



MomentUs Summer Action Campaign — Call Script

Join leaders from across sectors and our nation to turn up the heat on local and national policymakers and ask them to make August Recess count for climate action. The campaign includes submitting a letter to the editor, calling your congressperson, and inviting others to join MomentUs and the summer action campaign.

The following are instructions and a call script for calling your congressperson. Remember:

- **You have great influence** as a constituent from your community to persuade your elected officials to bring forward ambitious and just climate solutions
- **Climate solutions cannot wait**, and policymakers need to be reminded that action on solutions must happen immediately after August Recess

STEPS

1. Take a few minutes to **research your elected officials**. If they have supported climate solutions, make sure to thank them. If they sit on a relevant committee, mention this.
2. **Customize the call script** (the highlighted sections), below, to include:
 - a. Your name and years living in the district, relevant district and elected official info
 - b. Personalized thank you for the call
 - c. Gratitude for the elected official's climate leadership, where applicable
 - d. Relevant climate impacts
 - e. Your contact information (optional)
3. **Find your Representative:** [Representative Lookup](#)
4. **Call your Representative**, then send a follow up note (use the script as a template).
5. Let us know you have taken this action by [filling out this form](#), and promote the call and campaign in **social media**

TIPS AND WHAT TO EXPECT

- If you don't get voicemail, you will almost always get a staffer. This is still progress! Staffers are keeping track of constituency concerns and taking notes of specific requests.
- They will talk about what the elected has done on the issue. Please listen and acknowledge. Thank them for leadership and *ask for greater ambition, now*.
- They may ask which bill you are calling about. Let them know you want to see ambitious and just climate solutions brought forward immediately after August Recess. Point to the [MomentUs Commitment](#) (½ emissions each decade, restore nature, center justice).

CALL SCRIPT - Live w/ Staffer

Highlighted sections indicate where you can customize. Be prepared to leave a voicemail (see alt script below).

Hello, my name is _____ and I have lived in the [district/state] for _____ years. May I please speak with the staff person who handles Environmental Policy?

(Reintroduce yourself to the staffer and thank them for their time/willingness to listen and/or leadership on this issue if applicable.)

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I'm calling today as an active participant in the [MomentUs Commitment and Campaign](#), because this really is **our moment for climate action**. After our call, I am happy to follow up with the link so you can learn more about it.

During this August recess, as the (Congressperson/Senator) comes home from DC, I ask that they look around and see the ways climate change is impacting our community. I care about our changing climate because I see the impacts [*insert your personal story, e.g. severe storms, worsening allergies, and increased food prices*] are having on my family and community. And it's not just our community, either. Did you know that [78% of Americans now say they are personally concerned](#) about climate change? And [96% of us believe we have a right to live in a healthy environment with clean air and water](#) (ecoAmerica, 2021). Don't worry, I can follow up with those links, too!

We need to **solve** the climate emergency, not just keep treating the symptoms.

I am asking that the [Congressperson/Senator] support initiatives that align with the [MomentUs Commitment](#), that:

1. Cut carbon emissions in half each decade going forward
2. Restore thriving nature, in part to remove carbon from the atmosphere, and
3. Prioritize environmental justice. Climate solutions must build equity, and can actively work against systems of oppression and racism

And, I am asking that [Congressperson/Senator] helps to bring forward these solutions this fall, immediately after August Recess because we simply cannot wait any longer.

I personally have committed to cutting my climate pollution in half, and am telling my story in my community to inspire further action.

I would appreciate keeping in touch on this issue. What is a good email to follow up? Happy to help you move this issue forward.

Thank you! Mine is _____.

Thanks again for your time.

VOICEMAIL SCRIPT

Hello (Congressperson/Senator) my name is _____ and I have lived in the [district/state] for _____ years.

I'm calling today as a participant in the MomentUs Campaign for climate action. During this August recess, I ask that you look around and see the ways climate change is impacting our community.

I care about our changing climate because I see the impacts [*insert your personal story, e.g. severe storms, worsening allergies, and increased food prices*] are having on my family and community.

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climate change. And 96% of us believe we have a right to live in a healthy environment with clean air and water.

We need to solve the climate emergency. I am asking you to support initiatives that align with the MomentUs Commitment, that:

1. Cut carbon emissions in half each decade going forward
2. Restore thriving nature
3. Prioritize environmental justice

Please help bring forward these solutions now and this fall, because the IPCC report shows us we simply cannot wait any longer.

I would appreciate keeping in touch and happy to help you move this issue forward.

My email is _____

Thanks again for your time.