## 20 Legislative Agenda25 for Connecticut





## **Reduce Costs & Increase Resiliency**

Contact: Charles Rothenberger, crothenberger@savethesound.org

Expand incentives to help homes and businesses supplement or replace expensive, inefficient heating and cooling systems with clean, cost-effective heat pumps.

Defend investments in energy efficiency and renewable energy by protecting programs that help homes and businesses reduce their energy costs, improve efficiency, and manage demand through system-wide electric grid benefits.

Increase investments in resilience to protect communities from flooding and other climate impacts.



## **Protect & Invest in Our Waters**

Contact: Bill Lucey, blucey@savethesound.org

Establish a CT Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Act Taskforce to enhance floodplain conservation to protect property and water quality.

Reduce the use of Neonicotinoids (Neonics) that are known to kill insects and crustaceans in our streams and the Sound, degrading food webs.

Maintain high levels of infrastructure investment in the Clean Water Fund to upgrade sewage treatment systems.



## **Defend Communities & Environmental Rights**

Defend residents' environmental rights by watchdogging and defeating rollbacks of the Connecticut Environmental Protection Act and other key environmental laws.

Contact: Chase Lindemann, clindemann@savethesound.org

Strengthen the state's Environmental Justice Law by extending the deadline for public participation reports from 30 days to 120 days, and ensuring equal application of the law to protect state-identified Environmental Justice Communities with 10,000 or fewer residents.

Contact: Alex Rodriguez, alexrodriguez@savethesound.org

Ensure that state land conveyance requests from municipalities and private owners avoid environmental harm and land grabs.

Contact: Kathy Czepiel, kczepiel@savethesound.org