

Citizens Direct Congressional Lobbying for Climate Solutions

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The Citizens Direct Congressional Lobbying for Climate Solutions presentation will focus on the efforts being conducted by the Citizens' Climate Lobby across both North and South Carolina. There are 7 different groups across both states meeting regularly with members of Congress to support a Carbon Fee and Dividend model. This legislation will reduce CO2 emissions by 33% while adding 2.1 million jobs nationwide in 10 years.

We focus most of our efforts on congressional Republicans and have successfully added 13 Republican cosigners to the Gibson Resolution in the US House stating that climate change is human caused and that the Republican party needs to take action to address the issue. We have also been instrumental in starting the Climate Solutions Caucus in the US House. Our success has come from creating political will for this legislation through the publications of over 3,600 letter to editor, op-eds and editorials across the US including the Raleigh News and Observer, the Fayetteville Observer and the Charleston Post and Courier along with several other papers in the Carolinas. Our methodology of respect, appreciation, and persistence has yielded great results and federal legislative action is key to helping us mitigate and adapt to a changing climate.