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1. **Why We Do This Work: South Africa Extreme Drought - Global Inflation - Climate Superfunds**

Joseph Nleya, a 77-year-old traditional leader in Mangwe, said he doesn't remember it being this [hot, this dry, this desperate](#). (AP) Climate = Food Inflation ([new study](#)).
[Climate Superfunds Coming!](#)

2. **California Environmental Rights Amendment?**

[ACA 16](#) would amend the California Constitution to declare that "the people have a right to clean air and water and a healthy environment." The Climate Equity Policy Center has developed a cool [toolkit](#) to help advocates across the U.S. to navigate this emerging policy strategy.

3. **Spotlight: IURD Lau Grants for Just Climate Future — TODAY 6 PM**

Berkeley CED's Institute of Urban and Regional Development shows first round of Lau Grants for Just Climate Futures in Rauer Wurster Hall. See [projects](#) on low-carbon

grants for fast climate action in order to protect them. See [projects](#) on low carbon housing, rebuilding after wildfires, manufactured home parks, flood resilience, Bay Area air pollution and more!

4. CLEE EV Equity Initiative Wants Your Feedback

See the [DRAFT EV Action Plan Framework](#) and provide your feedback to CLEE. The framework will provide local governments and stakeholders with strategies and examples to form local action plans for an equitable EV transition. [See all about EV Equity Initiative here](#) (a partnership with Greenlining and Forth).

5. Dear Human at the Edge of Time — April 16 1-5:30 pm

"Why not imagine ourselves on the brink of possibility instead of doom." — Claire Wahmanholm in [Dear Human at the Edge of Time: Poems on Climate Change in the United States](#). Come celebrate [science](#), art and eco poetry to reimagine our climate futures — Tuesday 4/16 1-5:30 pm in Sutardja Dai Hall. [Register HERE](#).

6. CA Office of Planning and Research Seeks Your Input - State Policy and UC/CSU

OPR RFI: How to better inform state policy, enrich UC and CSU curriculum with real-world policy needs, foster policy-relevant research, and streamline the partnership process for mutual benefit? Responses due: April 19. For additional program information or guidance, please visit the [RFI website](#).

7. Methane Times — Hot Newsletter and April 9th Event

Learn about Berkeley action on this super-critical issue — [subscribe to Methane Times](#) (new issue!) and see the Lunch and Learn on April 9 Noon- 1pm "[Evolving Global Methane Regulations Post COP28](#)."

On a related issue...[Fossil Free Berkeley](#) is trying to get a "Berkeley Large Building Fossil Fuel Emissions Tax" on the local ballot now that the [courts ruled against Berkeley's ban on natural gas hook-ups](#).

8. SkyDeck Demo Day April 10 3-5 pm — Part of Berkeley I&E!

Demo Day is always high-energy, exciting and inspiring. Come hear from an incredibly talented group of founders in Batch 17, including 14 PhDs & 2 UC Berkeley faculty founders. [Register here](#). SkyDeck is a part of Berkeley's VERY fast-growing I&E Ecosystem — we even have an I&E Council. See [BEGIN](#) to...begin.

9. Climate Change and National Security - Berkeley Law April 19th

The Alexander Hamilton Society hosts General John Allen, USMC (Retired), and Goldman's Janet Napolitano on the nexus between climate change and national security. Berkeley Law Room 100 4 PM to 5:45 PM Friday, April 19. Co-sponsored by the Institute of International Studies, the Center for Security in Politics, the Berkeley Risk and Security Lab, the CITRIS Policy Lab, the Center for Long-Term

Cybersecurity, and the Berkeley Center for Law and Technology. [RSVP here](#).

10. Wanted: Innovation Fellow at BEVC for Climate/Sustainability

[BEVC](#) is a venture firm in Berkeley's Bakar BioEngineering Hub that invests in early-stage startups. BEVC is seeking a PhD-level student to serve as an Innovation Fellow to help catalyze their next big ventures in the area of climate change & sustainability. The position is part-time with flexible start and end dates to accommodate academic commitments. [More details can be found in the job description here](#).

BCCN Climate Calendar

- [Funding the Commons -- Brower Center April 13-14](#)
- [ECCLPs Annual Symposium May 3 — Environmental and Climate Change Literacy](#)
- [Together Bay Area](#) (30X30 and much more!) May 7



LBJ in Concord 1964 — BART ground-breaking

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**I was dreaming in my dreaming
Of an aspect bright and fair
And my sleeping it was broken
But my dream it lingered near
In the form of shining valleys
Where the pure air recognized
And my senses newly opened
I awakened to the cry
That the people have the power
To redeem the work of fools
Upon the meek the graces shower
It's decreed the people rule**

—Patti Smith (1988)

