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Date: Sunday, October 28

Time: 4:30–5:30 pm

Place: Federal Courthouse, 501 I St, Sacramento

350 Sacramento is announcing a rally in support of the 21 young plaintiffs in the Our Children’s Trust lawsuit on Sunday, Oct 28, from 4:30–5:30 pm @the Federal Courthouse, 501 I St. Participants are encouraged to dress up in their scariest fossil fuel costume (greedy politician, lobbyist, climate change denier, greenhouse gas, fossil fuel villain...use your creativity!) for an epic tug-of-war battle between the fossils and the youth. Young people are especially invited to attend. Sponsored by 350 Sacramento and Citizen’s Climate Lobby (CCL).

Background on the Trial of the Century. Twenty-one brave young people are suing the President and Federal Government in the historic *Juliana v. United States* (Our Children’s Trust) court case to defend the rights of youth and future generations. They are **demanding that the federal government prepare and implement a Climate Recovery Plan to protect our basic and most fundamental rights: the freedom to have a climate system that will sustain human life.** This youth-driven global climate recovery campaign seeks to **secure the legal right to a stable climate and healthy atmosphere.**

Update on the lawsuit: Last week, the [Dept of Justice petitioned the US Supreme Court in an attempt to stop the *Juliana v. United States* case from going to trial.](#) On Friday, **Supreme Court Chief Justice John Roberts issued an order asking the youth plaintiffs to respond to the governments’ petition and placed an administrative stay** on the litigation until the Court reviews their response. The plaintiffs expect to file their response on Monday, in hopes the Supreme Court lifts the administrative stay and that trial proceeds on October 29 as previously scheduled. This administrative stay may be only temporary. **It would be unprecedented for the Court to stop the case on the eve of trial when the only harm claimed of by the defendants is monetary.** However, we cannot say for sure what, if any, impact this administrative stay will have on the October 29 trial date. **Trial may still start on October 29, or it may not.**

Whether the trial starts on Oct 29 or not, people are gathering to speak outside courthouses throughout the country—even if the youth plaintiffs are delayed in speaking inside the court—to bring attention to our unalienable right to life under the Constitution, to the critical role of our judiciary, and to demand a Climate Recovery Plan that brings us back from the brink of climate chaos.

350 Sacramento is a local grassroots organization committed to equitable solutions that accelerate the transition to a sustainable future, with atmospheric carbon dioxide levels below 350 ppm.