

2020 IN REVIEW

The North Carolina Sierra Club celebrated a significant milestone this year: Our 50th anniversary as a Chapter. Though COVID-19 stymied our plans for a celebratory get-together at Haw River State Park, we've still been able to mark and remember some of our proudest moments on our website and in our monthly e-newsletter. These stories from our volunteer leaders have included the defeat of Titan Cement's proposed plant in New Hanover County, our opposition to dirty fuel pipelines, getting the N.C. Wilderness Act passed, and more. We can be proud of our tireless work on these issues and many others.

But the pandemic did more than make us change our party plans. It's prompted us to think critically about what our next 50 years will look like. In fact, 2020 has made our future charge clearer than ever. Today, tomorrow and in the decades to come, we'll work to create an equitable, inclusive organization that takes swift action to protect the environment for all North Carolinians, and uses its institutional power to protect those who are being disproportionately affected by climate change.

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FROM THE CHAIR



By all measures, 2020 has been a time of great change and transition. From the coast to the mountains, the North Carolina Chapter has actively defended our environment, including the human landscape. Like the Club on a national level, the Chapter has engaged in a tough internal examination of racism and white supremacy and its impact on marginalized communities and people of color.

It may be easy to become discouraged over the long battle to control hog farms and their cesspool waste lagoons, but we must keep fighting and elevate the voices of exploited, impoverished communities that suffer from the unhealthy, stinking air. We must also seize opportunities to go on the offensive to protect our drinking water from chemicals that pollute the unsuspecting.

While there has been encouraging news regarding dirty oil pipelines, pressure must continue on phasing out fossil fuel

development plans. We also must continue our defense of marine mammals and our coastal economy from the effects of seismic testing and offshore drilling, as well as our effective opposition to any bad environmental policy coming out of Raleigh.

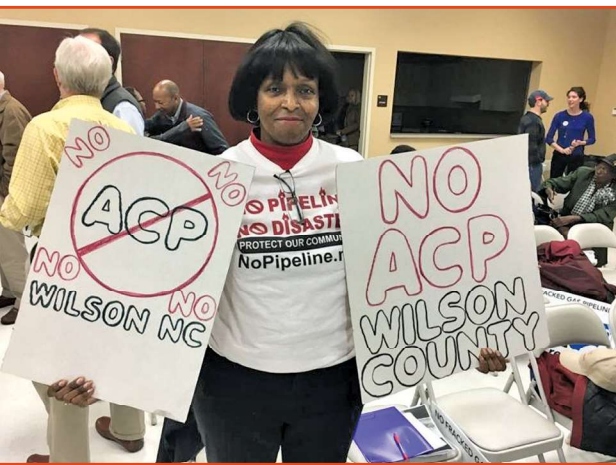
From preserving our national forests and other public lands to promoting the greening of the electric power grid and electric vehicles, we continued our traditional activism this year. And we've lent our voices to call for protecting the vulnerable from utility disconnects during the devastating COVID-19 crisis, and will continue supporting those who have felt its economic fallout.

I invite all N.C. Sierrans to renew your engagement with the great environmental work of our time, that of equity, inclusion and justice for all in a world in which our descendants can flourish - **together**.

David Reid
Chapter Chair

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We've already begun. We spent much of this year trying to shape management of the Pisgah and Nantahala Forests, promoting expanded electric vehicle infrastructure, fighting for new air quality rules for methyl bromide, speaking out against new wood pellet facilities and mining operations, and working to hold industrial hog farms, chemical companies, and Duke Energy accountable for polluting our air and water. But we also spent significant time and effort pushing for a moratorium on utility shutoffs during the pandemic; advocating for pro-worker, pro-health, and pro-equity COVID-19 relief; and changing internal policies and practices so that our Chapter and groups are more welcoming to people of color.



We can't solve the climate problem without working hand in hand with the people who are most affected by it. And we can't do it without you. Thanks for all you do

for North Carolina's land, air, water, wildlife and communities. Thanks for helping to ensure that, in coming years, all of our state's people get the clean water, clean air, protected coastlines, and pristine wilderness areas they deserve!

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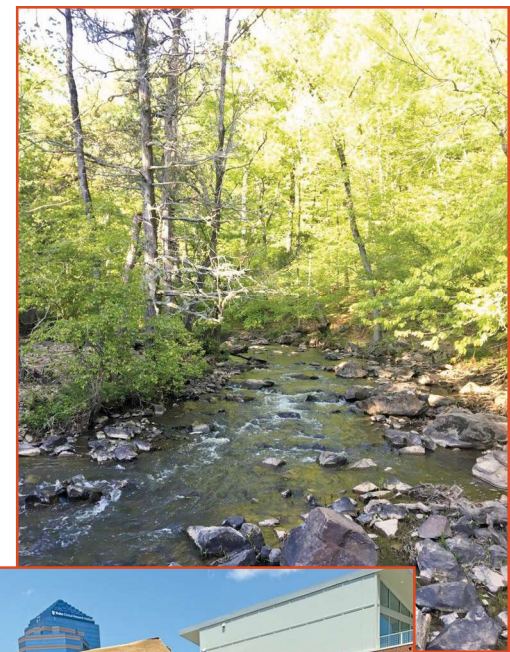




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The ‘Green Roads State:’ NC encourages clean transportation

About a century ago, North Carolina became known as the “Good Roads State” for the quality of its highways and byways. We’re urging Gov. Roy Cooper to help our state become known as the “Green Roads State” now by putting electric vehicle charging stations in all our state parks.

Cooper’s Executive Order 80 set a goal to have at least 80,000 zero emission vehicles (ZEVs) in the state by 2025. As of 2019, we had only about 10,000, and our ZEV charging options are limited.

North Carolina has 41 state parks, but only four have EV charging stations. We could jump-start clean transportation and help meet Cooper’s ZEV goal by adding stations in all state parks, as other states have done.

Transportation emissions are the No. 1 source of greenhouse gas emissions contributing to climate change in the United States. We are working to reduce these emissions by helping Ready for 100 communities - those that have passed resolutions to switch to 100% clean energy - electrify their auto fleets.

All-electric vehicle fleets can make a big impact on reducing greenhouse gas emissions and save money in the long run, but there are institutional hurdles. The N.C. Chapter and the N.C. Clean Energy Technology Center at N.C. State University surveyed local governments about the roadblocks they face, then offered a webinar tailored to address those issues.

Offshore drilling foes get hopeful news in the fall

Opponents of offshore drilling and seismic blasting were cautiously optimistic this September, as potential good news arrived after a year of relative quiet.

To the shock of most, President Trump included North Carolina in a 10-year moratorium on offshore drilling in late September, after initially leaving the state off a list of exempt - and perhaps not coincidentally - Republican-led states (Florida, Georgia, and South Carolina). Though pleased by the pre-election announcement, Sierrans’ reactions were muted as we awaited official confirmation.

Noteworthy, too, was Virginia’s continued absence from the list. Oil spills don’t respect state boundaries and, if the Atlantic shoreline is to be protected from the oil and gas industry, every coastal state must be included in the moratorium. The N.C. Chapter will continue to fight to protect our beautiful, shared coast by keeping oil and gas out of our waters and off our beaches.

Also in September, the seismic company WesternGeco changed its mind about plans to explore off our coast. The company had won an appeal with the Department of Commerce after North Carolina denied its application to conduct

seismic surveys off the coast, but then rescinded its permit request. Attorney General Josh Stein said he will continue to litigate the case that seismic blasting permits issued by the federal government to four other companies were granted in violation of the Marine Mammal Protection Act, and against the sovereign wishes of the coastal states that would be affected - including North Carolina.



Coastal Sierrans, staff join state in tackling climate change



The long-awaited North Carolina Climate Risk Assessment and Resiliency Plan was released this year - with direct input from the N.C. Chapter!

The report, produced by the state Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), is impressive in the breadth and depth of its research and considerations, though it paints a bleak picture of our resilience preparedness. But it's important to have a baseline understanding of where we are, so we can make good plans.

The report takes a statewide look at the impact of climate change and seeks to establish a foundation for proactive policies that will help North Carolinians prepare for and deal with climate impacts. These range from social and environmental justice concerns to community logistics and environmental mitigation.

Early in the plan's development, DEQ asked the Chapter to organize a committee of leading environmental groups to help develop coastal resiliency policy recommendations. Erin Carey, our Coastal Programs Director, and leading coastal Sierrans organized a group of experts from key environmental and justice groups to ensure that our recommendations protect people as well as the environment. We are very pleased to note that two of the committee's 13 recommendations were included verbatim in the final report, while most others were represented in other forms.

Climate change was chosen last year by N.C. Sierra Club's volunteer leaders as one of Chapter's top conservation priorities. This year, we created a Climate Change Committee, chaired by the Croatan Group's Katie Tomberlin and staffed by Erin Carey from the Chapter and Caroline Hansley from the national Dirty Fuels campaign.

As climate change is a continuing theme in all our work, including equity and justice, the group's early challenge was to build a strong ethical foundation that gives direction, purpose and meaning to its work. The committee now has mission and values statements, and is considering what its most impactful activities could be.

As our goals become more defined, we'll recruit more volunteers to prioritize ideas and think through other possibilities for our work. Contact Erin (erin.carey@sierraclub.org) if you're interested!

More NC communities say they're 'Ready for 100'

More North Carolina communities are committing to a transition to 100% clean, renewable energy - and putting their promises into action.

The Town of Chapel Hill became the 26th local government in the state to commit to switching away from dirty fossil fuels by 2050 or sooner. In June, Buncombe County took a significant step toward its clean energy goal by seeking bids from companies to install solar panels on public facilities and land, including school and government buildings.

Sierrans statewide have helped push their local governments toward these goals; in Asheville and Buncombe County, members of the W. North Carolina (WENOCA) Group led by Judy Mattox worked with student activists and others at every stage of those governments' adoption of clean energy targets and actions.

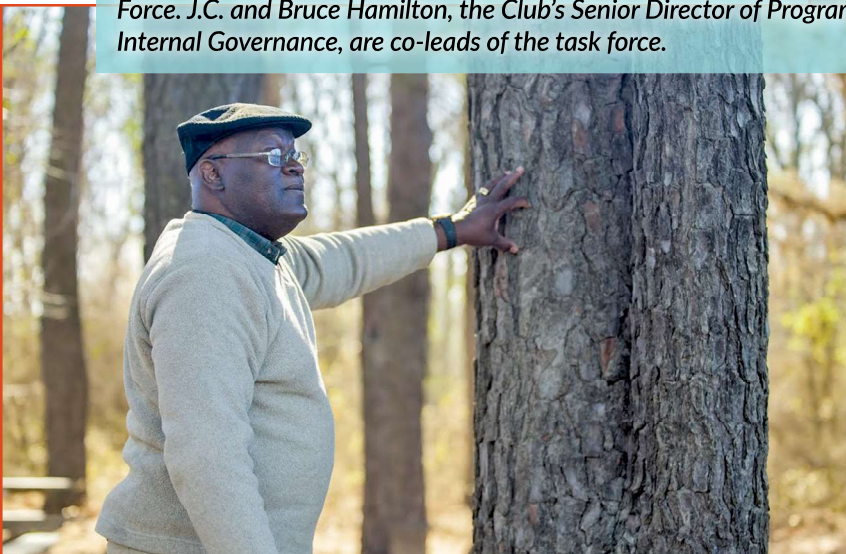
Transitioning to 100% clean, renewable energy has become a leading strategy for businesses and communities that want



to cut costs and pollution, boost the economy, and pursue ambitious climate action.

Join the movement! Visit readyfor100.org to learn how to start or join a 100% campaign in your community.

North Carolina has a reputation for environmental leadership, and that was evident again this year in the Sierra Club's national awards. Two of our Sierrans were honored, as well as Michael Regan, secretary of the N.C. Department of Environmental Quality. Regan (pictured right) earned the Club's 2020 Distinguished Achievement Award for his leadership in securing cleanup of coal ash pits in the state. Judy Mattox (pictured lower right) received the Madelyn Pyeatt Award, which honors Sierra Club members who have made outstanding contributions through working with youth. During her 10 years as chair of the Western North Carolina (WENOCA) Group, Wenocans created Youth for Environmental Stewardship and a Kids Adventure Club. Finally, Cypress Group member J.C. Woodley (pictured below) received the Special Achievement Award as part of the Club's Climate Policy Task Force. J.C. and Bruce Hamilton, the Club's Senior Director of Program Policy and Internal Governance, are co-leads of the task force.



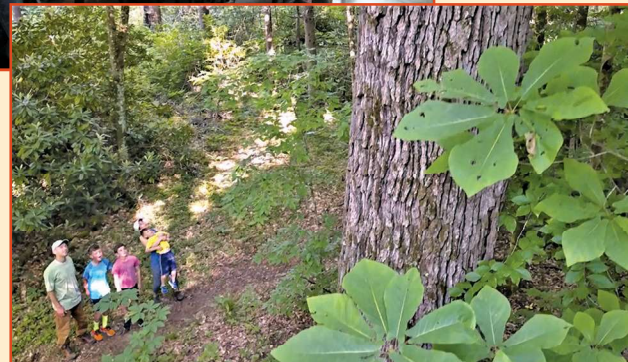
Pisgah-Nantahala planning moves to next stage

The Pisgah and Nantahala National Forests in western North Carolina are deeply beloved, not just by state residents but by nature-lovers from around the region. So the U.S. Forest Service rightfully expected plenty of feedback this spring when it released the final draft of a multi-year management plan for the forests.



The N.C. Sierra Club has been in on the planning for years, with local Western North Carolina Group member (and current Chapter chair) David Reid joining other stakeholders to provide input during the plan's creation.

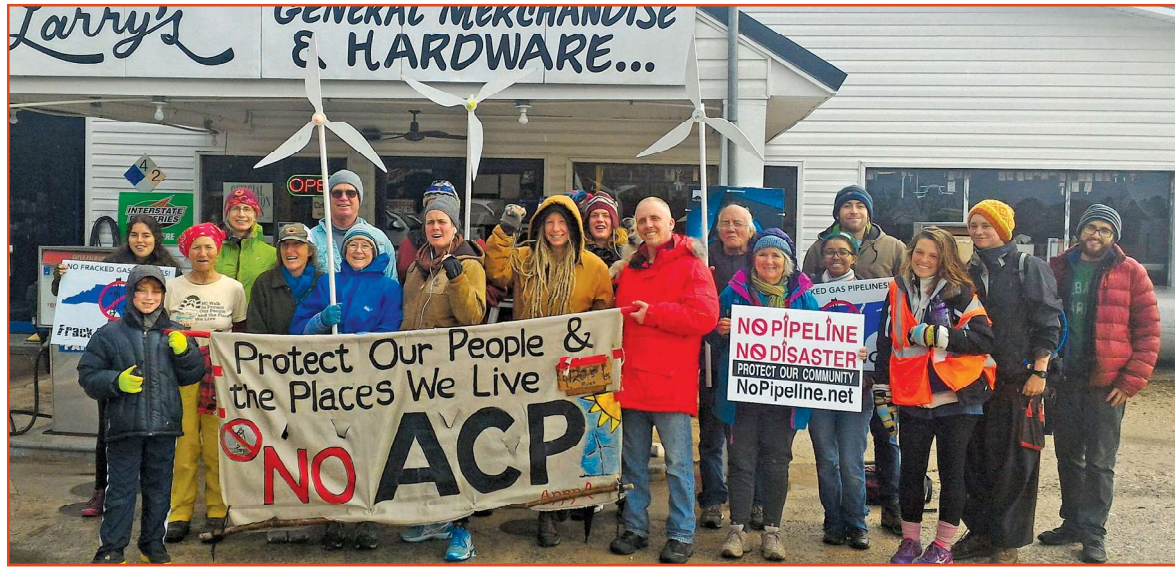
More Sierrans spoke up once the draft came out, by submitting comments online, by mail and via virtual informational meetings. The USFS is now analyzing the feedback, and will integrate it into a revised plan, which we hope to see early next year.



In the meantime, we'll keep up the pressure to make the Pisgah and Nantahala's environment a priority and conserve these public lands for generations to come.

Club, Chapter, volunteers team up to fight dirty fuels

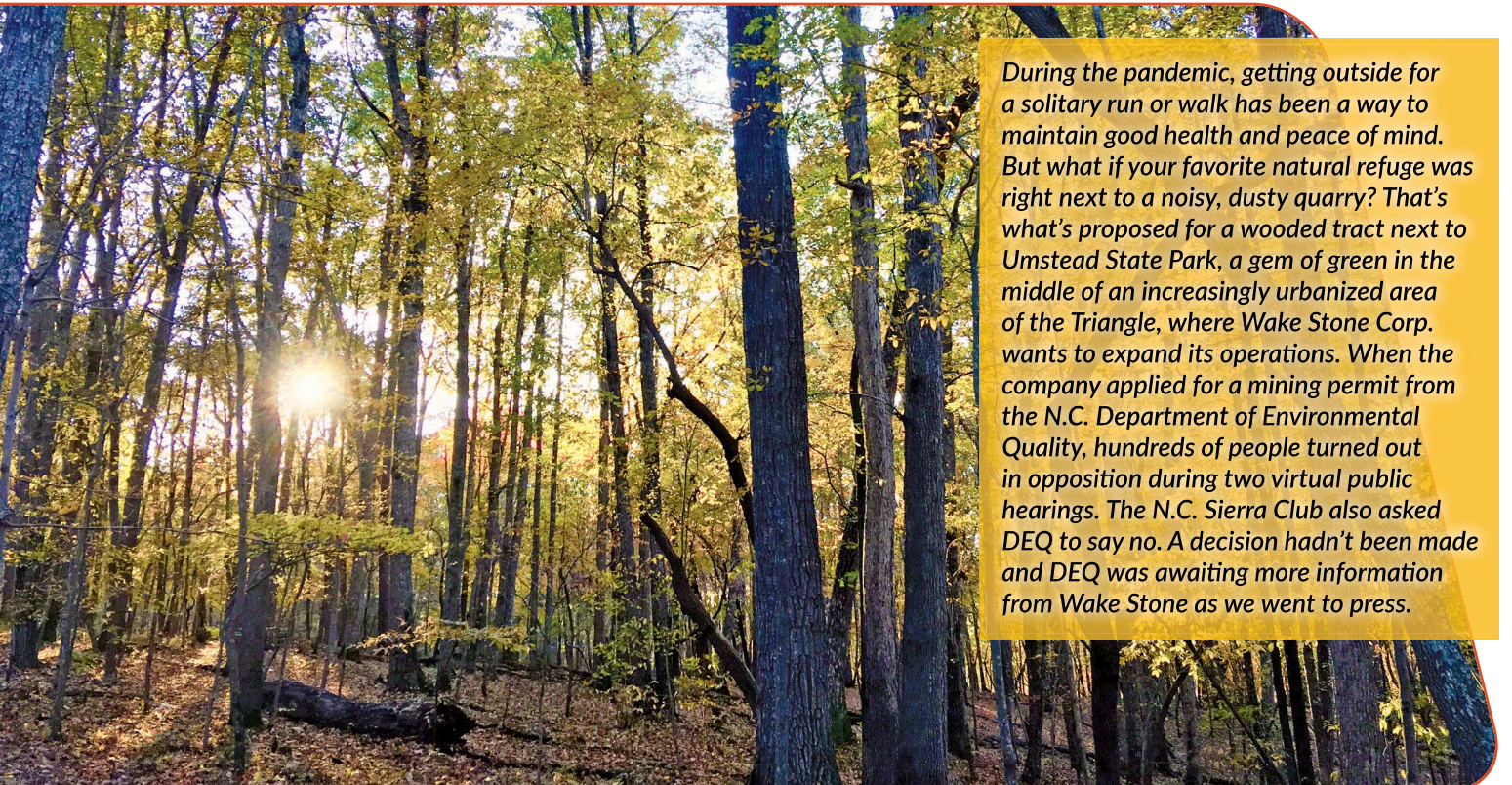
A team effort across state lines led to the demise of a fracked gas pipeline this year. Chapter and national Sierra Club staff worked with volunteers in West Virginia, Virginia and North Carolina to oppose the Atlantic Coast Pipeline (ACP).



The nearly 600-mile ACP was touted as a way of revitalizing eastern North Carolina's economy by the project's two majority stakeholders, Dominion Resources and Duke Energy. But landowners and residents in the pipeline's path - notably Medoc Group member Marvin Winstead and indigenous communities - fought back even as their property was surveyed and prepared for construction. Chapter staff in Virginia and North Carolina worked the legal and policy angles, while national staff coordinated the campaign and worked with environmental allies.

Their efforts paid off in July, when Duke and Dominion scrapped the project over its ballooning cost.

Our fight against dirty fuel pipelines will continue as we seek payment for landowners whose property was damaged by ACP construction. We'll also keep up the resistance to the Mountain Valley Pipeline's expansion plans, which have already been dealt a blow by North Carolina's refusal to grant a key water quality permit.



During the pandemic, getting outside for a solitary run or walk has been a way to maintain good health and peace of mind. But what if your favorite natural refuge was right next to a noisy, dusty quarry? That's what's proposed for a wooded tract next to Umstead State Park, a gem of green in the middle of an increasingly urbanized area of the Triangle, where Wake Stone Corp. wants to expand its operations. When the company applied for a mining permit from the N.C. Department of Environmental Quality, hundreds of people turned out in opposition during two virtual public hearings. The N.C. Sierra Club also asked DEQ to say no. A decision hadn't been made and DEQ was awaiting more information from Wake Stone as we went to press.

Continuing our fight against so-called ‘green fuel:’ wood pellets

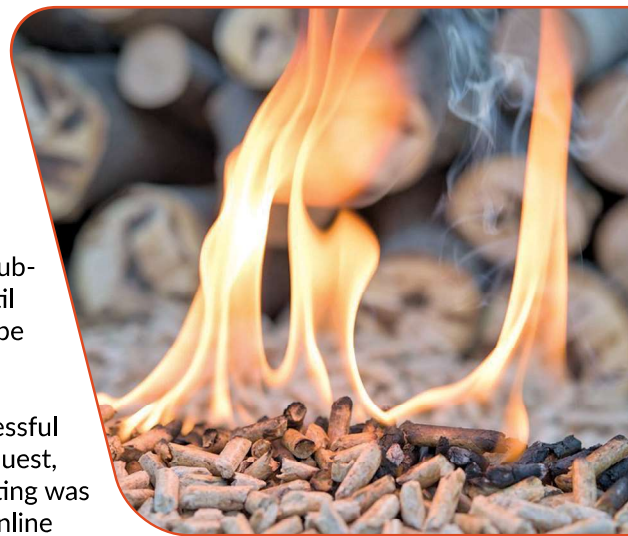
Touted as a “green” and renewable fuel, wood pellets have become a threat to the environmental health and safety of communities in eastern North Carolina - and we’re doing what we can to stop the industry.

Active Energy Renewable Power, a wood pellet maker, this year applied for an air quality permit to build and run a black pellet mill in Lumberton, in Robeson County. Proponents of black pellets claim they burn hotter and cleaner than traditional white wood pellets, but the production technology has not been successfully tested to scale.

The permit application alarmed those who track the wood pellet industry and people who live in the area, which already faces environmental health and justice threats. Mill opponents organized and flooded the state Division of Air Quality (DAQ) with comments, but a public meeting had to be called off due to the pandemic. The Chapter and other environmental organizations and local organizers urged

DAQ to delay the comment deadline and reschedule a public meeting until it could safely be held in person.

We were successful on the first request, while the meeting was shifted to an online event. A large number of Lumberton-area residents spoke in opposition, as did environmentalists and health experts, but DAQ approved the permit on Aug. 3. We’ll turn our focus next to the facility’s lack of stormwater permitting and violations of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act, due to the disproportionate negative impacts on communities of color.



Vocal public wins limits on toxic methyl bromide

And we finally have a rule! Methyl bromide, a colorless, tasteless and odorless neurotoxin used to fumigate logs for export, recently became a target of concern over its largely unregulated use as a log fumigant in eastern North Carolina. The chemical is banned for most uses because it destroys the ozone layer.

Thanks to the efforts of N.C. Sierra Club volunteers and staff who helped sound the alarm, the state Division of Air Quality developed rules this year to protect human health and the environment from this dangerous chemical, despite industry pushback.

Exposure limits that won the support of the state Scientific Advisory Board were expected to be approved by the

Environmental Management Commission in July, but hit a speed bump when companies that use methyl bromide objected and some commissioners balked.

A rewritten standard was at last approved in September, stating that methyl bromide will be regulated at 0.005 mg/m³ averaged on an annual exposure and 1.0 mg/m³ averaged on a 24-hour exposure - a higher 24-hour exposure level that we hoped for, but still acceptable.

The establishment of this rule is a huge win for the environment, for communities impacted by these facilities, and for the staff and volunteers who worked so tirelessly to push these important rules over the finish line.

The North Carolina Sierra Club marked Pride Month in June by highlighting the intersectionality of LGBTQ rights and the climate crisis. We, Climate Action NC and Environment North Carolina hosted “Out for the Earth,” a virtual panel discussion on how climate change disproportionately impacts the LGBTQ community and how the climate movement can benefit from uplifting LGBTQ rights. Panelists included Lindi von Mutius, Sierra Club’s chief of staff and a board member of Out for Sustainability. The panel discussion was recorded, so if you’d like to watch, contact Blake Fleming (blake.fleming@sierraclub.org).

2020 at the General Assembly

The 2020 legislative session was one of the most unusual in history, defined as it was by the pandemic. Legislators focused on addressing the economic and health impacts of COVID-19, and had little time for environmental policy.

In addition, protests against police violence targeting Black people and for racial justice rocked the country and the state, inspiring some legislators to call for criminal justice reform. But the response was muted, with formation of a bipartisan task force the only action taken.

The Republican Party held its majority in both chambers of the General Assembly in 2020. This meant that, while the minority could sustain gubernatorial vetoes, Democrats were unable to pass legislation without support from the majority. Gov. Roy Cooper exercised his veto power 11 times to stop extreme bills, and none of his vetoes was overturned.

Even in this atmosphere, environmental advocates had some successes:

- Cooper's 2019 veto of a giveaway to the billboard industry was allowed to stand.
- Thanks to Rep. Chuck McGrady's (R-Henderson) persistence, the state's portion of Volkswagen settlement funds for clean transportation was freed up, allowing the Department of Environmental Quality to begin awarding over \$30 million to projects including electric school buses and electric vehicle charging stations.



Some environmentally harmful legislation inevitably eked through:

- The Farm Act closed off some previously public agricultural records and helped entrench the outdated lagoon-and-sprayfield method of hog waste management by providing a loophole for farms with biogas technology.
- Bike and pedestrian transportation funding for the coming year saw a significant cut.

Disappointingly, the legislature did not pass some bipartisan environmental bills despite solid support:

- The Storm Recovery Act would have provided \$5 million for hog farm buyouts in the 100-year floodplain, which would begin to address the risks posed by overflowing waste lagoons.
- A bill to improve the energy and water efficiency of state buildings passed the House nearly unanimously in 2019 but was not taken up by the Senate.
- No action was taken on Rep. Pricey Harrison's (D-Guilford) bill to ban toxic firefighting foam containing "forever chemicals" that contaminate water.
- Likewise, the legislature took no steps to provide funding to help prevent utility shut-offs during the pandemic.

Many legislators announced retirements this year including McGrady, who has been an environmental champion during his five terms in the House. We thank him for his service and for being an irreplaceable friend to the Sierra Club.

Subscribe to our legislative updates by emailing state lobbyist Cassie Gavin (cassie.gavin@sierraclub.org).

Racial Justice = Environmentalism

What does racial justice have to do with environmentalism? Though the relationship may not be immediately apparent, the answer is surprisingly simple. Because systemic racism not only destroys lives, its institutions stand in the way of protecting our environment and addressing climate change. And, ultimately, it's destroying North Carolina communities.

While the Sierra Club adopted its first Equity Plan some years ago, COVID-19 and protests across the country in defense of Black lives have made the need to dismantle systemic racism more urgent than ever. That's why the

N.C. Sierra Club has spent much of 2020 pushing for a moratorium on utility shut-offs and advocating for state-level COVID-19 relief that is pro-worker, pro-health, and pro-equity. We also cultivated or strengthened alliances with racial and social justice organizations by providing financial support to frontline organizations including the N.C. Justice Center, the Robeson County Chapter of the NAACP, the N.C. Climate Justice Collective, and the Climate Reality Project. We've also been working internally to make our N.C. Chapter and local groups more welcoming to people of color. To learn more, visit sierraclub.org/north-carolina/issues/equity.

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ANNUAL ELECTION OF AT-LARGE MEMBERS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA CHAPTER EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The nominees are below. Your ballot is on the next page. You may vote for four of the six candidates.

JC Woodley



I was born in North Carolina, earned undergraduate and graduate degrees in zoology and biology, and am retired from the Environmental Protection Agency. I volunteer at the Sierra Club's national level, helping develop the new Climate Policy group - which was honored with a national Club award this year - and establishing the Wonders of Wetlands Team. As a member

of the Cypress Group, I've worked on the Chapter's Equity, Inclusion and Justice and Conservation committees. I started the nonprofit JAPRI to address environmental, health, and social issues. I was appointed to boards in Pitt County and the City of Greenville, and have served as director of United States Climate Action Network (USCAN).

Hannah Furgiuele



I grew up in Boone, at the base of Rich Mountain and Howard's Knob, which inspired my early environmental activism, and my imagination and legs to run wild with adventure. I have continued to advocate for protection of wild places and public lands through education and action. I received an M.A. in Appalachian Studies and Sustainable Development at Appalachian State and

a B.A. in Environmental Studies at Oberlin College. Since 2014, I have organized the public to engage with the Nantahala and Pisgah Forest Plan Revision process. I believe environmental and racial justice are inextricably tied, and that it is critically important to engage all stakeholders in conversations about protecting our communities, making room at the table for those most impacted and often not heard.

Ron Wesson



I'd like fellow Sierrans to know that I share their passion and understand of the importance of the Club's mission. I believe in the strength of teamwork, and that means that each member must use their skills, influence and time to contribute to furthering the mission of the Club. I believe that my senior management experience in the areas of finance and change management will be

of value to the Chapter. I am especially interested in helping the Club engage, expand its messaging to, and develop its understanding of minority and underserved sectors of our society.

Hwa Huang



Since my involvement with the Sierra Club as an active member and a part of the Capital Group's Executive Committee I have worked on numerous issues, including but not limited to the call for 100% renewable energy implementation, gas pipelines, wood pellet industry, Duke Energy's rate hike, and the recently proposed quarry next to Umstead State Park. To fight against gentrification,

I am also involved with the Wake County Housing Justice Coalition, advocating for affordable housing. I hope that the opportunity to be a part of the Chapter's Executive Committee will help me become a more effective environmental justice advocate.

Nicole Gaines



In 1985, I moved to North Carolina, where I found my calling in environmental justice and advocacy. I've served in Group and Chapter leadership roles, as the first African American woman to lead the Piedmont Plateau Group and as a member of the Chapter's Equity, Inclusion and Justice Committee and Steering Committee. I'm an at-large member of the Greensboro Sustainability

Council, a founding member of the Solar Power Now Coalition, and volunteer coordinator for Greensboro's 2017 Women's March. I've guest-lectured for environmental studies courses at UNC-Greensboro and Guilford College, and been a panelist discussing urban sustainability and public-private partnerships at Duke University's Nicholas School of the Environment. I was an integral stakeholder in the Equitable Access and Just Transition team as part of Governor Cooper's Executive Order 80 Clean Energy Plan.

Anna Campbell



Nature has been a source of refuge and renewal for me throughout the stages of my life. By understanding how nature works in harmony, I believe we can make decisions that improve our relationship with nature and each other. If we can be as diverse and creative as nature, then we can create a world where we can all thrive and be healthy. As stewards of this land and by

respecting the rights of nature, we will be able to protect it for generations to come.

The N.C. Sierra Club and our local Groups can always use more energetic, passionate environmentalists to guide our work. Good with numbers? We could use help with budgeting and treasury. Love getting outside? Consider being trained as an outings leader. From our personnel committee to our legislative advocacy team to our conservation campaigns, **there are plenty of ways YOU can help us "explore, enjoy and protect" North Carolina's environment!** Contact Cynthia Satterfield (cynthia.satterfield@sierraclub.org) for details.

Election of At-Large Members of the NC Sierra Club Executive Committee Official 2020 Executive Committee Ballot The North Carolina Chapter of the Sierra Club

You may vote for up to four candidates. If you share a joint membership, the ballot provides space for two people to vote. When voting, please include your member number(s), which can be found above your name on the mailing label for this annual report.

All ballots must be postmarked or entered online by Thursday, Dec. 31, 2020, to be counted. Votes that do not have a member number will not be counted.

Location of your member # on the mailing label:

Member # 12345678
Jane Sierran
PO Box 1234
Anytown, NC 37112

If you wish to mail your ballot, please send it to:

NC Sierra Club
c/o Chapter Elections
19 W. Hargett St.
Suite 210
Raleigh, NC 27601

Member (circle here if joint): _____

Member Number

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Ron Wesson | <input type="checkbox"/> Nicole Gaines |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hannah Furguele | <input type="checkbox"/> JC Woodley |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hwa Huang | <input type="checkbox"/> Anna Campbell |

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Remember: Instead of mailing your ballot, you can vote online at <http://sc.org/NCVote>

In addition to state-level Chapter elections, local Groups are holding elections for their leadership positions. Members are encouraged to vote in both.

To vote online in your Chapter and Group elections, visit <http://sc.org/NCVote>.

If you prefer to vote via paper ballot, contact the designated person for your local Group.

Voting in Chapter and Group elections requires a Sierra Club member number. Your member number is printed above your name on the address label of this annual report. If you need help finding your local group or member number, contact Margaret Lillard at margaret.lillard@sierraclub.org.

Blue Ridge

Counties: Alleghany, Ashe, Avery, Watauga, Wilkes

Croatan

Counties: Carteret, Craven, Jones, Onslow, Pamlico

Cape Fear

Counties: Bladen, Brunswick, Columbus, Duplin, New Hanover, Pender, Robeson

Cypress

Counties: Beaufort, Bertie, Camden, Chowan, Currituck, Dare, Gates, Greene, Hertford, Hyde, Lenoir, Martin, Northampton, Pasquotank, Perquimans, Pitt, Tyrrell, Washington, Wayne

Capital

Counties: Cumberland, Franklin, Harnett, Hoke, Johnston, Lee, Moore, Sampson, Scotland, Wake, Warren

Foothills

Counties: Davidson, Davie, Forsyth, Stokes, Surry, Yadkin

Central Piedmont

Counties: Anson, Cabarrus, Cleveland, Gaston, Iredell, Lincoln, Mecklenburg, Rowan, Stanly, Union

Headwaters

Counties: Durham, Granville, Person, Vance

Medoc

Counties: Edgecombe, Halifax, Nash, Wilson

Orange-Chatham

Counties: Alamance, Caswell, Chatham, Orange

Piedmont Plateau

Counties: Guilford, Montgomery, Randolph, Rockingham, Richmond

Pisgah

Counties: Henderson, Polk, Transylvania

South Mountains

Counties: Alexander, Burke, Caldwell, Catawba, McDowell, Rutherford

WENOCA

(Western North Carolina)

Counties: Buncombe, Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Haywood, Jackson, Macon, Madison, Mitchell, Swain, Yancey

Local administrators for Group elections:

Blue Ridge: Kathy Noble 336-466-2803

Cape Fear: Anna Campbell 919-724-2667

Capital Group: Hwa Huang 919-374-8139

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Croatan: Joel Dunn 919-636-3478

Cypress: Marian Swinker 252-321-5667

Foothills: Henry Fansler 336-473-0283

Headwaters: Pat Carstensen 919-490-1566

Medoc: John Hinnant 252-291-4297

Orange-Chatham: Max Felsher 617-599-0669

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Pisgah: Jim Reynolds 828-577-5224

South Mountain: See WENOCA

WENOCA: Robert Zieber 828-712-7493