# New Jersey & New York Groups

Attached are some resources about groups that are active in opposing the Northeast Supply Enhancement (NESE) Project and other fossil fuel infrastructure projects as well as others, like ReThink Energy NJ and The Watershed Institute, that provide solid resources for good, high quality information on energy and the environment.

Information includes way to reach contacts and gather information from websites, Facebook pages and Twitter.

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## **Grassroots Advocacy Groups**

#### Central Jersey Safe Energy Coalition

Central Jersey Safe Energy Coalition is a citizen organization protesting unsafe pipeline	Email Contact	info@safer-nj.org
infrastructure in and around central Jersey with a mission to protect the people and the	Website	http://www.safer-nj.org
environment of Central New Jersey, and to	Facebook	https://www.facebook.com/safernj/
preserve that environment for future generations.	Twitter	@safernj

#### **Central Jersey Environmental Defenders**

Defending the environment against corporate greed: A Grassroots Environmental Group	Email Contact	stopftcompressor@yahoo.com
working with the Franklin Township Task Force (on CS206 & NESE) providing education, research,	Website	www.scrap-NESE.org
advocacy and outreach to support efforts to stop the NESE Project and move NJ toward actions to	Facebook	https://www.facebook.com/groups/1161375143904005/
protect our safety, health, air, water and the environment.	Twitter	@scrapNESE

## NGOs

#### Food & Water Watch

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Food & Water Watch is a Washington, D.C based non-governmental organization group	Email Contact	NJ: Matt Smith at msmith@fwwatch.org Charlie Kratovil at ckratovil@fwwatch.org
which focuses on corporate and government accountability relating to food, water, and corporate overreach. Resulting issue areas	Email Contact	NY: Laura Shindell at Lshindell@fwwatch.org
include stopping fossil fuel and fossil fuel extraction, regulating factory farms, advocating	Website	https://www.foodandwaterwatch.org/state/new-jersey
for renewable energy, fighting water privatization, stopping bad trade deals, increasing transparency in our food system, and standing up	Facebook	https://www.facebook.com/FoodandWaterWatchNJ/
for human rights. The organization was founded by staff from Public Citizen in 2005.	Twitter	@FWWNewJersey @MatSmith33

## New Jersey League of Conservation Voters

NJ League of Conservation Voters is a non- partisan, non-profit organization making environmental protection a legislative priority in	Email Contact	Ed.Potosnak@njlcv.org Joe.Hendershot@njlcv.org Patty.Cronheim@njlcv.org
the NJ Statehouse. New Jersey LCV is the statewide political voice for the environment. We elect environmentally responsible candidates to	Website	https://www.njlcv.org/
state and local offices, advocate for strong environmental policies, and hold our elected officials accountable to safeguard the health of	Facebook	https://www.facebook.com/pg/NJLCV/about/
our communities, the beauty of our state, and the strength of our economy.	Twitter	@NJLCV

#### **ReThink Energy NJ**

ReThink Energy NJ informs and empowers New Jersey citizens and decision-makers to support	Email Contact	Tom Gilbert at tom@njconservation.org
sensible policies to bring about a swift transition	Website	https://rethinkenergynj.org/
to clean, efficient, renewable energy. We advocate reducing the use of dirty fossil fuels and	Facebook	https://www.facebook.com/rethinkenergynj/
stopping unnecessary pipelines that threaten our land, air, water, health, and safety.	Twitter	@rethinknergynj

Sierra Club NJ		
The Sierra Club is a national, member-supported environmental organization, which seeks to influence public policy in both Washington and the state capitals through public education & grass-roots political action.	Email Contact	Megan Steele at megan.steele@sierraclub.org Taylor McFarland at taylor.mcfarland@sierraclub.org
	Website	https://www.sierraclub.org/new-jersey/contact-us
With about 20,000 members, the NJ Chapter is the 10 <sup>th</sup> largest chapter of 65 chapters in the USA, Canada & Mexico. We hold monthly meetings in various locations throughout the State.	Facebook	https://www.facebook.com/NJSierraClub/
	Twitter	@NJSierraClub
Sierra Club – Raritan Valley		
The Raritan Valley Group covers Middlesex and Somerset Counties. Local issues of primary interest to our Raritan Valley Group include but	Email Contact	Sindhu Pasricha at sgpnjersey@gmail.com
		Gary Frederick at gfredsierra@gmail.com
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Somerset Counties. Local issues of primary interest to our Raritan Valley Group include but		Gary Frederick at gfredsierra@gmail.com
are not limited to: (1) Conservation and Protection of the Raritan River basin area; (2)	Website	https://www.sierraclub.org/new-jersey/raritan-valley
Passage of and responsible enforcement of environmentally friendly zoning and development ordinances; and (3) Prevention of diversion of conserved land for commercial or other development.	Facebook	https://m.facebook.com/RaritanGroupNJSC/
	Twitter	

## NY/NJ Baykeeper & Raritan Riverkeeper

NY/NJ Baykeeper's mission is to protect, preserve, and restore the ecological integrity and	Email Contact	Elana Knopp at elana@nynjbaykeeper.org
productivity of the NY-NJ Harbor Estuary. Through advocacy campaigns, legal actions, boat	Email Contact	Bill Schultz at raritan.riverkeeper@verizon.net
programs, land acquisition, stewardship, and restoration work. The Raritan Riverkeeper	Website	https://www.nynjbaykeeper.org
program focuses specifically on preserving the health of the Raritan River.	Facebook	https://www.facebook.com/nynjbaykeeper

### The Watershed Institute

Keeping water clean, safe and healthy is the heart of our mission. We work to protect and restore our water and natural environment in central	Email Contact	Michael Pisauro at mpisauro@thewatershed.org
New Jersey through conservation, advocacy, science, and education. Our staff includes policy advocates, scientists, land and water stewards, naturalists and educators. We sneak out for	Website	https://thewatershed.org/
naturalists and educators. We speak out for water and environment, protect and restore sensitive habitats, test our waterways for pollution and inspire others to care for the	Facebook	https://www.facebook.com/theH2Oshed
natural world. We focus our work in the Stony Brook-Millstone and the adjacent part of the Central Delaware River Watersheds.	Twitter	@theH2Oshed @TheWSInstitute

## Lower Raritan Watershed Partnership

The mission of the Lower Raritan Watershed	Email Contact	Heather Fenyk at hfenyk@lowerraritanwatershed.org
Partnership (LRWP) is to restore, enhance, and conserve, the natural resources of "New Jersey	Website	http://www.lowerraritanwatershed.org
Watershed Management Area 9" (the Lower Raritan Watershed) through science-based	Facebook	https://facebook.com/lowerraritanwatershed
stewardship, education and innovation.	Twitter	@LowerRaritan

Clean Ocean Action Our goal is to improve the degraded water quality of the marine waters off the New Jersey/New York coast. Clean Ocean Action will identify the sources	Email Contact	Cindy Zipf at Zipf@cleanoceanaction.org
of pollution and mount an attack on each source by using research, public education, and citizen action to convince our public officials to enact and enforce measures which will clean up and protect	Email Contact	Kari Martin at KMartin@cleanoceanaction.org
our ocean. Clean Ocean Action is a 501(c)3 tax exempt nonprofit organization.	Email Contact	Swarna Muthukrishnan, Ph.D. at SMuthukrishnan@cleanoceanaction.org
Clean Ocean Action (COA) is a broad-based coalition of 125 active boating, business,	Website	http://www.cleanoceanaction.org
community, conservation, diving, environmental, fishing, religious, service, student, surfing, and women's groups. These "Ocean Wavemakers" work to clean up and protect the waters of the	Facebook	https://www.facebook.com/CleanOcean
New York Bight. The groups came together in 1984 to investigate sources, effects, and solutions of ocean pollution.	Twitter	@CleanOcean
Clean Water Action NJ		
Since our founding during the campaign to pass the landmark Clean Water Act in 1972, Clean Water Action has worked to win strong health	Email Contacts	Eric Benson at ebenson@cleanwater.org Amy Goldsmith at agoldsmith@cleanwater.org
and environmental protections by bringing issue expertise, solution-oriented thinking and people	Email Contact	njcwa@cleanwater.org
power to the table. Our mission is to protect our environment, health, economic well-being and community quality of life. Clean Water Action organizes strong grassroots groups and coalitions, and campaigns to elect environmental candidates	Website	https://www.cleanwateraction.org/states/new-jersey
	Facebook	https://www.facebook.com/CleanWaterActionNJ
and to solve environmental and community problems.	Twitter	@CleanWaterNJ
Surfrider Foundation NJ Shore		
The Surfrider Foundation is dedicated to the protection and enjoyment of the world's ocean, waves and beaches through a powerful activist network.	Email Contacts	John Weber at jweber@surfrider.org Matt Gove at mgove@surfrider.org
The Surfrider Foundation staff of nearly 50 people helps support our chapter network in their campaigns, champion for policy and fight legal battles for our coasts, bring awareness to the issues facing our ocean, provide critical support on stuff like accounting, technology, and	Website	https://www.jerseyshore.surfrider.org
	Facebook	https://facebook.com/SurfriderJSC
HR, and raise money to make all of this happen. We have an appetite for adventure and we all share a common passion – we love and appreciate our ocean, waves and beaches.	Twitter	@SurfriderJSC
Waterspirit		
Waterspirit is an ecology and spirituality program which through education, reflection, action and	Email Contact	water@waterspirit.org Rachel Dawn Davis at rddavis@waterspirit.org
celebration deepens appreciation of water and its place in the community of life, increases	Website	https://www.waterspirit.org
understanding of water issues, and empowers people to participate in the protection and	Facebook	https://facebook.com/waterspiritorg
preservation of water which is critical in sustaining all life.	Twitter	@_WaterSpirit

350NJ		
350NJ-Rockland is an inclusive, all-volunteer group from New Jersey and Rockland County NY committed to solving the climate crisis through	Email Contact	Ted Glick at nocompressorstation@gmail.com ; info@350nj.org
education, activism and peaceful direct action. Goal = leave our region and the world a more safe, just and sustainable place for future	Website	http://world.350.org/newjersey/
generations by driving conversations in the media, educating people, energizing campaigns, and	Facebook	www.facebook.com/350NJ
mobilizing and supporting groups addressing issues like proposed fossil fuel projects, fracking waste, air pollution and environmental racism.	Twitter	@350NJ

#### NJ Coalition: Empower NJ-No Fossil Fuel Projects

Over 50 environmental, citizen, faith, and progressive groups in New Jersey are calling on Governor Murphy to enact a moratorium on all	Website	http://empowernj.com
new fossil fuel projects in New Jersey until there are rules in place to achieve our 100% clean energy goals. Groups = listed below -	Facebook	https://www.facebook.com/EmpowerNJNoFossilFuel
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350NJ-Rockland	innonu	Action Together New Jersey
Already Devalued and Devastated Homeowners of Pars	прапу	Aquatherm Industries, Inc. Blue Wave New Jersey
Bergen GreenFaith Circle Bus for Progress		
Central Jersey Coalition Against Endless War		Bye Bye Plastic Bags New Jersey Central Jersey Environmental Defenders
Central NJ Chapter: The Climate Reality Project		•
Clean Ocean Action		Citizens United for Renewable Energy (CURE) Clean Water Action*
Climate Action New Jersey		ClimateMama
Coalition for Peace Action		Coalition Against Pilgrim Pipeline NJ
Cooper River Indivisible		Coalition to Ban Unsafe Oil Trains
Delaware Riverkeeper Network*		Democratic Club at Cedar Crest
Democratic Club of Allendale		
DivestNJ Coalition		Displaced Homemakers of NJ Don't Gas the Meadowlands Coalition*
Don't Gas the Pinelands		Eco-Poetry.org (nonprofit Climate Crisis Literature & Alerts)
Environment NJ*		
Environmental Justice Committee of the Unitarian Socie	aty of Pidgowood	Environmental Action Club at Morris County Vocational High School First Congregational Church
Food & Water Action	ety of Mugewood	Food & Water Watch*
Franklin Women's Club		
		Franciscan Response to Fracking
GMO Free NJ		Gloucester County Food and Water Watch Green Period, a NJ Nonprofit Corporation
Green Party of New Jersey		
GreenFaith		Hackensack Riverkeeper
Highland Park Ecology and Environmental Group		Hudson County Sierra Club
Indivisible Cranbury		Indivisible Lambertville/New Hope Indivisible NJ 5th District
Indivisible Highland Park		
League of Women Voters of New Jersey Middletown for Clean Energy		Lower Raritan Watershed Partnership Monmouth Community Climate Coalition
Monmouth County Climate Coalition		Neighbors Against the Gas Plant
New Jersey and New York Coalition for Climate Justice		New Jersey Association of Railroad Passengers (NJ-ARP)
New Jersey Highlands Coalition		New Jersey PACE/Center for Regenerative Community Solutions, a NJ Nonprofit
New Jersey Tenants Organization		New Jersey Working Families Alliance
New York and New Jersey Awareness Project for Climat		NJ Citizen Action
NJ Forest Watch		NJ Industrial Union Council
NJ Sierra Club*		NJ Sierra Club – Loantaka Group
NJ Sierra Club – Skylands Group		NJ Skylands Sunrise Movement Hub
NJ Student Sustainability Coalition		NJ-08 For Progress
NJ7 Forward		North Jersey Green Alliance
North Jersey Sierra Club		North New Jersey Democratic Socialists of America
North NJ Chapter of Climate Reality		Northern NJ Chapter, National Organization for Women
Northjersey Pipeline Walkers		Occupy Bergen County
Our Revolution Essex County (OURNJ)		Our Revolution Mercer / Trenton (OURNJ)
Our Revolution Monmouth (OURNJ)		Our Revolution Ocean County (OURNJ)
Our Revolution Passaic County (OURNJ)		Parsippany Green Team
People Over Pipelines		Pequannock Seniors/Indivisible
Pinelands Preservation Alliance		Ramapough Lenape Nation
		Resistance Cafe
Raritan Headwaters		

#### NJ Coalition: Empower NJ-No Fossil Fuel Projects (cont.)

Rutgers AAUP-AF Sourland Conservancy South Jersey Progressive Women for Change STAND Central New Jersey Summit Area Indivisible Sunrise Hunterdon County Surfrider Foundation: Jersey Shore Chapter Sustainable West Milford The Climate Mobilization Hoboken Chapter The Green Party of Monmouth County The Wei Voters of Watchung Hills (VOW) Westfield 2020 Women's March on New Jersey SOMA Action South Jersey Progressive Democrats St. Luke's Episcopal Church Students for Environmental Awareness (Rutgers) Sunrise Bergen County Sunrise Jersey Shore Sustainable South Jersey The Center for Environmental Transformation The Ethical Culture Society of Bergen County The Natural Journal UU Faith Action NJ WATERSPIRIT Women for Progress

\* Steering Committee Member

NY Coalition: Stop the Williams Pipeline =	Website	https://www.stopthewilliamspipeline.org
organized by 350Brooklyn, 350.org, Food and Water Watch, New York Communities for Change, Rockaway Beach Civic Association, Sane Energy Project, and Surfrider NYC Chapter	Twitter	@NoNYHarborPipe

#### Sane Energy Project

	Our primary goal is to hasten a rapid and just	Email Contact	Kim Fraczek at kim@saneenergyproject.org
transition to renewable energy. We need strong grassroots momentum that calls for a rethinking of our energy system from the bottom up, and	Email Contacts	J.K. Canapa at jkthecat@gmail.com Lee Ziesche at leziesche@gmail.com	
	we are animated by a vision of a city and state powered by 100% equitable and community-led	Website	https://www.saneenergy.org
	renewables. To realize this vision, we work to change three conditions: Awareness, Attitude & Action. We strive to instill this work with joy,	Facebook	https://www.facebook.com/saneenergyproject.org
	creativity and building community power.	Twitter	@SaneEnergy

#### **New York Communities for Change**

New Tork communities for change		
NYCC organizes in low-income and middle income neighborhoods to build a strong people's movement that can bring tangible change to our	Email Contact	Patrick Houston at phouston@nycommunities.org Peter Sikora at pete.sikora@gmail.com
communities. Our aim is to protect the most vulnerable & fight against economic oppression through know your rights trainings and a rapid response program to protect our communities.	Website	https://www.nycommunities.org
NYCC's campaigns target the economic forces driving racial inequality. NYCC also provides workforce development programming, including	Facebook	https://www.facebook.com/nychange
English as a Second Language courses in six sites across New York City – three in Brooklyn, three in the Bronx.	Twitter	@nychange

350Brooklyn			
350Brooklyn is an affiliate of the international climate group 350.org. 350Brooklyn works locally to solve the climate crisis through education, organization, and direct action. We sponsor community panels, film screenings, book groups, protests and rallies, letter-writing campaigns, lobby days, parties, and even parades. 350 Brooklyn works to reverse climate change and achieve climate justice through local action. We promote sustainable energy, oppose the fossil fuel industry, and educate and activate our community.	Email Contact	Sara Gronim at sgronim@rcn.com	
	Email Contact	Mimi Bluestone at mimiblue@mac.com	
	Website	https://www.350brooklyn.org	
	Facebook	https://www.facebook.com/350Brooklyn	
	Twitter	@350Brooklyn	

#### **Rockaway Beach Civic Association**

RBCA has been in existence since 1962. We strive to protect and promote the best interest	Email Contact	
of the residents; to promote and strive for the	Website	http://Rockawaybeachcivicassociation.org
improvement and betterment of all public facilities and services; to promote and encourage	Facebook	https://www.facebook.com/RockawayBeachCivicAssociation/
a better community and civic spirit of Rockaway Beach.	Twitter	@RockawayBeachCivicAssociation

### **Surfrider Foundation NYC**

Since its inception in 1984, the Surfrider Foundation has evolved into one of the largest non-profit grassroots organizations with a volunteer-activist network dedicated to its mission to protect and enjoy the world's oceans, waves and beaches. Our efforts to advocate for the health of our coastline are united with those of 84 Surfrider Foundation chapters across the country. Coastal erosion, plastic pollution, fossil fuel infrastructure – these are just some of the issues that threaten our ocean and beaches every day.	Email Contact	Noelle Picone at campaign.rep@nyc.surfrider.org
	Email Contacts	Nikita Scott at chair@NYC.surfrider.org Jeffrey Williams at jwilliams@w3group.org
	Website	https://www.nyc.surfrider.org
	Facebook	https://www.facebook.com/surfridernyc
	Twitter	@SurfriderNYC

#### Sustainable Staten Island

Sustainable Staten Island is a broad coalition of	Email Contact	sustainablestatenisland@gmail.com
local groups, unions, and activist organizations working together to protect the rights of Staten	Website	http://www.sustainablesi.com
Island, New York City, and New York State	Facebook	https://www.facebook.com/SustainableStatenIsland
residents.	Twitter	@SStatenIsland

#### **Fossil Free NY**

As a project of 350.org, our vision for a Fossil Free New York includes: A fast and just	Email Contact	
transition to 100% renewable energy; a ban on	Website	https://gofossilfree.org/ny
all new and planned fossil fuel infrastructure; and making corporate polluters pay & divesting	Facebook	https://www.facebook.com/FossilFreeNewYorkState
from fossil fuels.	Twitter	@FossilFreeNY