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For a brief history of Earth Day, projects and ideas visit the **EPA Earth Day page** at <https://www.epa.gov/earthday>



The **Earth Day 2021 website** promises virtual events from April 20 through 22 here: <https://www.earthday.org/earth-day-2021/>



Interested in detailed history of Earth Day? See the **Wikipedia site** at [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Earth\\_Day](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Earth_Day).

**History This Week** offers a podcast: "When the Environment United Us" at <https://play.acast.com/s/historythisweek/whentheenvironmentunitedus>



## EARTH DAY 2021

Earth Day is just around the corner, on April 22! **Did you know that the first Earth Day was organized in 1970?** Instigated by a US senator and taken up by 22 million Americans, it marked the beginning of legislation and regulations that forced us to clean up industry and municipalities to improve air and water quality. Prior to 1970, there were no regulations telling anyone what to put into the air or the water.

We've come a long way and **today the air we breathe and the rivers and lakes we recreate in and around are much healthier than prior to 1970.** Unfortunately, we are not done. This last generation tackled much needed local pollution. Today's generation is presented with the challenge of tackling global pollution in air, water, and soil, and a changing climate.

This newsletter issue brings you a collection of places you can check out for info about Earth Day and ideas for activities on Earth Day and the rest of the year that might help raise awareness and reduce our footprint on this earth. Click on any of the links on the left and keep going from there!

## MSU Workshop on April 12:

### Resiliency to a Changing Climate – Implications and Policy Responses

The **MSU Initiative for Regulation and Applied Economic Analysis** is offering a virtual workshop that will look at **economic impacts of climate change on individuals, businesses, communities, and states, and potential mitigation options.** Read more about this workshop and find a link to join it here:

[https://www.montana.edu/regecon/events\\_outreach/disasterpolicy/index.html](https://www.montana.edu/regecon/events_outreach/disasterpolicy/index.html)



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