Where's Your Sierra Club Ballot?

KANSAS CHAPTER ELECTION COMMITTEE

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You should search by key words “2021 Kansas Sierra Club,” “2021 ballot,” or “Sierra Club Kansas Chapter.”

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**KANSAS: Build a Better Water Plan**

*ELAINE GIESEL, CHAIR, SIERRA CLUB KANSAS CHAPTER*

Kansas Sierra Club says the draft Kansas Water Plan should balance the needs of “Wild Kansas” with the use of water for agricultural production and should guarantee that environmental equity/social justice issues are addressed.

[Full Story]

**Let Solar Energy Shine!**

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The Kansas Chapter of Sierra Club hosted an October Zoom discussion on large-scale solar installations moderated by Kansas Sierra Club lobbyist Zack Pistora. The panelists included: Ashok Gupta, NRDC Senior Energy Economist, Climate & Clean Energy Program; Mark Walter of Savion, a renewable energy company in Kansas City involved in large-scale solar and storage projects; and Kimberly Gencur-Svaty, Kansas lobbyist for Advanced Power Alliance.
Solar Guidelines: Planning Commission Hearings

November 16 - Johnson County
November 17 - Douglas County

In anticipation of future developments of large-scale solar facilities in northeast Kansas, Johnson and Douglas County planners are in the process of developing standards and guidelines.

Full story

Evergy Customers, Stop Coal

Energy plants fired by coal are the most expensive, deadly, and damaging to our Kansas water, air, and soil. Closing them within the next few years seems like a no-brainer. But Evergy plans to keep them open through 2040. The Sierra Club's 2019 “Kansas Pays the Price” report explained how Evergy's expensive coal plants were wasting hundreds of millions of ratepayer dollars. Now Evergy has a new Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) that should transition Kansas beyond coal. But it doesn't go far enough.

Full story
Zero Waste Means Less Plastic

LORI LAWRENCE, KANSAS CHAPTER SOLID WASTE COMMITTEE

The Southwind (Wichita) and Wakarusa (Lawrence) Groups of the Kansas Sierra Club are working with their local elected officials and community leaders to reduce single-use plastics, much of which escapes waste management efforts and ends up in the environment.

Sierra Club's Richard Mabion Honored

Michael Hotz, past president of the Kansas Association for Conservation and Environmental Education (KACEE), surprised Wyandotte County environmental activist Richard Mabion at the 2020/2021 Awards Celebration with the “President’s Award.” Richard is a member of the Kansas Chapter Executive Committee.

group news & events

chapter-wide events
All events on Zoom and open to everyone!
EVERYONE WELCOME

Sierra Club Climate Organizing in Metro KC

Tuesday, November 9, 2021, 7:00 pm | Zoom
Host: Kanza Group

Billy Davies, a Sierra Club organizer working on both sides of the state line in the Kansas City Metro area, will describe various Sierra Club climate-related organizing efforts. Learn how you can get involved in making the Heartland a more resilient place to live, for our families and for our future.

Join us at 6:45 pm for a little social time; the program will begin at 7:00.

This is a free event but you must RSVP on our Chapter Calendar to get the Zoom link. Kansas Sierra Club Calendar

EVERYONE WELCOME

Beyond Coal Campaign with Ty Gorman

Thursday, November 11, 2021, 7:00 pm | Zoom
Host: Southwind Group

Meet Ty Gorman and learn what the Sierra Club Beyond Coal Campaign is doing in Kansas. We’ll find out what we can do in Wichita and the rest of the Southwind area.

Stay for Q&A and offer your ideas for our future.

RSVP here so you will get the Zoom link before the meeting and check for updates on the Southwind Facebook page.

Show us your favorite Kansas nature or wilderness area!
Submit a small description and a photo (if possible!) to communications@kansas.sierraclub.org
**what are WAYPOINTS?**

**Waypoints:** noun. A stopping place on a journey; an endpoint of the leg of a course, especially one whose coordinates have been generated by a computer.