



## NEXT STEPS FOR ACTION: ALLIES AND RESOURCES

This is a **brief** list of background information, organizations and resources you might check out to become more familiar with Maine's climate change actions and solutions as you consider how you want to be more involved immediately and into the future. Additional resources and up-to-date actions will be posted on the Down to Earth website — **downtoearthstories.org** We encourage you to check back often as we will be continually posting updates on the website.

**Changing Maine Directory** — a listing of over 1500 social action and social change, economic/social/environmental justice groups. Available online at Resources for Organizing and Social Change website under "Projects" [resourcesforsocialchange.org](http://resourcesforsocialchange.org)

### Maine Climate Change

- 2004 Maine Climate Action Plan (Mitigation and Adaptation) Plan lists measurable solutions to address climate change. Good background reading. **maineghg.raabassociates.org**
- Maine's Climate Future: 2015 Update: A Report by Fernandez, IJ; CV Schmitt, SD Birkel, E Stancioff, AJ Pershing, JT Kelley, JA Runge, GI Jacobson, and PA Mayewski. Orono, ME. University of Maine. 24pp. February 2015, Revised March 2015 with corrected Figure 2 and Figure 9 legends and captions. **climatechange.umaine.edu/research/publications/climate-future**
- Maine Climate Solutions Mapping Project [maps.climatesolutionsme.org](http://maps.climatesolutionsme.org) (*work in progress*)
- Sierra Club — Maine Chapter Climate Action Teams — local citizens are putting solutions into play in their communities including solar initiatives, community gardens, weatherization and energy efficiency, plastic bag bans, etc. The Maine Chapter is helping to resource and network the efforts. **sierraclub.org/maine**

### Maine Ocean and Coastal Acidification

Final Report of Maine Commission to study the effects of coastal and ocean acidification...January 2015  
<http://www.maine.gov/legis/opla/Oceanacidificationreport.pdf>

### Energy/Transportation

#### 1) Energy Efficiency/Renewables

- Efficiency Maine [efficiencymaine.com](http://efficiencymaine.com)
- Window Dressers (interior storm windows) **windowdressers.org**
- Community Solar/Solar Advocacy
  - Sierra Club-Maine **sierraclub.org/maine**
  - Natural Resources Council of Maine [nrcm.org](http://nrcm.org)
  - Midcoast Green Collaborative [midcoastgreencollaborative.org](http://midcoastgreencollaborative.org)
  - Guy Marsden/All Things Sustainable — inventive ideas [arttec.net](http://arttec.net)

## 2) Oil Trains/Pipelines/Anti-Fracking/Tar Sands

- [350.org](http://350.org) and [350maine.org](http://350maine.org)
- [stand.earth/](http://stand.earth/) — formerly Forest Ethics; national focus on oil trains
- Indigenous Environmental Network [ienearth.org](http://ienearth.org)
- Protect South Portland [facebook.com](https://www.facebook.com/protectsouthportland) — Community organizing on local environmental issues

## 3) Divest/Reinvest

- Fossil Fuel Divestment Student Network [studentsdivest.org](http://studentsdivest.org)
- Green Faith [greenfaith.org/programs/divest-and-reinvest](http://greenfaith.org/programs/divest-and-reinvest)
- [gofossilfree.org](http://gofossilfree.org) — international divestment effort

## 4) Alternative Transportation

- The State of Alternative Transportation in Maine State of Maine's Environment 2014, Colby College Environmental Studies Program. [web.colby.edu/stateofmaine2014/the-state-of-alternative-transportation](http://web.colby.edu/stateofmaine2014/the-state-of-alternative-transportation)

## Local Foods Initiatives

- Maine Food Strategy — [mainefoodstrategy.org/reports](http://mainefoodstrategy.org/reports)
- Maine Food Map — [eatmainefoods.org/page/maine-food-map](http://eatmainefoods.org/page/maine-food-map) — Map of farms, farm stands, farmers markets, local foods producers, seafood initiatives, etc.
- Portland Food Map — [portlandfoodmap.com](http://portlandfoodmap.com) — Restaurant reviews and news
- Maine Food Councils — [mainefoodcouncils.net](http://mainefoodcouncils.net) — Networking local food councils to build vibrant local food system to feed all Mainers nutritious and affordable food.
- Maine Seaweed Council — [seaweedcouncil.org](http://seaweedcouncil.org) — New food enterprises