

## **Dire consequences of climate change**

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**Climate change** deniers declare: "There is no scientific consensus." Ninety-seven percent of **climate** experts agree humans are causing global warming. "They claim it is actually cooling." Worldwide, the last decade was the hottest on record. "They claim **climate** has **changed** before." **Climate** reacts to whatever forces it to **change**; humans are now that dominant force.

The United Nations scientific panel on **climate change** and our National **Climate** Assessment issued a warning that continued emissions of greenhouse gases from power plants and vehicles will bring irreversible **changes** by 2030, years earlier than previously forecast. The only thing worse than **climate change** would be worldwide thermonuclear war.

Present-day children can expect: rising sea levels combined with thermal expansion to permanently flood some of the world's most important lowland agricultural areas like China's "Rice Bowl." Most of the Florida peninsula will disappear, including Miami. Coastal cities, worldwide, will be threatened with high seawater levels.

Hurricanes will be stronger. Tornadoes, droughts, blizzards, wildfires and thunderstorms will be more severe. Homeowners insurance will skyrocket. Future generations will experience forced migrations of people and food shortages that will result in wars.

**Climate** projections for North Dakota aren't promising. The fertile Red River Valley with its moist **climate** will **change** to a drier **climate**; similar to what Dickinson has. Google: "Future forecast: Red River Valley to get drier as arid West encroaches on humid East."

President Donald Trump pulled us out of the Paris **Climate** Agreement and directed the Environmental Protection Agency to reverse the efforts undertaken by President Barack Obama to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from coal-fired power plants.

Trump is beyond any hope of redemption. The world is heating up and our childish, sulking president is sitting at his desk in the Oval Office playing with matches.

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