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Terra Alpha Newsletter

Climate Week NYC 2026

Attending Climate Week NYC in September with over 100,000 others was, once again, educational and inspiring. I was able to join a wide range of events held by CERES, S&P Global, US SIF, Columbia University's Climate School, The Nature Conservancy, ecoAmerica, and The Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute, as well as meet with industry peers and investors.

My key takeaways from the week were that, while the central focus remains on climate change driven by greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, there is heightened attention on growing water challenges, along with regenerative agriculture, biodiversity, and habitat protection. We share the opinion that all our planet's natural resource systems are critical and interlinked.

Compared to last year, virtually every session this year included a conversation about either the use of AI to improve resource efficiency and/or the impact of data centers on increasing GHG emissions, water resources, and communities. As a sustainable investment firm we face the same dilemma: AI offers likely economic benefits, yet we also have growing concerns regarding societal impacts. Simultaneously, the damaging but largely avoidable environmental impacts must be formally acknowledged and actively rectified.

Importantly, there was growing attention being placed on climate financing and action to progress the economy toward critical targets. This translates into creating system-level resiliency by reducing the current overuse or misuse of natural resources and adapting to current and forecasted global changes. This is, of course, central to our work to enable a sustainable planet for society.

The Not-Environmental Protection Agency

Following the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) February announcement to rescind the Endangerment Act (a 2009 ruling by the EPA that greenhouse gases endanger public

health), the agency took immediate action to repeal its own pollution standards for vehicles and revoke California's federal waivers for independent pollution standards. In September, the EPA proposed ending federal authority to regulate greenhouse gases from power plants, and in October, announced a plan to remove rules governing methane gas leaks in the oil and gas sector. Thankfully, many entities are legally challenging these actions on technical grounds and/or for alleged violations of the Clean Air Act. Where practical, Terra Alpha will support efforts to reverse these very environmentally harmful actions by the EPA.



Tim Dunn, CFA
Co-Founder and CIO

Terra Alpha Impact

Terra Alpha Impact Work Update

Our company engagement work in the third quarter focused on ensuring companies have robust plans in place for water and emissions reduction targets, supporting our broader decarbonization and water stewardship goals. We continued our campaign focused on companies involved in data center construction and operations, as growing public awareness of the impacts on local communities and the environment has brought many of these issues into broader public discourse. We also continued working toward our goals of increasing the adoption of science-based targets and the use of water risk assessments among our portfolio companies.

In the third quarter, our advocacy work focused on resisting efforts to weaken workforce diversity data disclosure requirements. The current U.S. administration has called for eliminating mandatory annual disclosure of company demographic data through the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission's EEO-1 reporting requirements. We joined other investors in opposing the proposed change and advocating for the continued disclosure of workforce data covering race, ethnicity, sex, and job category.

We are also concerned about efforts to weaken shareholder rights, specifically a proposed revision of the Securities and Exchange Commission's (SEC) Rule 14a-8, which governs shareholders' ability to propose resolutions. We have drafted an official comment letter to the SEC expressing our concerns and support for continuing the framework that Rule 14a-8 has provided. We have also signed an open letter to the business community advocating for its

preservation and are communicating our position to our U.S.-based portfolio companies. Microsoft has publicly stated that it will continue to accept shareholder proposals for at least the next year while these changes are under consideration.



Amy Dine
Director of Corporate Engagement

Firm Updates

Our 2026 Summer Interns Share their Experiences

Our 2026 summer interns, Khushi Bora and Katherine Fang completed their program with excellent presentations on the Textiles, Apparel & Luxury Goods and Automotive Retail Sectors, and testing, inspection, and certification industries. Below are excerpts from each of their Intern Profiles reflecting on their experiences at Terra Alpha.

To read their full profiles, click here.



Khushi Bora

How did your experience at Terra Alpha influence your understanding of sustainable investing?

Terra Alpha showed me how multi-faceted sustainable investing can be. No two companies approach sustainability the same way, and the benchmarks that are material for each industry can look completely different from one industry to the next. For example, you can't evaluate an automotive retailer and a luxury brand with the same lens, because what counts as meaningful progress for one may be irrelevant to the other. I learned to start by understanding what sustainability actually means within a given industry before judging how a specific company measures up.

What was your biggest takeaway from your internship at Terra Alpha?

My biggest takeaway was seeing what really goes into making an investment fund work, and how collaborative the process is. Research isn't siloed. Everyone is exposed to each other's work, so ideas get tested from many angles before a decision is made. That opened my eyes to how much teamwork sits behind every investment.



Katherine Fang

How would you describe the learning environment and culture at Terra Alpha?

From the very first day, I felt incredibly welcomed at Terra Alpha—the team is tight-knit, and everyone made themselves available to teach and work with us. Having lunch with the team every day was one of my favorite parts of the internship. The culture also reflected a genuine love of the work itself and of learning in general, which was such an inspiring environment to be immersed in. I found the team to be so patient and generous with feedback—I especially enjoyed hearing and giving presentations during investment discussions, which were highly collaborative and provided a great opportunity for me to learn about how different team members approached the same companies or even the same information. I always felt like I was a true part of the team!

Is there anything else you would like people to know about your experience at Terra Alpha?

I truly could not have asked for a more positive, enriching summer internship experience—from the very beginning, I felt that I was trusted to contribute and supported as I learned. I was very lucky to have a mentor who invested time in helping me grow, a team that welcomed my questions and input, and a meaningful project that mattered to the firm. My intern project gave me hands-on, up-close experience with seeing how rigorous fundamental, financial, and long-term sustainability analysis work together in practice, and I'm extremely grateful for the opportunity!

Team Updates

It's been an exciting few months for the Terra Alpha team, with several milestones to celebrate!

- Our Associate Portfolio Manager and Director of Research, **Julianna Brunini**, and her husband welcomed their second child in October. Julianna is currently on maternity leave through early 2027, and we wish her and her growing family the best during this special time.
- Our Research Advisor, **Nathaniel Schwartz**, married his fiancée, Rita, in October. Nathaniel also recently began pursuing his MBA at the University of Chicago Booth School of Business. Congratulations to Nathaniel and Rita on this exciting new chapter!
- Our Manager of Business Development, **Emily Hiltz**, returned from maternity leave in early September. Emily and her husband welcomed their second child in June. The whole family is doing well.

About Terra Alpha

Terra Alpha Investments is a public equity manager founded in 2014 by highly experienced investors who share the conviction that our rapidly evolving world requires a change in investing thinking. Our rigorous and proprietary Environmental Productivity (EP) analysis values our planet's natural resources and sits at the center of our investment process. Our unique combination of quantitative and qualitative analysis helps us identify companies with the optimal combination of enduring business models and superior EP; which we believe is the primary driver as we seek to deliver superior long-term investment returns for our investors.

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