Support the Green New Deal – Arctic Warming is Releasing Gigatonnes of Methane That Can Warm the Planet Rapidly

The warming of the Arctic is many times faster than general warming across the planet, threatening sudden changes in temperature and our ability as a species – the ability of all species to survive. Permafrost melting is releasing half mile spews of methane gas which is much more potent than CO2. In the past, the earth has warmed 5 degrees in just 13 years under similar runaway greenhouse conditions. World food supplies are threatened already as farm lands flood or turn into deserts or wild fires. Oceans are predicted to be fish-less in 27 years (2048) under the current trajectory of fossil fuel use. Animal agriculture is 18% to 51% cause of climate warming. Inactivity on these issues the past 30 years leaves us helpless before the power of nature. In a couple of million years, life will resurge but likely not with us part of it.

This is an unprecedented time in human history that requires all of the innovation and compassion of our species to save the life of our planet. We cannot live alone as a species on a dead earth.

Be it resolved that: the Conservation Congress and public work with the state legislature to educate and move the public to a plant-based diet and support the Green New Deal and its equivalent here in Wisconsin. Move the economy to wind, solar, and electric vehicles rapidly. Our scientists have given us 10 years to turn this around, not just to begin turning it around.

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