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Boulder, CO – Tom is an author, outdoorsman, conservationist, and avid environmentalist. His books include *The Lost Years of Merlin*, *The Great Tree of Avalon* (a *New York Times* best-selling series), *The Ancient One*, and *The Hero's Trail*. He formally served on the Princeton University Board of Trustees and is a Governing Council member of the Wilderness Society.

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KAYURI BHIMANI

Duluth, GA – Kayuri Bhimani is a senior associate at Blue Haven Initiative, a single-family office investing in startups that address climate change. A graduate of Dartmouth College, Kayuri is actively engaged in the climate action ecosystem, serving as a judge for the Venture Capital for Africa Showcase, contributing her expertise as a member of the National Parks Conservation Association's Youth Advisory Council, and serving as an advisor to the Obuntu Foundation and The Dot, Tunisia's first climate action incubator.

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Los Angeles, CA – Nick is a plant coach, urban gardener, and landscape designer whose mission is to give people the knowledge and confidence to create their own green spaces in the pursuit of environmental action and social justice. Nick has more than 150 clients in New York and California. He was featured in the *New York Times*, *Vogue*, Food Network, *Business Insider*, *Architectural Digest*, and goop. Nick was in the Netflix original series *The Big Flower Fight* and *Instant Dream Home* and is author of *Plant Coach: The Beginner's Guide to Caring for Plants and the Planet*.

TINA EXARHOS

Rye, NY – Tina is an award-winning producer with experience across digital media and television. She is currently a senior advisor at the digital news brand NowThis. Previously, as chief content officer at NowThis, Tina oversaw the newsroom and executive produced documentaries and series including *Generation Columbine*, *A Secret Love*, *Uprooted*, and the film *Two Distant Strangers* which won an Academy Award in 2021 for Best Live Action Short. She is an advisor at Lerer Hippeau Ventures and serves on the boards of GlobalGiving, Mogul and also served on the Global Leadership Board of Times Up.

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Pomfret, CT – Wawa is a climate justice advocate and founder of Black Girl Environmentalist, a national organization dedicated to empowering Black girls, women, and gender expansive people across the climate sector. She graduated with an honors degree in environmental studies at the University of Connecticut and made history as the first Black person to receive the Rhodes, Truman, and Udall scholarships. She completed an MSc at the University of Oxford as a Rhodes Scholar.

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Bellevue, WA – K.D. is an accredited investor with E8 and Alliance of Angels, a strategic advisor and board member for environmental startups, and a Northwest Conservation fellow. She is also on the conservation committee for The Nature Conservancy. K.D. is a retired Microsoft executive and technical strategist.

CONNIE HARVEY

Aspen, CO – Connie is a lifelong conservationist with environmental accomplishments that include protecting more than 400,000 acres as part of the National Wilderness Preservation System and starting the Aspen Wilderness Workshop and Pitkin County Open Space and Trails Board. She was a columnist for the Aspen Daily News for more than a decade, served on various foundation boards, has won numerous awards, and is known as a wilderness hero.

KERRY HOFFMAN

Lincoln, MA – Kerry is a conservationist who is primarily interested in clean energy and public lands. She worked as a trial lawyer for the Department of Justice, handling criminal antitrust cases for ten years. She now focuses her volunteer and philanthropic efforts in support of educational institutions and the environment.

JENNIFER HOLDERNESS

San Francisco, CA – Jennifer is real estate broker, and philanthropy volunteer. With an undergraduate degree in environmental sciences from the University of Virginia and a master’s degree in natural resource management from the University of Washington, Jennifer led successful professional past lives at the EPA, in the environmental division of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, the Washington State Department of Natural Resources and in environmental standards and philanthropy capacities for Gap, Inc.

ANN KRUMBOLTZ

Seattle, WA – Ann was the executive director and co-director of the Brainerd Foundation for twenty-five years. She has served on several boards and in an advisory capacity for foundation associations and advocacy-oriented non-profits. Ann holds a B.A. from Stanford University and an M.P.A. from Harvard’s Kennedy School of Government. She has a penchant for non-fiction books, pilgrimages to the gym, volunteer work, and foreign travel.

DOUGLAS MCKEIGE

Mamaroneck, NY – Following an impactful 20-year career as a securities litigation lawyer, Doug worked over the past decade in the hedge fund and real estate investment world. More recently, Doug launched the [Climate Asset Pricing Memo](#) to spread awareness of the impacts of climate change and to stimulate a shift to investments in the creation and use of clean energy. Doug has a B.A., cum laude, from Tufts University in economics and a J.D., magna cum laude, from Tulane University.

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ANDREW REICH

Los Angeles, CA – Andrew is an Emmy Award-winning television writer and showrunner. His credits include writing and executive producing *Friends*. He has created and produced comedy pilots for ABC, CBS, and Fox networks. Currently he is producing and directing a music documentary about the four-decade career of the Los Angeles band, Redd Kross. He also produces and hosts the podcast *Dead Pilots Society* which features readings of unproduced pilots by top television comedy writers.

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Chicago, IL – John is an expert in administrative law and legislative process. He graduated from Northwestern University and Yale Law School. John practiced law with Covington & Burling in Washington, specializing in administrative law, and later served as general counsel to the Senate Committee on Armed Services. Before his recent retirement he was a law professor teaching administrative and constitutional law and was dean of law schools in Detroit and Chicago.

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BETTY SCHAFFER

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FERN SHEPARD

Kensington, MD – Fern is the president of Rachel's Network, a community of women working together to protect people and our planet through collective learning, funding, and advocacy. She has over 30 years of experience in the environmental community, first as a staff attorney with Earthjustice and later as a senior officer managing international lands conservation programs at The Pew Charitable Trusts. She has worked on issues ranging from securing threatened and endangered species habitat to protecting children and at-risk populations from lead contamination and dangerous pesticides.

ABDI SOLTANI

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ELLEN WIDESS

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