



Useful Links

Energy Saving Methods

Department of Energy -- Tips on Saving Energy and Money

http://www1.eere.energy.gov/consumer/tips/pdfs/energy_savers.pdf

--A comprehensive guide on how to save money and energy in your home.

Find an Energy-Saving Light Bulb

<http://www.environmentaldefense.org/page.cfm?tagID=632>

--Insert options desired for a light bulb and get list of lights that meet that criteria and are more energy efficient

Mercury in Fluorescent Lamps

http://lightingdesignlab.com/articles/mercury_in_fl/mercurycfl.htm

--Article that discusses mercury levels in fluorescent lights

The Best Compact Fluorescent Light Bulbs: PM Lab Test

http://www.popularmechanics.com/home_journal/home_improvement/4215199.html

--Background information on CFLs

Going Local

The Community Solution

<http://www.communitysolution.org>

--Comprehensive information on how the community can help fight climate change and energy dependence. Categorized into food, housing, and transportation

Transition Culture

<http://transitionculture.org/>

--"An evolving exploration into the head, heart, and hands of energy descent." Information on climate change, what you can do in your own homes or gardens to create sustainability, and other aspects of climate change and culture. Includes video presentations on localization and other issues.

Transition Town Totnes

<http://transitiontowns.org/Totnes/>

--Information on a town in the UK working to create an Energy Descent Plan that lowers their dependency on oil. Includes information on their how they encourage citizens to go local by creating their own currency.

The Gund Institute for Ecological Economics

<http://www.uvm.edu/giee/?Page=default.html>

--Studies on how "to shift the world's economies away from their present emphasis on infinite economic growth and toward a focus on sustainable human wellbeing" and "to guide the way to true global economic sustainability through teaching, research, design, and the practical application of those economic solutions that will generate natural capital even as they create human profit."

International Society for Ecology & Culture

<http://www.isec.org.uk/index.html>

--Information on the effects of globalization on cultures around the world, as well as extensive articles on the reasons to go local.

Regional Effects of Climate Change

<http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/linkset/2006/05/03/LI2006050300853.html>

--Links to Washington Post Articles on various effects of climate change in the region

Climate Change Resources:

Climate Action Network Canada

www.climateactionnetwork.ca/e/issues/cc-primer.html#Z

--Basic overview of the science behind climate change, including scientific consensus, projections for the future, carbon dioxide levels and temperature, and the effects of human activity.

Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change

www.ipcc.ch/pub/support.htm

--"Published reports and proceedings from workshops and expert meetings within the scope of IPCC work program that have IPCC recognition and material commissioned by Working Groups in support of IPCC assessment process which IPCC decides should have wide dissemination.

David Suzuki Foundation

www.davidsuzuki.org/

--Helpful resources on solving global warming, protecting human health, conserving oceans, promoting global conservation, and building a sustainable economy

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

www.ncdc.noaa.gov/oa/climate/globalwarming.html

--Frequently asked questions on the basics of global warming

EPA's website on Climate change

www.epa.gov/climatechange/index.html

--Comprehensive list of links on topics in all aspects of climate change, including science, gas emissions, policy, and other resources.

Sierra Club

www.sierraclub.org/globalwarming/

--Home Page for the Sierra Club's Global Warming and Energy Campaign

Netherlands Environmental Assessment Agency

www.mnp.nl/en/index.html

--Provides "independent integrated assessments on such topics such as sustainable development, energy and climate change, biodiversity, transport, land use and air quality."

United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change

www.unfccc.int/2860.php

-- Information on the UNFCCC, an international treaty that includes the Kyoto Protocol; targeted primarily at people working in government.

Science of Global Warming

http://www.ucsusa.org/global_warming/science/science-of-global-warming.html

--Basic scientific information on climate change and the need for sound science in decision-making

The Scientific Consensus on Climate Change

<http://www.ametsoc.org/atmospolicy/documents/Chapter4.pdf>

--Detailed report on the science of climate change and the consensus among scientists that it really is a problem

Greenhouse Gas Emissions Data

Energy Information Administration

www.eia.doe.gov/oiaf/1605/ggrpt/index.html

--Official energy statistics from the United States government

Vostok Icecore Raw Data

National Environmental Satellite, Data, and Information Service

http://www.ncdc.noaa.gov/paleo/icecore/antarctica/vostok/vostok_co2.html

--Information on ice core CO2 concentration

Slides for Powerpoint Presentations

Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change

http://www.grida.no/climate/ipcc_tar/slides/index.htm

--Extensive list of possible slides for powerpoint presentations on climate change

www.ipcc.ch/present/graphics.htm

--Extensive list of graphics for use on presentations and other materials

The Community Solution

<http://www.communitysolution.org/ppts/CaseForLocalization.ppt#5>

--Slides with information on going local.

The Scientific Consensus on Climate Change

<http://www.ametsoc.org/atmospolicy/Presentations/Oreskes%20Presentation%20for%20Web.pdf>

--Presentation detailing information from the book listed under the same name above in the "Climate Change Resources" section

Endangered Species

Polar Bear Update

www.worldwildlife.org/polarbears/updates/polarbearprotection.cfm

--Information on the World Wildlife Fund's actions to protect polar bears on a local, regional, and international scale

Endangered Species

<http://www.endangeredspecies.com/>

--Information on endangered species organized by state, ways to help save them, laws that protect species, and resources for teachers and students

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Endangered Species Program

<http://www.fws.gov/endangered/>

--Species information, laws, policies, federal register notices, and an endangered species bulletin

Impact of Climate Change on Health:

World Health Organization Global Environmental Change

www.who.int/globalchange/en/

--Information on climate change, ecosystems, and ozone depletion as related to health

Retreat of Glaciers:

Impacts of Glacier Retreat

www.en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Retreat_of_glaciers_since_1850#Impacts_of_glacier_retreat

--Information on the impacts of glacier retreat, as well as some links to resources on glaciers

Commuter Information

Commuter Page Blog

<http://commuter.typepad.com/commuterpageblog/2007/06/our-friends-at-.html>

--Article on commuting trends in the DC area

Commuter Connections

<http://www.mwcog.org/commuter/Bdy-empsvcs-reps.html>

--Links to resources for DC metropolitan commuters organized by area

Washington Area Bicyclist Association

<http://www.waba.org/>

--Great resource for events for cyclists, maps for commuting, biking for kids, community action, as well as a store selling maps and t-shirts

goDCgo

www.goDCgo.com

--"The site includes information on parking, transit, bicycling, carsharing, and more."

Low Carbon Diets:

Slate Green Diet

<http://www.slate.com/id/2151739/>

--An eight week carbon diet, including a quiz to help determine your current carbon output

Low Carbon Diet

<http://www.empowermentinstitute.net/lcd/index.html>

--A 30 Day Program to lose 5000 pounds

The Atkinson Diet

<http://theatkinsondiet.com>

--"A local response to global warming" that includes an events calendar, photo album, heroes' solutions, list of local food sources, and information on recycling and ridesharing.

Institutional Resources

Climate Solutions

<http://www.climatesolutions.org/>

--Information on global warming, solutions, programs, renewable electricity, and links to resources.

Energy Star

<http://www.energystar.gov/>

--links to information, tools and resources designed to accommodate institutions

Saving Paper

EPA Wastewise Tools

<http://www.epa.gov/wastewise/climate/tools.htm>

--Calculates the CO2 impact of recycling and waste reduction

Environmental Defense Paper Calculator

<http://www.environmentaldefense.org/papercalculator/>

--Another tool to calculate the environmental impact of papers. Also allows for comparison of different kinds of papers

Communicating the Message

Campus Consortium for Environmental Excellence

<http://www.c2e2.org/climatechange.htm>

--Links to presentation and discussion with "one of the UK's leading specialists on the development and delivery of climate change communication strategies" on how to communicate your message with others.

Climate Change: Your Guide to Inspiring Action

<http://www.climatechallenge.gov.uk/multimedia/guide.html>

--Extensive downloadable guide to creating and communicating a message on climate change.

Public Attitudes on Climate Change

http://www.climatechallenge.gov.uk/communicate/what_do_people_think.html

--Information on common attitudes on climate change.

Framing Public Issues

<http://www.frameworksinstitute.org/strategicanalysis/FramingPublicIssuesfinal.pdf>

--Extensive toolkit on framing a message; not specific to climate change messages. Information on context, numbers, messengers, visuals, metaphors, visuals, and tones, as well as a frame checklist.

How to Talk to a Climate Skeptic

<http://gristmill.grist.org/skeptics>

--Information on common "stages of denial" and ways to counter them

Climate Change Controversies

<http://www.royalsoc.ac.uk/downloaddoc.asp?id=4085>

--An overview of the current state of "scientific understanding of climate change to help non-experts better understand some of the debates in this complex area of science."