

THE EARTH BILL NETWORK

MISSION

To forge unity among civil society and activists,
and work together to pass national climate legislation.

LEGISLATION

LEGISLATIVE TEAM: DRAFTING THE EARTH BILL

1. Craft a comprehensive climate bill, in community, "The Earth Bill".
2. Facilitate formation of a high-level Legislative & Policy Director Committee to draft a bill.

CLIMATE BILL PACKAGE: THE IMMEDIATE DEMANDS

1. A package of 10 bills spanning sectors as a starting point to unite across sectors.
2. New bills will be regularly added and reviewed.

POLICY SECTOR TEAMS: THE SOLUTIONS

1. Study the policy solutions, legislation and new ideas; present briefings.
2. Conduct outreach to policy and advocacy organizations.

COALITIONS

COALITION TEAM: BUILDING REAL POLITICAL POWER

1. Develop principles & agreements for The Earth Bill Network.
2. Facilitate the formation of a high-level Coalition-of-Coalition.

ADOPT-A-DISTRICT TEAM: THE GROUND GAME

1. Establish lead organizations and activists in all 435 Congressional Districts.
2. Build mini-coalitions in districts across policy sectors to advocate for legislation.

COMMUNITIES: STRENGTH IN UNITY

1. Network Partners: Welcoming all local groups and activists. Over 70 local organizations and many activists nationwide, including national organizations & coalitions.
2. Faith Team: Welcoming faith leaders and organizations.
3. Indigenous Team: Welcoming indigenous people and organizations.
4. Art Team: Welcoming artists to help promote climate solutions.
5. Policy Sector Teams: (list coming, see [Team Leads Contacts](#) for now).

KEY LINKS: 1. [Team Lead Contacts](#). 2. [Climate Crisis Policy Digest](#). 3. [2021 Teams Sign up](#).

CO-CREATING THE EARTH BILL NETWORK

OUTLINE OF DISCUSSION

- A. PROCESS
- B. PRINCIPLES
- C. ACTION AGREEMENTS
- D. COMMUNITY AGREEMENTS

A. PROCESS

Themes: Communication. Consultation. Consensus. Compromise.

Practice:

1. Open input brainstorming.
2. Condense & Summarize
3. Present to General Meetings & Core for Input
4. Revise, Repeat as needed
5. Finalize via Consensus

B. PRINCIPLES

1. Transparent
2. Inclusive
3. Community
4. Autonomy
5. Both/And
6. Others?

C. ACTION AGREEMENTS

1. Study & Vote on Solutions in Policy Digest, submit missing items
2. Participate in Legislative Team on policy analysis and bill review
3. Review & take position on bills in the Climate Bill Package
4. Serve as lead coordinator for Congressional District(s) and/or State
5. Designate internal staff for network coordination and action
6. Align internal team to legislative action in coalition
7. Link communications teams to a nationwide comms-network
8. Help grow the network and weave civil society together for legislative action

D. COMMUNITY AGREEMENTS

1. Patient with our process
2. Not lobbying each other
3. Focus on what you want vs. don't want
4. Conflict Resolution Process
5. Conflict of Interest Statements

LEGISLATIVE TEAM: THE EARTH BILL

STRUCTURE

- 1. Policy Sector Teams & Community Teams: [List](#)**
 - a. General Admin (Christine)**
 - b. Team Admin Lead**
 - c. Legislation Lead (TBD)**
 - d. Coalition Lead (TBD)**

2. Legislative Directors & Policy Sectors.

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Todd Fernandez, CCP

Several Groups On Board Already! Details soon.

WORK APPROACH

- 1. CC Policy Digest. Voting.**
- 2. Collect New Documents ([submit docs](#))**
- 3. Identify Missing Parts. The “How”.**
- 4. Compare Other Bills & Coalition Policies ([here](#))**
- 5. Outreach to other Bill’s lead groups by Policy Sector**
- 6. Bill Outline (April). Process for review/input.**
- 7. Early Demands (ASAP)**
- 8. Themes: Gold Standard. GHG Reduction.**
Environmental Justice (EJ). Just Transition (JT).

TIMELINE

- 1. Saturday Weekly Meetings.**
- 2. Regular Policy Sector Team Meetings.**
- 3. January: Network & Teams Formation**
- 4. February: Policy Collection and Analysis**

5. March: Draft Bill Outline & Early Demands

LEGISLATIVE PARADIGMS

- 1. Envision new gov't structures and roles**
- 2. Think beyond current legal frameworks**
- 3. Don't worry about politics or votes**
- 4. Joining movements & activists**
- 5. GHG reductions and calculations**
- 6. Community protection: environment & economics**