

# Wisconsin Environment: Groups call on Congress to invest in bold climate solutions and vote for the Build Back Better Act

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MADISON – As Congress nears a vote on the Build Back Better Act, Wisconsin organizations and local governments sent a [letter](#) this week to Wisconsin's congressional delegation, urging them to invest in bold solutions to advance clean energy policies and tackle the climate crisis.

Recognizing the enormity of the climate crisis and its long-term impacts on Wisconsinites, the letter calls on Congress to support the Build Back Better Act as a once-in-a-generation opportunity to modernize our economy, lift communities across Wisconsin, and tackle the climate crisis. The letter signers include a broad cross section of Wisconsin life – businesses, labor unions, health care professionals, faith leaders, environmentalists, farmers, renewable advocates, equity and community organizations, and local governments. These organizations represent hundreds of thousands of Wisconsin citizens, representing urban, suburban and rural voices from every region of the state.

Wisconsin Environment State Director Megan Severson issued the following statement:

“Wisconsinites are experiencing the climate crisis every day and they know it’s only worsening. They also know the costs of inaction far outweigh the cost of acting now. We can’t wait any longer. In this moment, we have an opportunity to enact policies to help us avoid the most catastrophic impacts of our warming planet.

“The Build Back Better Act’s climate and clean energy investments will begin to tackle this enormous challenge. Local governments and advocacy groups across the state get this and are urging Congress to seize the moment for climate action. This is the right bill at the right time and, whatever the final price tag, it will be a bargain compared to the financial, public health and environmental costs we’ll have to deal with down the road if we don’t pass the bill.”