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November Interest Group meetings

Individual Action Group

This meeting has been moved to the 3rd Tuesday in November.



Individual Action meeting

Tuesday, Nov 18, 2025 at 10:00 am on Zoom

From runways to landfills, the true cost of our fashion obsession is more staggering than you might think.

This meeting will be a discussion of fast fashion's impact on our planet and how you can contribute to a sustainable future.

CLICK HERE TO JOIN THE MEETING

Advocacy Interest Group

Meets on the 3rd Wednesday of the month (except Dec, Jul, and Aug).



Advocacy meeting

Wednesday, Nov 19, 2025 at 10:00 am on Zoom

A review major of upcoming events and their implications for climate and citizen engagement. The group will also help organize the Dec 3 learning meeting. Key events include:

- Federal budget (Nov 4): Will signal how the government intends to balance economic growth with emissions reductions and climate adaptation
- Climate Competitiveness Strategy: Anticipated to outline how Canada will compete in a low-carbon economy.
- COP 30 in Belém, Brazil (Nov 10–21): A critical moment for strengthening global climate commitments.

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SAVE THE DATE for CALL's next learning meeting



CALL's next learning meeting

Wednesday, Dec 3, 2025 at 10:00 am on Zoom

The December 3rd learning meeting will be a member-led presentation and discussion centered on Canada's climate action commitments. Our working theme is "How are we responding to Canada's hinge moment?"

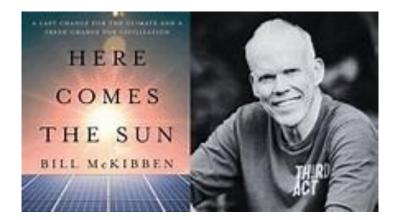
The session will unpack what the pivotal events -- the November 4th federal budget, the Climate Competitiveness Strategy and COP 30 -- mean for Canada's climate future.

REGISTER HERE for the December meeting.

Did you miss the discussion on Here Comes the Sun: A Last Chance for the Climate and a Fresh Chance for Civilization?

On October 15th, CALL held a book club meeting to discuss Bill McKibben's latest book. It was a thoughtful and interesting discussion about how the cheapest power on the plant, energy from the sun and wind, are growing faster than any energy source in history. McKibben argues that if we can keep accelerating the pace, we have a chance.

If you missed the meeting: **CLICK HERE TO WATCH THE EVENT**



You can also hear Bill McKibben in Toronto on November 24 from 5:30 – 6:30 EST at U of T's Rotman School of Management.

CLICK HERE TO REGISTER for either the in-person or the virtual event.

Major reports and articles

Ember's global electricity review 2025



Ember's sixth annual global electricity review provides the first comprehensive overview of changes in global electricity generation in 2024, based on reported data.

The key finding was that clean power surpassed 40% of global electricity generation in 2024. Heatwaves contributed to high growth in demand which resulted in a small increase in fossil generation. **READ**

Canadian Climate Institute



Image credit: Bifacial solar panel sun trackers are seen on the 5.6 hectares at Hydro Quebec's Robert A. Boyd Solar Power Plant.

Canada needs strong climate policy to be competitive in countries beyond the U.S. Rick Smith, 10.20.25

This article points out that "the Climate Competitiveness Strategy should include a number of policies that can be implemented right away to catalyze low-carbon growth." Canadian businesses will need to be competitive in markets that are rapidly moving towards clean energy. **READ**



What does Al cost us environmentally? Cities could demand answers.

Climate conscious consumers and governments alike want to embrace artificial intelligence, but its true environmental toll remains largely hidden. **READ**

NATIONAL OBSERVER

Chris Hatch Net Zero

Plugged in or left behind? Do you know what a Zeekr is? Find out about the Chinese EV now taking the world by storm (hint: just not in Canada or the US!). **READ**

Smart Prosperity Institute

Bridging the finance gap: The role of blended finance in building a climate-resilient economy.

This new report explores how the climate challenge is becoming a finance challenge. Canada faces a \$115 billion investment gap to transition to a low-carbon, climate resilient economy and closing this gap is critical to improving Canada's competitiveness. **READ**

David Suzuki Foundation

Expanding LNG will increase prices and pollution. READ

440 Megatonnes

Heat pump installations continue to climb in Canada.

The latest national data shows that heat pumps are quietly reshaping how Canadians heat and cool their homes. **READ**

| Podcasts and YouTube videos | | | |
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| Climate Interactive | Top ten reasons to keep going on climate (despite the headlines) 10.30.25 | | |
| CLIMATE'S Interactive | This is an inspiring, science-based, summary from Drew Jones at EnRoads about why we should carry on with our climate work, despite discouraging headlines. We are in fact winning. This webinar is worth an hour of your time. WATCH THE WEBINAR HERE | | |
| CANADA'S • NATIONAL OBSERVER | The next big bills: Inside Carney's policy playbook | | |
| | The National Observer panel unpacks what's at stake with the Carney government's ambitious major projects agenda. | | |
| | If you missed this live event: WATCH THE WEBINAR HERE | | |
| CLIMATE how climate is changing our energy systems | Energy vs Climate - drill & dash: The oil and gas liability crisis with Martin Olszynski | | |
| | Energy vs Climate discusses Alberta's mounting energy liability crisis and the billions in future costs for decommissioning, remediation and reclamation of oil and gas projects. WATCH THE WEBINAR HERE | | |
| CLIMATE how climate is changing our energy systems | Energy vs Climate – The great energy showdown: Solar takes all? | | |
| | In this episode, the discussion focusses on whether solar will be the big energy winner. Has solar energy already won? What's driving its rapid ascent? And what does it mean for energy production and policy here in Canada? WATCH THE WEBINAR HERE | | |
| Water Rangers, Water Watchers and Watersheds Canada | Salt pollution in Ontario: Exploring challenges and cross-sector solutions. | | |
| | This webinar provides an introduction to salt pollution in Ontario with a panel of experts from four sectors providing an overview of the challenges and solutions to the issue. WATCH THE WEBINAR HERE | | |

| Upcoming local and global climate events | | | |
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| November 18 at 1:00 pm on Zoom | Partners in Project Green and University of Toronto Trash Team. | | |
| | In pursuit of polystyrene: <u>Preventing polystyrene foam pollution in</u> <u>Lake Ontario</u> . Learn about groundbreaking research into the sources of polystyrene pollution, including findings from on-site trials with local construction companies testing practical solutions. <u>REGISTER</u> | | |
| November 19 at 2:00 pm on Zoom | The Climate Reality Project Canada | | |
| | Mobilizing communities for local climate action. How local politicians and communities can drive climate action together. REGISTER | | |

| Take action | | | | |
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| Seniors for Climate | MPs will be back in their ridings from November 8-16. Join seniors across the country to press your local MP in person about the need for climate action and deeper commitments from them. TAKE ACTION | | | |
| Ontario Clean Air Alliance | Ontario's nuclear nightmare: A total fright for our economy. On November 1 st , Ontario's electricity rates will surge 29% largely because of our increasing dependence on expensive nuclear generation. Ask Premier Ford to lower our electricity rates and taxes by investing in wind and solar energy and cancelling the construction of new high-cost U.S. nuclear reactors. TAKE ACTION | | | |

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