



**for Our  
Grandchildren**  
our legacy, their future

## May Newsletter

Dear {FIRST\_NAME|For Our Grandchildren Supporter},

At our May Forum, A Call to Action, participants discussed many ideas about what we can do to combat climate change. For our Grandchildren committed to providing a focal point and tools to help our members to have an impact and we are working on many aspects of that commitment.



One of the approaches that was considered important was to make ourselves noticed by politicians. As powerful as online petitions and emails campaigns are, we believe that there is also an important place for actual letters to Members of Parliament from individual citizens; politicians pay attention to such letters because of their substance. The [Letter Writing Aids](#) section of our web site provides suggestions for an effective letter to your MP and a few sample letters that we have used in the past. We recommend that you choose one that you like, tailor it to reflect your own thinking, address it properly to your own member of parliament, and send it to him or her. We can attest to the positive impact that the delivery of a handful of postcards from [The Postcard Underground](#) had on us.

We have designated June as our letter writing month, and we will prepare more sample letters so that we can all contribute to the impact of many voices speaking in a similar way on the same topic.

Another concrete action we will take in June is to Black Out our website on Monday, June 4 in solidarity with the [BlackOutSpeakOut](#) campaign that is providing many ways to protest the Canadian government's Bill C-38 that has many provisions destructive to the environment as well as being of a form that erodes the principles of democracy. We encourage you to visit their [web site](#), sign their petition, and follow other suggestions that they have as well as to tailor the sample letter on our web site that

addresses the same issue.

As usual we have highlighted a few recent Blog entries in the section below.

## Recent Blog Entries

### Coal Blockade Follow Up



On Climate Impact Day, May 5, a group of British Columbia citizens organized a symbolic blockade of a rail shipment of coal to BC ports.

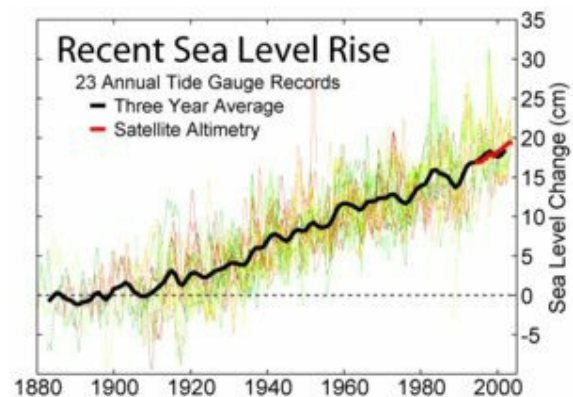
This Blog entry gives a short summary of the court injunction and subsequent arrest of the protesters.

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## A Straightforward Guide to Sea Level Rise

At last month's forum there was a request for simple explanations for the complex issues surrounding climate change. An example of a simple explanation is in this Blog entry.

1. Glaciers melt, there's more water in the ocean, sea levels rise;
2. Water expands when it warms, sea levels rise.



Climate models predict that sea levels will rise 30 to 80 inches by 2010. That's 2.5 feet to 6.5 feet.

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## REDD: an important acronym in the Climate Change world



REDD stands for "Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Forest Degradation in Developing Countries". This United Nations



## REDD A FALSE SOLUTION TO CLIMATE CHANGE

program has as its objective to reduce deforestation in developing countries which sounds very noble, but the issue is very complex and has many critics. The most common criticism is that the program may benefit polluters in the developed world and also present them with the ability to buy carbon credits from developing countries without make meaningful cuts to GHG emissions in their home country.

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## Join Us



We hope you agree that we have to act now to ensure that the most significant menace to confront us is controlled. We depend upon public support to keep the issue of climate change alive among grandparents. Grandparents who subscribe to receive our email become members of FOG.

P.S. Would you like to help spread the word about FOG and our important work? Please feel free to **forward this message to a friend**



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