

All my life I've watched Mainers come up with resourceful, practical solutions to problems.

The Maine Climate Superfund is a prime example of a resourceful, practical solution to an enormous problem. The Superfund idea, which has been around for decades, says: Make the polluters pay to heal the harm they've caused.

Oil companies continue to make money hand-over-fist with a deeply flawed technology, while the entire world experiences the harm to our climate. The oil industries have been experts at blocking or delaying change; experts at dodging accountability.

Maine needs money already, now—and will need much more as we go forward—to handle and minimize the ongoing impacts of climate change. It makes all the sense in the world to get some of that money from the oil industry. It's a long, long overdue debt we're asking them to start paying.