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grandchildren**
our legacy, their future

June, 2013 Newsletter

Dear {FIRST_NAME|For Our Grandchildren Supporter},

Here are some highlights of 4RG activities in the last month.



On May 25 we held a public meeting in Peterborough with about 50 people in attendance. Alanna Mitchel, author of *Sea Sick*, Gord Miller, Environmental Commissioner of Ontario, and Jeff Leal, MPP for Peterborough spoke at the session, and we finished with a lively discussion about what grandparents in Peterborough can do to make a difference. Peterborough Grandparents are meeting at the Silver Bean Cafe on Thursday at 7:00 to further discuss actions.

Read our [report](#) on the event or read Drew Monkman's fine [column](#) from the Peterborough Examiner. We are now planning a similar event on October 18 in Guelph.

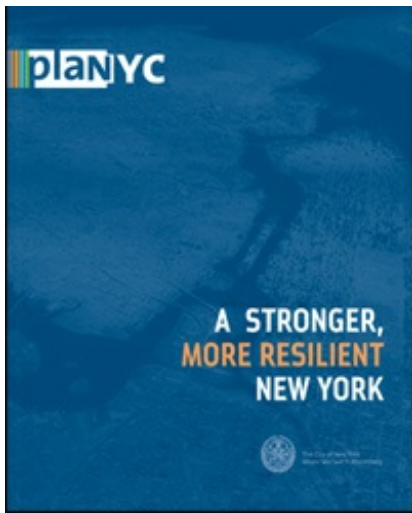
Many of the bugs introduced by our [web site](#) redesign have now been fixed and we have been busy writing articles, with a couple highlighted below. While you're checking out the new site, take five minutes follow the link to Greenpeace's Tar Sands Greenwash YouTube videos that poke fun at Canada's Oil Sands promotional advertising.

As ever, for the sake of our grandchildren, we appeal to you to speak out to your friends, colleagues, candidates, and political representatives for political action to combat climate change.

Recent Blog Articles

Hurricane Sandy Fallout

 This article cites several sources who



acknowledge, after last October's Hurricane Sandy that our mitigation efforts against climate change will be costly, but that failure to act now will cost even more.

First there is the [report](#) commissioned by Mayor Michael Bloomberg that is intended to make NYC more resilient to future storms at a cost of \$19.5 billion. Mayor Bloomberg does not claim that implementation of the recommendations will make New York "climate-change proof" events of New York City to the destruction caused by Hurricane Sandy.

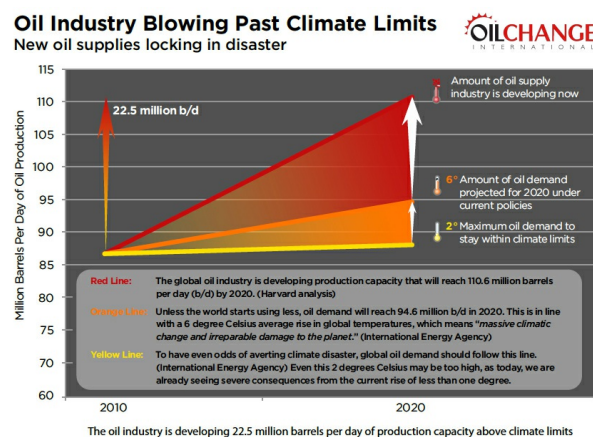
Eric Reguly published this [article](#) in the Globe & Mail which he titled "Ignoring the Cost of Climate Change is Bad Business".

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Insane? Or Irrational?

We reference an [article](#) from [Oil Change International](#) who in turn reference the [International Energy Association's World Energy Outlook 2012](#) report.

The most important quote from the executive summary of the IEA report is "No more than one third of proven reserves of fossil fuels can be consumed prior to 2050 if the world is to achieve the 2 degrees celsius goal", the internationally recognized limit to average global warming in order to prevent catastrophic climate change. Oil Change International rephrases that to say "over two thirds of today's proven reserves of fossil fuels need to be **still in the ground** in 2050". Canada needs to apply this logic to our Tar Sands exploitation.



The graph above shows the Global Warming path that the world is on under several different scenarios.

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We hope you agree that we must act to ensure that the most significant menace to confront our civilization is brought under control.

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climate change alive among grandparents. You can make a [contribution](#) to *For Our Grandchildren* online on our web site. Grandparents who subscribe to receive our email become members of *For Our Grandchildren*.

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