

Sample Letter to the editor: (152 words)

Climate change should be a priority for Michigan policymakers. We are already feeling the impacts, and to avoid the worst consequences, the world's top scientists urge us to cut emissions in half by 2030. This is possible and would be good for our state in many ways, but individual actions are not enough. We need state and federal level action and policymakers that will lead.

By investing in clean energy – like wind, solar and electric vehicles – not only will we curb climate change, we will improve public health by reducing pollution, and create jobs. Already the clean energy sector provides \$5 billion annually to Michigan's economy along with 92,000 jobs.

I urge Michigan policymakers to support a rapid transition to 100% clean energy, create policies to electrify transportation, and make a just transition off of fossil fuels. Join me in calling Rep. NAME and urging him/her to make this their top priority.

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We are already seeing the impacts of climate change in Michigan and I'm seeing it in my life. We had record flooding in Grand Rapids in February that caused major damage.

The impacts in other parts of the world are even worse, and the longer we wait to act the more harm will be done. The report released last month by Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change scientists found we must cut climate emissions in half by 2030 or hundreds of millions of lives will be at stake. This should be a major wake up call for our state and nation, and we must start being part of the solution.

The solution is clear. Michigan must move off of fossil fuels and onto clean energy, like wind, solar and electric vehicles. Every dollar we invest now in clean energy saves us much higher costs from the worsening impacts. In 2017 alone, extreme weather events cost the U.S. \$300 billion, and these costs keeps going up.

We need our policymakers to support a rapid move off fossil fuels to 100% clean energy by 2050. Call your elected officials and urge them to make climate change their priority this year.

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