Global Change Starts With Local Action

Sierra Club members work to address local and state issues across New Jersey. Our volunteers host educational activities and outings. Staff and volunteers work together on legislative and conservation activities.



Explore the Outdoors

When we have the chance to experience the outdoors, we can all understand the value of protecting our planet.

The New Jersey Chapter sponsors many hikes and outings each month. We have programs for young people whose access to the outdoors is limited.



Get Involved With Us!

" New Jersey might be a small state, but certainly one full of environmental beauty. Our state is so densely populated that even 'small pollution' is 'big pollution.'

"We welcome all to join us in protecting our environment and our public health."

> Anjuli Ramos-Busot Director, NJ Chapter Sierra Club





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A Liveable New Jersey for All

We can do a lot to mobilize against climate change right here in New Jersey. We're working to stop dangerous pipelines from crisscrossing our state, opposing construction of new fossil fuel plants, and promoting green energy and clean transportation.

We're also working hard to protect residents who live in environmentally overburdened communities, who bear an unfair share of flooding issues, toxic water pollutants, unbreathable air, and unlivable noise levels.

These are just some of the ways that the New Jersey Chapter is working for a better environment for our residents.



WHAT WF'RF DOING



FIGHTING FOSSIL FUEL INFRASTRUCTURE

There are more than a dozen planned fossil fuel infrastructure projects in New Jersey, from pipelines to power plants, which, if approved, would increase greenhouse gas emissions by 32%. A fracked gas export terminal proposed for Gibbstown would send highly explosive gas on trains through neighborhoods with houses and schools. We're partnering with the Sierra Club's Beyond Coal Campaign and Empower New Jersey to stop these disastrous projects.

ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL JUSTICE

We're part of a strong coalition supporting New Jersey residents in their efforts to live in an environment free from environmental racism. For too long, people in many New Jersey communities have played second fiddle to industry, living with poor air quality, toxic runoff, noise, and high levels of related diseases such as asthma and cancer. We're working on many fronts, including fighting polluting industrial projects, promoting clean trucks and clean air.

GREEN ENERGY

We're working with a broad coalition to promote sustainable offshore wind development. Our goal is to ensure that the interests of the affected communities are heard and issues with fishing, marine life, and migrating birds are addressed. Volunteers also work to promote community solar and home solar energy programs, and ensure that low- and moderate-income communities also have access to solar energy.



FIGHTING TOXIC POLLUTANTS

PFAS, or "forever chemicals," contaminate our drinking water, air, and soil. PFAS pollution is a public health crisis in New Jersey. PFAS are found in hundreds of products that we use daily. They are linked to serious health problems even at low levels of exposure. Our staff and volunteers are actively working with legislators to address PFAS contamination and emissions in New Jersev.



SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORTATION

Gas and diesel cars, trucks, ferries, and airplanes contribute 45% of the greenhouse gas emissions in New Jersey. We're working with legislators to fund the electrification of our school bus fleets, advocating improved service levels and better public information to NJ Transit, lobbying for new transit services, and opposing unnecessary highway projects.



LAND USE

The never-ending pressure on New Jersey's open spaces threatens aquifers, air quality, and land used for farms and recreation. We're working to ensure that all New Jersey develoment, including warehouses and housing, is built according to equitable and sustainable principles, to protect-and even improve-our quality of life.

THERE'S LOTS MORE! FIND OUT AT sierraclub.org/new-jersey

GET INVOLVED

JOIN US!

Calling all volunteers! No matter what your skills, there's a place for you with our chapter. You don't need to be an expert: we have experienced teams work on issues in many areas, from A - for air quality to Z - for zero waste.

Joining a local group is a great way to be involved with issues that are important in your town or community. Our 12 groups work on local issues such as beach replenishment, warehouses, local parks and development issues. They hold monthly meetings, often with educational webinars and guest speakers.

Visit our website: sierraclub.org/newjersey for more details.

GET OUTDOORS!

The New Jersey Chapter sponsors free hikes and outings that are open to all. The Inspiring Connections Outdoors program offers safe and fun wilderness trips for young people who have limited access to the natural environment. See the schedule at: sierraclub.org/new-jersey/upcoming-outings

DONATE!

Gifts to the New Jersey Chapter help our citizens have a voice. Best of all, your entire donation stays here in New Jersey, so we can work locally on the issues you care about.

