

# Jack Smith, Associate

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### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Synapse Energy Economics, Inc., Cambridge, MA. Research Associate, January 2022 – Present

• Consults on energy-sector issues including energy efficiency, renewable energy technologies, electricity rates, environmental regulations, and electricity markets.

**Property and Environment Research Center (PERC)**, Bozeman, MT. *Research Associate*, January 2020 – November 2021

- Researched and wrote original policy reports and recommendations aimed at improving natural resource management, environmental permitting processes, outdoor recreation funding, and wildfire risk management throughout the United States.
- Worked hand-in-hand with PERC authors during the research, writing, and editing process.

Breakthrough Institute, Berkeley, CA. Generation Fellow – Energy Team, June 2021 – August 2021

 Collaborated with experts to develop regulatory solutions capable of accelerating the siting and permitting process for clean energy infrastructure while advancing justice.

Rye Nature Center, Rye, NY. Conservation Specialist, October 2019 – December 2019

Worked with management to develop and carry out local habitat restoration projects.

**Environmental Defense Fund**, San Francisco, CA. *Intern, Agricultural Data and Metrics*, May 2018 – August 2018

Investigated barriers preventing agricultural producers from participating in carbon offset markets.

## **EDUCATION**

Harvard University, Cambridge, MA

A.B. in Environmental Science and Public Policy, 2019

Senior Thesis: California Compliance Offsets: Problematic Protocols and Buyer Behavior Recipient of Highest Thesis Honors and the Harvard Kennedy School's 2019 John Dunlop Thesis Prize

## **SKILLS**

Microsoft Office Suite

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

Silva, P., J. Smith. 2023. *Declaration in Support of Final EPA Good Neighbor Plan*. Synapse Energy Economics for Environmental Defense Fund.

Kwok, S., J. Smith, D. Glick. 2023. *Review of Cleco Power's 2021 Draft IRP Report*. Synapse Energy Economics for Sierra Club.

Knight, P., J. Frost, T. Fitch, E. Sinclair, J. Tabernero, O. Griot, B. Havumaki, J. Smith, L. Metz, S. Chavin. 2023. *TVA's Clean Energy Future: Charting a course to decarbonization in the Tennessee Valley.* Synapse Energy Economics for GridLab and Center for Biological Diversity.

Knight, P., J. Smith. 2022. Clearing the Air on Coal CCS. Synapse Energy Economics for Sierra Club.

Frost, J., P. Knight, J. Litynski, O. Griot, J. Smith. 2022. *Transforming Transportation in North Carolina*. Synapse Energy Economics for Sierra Club.

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