION: 2023**

2023 is an odd-numbered year so 3 EXCOM positions are open for election. Terms for Charlie Winterwood, Dick Worm, and Ben Biver expire. Charlie and Ben are okay with being considered again, but Dick would REALLY like to retire. So, rather than use a ballot which seldom gets returned, and since we currently have no other names available for consideration, we simply ask members to mail one, two, or three names to Jane Worm, 3680 Echo Hills Drive, Bellevue, IA 52031 by January 20. Have your return name and address on the envelope with a folded ballot inside which will be stored separately, OR, attend the January 24 meeting and cast your ballots then. We MAY come up with an additional candidate or two by January 20 so check with one of us or check our Facebook page. PLEASE let us know if YOU would be willing to assist the Sierra Club in this way at the grassroots level! Write in your own name! And/or offer to serve in some other Group capacity. There are lots that we do not do (or do not do well) because we have no one to do those things at all (or better)! (Or, use this ballot.)

**BALLOT:** (Vote for 3 for White Pine EXCOM 2023)

Write names in space:

Charlie Winterwood: \_\_\_\_\_

Ben Biver: \_\_\_\_\_

Write-In: \_\_\_\_\_

Write-In: \_\_\_\_\_

Write-In: \_\_\_\_\_

Fold and Mail by Jan. 20 to Current EXCOM Member: Jane Worm, 3680 Echo Hills Drive, Bellevue, IA 52031.



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*There is NO current plan for a formal Backbone Cabin Outing as White Pine attendance has been... "poor." White Pine will offer a Backbone day-trip Outing instead.*

**Gotta do the Crevice Slide!!**

**February 4 (Saturday): OUTING** Backbone Day-Trip.

Meet at **the Backbone State Park Beach Parking Lot at 9:30 AM**, via the South Gate off County W60 north of Dundee. Make a plan from there for the day. Bring snacks and/or a lunch in case the plan takes us into the afternoon. Plan on hiking and/or snowshoeing, in particular. This outing **CONTACT**/leader does not x-country ski. Dick Worm: 563-582-2580 Cell: 563-590-2557. Leave a voice mail for call back if no answer! Too many junk calls!

**February 28 (Tuesday): Program/Meeting** 7 PM. A&W.

1<sup>st</sup> & Locust, Dubuque. Members are always welcome to bring suggestions for White Pine projects and/or programs. (Having only three or four, **mostly old** EXCOM members present does get pretty, **mostly, old!**)

**Program:** Northeast Arizona's Lyman Lake SP (suffering from drought); Chevron Canyon/Creek Road; Meteor Crater; Homolovi SP; Petrified Forest; Hubbell Trading Post Historical Site; Canyon De Chelly Nat. Monument. Some old, some new, but never disappointing!

**Looking Ahead into Spring and Summer, 2023**

**March** has Spring march or spring in. **Meeting on the 28<sup>th</sup>.**

Always interested in new ideas for projects, outings, and programs. Let us know soon if you would like to have us help you explore some area new to you. We could put that in as one of our outings. Every experience in nature is grand!

**April:** **April 22 is Earth Day.** Great Day for a project to help PROTECT Mother Earth. Maybe a Service project. Ideas. May join some other effort. Ideas? **Meeting is**

**April 25.** Use it to introduce the logistics of the Julien Dubuque International Film Festival (**JDIFF**) **April 26-30.**

Look for conservation oriented Documentaries to support by attending. Festival schedule booklet should be available.

**May:** Mother's Day could be Mothers' Day to include Mother Earth. Endangered Species Day, May 19, could be reason for a wildlife sort of outing on Saturday, May 20.

Meeting on May 23. **Program:** Project AWARE hi-lites from 2019, 2021, and 2022. Introduce the 2023 AWARE.

**June and July:** No Group activity but mid-July is when Project AWARE occurs. What river will it be?

**August 26, Saturday,** Autumn/Winter Planning Picnic. Again, member input would be SO appreciated. See ya'?

**Support & vote for Environmentally Astute candidates!**

Why? Because threatening the sustainable, life supporting, natural resources of planet Earth seems to be the goal of certain political interests. They should not prevail!

Some points to ponder:

**High Country News, Perspective, April, 2021:** "The Trump Administration dismantled 50 years of conservation." "Donald Trump and his appointed officials took advantage of weak laws, a distracted public, hard-to-follow administrative actions, and their own deep animus against science and professional land managers to profoundly harm American conservation." "We should all be shocked by how easy it was."

**National Geographic, 09/2022:** Bears Ears Southeastern Utah: "This spectacular landscape is a symbol of the risk to some of the country's unique and irreplaceable places. One president preserved it at the urging of Native Americans who hold it sacred; another tried to open it to drilling and mining."

**Ocean Conservancy, Fall, 2022:** "...climate change is disrupting the world's fisheries. ...marine life has been migrating to cooler waters – shifting toward the North or South Poles... Fishery-dependent, coastal economies ... are particularly vulnerable..."

**Natural Resources Defense Council, Fall, 2022:**

1. Better Bulbs: The U.S. Dept. of Energy issued rules to increase efficiency of ordinary light bulbs and phase out inefficient bulbs. The standards, to go into effect 2 years ago, were blocked by the Trump administration. NRDC and allies went to court. The rules could save \$3 billion annually in utility costs and avoid 220 million metric tons of carbon emissions over the next 30 years.
2. "Trump-Era Endangered Species Attack Reversed" "Trump administration's attempt to sabotage the Endangered Species Act (was) the most aggressive assault on the landmark conservation law in its nearly 50-year history."
3. "EPA Moves to Veto Alaska Mega-Mine" The Obama administration's EPA proposed to use the Clean Water Act to adopt safeguards to the Bristol Bay sockeye salmon fishery from the Pebble Mine project. President Trump reversed that plan. But, those safeguards are now poised to advance.

**Earthjustice, Summer, 2022:** The EPA has restored California's (and other states') ability to set its own vehicle emission standards higher than federal standards. The Trump-era EPA illegally revoked these state rights. Earthjustice and allies brought the Trump EPA to court and will defend the Biden's EPA from any industry challenge. Also, Mining leases that would threaten the pristine Boundary Waters Canoe Wilderness were greenlighted illegally by the Trump administration. In part to action by Earthjustice, the Biden administration cancelled the leases.

These hardly scratch the surface of corrective measures!

## Why Support Civil Candidates Before and On Nov. 8

**Sierra, Fall 2022** (page 8) “Make Your Voice Heard: Vote!”

The Club is focusing on state and local races to combat climate change. “Our cities, counties, and states can play a major role in accelerating the clean energy transition ...” (But,) “The impact of state and local races ripple beyond the environmental sphere. What happens in statehouses and governors’ offices determines who gets to vote and whose vote counts.”

**Emily’s List, Spring, 2020: Endorsement of Deidre Dejean** (IA-Gov) included: “After moving to Iowa for college, ...Deidre saw the growing need for small businesses to access affordable marketing tools and successful business strategies... the small business she founded ...has now helped over 600 small businesses across Iowa.”

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2022-23 Autumn/Winter Calendar of Events  
2022 Turkey Dinner Fundraiser, October 15  
(Note: Change of Date)  
November 8: VOTE for Science/Environment



Record Events on Your Personal Calendars

**EXPLORE**



**ENJOY**

**PROTECT**

**White Pine Group, N.E. Iowa**

**EXCOM (\*Expires 2022)**

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563-582-2580. [jworm924@msn.com](mailto:jworm924@msn.com)

Publicity: (available, as are many things.)

“This grand show in eternal.....as the Round Earth Rolls.”

## Tracking Biden’s Environmental Actions

(Washington Post)

Biden’s Policies: 56 Added. 46 Proposed.

Status of Trump administration’s environmental policies:  
82 Overturned; 91 Targeted; 59 Not targeted.

**Politics:** Rep Ashley Hinson’s ad touts her aid to military veterans in rural Iowa. Googled this: “Biden signs rural mental health act named for Iowa veteran into law.” It was a bipartisan bill “penned by IA Rep Cindy Axne” co-sponsored by the other 3 Iowa’s Reps. and Tim Ryan of Ohio and Ed Case of Hawaii. Is this the bill to which Ashley refers?

**Politics:** Liz Mathis had to correct an attack ad that said she was for Defunding the Police. She is NOT!

**League of Conservation Voters:** Sen. Grassley: 29%  
(Score Card) Rep. Hinson: 22 %

## Sierra Club Membership

For a **NEW** member brochure, CONTACT Dick Worm  
Or, Membership Brochures are in the SIERRA magazine.  
Or, go to: [www.sierraclub.org](http://www.sierraclub.org) Our Group’s Code # is 3707.

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