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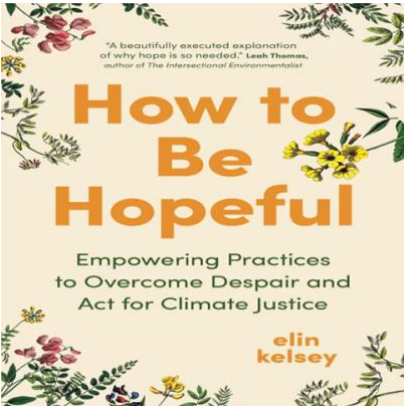


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Sign up to CALL's [mailing list](#) to receive the newsletter and invitations to monthly learning and interest group meetings.

Don't miss elin kelsey!



A book discussion with elin kelsey

DATE: Wednesday, March 18

TIME: 11:00 am – 12:30 pm ET via Zoom

Our speaker, elin kelsey, is an award-winning author, and internationally recognized thought leader in the evidence-based hope and climate justice movement.

This timely and inspiring book offers practical, evidence-based approaches for moving beyond climate despair and cultivating hope as a force for meaningful action.

Together, we will reflect on the book's key ideas and consider how hopeful practices can strengthen our personal, community, and collective responses to the climate crisis.

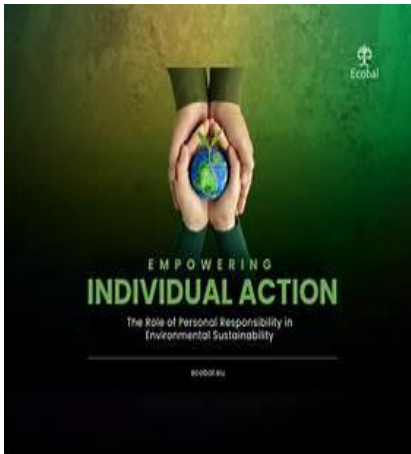
You do not have to read the book to join the discussion. Here's a short [video](#) with elin introducing her book and an [article](#) from Psychology Today.

[REGISTER HERE](#) in advance for this discussion.

"elin kelsey reminds us that at this moment hope is not about simply crossing fingers but rather showing up with calloused and love filled hands."

Christina Figures, former Exec. Sec. of the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change.

Interest group meetings in March



CALL Individual Action Interest Group

VOTING FOR CLIMATE CHANGE With guest speaker Roberta Tevlin

DATE & TIME: Thursday, March 19 at 1:30 pm ET
Note the change of date and time
from our usual meetings

LOCATION: An in-person meeting in midtown Toronto,
further details will be provided when you register.

With Roberta's help, we will explore the problem, the evidence and the solution. Changing our voting system might be the most powerful climate work you can do.

Registration is limited to 20 people. If you would like to join us, please RSVP to membership@climatelearners.ca



CALL Advocacy Interest Group ONTARIO'S ENERGY FUTURE With guest speaker, David Robertson

DATE& TIME: Wednesday, March 25 via Zoom
TIME: 10:00 – 11:30 am ET

Our guest speaker tracks Ontario's energy developments and has written extensively on climate policy and nuclear power. He is also actively involved with SCAN! and chairs the 'Ford Bad Energy Choices Working Group.'

David will lead a discussion focused on Ontario's Energy Future as set out in the government's latest plan: *Energy for Generations*. We will talk about the direction and costs built into the current plan and the critical need for an objective and independent assessment of our future energy options.

As background, see this G&M opinion piece by Professor Mark Winfield from York University entitled [*How Does Doug Ford Plan to Finance his \\$400 Billion Nuclear Ambitions?*](#)

[CLICK HERE TO JOIN THE MEETING ON THE 25TH](#)
(advance registration is not required)

Mark your calendar!



JOIN SENIORS FOR CLIMATE and CALL

For a discussion with Bill McKibben
Acclaimed environmentalist and author

DATE: April 8 via Zoom

TIME: 6:30 – 8:00 pm ET

Bill McKibben will discuss his latest book and describe how seniors can be a force in the movement away from fossil fuels towards a sustainable future.

In *Here Comes the Sun*, he zeroes in on renewables, and particularly solar power, not as a distant ideal but as an unstoppable force reshaping the global energy landscape.

He also traces the dramatic plunge in the cost of photovoltaic panels, the rapid scaling of utility-scale solar farms, and the quiet revolution of rooftop installations.

Most compellingly, he frames solar energy as inherently democratic – abundant, decentralized and accessible – shifting control away from fossil fuel giants and into the hands of ordinary people.

[REGISTER HERE](#) in advance for this meeting.

Major climate reports and news

The Canadian Climate Institute	2025 progress report on the 2030 emissions reduction plan. In February, the Institute released an independent assessment of the federal government's progress in meeting its targets. <u>READ</u>
Ontario Clean Air Alliance	The future is renewable. What we need now is made-in-Ontario renewable energy, i.e. solar, wind and storage, to lower costs and create the jobs we need, not expensive nuclear. <u>READ</u>

Smart Prosperity Institute	The credibility imperative: “Building made-in-Canada climate transition plans”. From global principles to Canadian practice. READ
Clean Energy Canada	Connecting the dots. Canada should ensure its project of national interest designation is helping build clean, competitive industries – not just individual projects – starting with four focus areas: clean electricity transmission, critical mineral refining, electric vehicle charging, and sustainable modular housing. READ
A Seth Klein article in Canada’s National Observer	The missing piece in Canada’s economic resistance to Trump and climate mobilization: new public enterprises. READ
The Energy Mix	Ottawa, Alberta may miss April 1 MOU deadline on carbon price, methane rules and more. READ
Corporate Knights	How to scale up the green economy. An interview with cleantech investor Jigar Shah who talks about reindustrialization and what it takes to spur clean growth. READ
Chris Hatch Zero Carbon in Canada’s National Observer	China’s emissions surprise. After decades of soaring climate pollution, China may have cut carbon emissions last year. READ
Canary Media	A firm capturing carbon at NYC high-rises tackles Canadian gas pipelines. CarbonQuest’s new project cutting emissions from an engine along a gas pipeline could help it scale to applications at universities, AI data centers, and factories. READ
CBC What on Earth?	Does clean energy generate too much waste? Hannah Ritchie checks the data on climate action. Plus, the purple seaside flower with carbon-storing power. READ

YouTube videos



Bill McKibben on Trump’s climate rollbacks: “This is economic self-sabotage” | Amanpour and Company

The Trump administration is facing pushback over its repeal of the 2009 Endangerment Finding. More than a dozen major environmental groups have filed a lawsuit. Critics, including environmentalist Bill McKibben, have described the move as shameful. McKibben views it as evidence of America's "descent into idiocracy." He joins Hari Sreenivasan to discuss. [WATCH](#)



Watch **elin kelsey** on the YouTube program, [The Green Interview](#) with Silver Donald Cameron.

elin is a science communicator who specializes in hope and wonder. A PhD and a brilliant teacher, she’s also an international-renowned author especially of children’s books like *You Are Stardust* and *Watching Giants: The Secret Lives of Whales*.

[WATCH](#)

Upcoming local and global climate events


<p>March 10 at 6:00 pm ET at Innis College University of Toronto 2 Sussex Ave.</p>	<p>Toronto Climate Action Network (TCAN) - The Cost of Growth An evening of film, conversation and collective sense-making. This film explores some of the challenges facing the world today...wildfires, floods, geopolitical tensions, and more. <u>MORE INFORMATION AND REGISTER</u></p>
<p>March 10 at 7:00 pm ET via Zoom</p>	<p>For Our Grandchildren – Climate action: Is it helping? Three 4RG board members will provide some good news relating to climate change. <u>MORE INFORMATION AND REGISTER</u></p>
<p>March 16 at 7:00 pm ET via Zoom</p>	<p>Carbon Conversation TO’s Climate Café Climate Cafe is a warm and welcoming space, with facilitators, where you and others who are concerned about the climate crisis and related issues can share your feelings and thoughts. <u>REGISTER</u></p>
<p>March 20 and 21 in Toronto.</p> <p>Performances are available on various dates in other Ontario locations.</p>	<p>WhyNot Theatre: What you won’t do for love Internationally renowned environmentalists David Suzuki and Tara Cullis take to the stage in an intimate and inspiring theatre experience as they share captivating stories, powerful insights, and heartfelt moments of humour to celebrate their love for each other, their love of the planet, and love’s capacity to inspire action. <u>MORE INFORMATION AND TICKETS</u></p>

Take action

<p>Ontario Nature</p>	<p>Re-empower conservation authorities. Conservation authorities holistically manage watersheds to prevent flooding, conserve natural areas and safeguard water quality – all benefitting people and the environment. However, a series of changes to their mandate, resourcing and independence have made it harder for conservation authorities to fulfill their crucial role. Call on Minister Todd McCarthy and your MPP to re-empower conservation authorities. <u>TAKE ACTION TO ADVOCATE FOR NATURE</u></p>
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<p>Environmental Defence Canada</p>	<p>Stop plastic pollution. It's a win!! Canada's Federal Court of Appeal has confirmed that the federal government CAN act to stop plastic pollution. This is a major victory for everyone. It means the federal bans on harmful and unnecessary plastic items such as checkout bags and six-pack rings stand. It also means there is no excuse for the government to hold back: now is the time for bold and ambitious federal action to protect people and the environment from plastic. Tell the new federal environment minister to step up the fight against plastic pollution. <u>TAKE ACTION</u></p>
<p>The Narwhal</p>	<p>Now for a fun (and belated!) Valentine's quiz to help you find your feathered soulmate. Is it the Canada goose...the snowy owl? There are so many possibilities!! Birds are ecologically critical, dazzlingly diverse but are often imperiled by human activity and climate change. <u>FIND THE NEST-MATE OF YOUR DREAMS</u></p>

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Thanks to those who have already donated. We have a way to go to reach our 2026 goal of \$6,250. Since January 1, we have raised \$244, so you can see the shortfall!

Any amount you can give is helpful. If all our supporters contributed just \$6 each, we would be halfway to reaching our goal. \$12 and we will just about make it. If you can, please help.

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