Part 1

When working with climate change data, ClimateWins needs to be careful about several ethical issues, especially when applying machine learning. First, while most weather data isn't personal, there could still be indirect risks. For example, one major concern is regional and cultural bias. Climate models are often trained on data from wealthier countries with more consistent reporting, like those in Western Europe or the U.S. This bias can lead to inaccurate predictions or blind spots for places with less data which is often where climate change hits hardest. Additionally, human biases in how past climate events were reported or categorized could be "learned" by the model and repeated in predictions. If the data reflects historical inequality in response or attention to climate events, the model might carry that bias forward. Finally, predictions made by machine learning could misidentify risk zones, either by overlooking areas that are in danger or by over-prioritizing others. This bias can cause harm if used in policymaking.

Part 2



