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**Subject:**

Rising CO2 Emissions compared to Financial Impact of Natural Disasters

**Purpose:**

For our project, we would  like to compare the rise in CO2 emissions with the yearly financial impact of natural disasters.  Is there a correlation, and if so what predictions can we make about the current year, 5, 10, and 15 years in the future?

**Scope:**

Flooding, wildfires, drought, hurricane, tornado, landslide, are the natural disasters that we plan on basing our data sets as well as man made disasters.  Currently we have eliminated earthquakes, but will need to revisit this once we begin to gather data.

**Footprint:**

We would like to discuss this with Tom S. in Tuesday's class. The current image is that we would examine the United States of America, but we are unsure if this would be too much data for the amount of time we have for analysis.

**Concerns/Issues:**

1. Monetary impact will need to be standardized, we will need to incorporate inflation into the data that is gathered.
2. Scope still needs to be established.  What is the size of the world that we are examining, and how far back are we pulling information?  Both must be established prior to gathering data.