**Fund Description**

Under normal market conditions, the fund invests at least 80% of its net assets (including investment borrowings) in the equity securities of companies identified by the fund’s sub-advisor, Energy Income Partners, LLC (EIP), as having, or seeking to have, a positive carbon impact.

Through a professionally managed portfolio, the fund seeks to offer investors an attractive balance of income and growth while also providing a vehicle to focus some of their investments on carbon impact and its potential role in mitigating climate change.

The EIP investment process follows these steps:

- **Define Investment Universe**: A universe of potential investments from companies which may exhibit higher than average payout ratio supported by stable cash flows derived from long-term contracts, a regulated cost-of-service pricing scheme with inflation adjustments or cost pass-through protections. These companies may operate in the following industries, among others: utilities; natural gas pipelines; manufacturers, contracted developers and/or owners of renewable energy and other companies that operate and/or produce services in support of activities such as renewable energy equipment, energy storage, carbon capture and sequestration, fugitive methane abatement and energy transmission and distribution equipment.

- **Eliminate Ineligible Companies**: EIP eliminates companies that they have identified as having no plans to reduce emissions and have a strategic commitment to the following activities: coal production, crude oil exploration and production or crude oil transportation, storage or delivery.

- **Screen for Positive Carbon Impact**: From the remaining eligible companies, EIP identifies those that currently or have plans to reduce carbon and other GHG emissions within their own operations, facilitate the reduction of carbon and other GHG emissions across the broader market, such as through the displacement of more carbon intensive fuels (such as coal or oil) or facilitate the increased use of renewable resources across the broader market.

- **EIP selects from the remaining securities using a combination of quantitative and qualitative screens. The remaining securities are weighted based on each position’s expected rate of return against risks, position size and diversification considerations and the fund’s portfolio limitations.**

**Fund Sub-Advisor**

- **Energy Income Partners is the sub-advisor to the fund and will manage the fund’s portfolio.**

  - EIP is a limited liability company and a registered investment advisor which provides professional asset management services in the area of energy-related MLPs, and other high payout securities.

  - EIP has many years of experience investing in the energy sector, investment research, commodity trading and portfolio management.

**Performance Summary (%)**

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1-30-day SEC yield is calculated by dividing the net investment income per share earned during the most recent 30-day period by the maximum offering price per share on the last day of the period.

*NAV returns are based on the fund’s net asset value which represents the fund’s net assets (assets less liabilities) divided by the fund’s outstanding shares. After Tax Held returns represent return after taxes on distributions. Assumes shares have not been sold. After Tax Sold returns represent the return after taxes on distributions and the sale of fund shares. Returns do not represent the returns you would receive if you traded shares at other times. Market Price returns are based on the midpoint of the bid/ask spread on the stock exchange on which shares of the fund are listed for trading as of the time that the fund’s NAV is calculated. Returns are average annualized total returns, except those for periods of less than one year, which are cumulative. After-tax returns are calculated using the historical highest individual federal marginal income tax rates and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. Actual after-tax returns depend on the investor’s tax situation and may differ from those shown. The after-tax returns shown are not relevant to investors who hold their fund shares through tax-deferred arrangements such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts.

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ETF Characteristics

The fund lists and principally trades its shares on the NYSE Arca, Inc. Investors buying or selling fund shares on the secondary market may incur customary brokerage commissions: Market prices may differ to some degree from the net asset value of the shares. Investors who sell fund shares may receive less than the share’s net asset value. Shares may be sold throughout the day on the exchange through any brokerage account. However, unlike mutual funds, shares may only be redeemed directly from the fund by authorized participants, in very large creation/redemption units. If the fund’s authorized participants are unable to proceed with creation/redemption orders and no other authorized participants are able to step forward to create or redeem, fund shares may trade at a discount to the fund’s net asset value and possibly face delisting.

Risk Considerations

The fund’s shares will change in value, and you could lose money by investing in the fund. One of the principal risks of investing in the fund is market risk. Market risk is the risk that a particular stock owned by the fund, fund shares or stocks in general may fall in value. The fund is subject to management risk because it is an actively managed portfolio. In managing the fund’s investment portfolio, the sub-advisor will apply investment techniques and risk analyses that may not have the desired result. There can be no assurance that the fund’s investment objective will be achieved.

The fund may invest in small capitalization and mid capitalization companies. Such companies may experience greater price volatility than larger, more established companies. The fund currently has fewer assets than larger funds, and like other relatively new funds, large inflows and outflows may impact the fund’s market exposure for limited periods of time.

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Definitions

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