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Who Is NCEL?

- Nationwide network of over 1,200 legislators from all 50 states and both major parties.
- Serves as a connector for legislators to collaborate across the country.
- Your remote environmental staff.
- Created by and for state legislators.
- National, regional, and state forums.





NCEL's National Forum

When: August 10 – August 12

Who: 150+ state legislators

What: Network and exchange ideas; learn about

trending solutions; collaborate for a healthier

planet and people







NCEL's Federal Initiatives

- Inflation Reduction Act (IRA)
- Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL)
- Keep up to date on large initiatives - America the Beautiful Challenge, Justice 40, etc.
- Federal Connections Congress,
 Agencies, White House













NCEL's Program Areas





Climate and Energy

Main focuses include:

- Power utilities and grid modernization, renewable energy, phasing out fossil fuels
- Transportation electrification, public transit, bikes & pedestrians
- Buildings building performance standards, appliances, energy efficiency



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Conservation

Main focuses include:

- Land habitat connectivity, 30x30, outdoor access
- Water drought resilience, wetland conservation, riparian protection, Green Amendment
- Wildlife endangered species, pollinators, trafficking & pandemics, strengthening wildlife agencies, invasive species
- State/Tribal Tribal Governance 101, Land Back, co-management

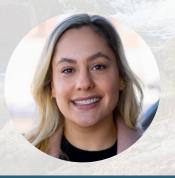


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Environmental Health

Main focuses include:

- Environmental Justice
- Plastic Pollution and Zero Waste entire plastics lifecycle
- Toxic Chemicals PFAS, flame retardants, cumulative impacts
- Sustainable Agriculture and Water Quality flood resilience, soil health, nutrient pollution



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Oceans

Main focuses include:

- Offshore Energy Transition offshore wind and offshore drilling
- Coastal Resilience & Restoration
- Blue Carbon Ecosystems
- Regenerative Aquaculture



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Let Us Be Your Remote Environmental Staff

- NCEL staff provide research, resources, and materials on policy areas of your interest.
- NCEL can connect you with other legislators working on similar issues.
- Interested in a topic not mentioned? NCEL staff can provide assistance on any environmental questions.

To join, visit <u>ncelenviro.org/join</u>.

There is no cost or obligation to become a member.

