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Summery of chapter one

First there is a village called shishmaref that must be moved because the ice is too thin to support them. This among other things will cost the US \$180 Million. 25 years ago they thought that the temperatures will rise between 2.5 and 8 degrees Fahrenheit. We cannot wait -

We may not be given a warning until the CO₂ loading is such that an appreciable climate change is inevitable.

The book says at the end of the century it will likely be hotter than at any point in the last two million years. Unfortunately many of the effects of climate change only affect the people "right near". You can lick ice to figure out how long it has been around. All the ice in the Arctic will disappear during the summer by the early 2080. Climate change is like a rowboat:

You can tip and then you'll just do back. And then you tip it and you get to the other stable state, which is upside down.