## Looking in letters to the editor, March 18, 2014

## **Saving snow**

Daniel Gibson wrote engagingly about skiing, climate change, a grim situation, a ticking clock and defiant Big Oil using its wealth to prevent us from averting disaster ("Climate change puts snow sports in jeopardy," March 13). I agree with Gibson but wish he ended with a smidgen of hope. A national revenue-neutral carbon tax with border adjustments would reduce emissions here and in Asia (they'll adopt carbon taxes if we tax imports from countries without such a tax).

A revenue-neutral carbon tax wouldn't hurt the public. Paid by fossil-fuel companies, it will be rebated to households, helping us with rising prices.

Why bother with a carbon tax just to rebate it? Because it will make fossil-fuel investments less profitable. Investors will invest in renewable energy instead. Clean energy will expand, the economy will grow, jobs will boom and the climate will stabilize.

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Perhaps your senators can co-sponsor legislation with Arizona Sen. John McCain, a neighbor who cares deeply about climate change.

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