

Letters from our Members to Elected Representatives

To: Senators Amy Klobuchar & Tina Smith (MN)
Representative Kelly Morrison (MN-03)
From: Suzanne Schwartz
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I am writing to ask you to support the Environmental Protection Agency and other aspects of environmental protection. The EPA was created by a Republican President in response to various environmental disasters – the Cuyahoga River repeatedly bursting into flames; air pollution so bad a word had to be invented to describe it (“smog”) and people were advised to spend whole days indoors; rivers and lakes across the country labeled “no fishing” and/or “no swimming”; and drinking water that was making people sick.

The Trump administration is behaving like this couldn’t happen again, that we solved all those problems. But that isn’t true. The improvements have been hard-won over many years of legislation and regulation. There is still more progress that needs to be made. We need to protect the successes we have had, and continue to make progress.

In Minnesota, the beautiful outdoors is a large part of our lifestyle. Much of our economy depends on fishable and swimmable waters; wetlands that support waterfowl for hunting and birdwatching; and cleaner air. The State has strong environmental protections. But the State can’t do it alone. We need the support of the Federal government to help us and to prevent pollution from coming into our borders from elsewhere.

Please do everything you can to protect the EPA and its employees, along with other programs critical to protecting the environment and human health.

Thank you,
Suzanne Schwartz
