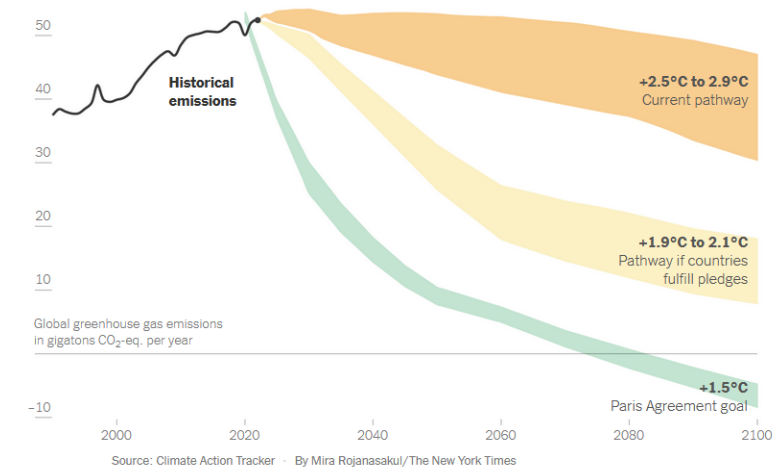


In Episode 57AB 1 World 2 United States 3 California 4 Colorado 5 Georgia 6 Massachusetts 7 Minnesota 8 New Hampshire 9 New York 10 Pennsylvania 11 South Carolina 12 Texas 13 Washington 14 Canada 15 United Kingdom 16 India. Main Content. 1A World. A Big Climate Goal Is Getting Further Out of Reach. A new report forecasts global temperature increases well above the level that world leaders have pledged to avoid. Listen to this article - 5:33 minutes. [RAWSEP View](#). Wood burning emissions are not mentioned in this article. The pledges of countries to cut their polluting emissions do not count the wood burning emissions of CO2 and PM2.5 in their Climate Goals. The premise of this article is that fossil fuel (and possibly wood burning) polluting emissions are outpacing cut of polluting emissions by adoption of the low carbon or no carbon emission technologies of wind, solar and geothermal. [Excerpts edited by RAWSEP for brevity and clarity and relationship to Residents Against Wood Smoke Emission Particulates, a 501c3 nonprofit organization.](#) November 14, 2024. Countries have made scant progress in curbing their greenhouse gas emissions over the past year, keeping the planet on track for dangerous levels of warming this century, according to a new report published Thursday. Paris Agreement goal. Source: Climate Action Tracker. The New York Times. The report by the Climate Action Tracker, a research group, estimates that the climate and energy policies currently pursued by governments around the world would cause global temperatures to rise roughly 2.7 degrees Celsius, or 4.9 degrees Fahrenheit, above preindustrial levels by 2100. That estimate of future warming has barely budged for three years now. Over the past three years, the United States has enacted the Inflation Reduction Act, which is expected to pour hundreds of billions of dollars into low-carbon technologies like wind, solar and nuclear energy, and carbon capture technology. China has been selling record numbers of electric vehicles. The European Union has ramped up its targets for renewable energy and heat pumps. global energy demand is growing faster than clean energy is expanding, which means fossil fuel use has been rising to fill the gap. Rising emissions while renewables boom is not a paradox, said, a scientist with New Climate Institute, which partners with Climate Action Tracker. In recent years fossil fuels won the race against renewables, leading to increasing emissions. As part of global climate talks, many countries have formally pledged to zero out their emissions by around midcentury. But many countries have not backed up those lofty promises with concrete action. The study also calculated what countries would need to do to hold total warming closer to a long-term average of 1.5 degrees Celsius, as leaders have pledged. The United States would need to slash its emissions roughly 80 percent below 2005 levels by 2035. China would need to cut its emissions by two-thirds over the same time frame. India, Europe, Brazil, Japan and Australia would all have to make deeper cuts than they are currently planning. This year, Earth will already be 1.5 degrees Celsius hotter than preindustrial levels, at least temporarily. It is time to admit that the world will cross 1.5°C. At the same time, that threshold does not mean the world has failed. Scientists have said that climate change risks increase with every fraction of a degree, so it will always be worthwhile to cut emissions as quickly as feasible to prevent further warming. But focusing on an unrealistic temperature limit is no longer useful. 1B World. A global carbon-credit market. The problem: Almost 200 countries have set targets under the Paris Agreement for reducing their emissions. But those targets fall far short of the reductions needed to stop global temperatures from climbing by 1.5 degrees Celsius compared with preindustrial times, according to the United Nations. [RAWSEP View](#). If countries cut their (uncounted) wood burning emissions in addition to cutting fossil fuel emissions, targets might be able to be reached. [Excerpts edited by RAWSEP for brevity and clarity and relationship to Residents Against Wood Smoke Emission Particulates, a 501c3 nonprofit organization.](#) The fix: Hitting those goals requires money — lots of it — and carbon credits, also called carbon offsets, are one way of getting this money to the places that need it. Carbon credits are tied to projects, often located in developing nations, that are aimed at removing or avoiding emissions. But there has never been a broadly accepted system for the buying and selling of these credits. This week, a U.N. system for those credits got closer to becoming reality. Negotiators at COP29 in Azerbaijan reached an agreement for how to assess what kinds of carbon credits would qualify



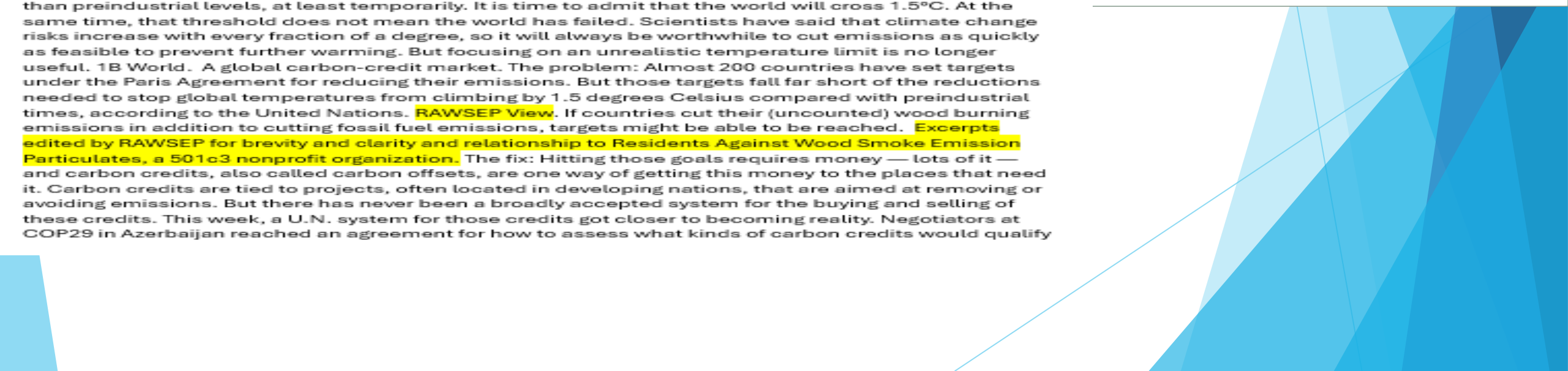
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under this U.N. framework. The agreement expands on a key part of the Paris Agreement, known as Article 6, whose aim is to allow countries to work together to meet their climate goals. This will be a game-changing tool to direct resources to the developing world and help us save up to 250 billion dollars a year when implementing our climate plans. Not only do carbon credits face questions over their integrity, but some critics say they offer a way for companies to buy their way out of curbing their own carbon footprints. 1C World. News Release: Thermochemical Tech Shows Promising Path for Building Heat. NREL. Hydrating the salt releases heat, which is used to heat the building, and extra heat from the heat pump at other times of day is required to dehydrate. 2A United States. Substack. Letters from an American (Heather Cox Richardson). **RAWSEP View.** Franklin Roosevelt explained to his angry critics in the 1930s that he was trying to save capitalism from communism or fascism. It may occur to moderate Republicans that a moderate approach rather than a MAGA approach will save capitalism from fascism in a second Trump term. **Excerpts edited by RAWSEP for brevity and clarity and relationship to Residents Against Wood Smoke Emission Particulates, a 501c3 nonprofit organization.** November 13, 2024. As the down ballot races last week show, MAGA policies remain unpopular, and the Republican margin in the House will be small. The gulf between Trump's promises to slash the government and voters' actual support for government programs is not going to make the Republicans' job easy. the world's richest person is about to receive a free public education, suggesting Elon Musk, who has emerged as the shadow president, will find his plans to cut the government difficult to enact as elected officials reject cuts to programs their constituents like. Musk's vow to cut at least \$2 trillion from federal spending, will run up against reality in a hurry. Of the \$6.75 trillion fiscal 2024 spending, debt service makes up 13.1%; defense which Trump wants to increase is 12.9%. Entitlements, primarily Social Security and Medicare, account for 34.6%, and while the Republican Study Group has called for cuts to them, Trump said during the campaign, at least, that they would not be cut. So Musk has said he would cut about 30% of the total budget from about 40% of it. a possible outcome of the Trump chaos might be to check the modern movement toward executive power, inducing Congress to recapture some of the power it has ceded to the president in order to restore the stability businessmen prefer. Franklin Delano Roosevelt was himself a wealthy man, and in the 1930s he tried to explain to angry critics on the right that his efforts to address the nation's inequalities were not an attack on American capitalism, but rather an attempt to save it from the communism or fascism that would destroy the rule of law. I want to save our system, the capitalistic system, FDR wrote to a friend in 1935. The protections of the system FDR ushered in the banking and equities regulation that killed crony finance, for example are now under attack by the very sort of movement he warned against. Thune's victory in the Senate today and the widespread Republican outrage over Trump's appointment of Gaetz and Hegseth are hopeful signs. 2B United States. Climate Forward newsletter. The New York Times. **RAWSEP View.** A Trump plan to cut climate and weather data collection may shut down some airline travel, among other problems. **Excerpts edited by RAWSEP for brevity and clarity and relationship to Residents Against Wood Smoke Emission Particulates, a 501c3 nonprofit organization.** November 14, 2024. How Trump's return could affect climate and weather data. The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration might not be a household name, but the federal agency is ubiquitous in homes and businesses across the U.S. That's because this federal office of scientific research, and its more familiar arm, the National Weather Service, stores a mind-boggling amount of data that we use every day. Data from the Weather Service powers many weather forecasts as well as the emergency alerts that ping to our smart devices, helping us decide what to wear, where to go and how to protect ourselves and our families from extreme weather events becoming more frequent under climate change. Without that data and the Weather Service to make sense of it, no plane would fly, no bridge would be built and no war would be fought at least not well. But the agency could now be under threat by a second Trump administration. That's according to Project 2025, the policy framework put together by the Heritage Foundation, a conservative think tank. The authors of the nearly 900 page document wrote that NOAA should be broken up and downsized, calling the agency that employs 12,000 workers across the world one of the main drivers of the climate change alarm industry. Climate data is



Drax power station in the UK, the world's largest forest biomass burner, where GSNR's pellets could be used for energy



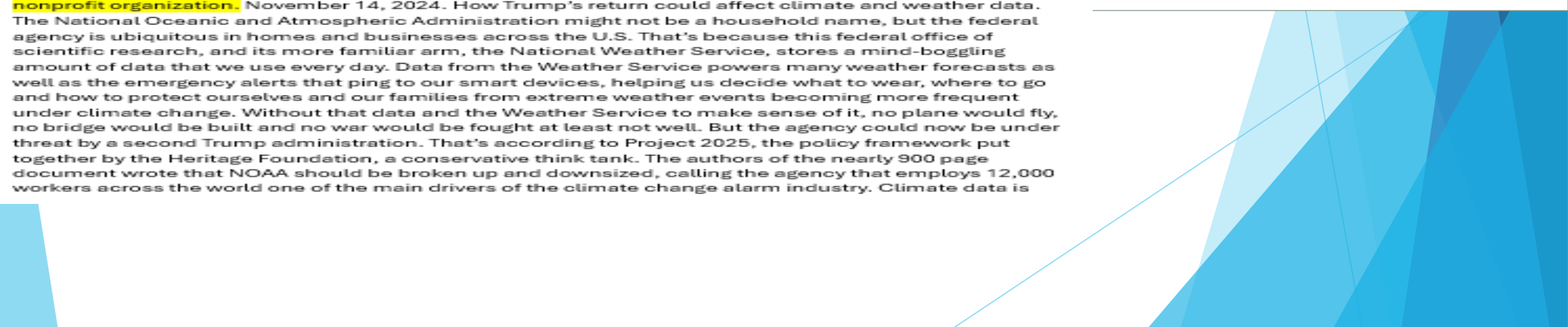
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absolutely at risk with Project 2025's call to dissolve the agency, said the cofounder of the Environmental Data and Governance Initiative, a small group formed in 2016 to back up climate information. While climate data did not disappear under the first Trump administration, climate scientists said they expected the second Trump administration to be more organized and strategic. The Trump transition team did not comment on questions about the maintenance or retention of climate data. NOAA was formed in 1970. defunding agencies will lead to the destruction of data. 2C United States. New York Times Climate Newsletter. **RAWSEP View.** Congestion Pricing has been enacted around the world to control traffic and to lower polluting PM2.5 emissions. **Excerpts edited by RAWSEP for brevity and clarity and relationship to Residents Against Wood Smoke Emission Particulates, a 501c3 nonprofit organization.** November 14, 2024. OTHER CLIMATE NEWS. Red taillights streak across an avenue, seen at night, with many cars locked in traffic. New York Joins a Global City Club, With a Deal on Congestion Pricing. The city will be the first in the U.S. to adopt a fee on driving in certain areas, with the aim of reducing traffic and pollution. For some other cities, that has long been the norm. The New York Times. 2D United States. Climate Change Is Losing Its Grip on Our Politics, New York Times. **RAWSEP View.** This article argues that promises will be made and not kept at COP29. **Excerpts edited by RAWSEP for brevity and clarity and relationship to Residents Against Wood Smoke Emission Particulates, a 501c3 nonprofit organization.** November 13, 2024. Opinion Writer. When the COP29 climate conference comes to an end next week, it will have concluded without an appearance by President Biden. This is not because Donald Trump just won the election, supplanting the outgoing American head of state on the world stage. The president-elect isn't attending, either. Neither is Vice President Kamala Harris, whom he defeated on November 5. Hardly any of the world's most powerful leaders will be making an appearance in Baku, Azerbaijan, yet another year that the annual Conference of the Parties, convened to stem the problem of warming, has been hosted by a petrostate. The causes of the global rightward wave are many, the pandemic, inflation, mass immigration, alienation from the neoliberal politics of the past decades. But intuitions of ecological hardship are yielding a zero-sum view of the world, civilians embracing a lifeboat ethics vision of politics and a dog-eat-dog approach to national identity that invites all of us to shrink our circles of empathy smaller and smaller defining success, and failure, in increasingly relativistic and tribal terms. 2E United States. The Onion, the satirical news site planned to turn Infowars into a parody of itself, mocking weird internet personalities who peddle conspiracy theories and health supplements. New York Times. **RAWSEP View.** RAWSEP is heartened at this takeover of Infowars by the satirical news site the Onion. As this article concludes, families of the victims of the Sandy Hook shooting were supportive of The Onion's bid because it would put an end to Mr. Jones's control over the site, which has been a font of misinformation for years. The families were also supportive of using humor as a tool for raising awareness about gun violence in America. They're all human beings with senses of humor who want fun things to happen and want good things to take place in their lives, Mr. Collins said. They want to be part of something good and positive too. Listen to this article - 5:49 minutes. Alex Jones, the founder of Infowars, outside a federal courthouse in Houston ahead of a bankruptcy hearing in June. **Excerpts edited by RAWSEP for brevity and clarity and relationship to Residents Against Wood Smoke Emission Particulates, a 501c3 nonprofit organization.** November 14, 2024. The Onion, a satirical publication that skewers newsmakers and current events, said on Thursday that it had won a bankruptcy auction to acquire Infowars, a website founded and operated by the conspiracy theorist Alex Jones. The Onion said that the bid was sanctioned by the families of the victims of the mass shooting at Sandy Hook Elementary School, who in 2022 won a \$1.4 billion defamation lawsuit against Mr. Jones and his company, Free Speech Systems. Everytown for Gun Safety, a nonprofit dedicated to ending gun violence that was founded in the aftermath of the Sandy Hook shooting, will advertise on a relaunched version of the site under The Onion. The publication plans to reintroduce Infowars in January as a parody of itself, mocking weird internet personalities like Mr. Jones who traffic in misinformation and health supplements, The Onion's plan is to relaunch Infowars next year with an approach reminiscent of Click hole, The Onion's sister site that poked fun at listicles from BuzzFeed and other purveyors of viral content. Mr. Collins declined to provide



Prime Minister Keir Starmer of Britain at the United Nations climate conference in Baku, Azerbaijan, on Tuesday, Nov. 12, 2024



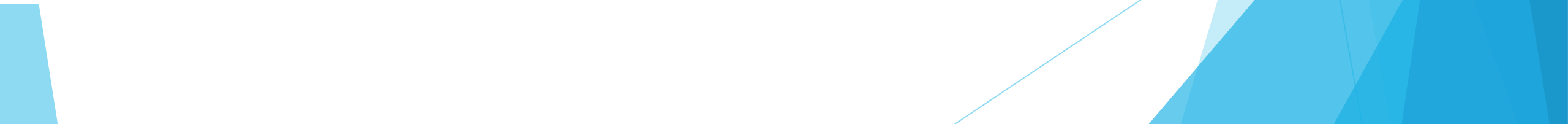
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financial details for The Onion, which is privately held, but he said that the company's relaunched print edition had garnered an arena full of subscribers, helping finance the company's bid for Infowars. Global Tetrahedron is backed by Jeff Lawson, a co-founder of the tech company Twilio. Mr. Collins said that the families of the victims were supportive of The Onion's bid because it would put an end to Mr. Jones's control over the site, which has been a font of misinformation for years. He said they were also supportive of using humor as a tool for raising awareness about gun violence in America. They're all human beings with senses of humor who want fun things to happen and want good things to take place in their lives, Mr. Collins said. They want to be part of something good and positive too. 2F United States. The government wants to give you \$3750 for a high-performance water heater. The Cool Down. With winter weather already affecting many communities, Americans are paying close attention to their energy bills and rising heating costs. 2G United States. Commentary: Heat pump-assisted water heater technology could make big lift. Energy News Network. Reliable hot water is critical for restaurants for preparing food and washing dishes and equipment, as well as hand washing. However, water heating is. 2H United States Great Lakes. He'll try, but Trump can't stop the clean energy revolution. Great Lakes Now. The cost of renewables is plummeting, heat pumps are selling like crazy, and red states are raking in cash from the IRA. 3A California Golden State Natural Resources proposed wood burning project. Not So Golden. National Resources Defense Council. NRDC. While GSNR has claimed it will burn wood from slash piles or wood burning wood for bioenergy emits carbon dioxide. RAWSEP View. PM2.5 pollution from wood burning is briefly mentioned in this article. Wood burning emits 2.8 times the CO2 and PM2.5 as the fossil fuel coal burning. Wood burning emits 450 times the PM2.5 as the fossil fuel natural gas burning. Wood burning is 90% PM2.5, particulate matter of 2.5 micrometer size, the perfect size to infiltrate the human lung, setting off a cascade of human health problems and early deaths. RAWSEP View. This article does emphasize that wood burning is not carbon neutral. RAWSEP Key excerpt from the article. While some countries have deemed forest biomass burning "carbon neutral" and subsidize it heavily, physics proves that burning wood for bioenergy emits carbon dioxide (and RAWSEP would that add burning wood emits PM2.5). Excerpts edited by RAWSEP for brevity and clarity and relationship to Residents Against Wood Smoke. Environmental Particulates, a 501c3 nonprofit organization. November 2024. Golden State Natural Resources (GSNR) recently released its Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) for a proposed project that will eat up forests, exacerbate climate change, and harm California communities. The public has until January 20, 2025 to send in comments. The report clarifies that GSNR intends to build two beastly industrial-scale wood pellet manufacturing facilities and an export terminal for foreign energy markets. GSNR ignored the massive impact this project will have on California's forests, climate, and environmental justice efforts, employing a bad-faith public engagement effort and snubbing community input. Not only is Golden State Natural Resources not so golden, but their whole report shows that there's no such thing as a silver pellet when it comes to climate change and wildfire mitigation efforts. The DEIR also claims that the proposed project will help combat climate change, advancing the Paris Agreement. This couldn't be further from the truth. Industrial logging, industrial-scale wood pellet production, and eventual wood pellet combustion in power stations will increase not reduce atmospheric carbon emissions. While some countries have deemed forest biomass burning "carbon neutral" and subsidize it heavily, there is no way around the physics that burning wood for bioenergy emits carbon dioxide. Trees harvested may regrow, but regrowth is not inevitable, and even if it does occur, it cannot remove the excess CO2 from burning wood for many years. In the meantime, that excess carbon dioxide remains in the atmosphere and worsens global warming. Every stage of producing forest bioenergy from the harvest, processing, transport, and eventual combustion at a power plant releases CO2 into the atmosphere. Even if the industry solely uses so-called wood waste,, burning it releases carbon immediately. GSNR itself admits to the project's problematic carbon emissions impact, describing the GHG impact as significant and unavoidable. Photo of Drax power station in the UK, the world's largest forest biomass burner, where GSNR's pellets could be used for energy. Finally, the project's air pollution impacts on communities are not only significant and unavoidable, to use GSNR's



Drax power station in the UK, the world's largest forest biomass burner, where GSNR's pellets could be used for energy



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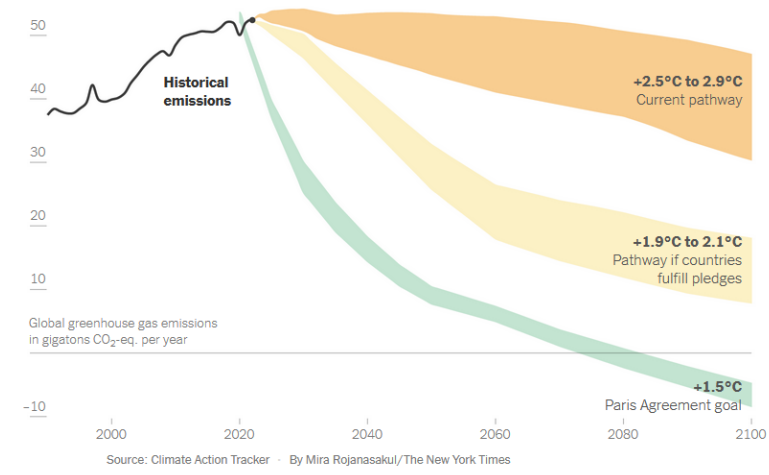
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own words.. At the facility in Lassen, which would churn out 700,000 tons of wood pellets every year, GSNR admits that the project's emissions will exceed air pollution control district limits for scores of dangerous air pollutants like particulate matter (PM10 and PM2.5). In doing so, the project will conflict with Lassen County's air quality plans. It will also pose serious cancer risks to nearby residents. Indeed, the project's maximum individual cancer risk in Lassen County is "28.6"—more than 2x greater than CEQA's threshold and in Tuolumne County is "16.5" which is 1.65x greater than CEQA's threshold. The Tuolumne County facility would also conflict with the APCD's air quality plans. CO. One need only to look at communities in the Southeast and Canada that have lived with the industry for a decade, to witness Drax pellet mills violate environmental laws 189 times in Canada and more than 11,000 times in the U.S. This project won't help mitigate fires or make forests more resilient.. It's an exercise in doublespeak, an ill-disguised attempt to make their destruction seem green. 3B California. New study links air pollution with increased risk of spontaneous preterm births. Medical Xpress. A new study led by the University of California, Irvine, found that exposure to fine particulate matter, 2.5 micrometers or less in diameter, Newswise. 4 Colorado Grand County. BLM to burn slash piles in Grand County. SkyHiNews.com smoke dispersal. Slash pile Prescribed fire smoke may affect your health; for more information see Colorado.gov/CDPHE/Wood-Smoke-And-Health. Colorado. BLM plans to burn slash piles across northwest Colorado this winter. Bureau of Land Management. burning operations. Prescribed fire smoke may affect your health, for more information see www.colorado.gov/cdphe/wood-smoke-and-health. 5 Georgia. Biden-Harris Administration Announces Georgia's Launch of Federal Home Energy Rebate Program. Department of Energy. Excerpts edited by RAWSEP for brevity and clarity and relationship to Residents Against Wood Smoke Emission Particulates, a 501c3 nonprofit organization. Eligible Georgia homeowners and multifamily building owners can use the federal home energy rebate programs to save energy, save money on. Georgia launches energy efficiency rebate programs. WABE. They're funded by \$220 million from the Inflation Reduction Act, the Biden administration's landmark climate legislation. Experts consider energy. Georgia. Biden-Harris Administration Announces Georgia's Launch of Federal Home Energy Rebate. Department of Energy. Eligible Georgia homeowners and multifamily building owners can use the federal home energy rebate programs to save energy, save money on. 6 Massachusetts. How you can save money with the Inflation Reduction Act before Trump is in charge. The Boston Globe. For the past two years, millions of consumers have been able to claim cash back from the government for buying electric vehicles, heat pumps. 7 Minnesota and Canada. Canadian wildfire smoke prompts air quality alert in north central MN – MSN. To help reduce the number of harmful particles in the air, MPCA recommends limiting activities like outdoor burning and use of wood-burning stoves. 8 New Hampshire Manchester. Campton fire crews rescue three dogs from smoke-filled home on King Road. WMUR. Fire crews found a wood-fired boiler in the basement of the home with the firebox door open. Two dogs ran out of the front door while officials. 9A New York. New York to Revive Congestion Pricing With \$9 Toll. Gov. Kathy Hochul is expected to announce the revised program on Thursday with the aim of putting it in place before Donald Trump takes office. Listen to this article - 6:28 minutes.. Excerpts edited by RAWSEP for brevity and clarity and relationship to Residents Against Wood Smoke Emission Particulates, a 501c3 nonprofit organization. November 13, 2024. New York will revive its once-abandoned plan for the nation's first congestion-pricing program, but at a reduced rate of a \$9 toll for most vehicles to enter Midtown and Lower Manhattan, according to five people familiar with the matter. Gov. Kathy Hochul intends to announce the state's revised proposal on Thursday, lowering the initial \$15 charge for cars to enter Manhattan's core at peak hours. The new plan would be fast-tracked for implementation. It would go before the Metropolitan Transportation Authority board for approval next week and would most likely take effect before President-elect Donald J. Trump takes office in January.. Ms. Hochul shocked New Yorkers in June when she announced she would pause the toll indefinitely just weeks before it was slated to go into effect. She has consistently insisted that she held up the plan because she believed that a \$15 toll was too high, but many speculated that she also believed the toll could hurt Democrats in the November election. The plan serves dual purposes: reducing traffic and clearing the air on New York City



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streets and raising roughly \$1 billion each year to support the city's ailing subways, buses and two commuter train lines.. Ms. Hochul is expected to propose a 40 percent reduction across the board to the previously approved tolling structure. Governor Hochul paused congestion pricing because a daily \$15 toll was too much for hard-working New Yorkers in this economic climate, a spokesman said. Tomorrow, the governor will announce the path forward to fund mass transit, de-clog our streets and improve public health by reducing air pollution. It is not clear if the state will be able to raise \$1 billion a year with a lower toll structure. State officials say privately that with a \$9 fee instead of \$15, more motorists may decide to drive into Manhattan, at least partially offsetting the loss in revenue from the lower toll. Under a revised plan with a 40 percent toll reduction, cars would pay an off-peak rate of \$2.25 from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. on weekdays, and from 9 p.m. to 9 a.m. on weekends. Trucks would be charged \$14.40 or \$21.60 during peak hours, depending on size. And passengers would see an extra per-ride surcharge of 75 cents in taxis and \$1.50 in Uber and Lyft. Passenger cars would also receive a discount for entering the congestion zone through four Manhattan tunnels the Lincoln, Holland, Hugh L. Carey and Queens-Midtown during peak hours, with a proposed credit of up to \$5 going down to \$3. Five House Republicans representing parts of New York City and its suburbs wrote to Mr. Trump on Tuesday blasting the program as oppressive taxation regime and asking the president-elect to try to quash it. 9B New York. FDNY battles Inwood brushfire as blanket of smoke envelopes upper Manhattan. New York Post. Chief of Fire Operations Kevin Woods reported that FDNY first responders were forced to draw water from the Harlem River and stretch hose lines up. 9C New York in United Kingdom publication. Smoke Rises From Brush Fire in Manhattan's Last Old-Growth Woods - Yahoo News UK. Smoke rose from burning trees and brush in Inwood Hill Park on the northern tip of Manhattan, New York, on Wednesday, November 13, 2024. 10 Pennsylvania. Can You Dehumidify a Basement With a Heat-Pump Water Heater? - Fine Homebuilding. Forest Hills, Pa. Contributing Editor and HVAC Expert Jon Harrod Replies: Dehumidifiers and heat-pump water heaters (HPWHs). 11A South Carolina Greenville. Caution advised when using downed trees from Helene for firewood. WYFF. firewood this winter. Check before burning! . That's the advice being given by an arborist in Greenville. 11B South Carolina Waterboro. Local man found not guilty in wife's death. Walterboro Live. At the time of the incident CCSO deputies report Craig Lewis said his wife Terry, unintentionally burned herself attempting to light a wood-burning. 12 Texas Bastrop. 'Burning wet feathers' and 'death' smell prompts complaints in Bastrop. YouTube. 'Burning wet feathers' and 'death' smell prompts complaints in Bastrop. 13 Washington DC. How do cold climate heat pumps work. The Washington Post. Think heat pumps can only work in warmer climates? Think again, experts say. The electric heating and cooling systems have historically been more. 14A Canada Alberta Airdrie. Airdrie residents warned of potentially lethal, invisible danger this winter. Discover Airdrie. Carbon monoxide is caused by incomplete fuel burning, Kostuk explained. Any fuel-burning appliance, such as a gas or wood-burning fireplace. 14B Canada British Columbia Kamloops. Prescribed burns taking place at Pinantan Lake; smoke may be visible. CFJC Today Kamloops. burning to reduce the accumulation of wildfire hazards such as dead wood and brush on the landscape. The prescribed burns at Pinantan Lake, nearly 14C Canada British Columbia Salmon Arm. City of Salmon Arm says residents can expect smoke due to wildfire mitigation work in Little. Castanet. Activities like pile burning help reduce wildfire hazards by removing fuel accumulations (e.g. dead wood or brush) from the landscape. Pile burning. 14D Canada Ontario Cambridge. Safety concerns force removal of Cambridge encampment. Village Report. There's a really nice wood-burning stove right in there, but I can't pull it out. Downie has spent the last 10 days removing as much of his. 15A United Kingdom. Britain Sets Out to Be a Clean Energy Destination. The New York Times. The prime minister announced more ambitious climate targets, charting a very different course from the United States, which is expected to roll back its energy transition plans. Listen to this article - 3:27 minutes. Prime Minister Keir Starmer of Britain at the United Nations climate conference in Baku, Azerbaijan, on Tuesday. Excerpts edited by RAWSEP for brevity and clarity and relationship to Residents Against Wood Smoke Emission Particulates, a 501c3 nonprofit organization. November 12, 2024. Britain on Tuesday announced the swiftest, most ambitious climate target of any industrial economy. In so



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doing, it not only laid out the economic case for clean energy, but also sought to chart a very different course from its longtime ally across the pond, the United States. Prime Minister Keir Starmer of Britain told delegates at the international climate talks in Baku, Azerbaijan, that his country would aim to reduce its emissions of planet-heating greenhouse gases by 81 percent by 2035, compared with levels in 1990. The race is on for the clean energy jobs of the future, the economy of the future, he said. The announcement at the talks, known as COP29, hinted at how Britain is trying to position itself in the world as a destination for companies that want to invest in the clean energy transition, especially at a time when President-elect Donald J. Trump has threatened to roll back the tax incentives that had recently made the United States an attractive bet for a range of clean energy companies, from battery makers to wind power firms. Helen Clarkson, who heads the Climate Group, a nonprofit organization, and works with the private sector in advancing clean energy, said in an emailed statement that Mr. Starmer's administration would now have to lay out a plan for companies seeking to invest. The economic prize on offer to the U.K. is enormous, Ms. Clarkson said. Mr. Starmer's left-leaning Labour Party came to office in July with a promise to accelerate the transition away from coal, oil and gas and to produce the country's electricity mainly from renewable energy sources by 2030, a full decade ahead of the European Union. 2030 target faces stiff challenges. It requires not only a doubling of wind power on land and a threefold expansion of solar capacity, according to the National Energy System Operator, an independent agency, but also the construction of new power lines to take the energy from where it's produced to where it's used. It also means an estimated \$80 billion in investments and requires changes to planning rules. The system operator's report, published in early November, also said that gas, which supplies more than a fourth of the country's electricity needs now, would have to remain as emergency backup for windless days. Mr. Starmer's challenge now is to show that his government can carry out such a swift energy transition without hurting Britons' pocketbooks. The government has pledged not to issue new oil and gas exploration licenses in Tuesday's announcement ratchets up the country's previous target to reduce emissions by 78 percent. And it follows the recommendation of the country's Climate Change Committee, an independent panel of advisers, which in October advised Mr. Starmer's administration to raise the country's ambitions and argued that they could be achieved in a way that benefits jobs and the economy. 15B United Kingdom. Householders unaware of low-carbon alternatives. Cooling Post. heat pump could provide. UK consumers still overwhelmingly rely on heat pumps as an option for home heating to see uptake continue to rise. 15C United Kingdom. New report highlights growth in heat pump workforce needed to meet UK net-zero targets. HVP Magazine. Covering not only heat pump installers but also the workforce needed from the electrical, plumbing, heating, and groundwork trades, as well as the. 15D United Kingdom. UK heat pump training report backs expanded market support. H&V News. New industry findings have found a positive increase over last 12 months in the number of engineers undertaking certified heat pump training, 15E United Kingdom. Visit a Heat Pump service sees over 600 visits booked in six months. Nesta. Buckinghamshire, Shropshire, and Bristol have the most heat pump hosts, while Lambeth, Edinburgh, and Stockport lead the way for most people who visit. 16A India Delhi. Delhi AQI 'severe' for day 2; 10 flights diverted due to fog: Top updates. Business Standard. With an AQI of 430, the city continues to grapple with hazardous particulate matter (PM) combined with dense fog. PM 2.5 and PM 10, two of the. 16B India. Delhi shuts all primary schools as hazardous smog worsens. BBC. According to IQAir, a Swiss-based Air Quality Index (AQI) monitoring group, Delhi had on average 254 pieces of fine particulate matter PM 2.5, 16C India. Haryana Air Quality Deteriorates: 11 Cities See 'Severe' and 'Very Poor' AQI Chandigarh News. Times of India. Haryana faces an air quality crisis as 11 cities report 'severe' and 'very poor' air quality index (AQI) levels. With pollutants like PM 2.5 and. 16D India. Toxic smog chokes Delhi as air quality remains severe; over 200 flights delayed. India Today. He added, PM 2.5 is a major contributor to pollution, especially from dust on damaged roads, and 3,100 tons of untreated CNG waste are released. 16E India and Pakistan. Winter smog adds to pollution woes in India and Pakistan. Phys.org PM2.5 to ambient air, according to the World Bank analysis. At any given location, PM2.5 in ambient air originates from a wide range of upwind.



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