

What They're Saying About the ReSCUE Oceans Act

“The bipartisan Removing and Sequestering Carbon Unleashed in the Environment and Oceans Act (ReSCUE Oceans Act) lays the foundation for safe and effective marine carbon dioxide removal (mCDR) through investments in rigorous research, transparent data, and science-based monitoring. The bill also helps to ensure continued US leadership in development and deployment of this emerging industry. We commend Senators Murkowski and Schatz and Representatives Bonamici and Carter for their early leadership on this first-of-its-kind legislation.” – **Dr. Amanda Vieillard, Director for Ocean Policy, Carbon180**

“The Carbon Removal Alliance is excited to support the ReSCUE Oceans Act, an important step forward in advancing the marine carbon removal industry. This bipartisan bill will catalyze new research and development for marine carbon removal, helping to support American businesses, research institutions, and coastal communities. We are grateful for the leadership from Senator Schatz, Senator Murkowski, Congresswoman Bonamici, and Congressman Carter on this important issue.” – **Eli Cain, Deputy Director of Policy, Carbon Removal Alliance**

“Growing bipartisan support for ocean-based carbon dioxide removal research signals a clear appetite to rigorously assess the ocean’s role in climate solutions. If enacted, the ReSCUE Oceans Act will help maintain and grow American leadership when it comes to both ocean innovation and environmental stewardship. We applaud Senator Schatz, Senator Murkowski, Representative Bonamici, and Representative Carter for their leadership.” – **Priyanka Hooghan, Senior Manager, Policy, Carbon to Sea**

“Oceans naturally absorb and store carbon dioxide, and American innovators are enhancing and scaling that natural process with new ocean-based carbon removal solutions. These solutions can enable long-term, durable carbon storage using pathways like biological systems of seaweed cultivation to advanced technological approaches. Reps. Carter (R-GA) and Bonamici (D-OR) are helping move marine carbon dioxide removal from research to commercialization, allowing U.S. companies to lead the development of this technology through the introduction of the ReSCUE Oceans Act.” – **Jeremy Harrell, CEO, ClearPath Action**

“Senators Schatz and Murkowski and Congresswoman Bonamici and Congressman Carter should be applauded for authoring critical legislation to advance marine carbon dioxide removal science and understanding. The oceans hold immense potential for carbon dioxide removal, which experts agree will be needed on a huge scale by midcentury to stabilize the climate, but significant research gaps remain. Their legislation takes a thoughtful and methodical approach to ensuring that many of our leading marine research agencies have the tools and direction needed to ensure this promising sector can advance in a safe and effective manner.” – **Roger Ullman, Executive Director, Climate Innovation Action**

“It is important to use science and knowledge to evaluate every tool available to address climate change – and that includes understanding if the ocean can help. The ReSCUE Oceans Act offers a chance to ‘look before we leap.’ This legislation will fund needed collaboration and research to explore if mCDR methodologies work and if they will create unintended consequences for coastal communities and the ocean ecosystems that already absorb one-third of manmade carbon dioxide emissions. Ocean Conservancy is encouraged by the bipartisan support for this legislation, and we urge Congress to pass this bill to explore the role ocean innovation can play in safe and effective carbon removal.” – **Amanda Carter, Ph.D., Director of Climate Science, Ocean Conservancy**

“The bipartisan ReSCUE Oceans Act is a tremendous step forward in pursuit of effective and responsible marine carbon dioxide removal (mCDR). By making the needed investments in research, development and demonstration, the Act will help ensure that mCDR pathways are evaluated comprehensively and will maintain United States’ leadership in this emerging blue economy sector. Ocean Visions applauds Sen. Schatz, Sen. Murkowski, Rep. Bonamici, and Rep. Carter for their bipartisan leadership.” – **Brad Ack, CEO, Ocean Visions**

“The U.S. has the opportunity to lead the nascent, innovative industry of marine carbon dioxide removal by investing in necessary foundational research today. The potential is significant: the ocean could remove billions of tons of carbon dioxide annually, but more research is needed to better understand how effective various approaches are and their potential impacts on the environment and communities. The ReSCUE Oceans Act demonstrates there is bipartisan support for addressing this challenge and bolstering innovation across this field. We encourage other members of Congress to support the bipartisan ReSCUE Oceans Act and advance this bill in this Congress.” – **Katie Lebling, Senior Associate, World Resources Institute U.S. Climate Program**