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Dear Friends: We have just learned of a new video from Christiana Figueres:

Imagining a world without fossil fuels

In this newtopia, former UN climate chief Christiana Figueres outlines her vision of a world that's entirely free of fossil fuels.

Also bringing to your attention **Offshore drilling protest from our** local Marin Surfrider Foundation chapter: **Saturday, May 19, Stinson Beach, 11 am (see below)**

Links to climate articles

Recognizing the Mother of Global Warming

by greenman3610

University of California at Santa Barbara: By all rights, Eunice Newton Foote should be a household name. More than a century and a half ago, Foote was part of one of the most important scientific discoveries of our time: revealing the role of carbon dioxide in the earth's greenhouse effect. And yet relatively few people [...] [Read more >>](#)

Do Pipelines Really Create Lots of Jobs? |By Jacques Leslie | May 10, 2018

"The numbers are hard to pin down and that's before you add the social cost of carbon"

Trump, Softening His Tone, Calls for More Talks on Car Emissions | By [Hiroko Tabuchi](#) | May 11, 2018

The president has directed his administration to negotiate with California over a proposed rollback of fuel economy and tailpipe emissions standards.

California poised to be first state to require solar panels on new homes

State commission approves plan, saying consumer energy savings would outweigh higher building costs

How do we turn climate dialogue into action? | [by Mohamed Adow](#) | [@mohadow](#) Tuesday, 8 May 2018 13:15 GMT

What made the Paris deal worth celebrating for many groups was the fact that it had within it a mechanism that would see these insufficient pledges be improved upon over time so that they closed the gap and would see temperatures rise no higher than 2 degrees – and hopefully be kept below 1.5.

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This 'review and ratchet' mechanism now has a name: the Talanoa Dialogue, named after the Pacific tradition of storytelling and sharing experiences. Countries had their first Talanoa meeting in Bonn, Germany, this week, which featured 210 national representatives as well as 105 other stakeholders from business and civil society. They addressed three questions: Where are we? Where do we want to go? And how do we get there?

U.S. leads efforts to keep discussion of conflicts of interest off the table at UN climate talks

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Despite opposition from the United States, more countries seem interested in getting fossil fuel influence out of climate negotiations.

Kinder Morgan pipeline: Al Gore joins fight to block 'destructive' project

Gore says pipeline expansion in Canada 'would be a step backward in our efforts to solve the climate crisis'

Warning of 'ecological Armageddon' after dramatic plunge in insect numbers

Three-quarters of flying insects in nature reserves across Germany have vanished in 25 years, with serious implications for all life on Earth, scientists say.

Indicators of Climate Change in California Report Summary (May, 2018)

From record temperatures to proliferating wildfires and rising seas, climate change poses an immediate and escalating threat to California's environment, public health, and economic vitality. Recent climate related events – such as the devastating 2017 wildfires and the record-setting 2012-16 drought – have highlighted the challenges that confront the state as its climate continues to evolve. California has been a pioneer in addressing climate change. This report helps support policy decisions and facilitates communication about climate change by providing, in a single document, indicators characterizing its multiple aspects in California.

The Report includes 36 indicators grouped into four categories: • Human-influenced (anthropogenic) drivers of climate change, such as greenhouse gas emissions • Changes in the state's climate • Impacts of climate change on physical systems, such as oceans, lakes and snowpack • Impacts of climate change on biological systems – humans, vegetation and wildlife. A most valuable report. (See below and Attachment)

events

Saturday, May 19, Stinson Beach, 11 am, Offshore drilling protest

Our local Marin Surfrider Foundation chapter invites you to participate on **May 19 with our HANDS ACROSS THE SAND event**. This event will be happening on beaches and in cities around the globe!

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Meet at 11 am at Stinson Beach at the central restrooms. At NOON we will join hands on the beach for 15 MINUTES as a symbolic line in the sand, saying NO to expanding offshore oil drilling and YES to clean energy. Bring your friends!

Optional: **wear black** to symbolize an oil spill.

Please keep your footprint light. Carpool, bike, hike, etc., to get to the beach.

Questions, call 415-300-7480.

See you there! Ginger Gmahling