

Climate legislation is in everyone's best interest

Thank you for publishing Wayne Dunn's op-ed article which explained why "Urgently addressing climate change is in every person's self interest."

Yes, climate change action is in the interest of parents and grandparents who want to protect their children from extreme rainstorms (made more intense by climate change) that lead to deadly floods.

Climate change action doesn't appear to be in the interest of coal mine owners who oppose carbon emissions limits.

Climate action is in the interest of coastal city dwellers (Boston, New York, Norfolk, Miami, New Orleans, etc.) as sea-level rise threatens to inundate low-lying city centers within a few decades. Action isn't in the interest of members of Congress who voted against considering national carbon pricing - even though Exxon raised a proposal for fossil fuel companies to pay carbon fees with revenue distributed to the public. Which side are your senators and representatives on? Climate action is in the interest of farmers threatened by heat and drought. It's in the interest of other outdoor workers (like construction workers, postal, police, house painters, landscapers, etc.), and sports enthusiasts (skiers, fishermen, hunters, golfers, pick-up basketball players).

For more information about why carbon pricing is in your best interests, please contact Citizens' Climate Lobby. No matter how much lobbyists try to squelch public calls for climate legislation, the issue won't cool down. Eventually Congress will enact legislation, and you'll be asked one day by a grandkid, "Which side were you on?"

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