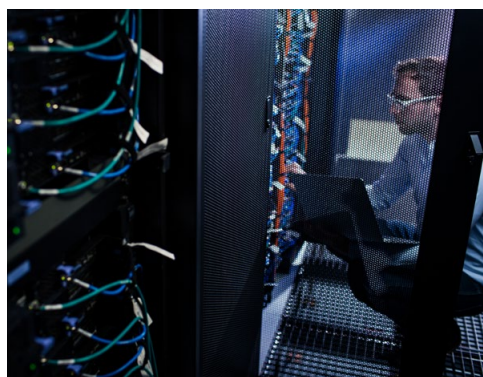


A photograph of the U.S. Capitol building in Washington, D.C., taken at sunset. The building's iconic dome is illuminated from within, casting a warm glow. The sky is a mix of soft pinks, oranges, and blues. The building's reflection is visible in a large, calm pool of water in the foreground.

# **BICEP Network 2026 Policy Outlook**







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## About Ceres

Ceres is a nonprofit advocacy organization working to build a cleaner, stronger, more resilient economy. With data-driven research and expert analysis, we inspire investors and companies to act on the world's sustainability challenges and advocate for market and policy solutions. Together, our efforts transform industries, unlock new business opportunities, and foster innovation and job growth—proving that sustainability is the bottom line. For more information, visit [ceres.org](https://ceres.org).



# A Letter from Anne L. Kelly

**Dear friends,**

I'm not going to sugarcoat it: 2025 was a rough year.

In 2025, U.S. public policy took a major step back from modernizing its economy through clean energy development and deployment. Tax credits that had unleashed private investment were curtailed. Standards that had spurred innovation came under assault. Major energy projects that were almost completed were ordered stopped in their tracks. And the certainty that businesses rely upon was upended. Meanwhile, the federal government took action to repeal a policy cornerstone, denying itself the ability to even attempt to address the immense economic and public health risks of climate change. **We're facing a federal government-wide effort to not only deprioritize climate change, but to actively oppose its solutions.**

**And yet I can confidently report that 2025 was a highly successful year for the BICEP Network.**

It was a different form of success, one marked less by the policy advancements we've made and more by the inroads we've built and the foundations that we've fortified. It's a success worth celebrating, and it helps chart the path forward.

You stood up when the chips were down. We brought record numbers of companies, including many new faces, to Capitol Hill to build and strengthen connections across the political aisle. Your dedicated advocacy elevated the business case for clean energy and advanced manufacturing investment. You made it abundantly clear that the only way to affordably meet rising energy demand is with American-made clean power, and the best way to boost American manufacturing is by competing to win in the global industries that will command the 21st century.

During hundreds of meetings with Republican Congressional offices and the Trump administration, we grew Republican support for clean energy and prevented even worse outcomes in Congress. It was an incredibly worthy investment of time and energy, and I'm confident we will see stronger returns in the months and years ahead.

Meanwhile, states—on the front lines against spiking energy demand and prices—took action, even with federal support in retreat. California pushed forward to extend and strengthen its nation-leading cap-and-invest program through 2045, while putting affordability at the center of the program. Illinois provided a model to the rest of the nation with the Clean and Reliable Grid Affordability Act, comprehensive legislation to modernize infrastructure, plan for future energy demand, and efficiently deliver affordable clean power. Business advocacy was crucial to securing both state policy wins.

As we enter 2026, the formula for advancing a competitive clean economy will look similar.

We'll continue to build inroads across the political spectrum that make clear that these crucial economic issues should not be partisan. We'll make the clear and urgent business case for policy that invests in clean technology and climate solutions, working with industries across the economy. And we will work with state leaders to tackle the energy, climate, and affordability challenges before them by investing in proven solutions that cut both costs and pollution.

**As always, you — our members — will be essential to this effort.** As we saw throughout 2025, your voice is highly respected, effective, and credible across the political spectrum. Nobody is better suited to depolarize clean energy solutions than America's private-sector leaders, who know best that climate action is a business imperative and that falling behind is a risk to the U.S. economy. And nobody is better suited to secure the policies that will keep us on track.

Our 2026 Policy Outlook is your guide toward achieving that vision. It highlights the many opportunities at both the federal and state levels to use your voice and advance your businesses' priorities in the new year. Ceres is proud to share it, and I know it will help guide your advocacy throughout the year.

The road ahead won't be easy, but it is now familiar. Under the toughest circumstances, we stuck together, expanded our reach, and secured policy victories wherever we could find them. We're excited to work with you in 2026 to make the economic case that turns our challenges into opportunities and those opportunities into lasting success.



Thank you for your steadfast leadership—

Anne L. Kelly

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Anne L. Kelly". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Vice President of Government Relations, Ceres





# The Strength of BICEP

For more than 16 years, the Ceres BICEP Network has been uniquely impactful, working across sectors to help large companies align their sustainability goals and business needs with their public policy advocacy. You—our members—represent some of the most recognizable brands in the U.S., giving you unique credibility in pushing for policy that benefits both the economy and the climate.

Your support has been crucial to securing a number of key policy victories at both the federal and state levels over the years, including in 2025. From California’s cap-and-invest reauthorization to Illinois’s Clean and Reliable Grid Affordability Act, your business-forward advocacy made all the difference. And it will remain essential as we move into a new era of climate policy that focuses on the financial and economic factors that have always been at the heart of our work.

These headlines from the past year highlight growing business advocacy for our policy priorities:

**POLITICO**

**GOP's climate ax meets  
business resistance**

**Newsweek**

**Business Leaders Hit  
Capitol Hill to Defend  
Clean-Energy Tax Credits**

**CleanTechnica**

**Businesses in New York  
Support Clean Trucks**

**E&ENews**  
By POLITICO

**Businesses urge California to extend  
climate program immediately**

## LEAD on a Clean Economy 2025

Our seventh annual LEAD (Lawmaker Education and Advocacy Day) on a Clean Economy was among the most important for Ceres' signature federal advocacy event. More than 80 major companies took to Capitol Hill in March for pivotal meetings with lawmakers to maintain policy certainty and incentives driving investment in clean energy deployment and manufacturing. Through dozens of face-to-face meetings with Republican lawmakers and members of the Trump administration, businesses presented the authoritative economic case for clean energy. Your hard work and collaboration prevented the worst possible legislative outcomes, built a far-ranging public narrative about the economic value of clean energy policy, and established key relationships across the political spectrum that will pay off long into the future.





## Let's Keep Up the Momentum at LEAD 2026

Join us in Washington, D.C. March 17–19 for our eighth annual LEAD event. This is a safe, big-tent opportunity for business leaders to connect directly with federal policymakers on unleashing clean and affordable energy, transportation, and agricultural solutions. To make your advocacy even more powerful, this year we are encouraging companies to bring the people whose livelihoods depend on policy—factory workers, plant managers, farmers, and others from your operations and supply chains—to Capitol Hill. Firsthand accounts from the people doing this work back home cut through Washington's noise and give policymakers what they need most: a direct connection to the impact of their decisions and the value of a competitive clean economy. Visit [events.ceres.org/lead2026](https://events.ceres.org/lead2026) or contact Zach Friedman at [zfriedman@ceres.org](mailto:zfriedman@ceres.org) for more information.



**“The U.S. has always led in innovation-driven economic growth, and federal policy will continue to play a crucial role.”**

— Kara Fulcher, Director of Sustainability, Michelin North America



# Introduction

The connection between climate policy and economic policy has never been so clear.

Energy prices are spiking across America. Manufacturing jobs hang in the balance. The U.S. is at risk of falling behind in critical 21st century industries. And, of course, the financial risks of a dangerously warming planet become more acute by the year.

These are the economic challenges climate and clean energy policy must address in 2026. After years of support, federal policy has turned sharply against clean technology deployment, with wild swings in policy disrupting private-sector confidence in building and deploying innovative climate solutions. State governments, meanwhile, are on the front lines grappling with rapidly rising energy demand and costs—challenges that have only been exacerbated by recent federal action.

Climate policy must adapt to meet this changed political landscape and shifting economic concerns.

Members of the Ceres BICEP Network have long advanced the business case for climate action. Your leadership will be called upon again in 2026 to advance policies that drive investment in clean energy and advanced manufacturing to reduce prices and secure America’s global economic leadership.

Ceres’ 2026 Policy Outlook showcases the opportunities to advance policy solutions in the coming year at both the federal and state levels in seven key policy areas—clean energy, clean transportation, clean buildings, clean industry, sustainable and resilient agriculture, responsible business and investing, and market strategies. We hope it guides your advocacy in the year ahead and demonstrates that the leadership of the companies in the Ceres BICEP Network has never been more vital.



- BICEP Network members celebrated leading companies for their advocacy at the state and federal levels at the annual awards dinner and reception in Washington D.C., following LEAD on a Clean Economy in March.




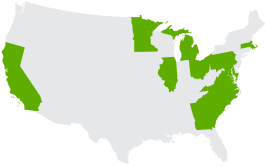


# Clean Energy

This moment of rapidly rising electricity demand and aging insufficient infrastructure has significant economic consequences for the U.S., pitting our competitiveness in new technologies such as artificial intelligence against spiking power bills. The only way to address both concerns is to affordably and reliably meet rising demand, by adding power to the grid and delivering it more efficiently.

Clean energy remains the most affordable and quickest-to-build electricity resource. The BICEP Network will back federal and state policies that both incentivize and hasten its deployment, especially by supporting reforms to permitting processes that responsibly accelerate its construction. But the economy will also require upgrades to the grid, including heavy construction to develop new transmission infrastructure as well as faster, innovative solutions to relieve pressure on the existing system. Businesses will be key advocates for policy changes at all levels of government to ensure action.

## Clean Energy Policy Priorities

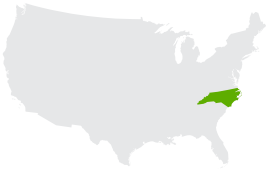
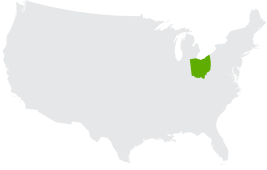
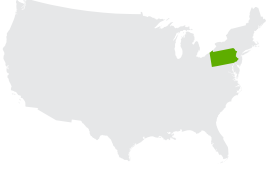
Jurisdiction	Policy Priority
<div><b>Federal</b></div> <div></div>	<div>Support the adoption of reforms to strengthen permit certainty, transmission buildout, and grid modernization.</div> <div>Defend the Endangerment Finding and EPA’s ability to set GHG standards.</div> <div>Defend EPA’s GHG standards for fossil fuel fired power plants.</div>
<div><b>Multi-State</b></div> <div></div>	<div>Support the adoption of VPP programs to enable efficient and affordable grid modernization in near-term planning.</div> <div>[Includes CA, GA, IL, MA, MD, MI, MN, NC, OH, PA, SC, VA]</div>

## Clean Energy Policy Priorities, continued

Jurisdiction	Policy Priority
<b>Arizona</b> 	<p>Defend against anti-renewable energy legislation</p>
<b>Maryland</b> 	<p>Demonstrate business support for deployment of offshore wind.</p>
<b>Massachusetts</b> 	<p>Support legislation to promote distributed energy resources and energy affordability.</p>
<b>Michigan</b> 	<p>Support policies that promote clean energy generation and enhance grid resilience through measures such as virtual power plants (VPPs), microgrids, distributed energy system planning, and updated transmission siting legislation.</p> <p>Defend against possible efforts to repeal or obstruct 2023 renewable energy permitting reforms.</p>
<b>Minnesota</b> 	<p>Support policies to improve clean energy generation and energy affordability, such as through VPP legislation and clean heat proceedings.</p> <p>Defend against efforts to undermine and repeal 100% clean energy law.</p>
<b>New Hampshire</b> 	<p>Support the development and responsible implementation of the state's 10-Year Energy Strategy.</p> <p>Support the development of solar and battery storage adoption.</p>



## Clean Energy Policy Priorities, continued

Jurisdiction	Policy Priority
<b>North Carolina</b> 	<p>Defend state's existing power sector carbon reduction goals of 100% by 2050.</p>
<b>Ohio</b> 	<p>Support community energy generation legislation.</p> <p>Support efforts to streamline clean energy siting</p>
<b>Pennsylvania</b> 	<p>Strengthen the alternative energy portfolio standard to adopt a goal of 35% clean energy by 2035.</p> <p>Advocate for streamlined siting and permitting for clean energy projects.</p>
<b>Virginia</b> 	<p>Strengthen the Commonwealth's existing clean power goals via the Virginia Clean Economy Act (VCEA).</p> <p>Support Virginia's re-entry into the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI).</p>



- Ceres policy staff moderated a panel at the Virginia Solar Summit in Richmond, VA to discuss business support for solar development to meet Virginia's economic and energy goals.


# Clean Transportation

Businesses have long recognized the benefits of clean vehicles across their supply chains, most notably the reduced fuel and maintenance costs. The technology, however, has taken on even greater economic significance as the iconic U.S. auto industry stares down the existential challenge of its Chinese competitors, whose cutting-edge vehicles are being rapidly adopted across the globe.

Federal policy to support electric vehicle adoption has been largely repealed, reducing both supply- and demand-side support. State policy can still help businesses and consumers access clean vehicles through tax credits and rebates—indeed, some state and local governments have already moved to do so in the wake of federal tax credit repeals. But at this stage in their development, policies that drive investment into charging infrastructure and critical mineral development will be equally important to growing their adoption and supporting U.S. competitiveness in one of the world’s most important industries. Congress’s once-every-five-years effort to reauthorize transportation spending will provide a key opportunity to achieve those priorities in 2026.

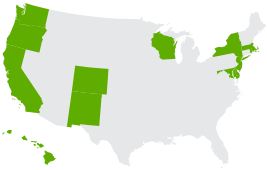
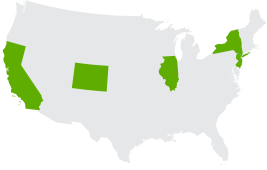


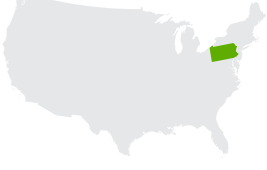

**The Corporate Electric Vehicle Alliance** is a collaborative group of corporate fleet operators, led and organized by Ceres, that focuses on accelerating the U.S. transition to electric vehicles for both passenger and commercial models. Although the Alliance operates outside the Ceres BICEP Network, its members support policy efforts to reduce the cost of electric vehicles, expand the availability of and access to critical electric vehicle models, and build out the necessary infrastructure to support this transition. Contact Brandon Jones at [bjones@ceres.org](mailto:bjones@ceres.org) for more information.

## Clean Transportation Policy Priorities

Jurisdiction	Policy Priority
<b>Federal</b> 	<p>Advocate for a surface transportation reauthorization that invests in the domestic manufacturing and deployment of cost-saving, job-creating EVs, charging infrastructure, and responsible mineral supply chains.</p> <p>Support the preservation of corporate average fuel economy (CAFE) and vehicle emission standards.</p>



## Clean Transportation Policy Priorities, continued

Jurisdiction	Policy Priority
<b>Multi-State</b> 	<p>Demonstrate the business case for policies identified by states participating in the Affordable Clean Cars Coalition that will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reduce cost barriers to EV adoption</li> <li>• Increase EV model variety and availability</li> <li>• Expand access to charging and fueling infrastructure</li> </ul> <p>[Includes CA, CO, DE, HI, MA, MD, NJ, NM, NY, OR, RI, WA, WI]</p>
<b>Multi-State</b> 	<p>Demonstrate the business case for adopting an indirect source rule (ISR) to reduce vehicle emissions at certain large warehouses.</p> <p>[Includes CA, CO, IL, NJ, NY]</p>
<b>California</b> 	<p>Support priority actions to further light-, medium-, and heavy-duty ZEV adoption within existing state authorities.</p>
<b>Massachusetts</b> 	<p>Advocate for deadlines to electrify public fleets and to establish programs that encourage private fleet electrification.</p>
<b>Pennsylvania</b> 	<p>Educate policymakers on business support for clean medium- and heavy-duty commercial vehicles and policies that make them more accessible and practical to drive.</p>
<b>Virginia</b> 	<p>Educate policymakers on the business benefits of expanded EV charging access in rural areas and advocate for the creation of a rural EV infrastructure program and fund.</p>


# Clean Buildings

The cost-of-living challenges shaping our politics and economy today only heighten the value of energy efficiency upgrades that help businesses and families reduce costs while modernizing their homes and facilities. These benefits extend beyond any one property: efficient buildings help to reduce overall strain on the grid and the need for expensive natural gas expansions—helping to manage costs, reliability, and pollution across regions.

BICEP Network companies, especially those in our Energy Optimization Working Group, will have a dual role in 2026, defending against federal rollbacks to efficiency standards and programs while increasing ambition at the state level. With governors across many states working together to accelerate efficient, clean heating solutions such as heat pumps, businesses have a major opportunity to leverage their expertise and experience to guide the next generation of clean building policy from coast to coast.

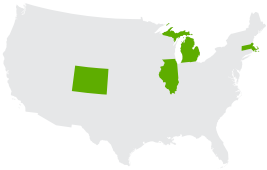
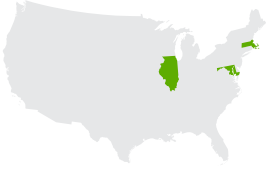
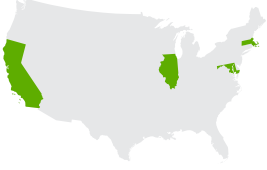
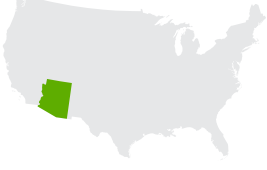
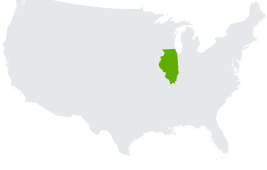

**The Energy Optimization Working Group (EOWG)**, a subgroup of the BICEP Network, brings industry expertise to energy policy planning to ensure policies reflect real business needs. By convening leading employers, energy users, service providers, and manufacturers, the EOWG advances smart state and federal policies on energy efficiency, building decarbonization, and grid modernization to help businesses cut waste, manage costs, expand grid capacity, and strengthen resilience. Contact Raagan Wilhelm at [rwilhelm@ceres.org](mailto:rwilhelm@ceres.org) for more information.

## Clean Buildings Policy Priorities

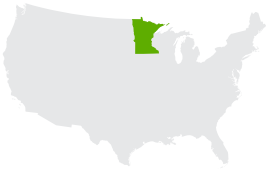
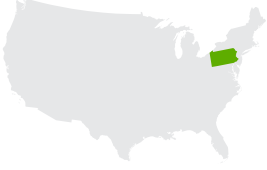
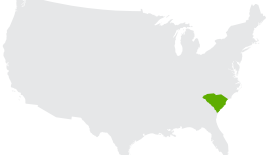
Jurisdiction	Policy Priority
<b>Federal</b> 	<p>Support the implementation of Home Efficiency Rebates (HOMES) and Home Electrification and Appliance Rebates (HEAR) programs.</p> <p>Defend appliance standards from rollbacks at the federal level.</p> <p>Preserve efficiency standards and green certification guidance for federal buildings</p> <p>Support tax incentives for energy efficient buildings</p>



## Clean Buildings Policy Priorities, continued

Jurisdiction	Policy Priority
<b>Multi-State</b> 	<p>Support policies that lead to improvements in building codes and work toward updating to most recent code standards in states with significantly outdated codes.</p> <p>[Includes CO, IL, MA, MI]</p>
<b>Multi-State</b> 	<p>Advocate for responsible gas expansion and stringent review of existing infrastructure in support of longer-term gas phase-out planning.</p> <p>Support the adoption of building performance standards as benchmarks to help move toward a more decarbonized building stock.</p> <p>[Includes IL, MA, MD]</p>
<b>Multi-State</b> 	<p>Advocate for robust clean heat planning that accurately models the value of heat pumps and other electric resources.</p> <p>[Includes CA, IL, MA, MD]</p>
<b>Arizona</b> 	<p>Support energy efficiency and defend against anti-energy efficiency legislation.</p>
<b>Illinois</b> 	<p>Support efforts to pass the Clean and Healthy Buildings Act to establish a clean heat standard, align gas planning with decarbonization goals, and set electrification requirements for new construction.</p>
<b>Massachusetts</b> 	<p>Support legislation that updates existing appliance standards and creates clean lighting standards.</p>

## Clean Buildings Policy Priorities, continued

Jurisdiction	Policy Priority
<b>Minnesota</b> 	Support legislation to advance thermal energy networks.
<b>Ohio</b> 	Support legislation to enable voluntary utility demand response programs.
<b>Pennsylvania</b> 	Advocate for the expansion and modernization of the state's energy efficiency program.
<b>South Carolina</b> 	Support legislation to implement Commercial Property-Assessed Clean Energy (C-PACE) programming.

**“State policymakers have a unique opportunity to lead by investing in the transmission infrastructure we need to power our business and serve our customers.”**

— Hugh Welsh, President and General counsel, dsm-firmenich North America


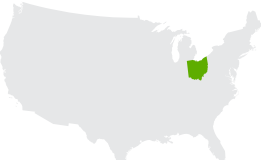


# Clean Industry

National security concerns and a whipsaw approach to U.S. trade policy have brought greater urgency to rebuilding American industry, especially in critical sectors like steel, aluminum, and cement. With world markets increasingly focused on sustainable products, the U.S. risks falling behind without policy support to advance innovative, low-carbon manufacturing and materials.

The Trump administration has removed many of the incentives and strategic investments that were passed into law earlier this decade to support clean, globally competitive U.S. industry. Yet achieving the administration’s manufacturing and industrial goals requires policies that help modernize these iconic industries. The upcoming reauthorization for federal surface transportation funding, due in 2026, is a pivotal opportunity for Congress to invest in clean materials—and for BICEP Network members to champion those investments on behalf of America’s infrastructure, its manufacturing base, and its ability to compete on a global stage.

## Clean Industry Policy Priorities

Jurisdiction	Policy Priority
<b>Federal</b> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Support low electric power prices for key industrial users.</li><li>Support preferential federal procurement for lower-emissions industrial products.</li><li>Support incentives for the research, development, demonstration, and commercialization of low-emissions concrete and asphalt technologies.</li></ul>
<b>Ohio</b> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Promote the modernization of the industrial sector through policies, initiatives, and technological solutions that support clean steelmaking practices.</li></ul>



# Sustainable and Resilient Agriculture

America’s food system is at the front lines of climate change. Drought, floods, and other extreme weather put some of our most essential supply chains at risk while exacerbating affordability concerns. But our nation’s farmers can not only withstand this challenge—they can help fight it, by adopting sustainable agriculture and soil practices that improve crop resilience while protecting their land from climate, water, and nature challenges.

Federal policies that support these solutions have a long history of bipartisan support, and is a priority of the BICEP Network, whose members—especially food, beverage, and apparel companies—depend on a reliable and resilient agricultural supply chain. In 2026, we will make the strong business case for federal programs that invest in rural communities through programs that protect farmers from the effects of climate change while empowering them as stewards of conservation.

**Businesses for Sustainable and Resilient Agriculture** unites companies across sectors, providing a platform for knowledge sharing, cross-sector collaboration, and farm policy advocacy — all of which are essential for reducing risks, strengthening supply chains, and supporting farmers and producers. For more information, contact Clausell Stokes III, Ceres federal policy manager, at [cstokes@ceres.org](mailto:cstokes@ceres.org).

## Sustainable and Resilient Agriculture Policy Priorities

Jurisdiction	Policy Priority
<div>Federal</div> <div></div>	<div>Expand/redesign technical assistance programs to ensure access for all farmers.</div> <div>Support the development of new markets and infrastructure that enhance farmer income through ecosystem services, diversified crops, and expanded consumer access to organic and regenerative products.</div> <div>Advance land access and secure tenure for new and beginning farmers through USDA leadership, community cooperative funding, and improved data on farmland ownership and transition.</div> <div>Promote crop insurance options that incentivize soil health, conservation, and climate resilience.</div> <div>Support policies and incentives that reduce enteric methane emissions through feed additives, improved livestock management, and conservation practices.</div>





# Responsible Business and Investing

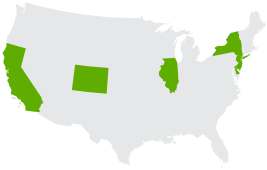


At the heart of America’s capital markets is the belief that investors need information about companies’ finances, operations, and risks to guide their decisions. It’s a bedrock principle that for years has ensured capital is distributed efficiently and wisely. Today, the overwhelming majority of investors act on their understanding that climate and sustainability are vital financial concerns and opportunities that impact supply chains, infrastructure, facilities, workforces, and public health. But in recent years, some state and federal policymakers have sought to blindfold investors by limiting their ability to consider these very risks in their decision-making.

As these efforts surface in the states, in Congress, and in regulatory agencies, the Ceres BICEP Network must stand against them: they ultimately punish responsible business practices while restricting investment into innovative solutions to sustainability challenges. Leading companies must also continue to support the full implementation of California’s climate disclosure policies, which will better align the U.S. with other countries’ disclosure requirements, ensure that businesses already providing voluntary disclosures can showcase their efforts on a level playing field, and maintain transparency and risk management as cornerstones of American markets.

## Responsible Business and Investing Policy Priorities

Jurisdiction	Policy Priority
<b>Federal</b> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Preserve the ability of ERISA plan sponsors to consider ESG factors.</li><li>Prevent companies from being allowed to unilaterally withhold shareholder proposals from their proxy statements.</li><li>Preserve the ability for investors to receive guidance from proxy advisory firms.</li><li>Preserve the EPA’s Greenhouse Gas Reporting Program to ensure investors and companies have necessary, standardized data on industry greenhouse gas pollution over time.</li></ul>
<b>Multi-State</b> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Nationwide: Support Freedom to Invest language to encourage fiduciary duty and competitive market with corporate climate information in state legislation.</li></ul>

## Responsible Business and Investing Policy Priorities, continued

Jurisdiction	Policy Priority
<b>Multi-State</b> 	Support adoption of state climate risk and transition risk disclosure policies. [Includes CA, CO, DE, IL, NJ, NY]
<b>California</b> 	Support implementation of corporate climate disclosure language.
<b>Massachusetts</b> 	Support the establishment of a broad-based climate bank.  Support legislation that provides financing mechanisms for climate adaptation and resiliency.



- Ceres hosted a BICEP Network policy event and reception at the Autodesk Gallery in San Francisco in May, featuring insights from corporate leaders and advocacy partners on how to advance business engagement in successful climate policy advocacy in California.


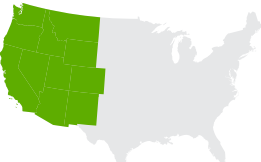


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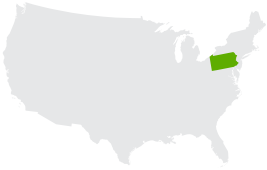
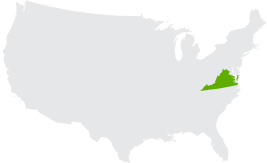
Pollution pricing strategies have long held business support because they are the most efficient way to reduce emissions. They empower the private sector to innovate, cutting pollution while driving revenue to support climate resilience and clean technologies. Although politically contentious at times, they have also proven durable: Washington state voters opted to keep a cap-and-invest program in place in 2024, and California lawmakers in 2025 reauthorized the program for another two decades. In both cases, business support was crucial—and will remain so as states consider similar tools to stabilize markets and meet climate goals.

In 2026, BICEP Network members will have an opportunity to advance market strategies that leverage U.S. trade policy to lower global emissions. A proposed federal foreign pollution fee—applied to products made overseas whose production falls short of U.S. environmental standards—offers a vast array of climate, industrial, national security, and budgetary benefits with appeal across the political spectrum. Indeed, both Republicans and Democrats have proposed versions of the policy. That makes this an opportunity uniquely suited to the strengths of BICEP Network members: bridging partisan divides to shape public policy that supports the economy and the climate.

## Market Strategies Policy Priorities

Jurisdiction	Policy Priority
<b>Federal</b> 	Support passage of a foreign pollution fee or carbon border adjustment mechanism on carbon-intensive imports.
<b>Regional</b> 	Support western states' participation in a coordinated energy market while advancing greater access to clean energy. [Includes AZ, CO, ID, MT, NM, NV, OR, UT, WA, WY]

Market Strategies Policy Priorities, continued

Jurisdiction	Policy Priority
<div><b>Pennsylvania</b></div> <div></div>	Support the Commonwealth’s participation in the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI) or a state-specific cap-and-invest program.
<div><b>Virginia</b></div> <div></div>	Support the Commonwealth’s participation in the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI).



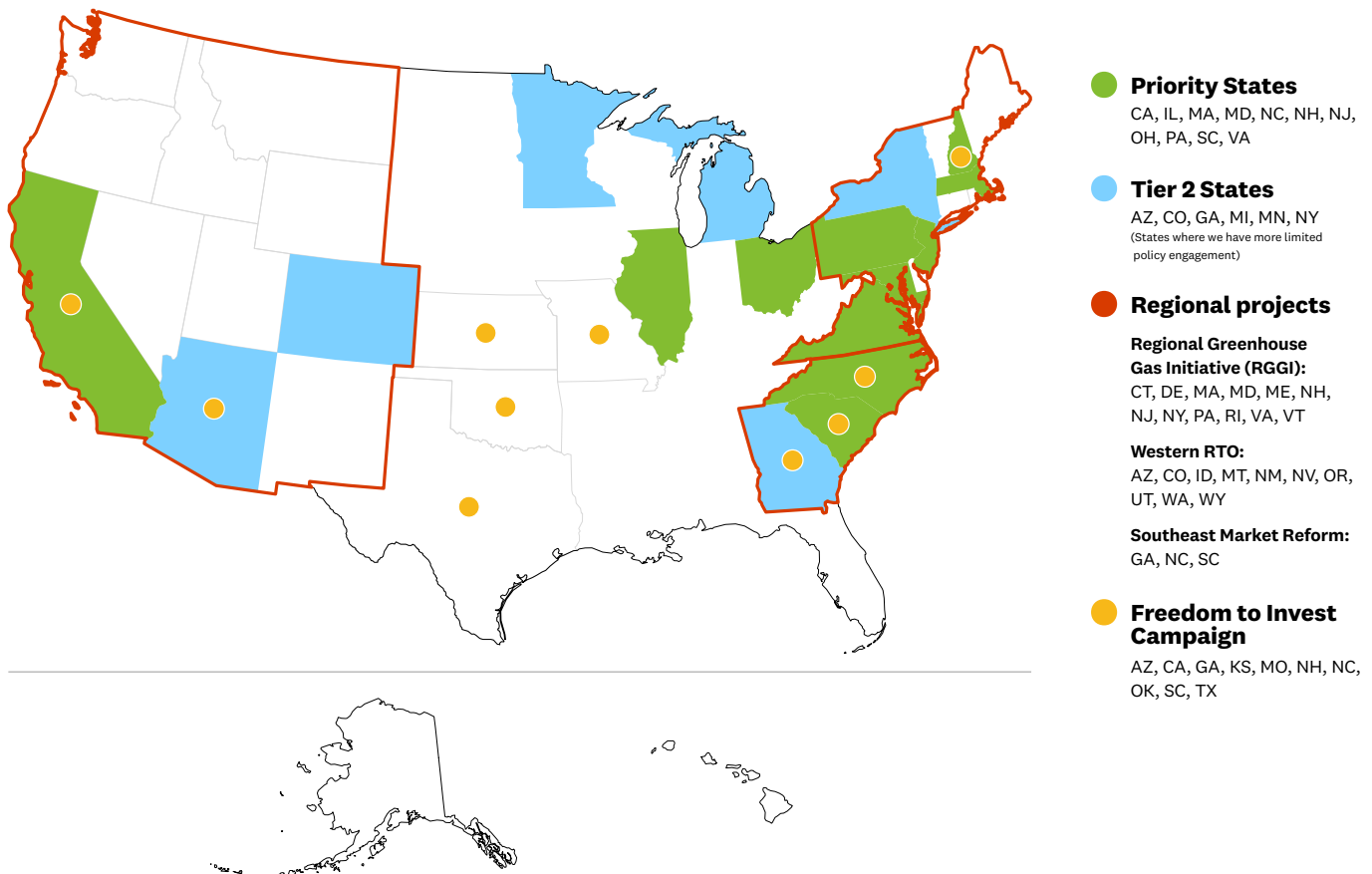
► Ceres Vice President of Government Affairs Anne Kelly and Senator Sheldon Whitehouse (D-RI) headlined the Nest Climate Campus at Climate Week NYC in September 2025. The two held a fireside chat on the most compelling arguments for policymakers across the aisle to hear to try to build toward solutions.



# Member Resources

## Where We Work

The Ceres BICEP Network is active at the federal level and in over 20 states and works on multi-state projects such as the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI).



## BICEP Network in Numbers (data in 2025)



**5.24 million total employees worldwide**



**\$1.383 trillion total revenue**



**75+ total members**

## Key Legislative Dates

**Federal** [Senate schedule](#) • [House schedule](#)

**State** [List of state legislative schedules](#)

## Congratulations to Our 2025 BICEP Award Winners

### **BICEP Crown**

Doug Murray, IKEA US

### **Federal Policy Champion**

Lucid

### **State Policy Champion**

Sierra Nevada Brewing Co.

### **Transportation Policy Advocate of the Year**

IKEA US

### **Building Decarbonization Policy Advocates of the Year**

A.O. Smith and Sealed

### **BICEP Emerging Climate Policy Champion**

Cummins

### **Internal Policy Advocate of the Year**

Jenny Wieroniey, Michelin

### **BICEP Investor Policy Advocate of the Year**

HASI

### **Environmental and Climate Justice Climate Champions**

IRMA and the America the Beautiful for All Coalition

### **Congressional Climate Champion**

Sen. John Curtis of Utah

### **Ryan Martel Capitol Hill Climb Award**

Niko Keddy from the Office of U.S. Rep. Andrew Garbarino

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# We Are the BICEP Network (as of January 2026)

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