

**What can 1 person do,
when 6.8 billion are frying the planet?**

by Franke James



We could talk over  about GLOBAL WARMING
and the THREATS:

~ HEAT
waves,
Floods,

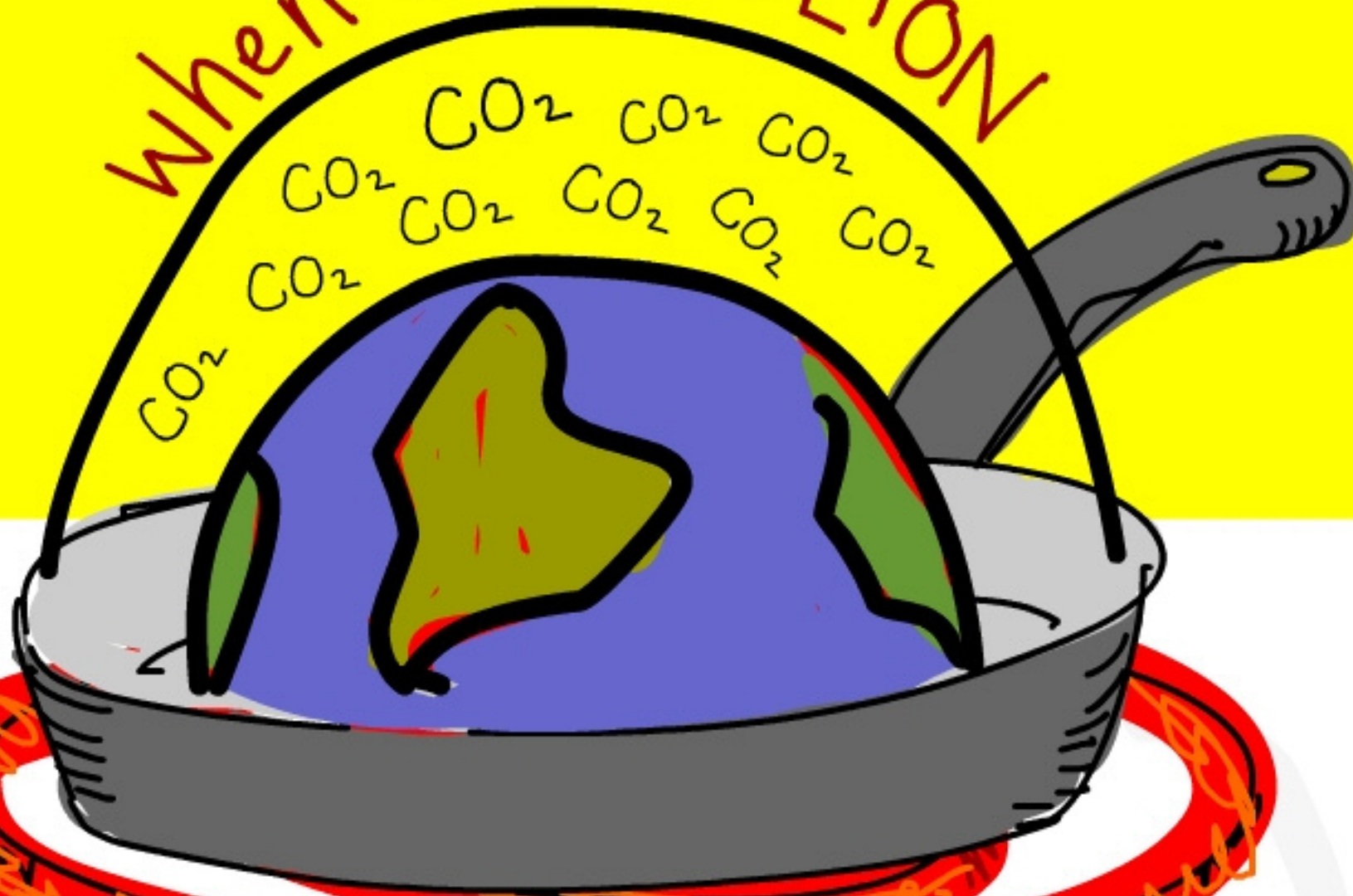
FOOD shortages -
to name
just a few.

BUT...

You might decide to WALK the



When 6.8 BILLION



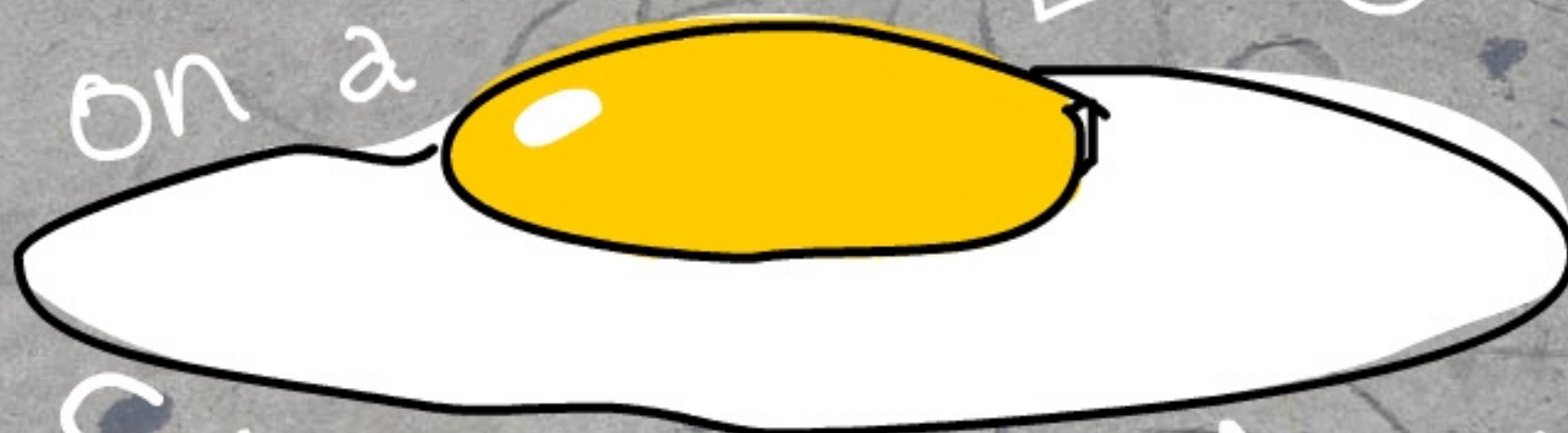
Are

FRYING the PLANET?

I go for a WALK

SIZZLING

on a



Summer day

AND



about THAT QUESTION.



(It's now in the danger zone.)

But our LEADERS keep



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WILL they TAKE
ACTION
before we're ALL





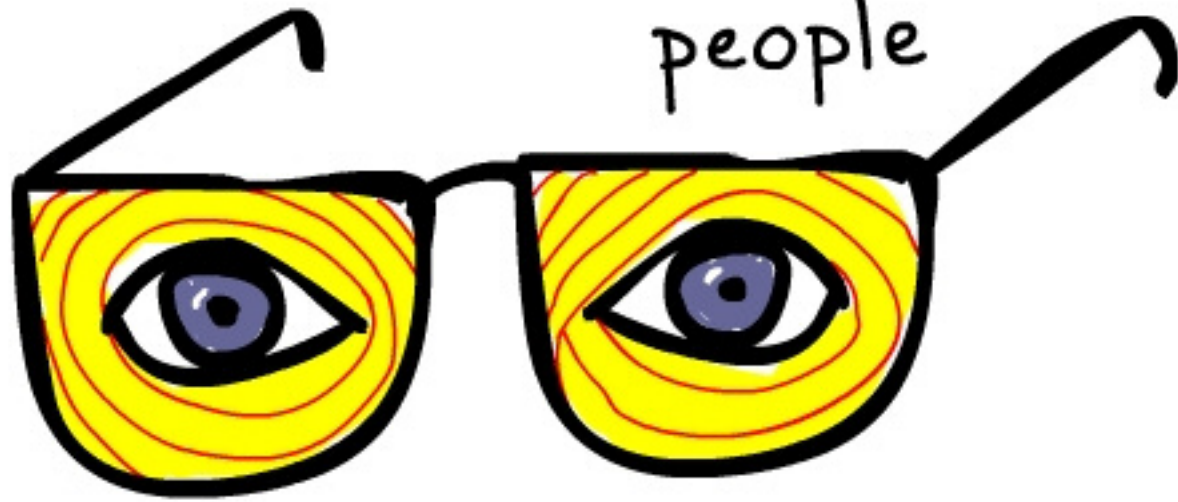
Deepak CHOPRA says
NOT to WORRY about GLOBAL WARMING.



Maybe Deepak REALLY means that WORRY is unproductive, so take ACTION??

WHATEVER!

I think we could use
a Lot MORE
people



WORRYING

about

GLOBAL WARMING.

FLIP WORRY

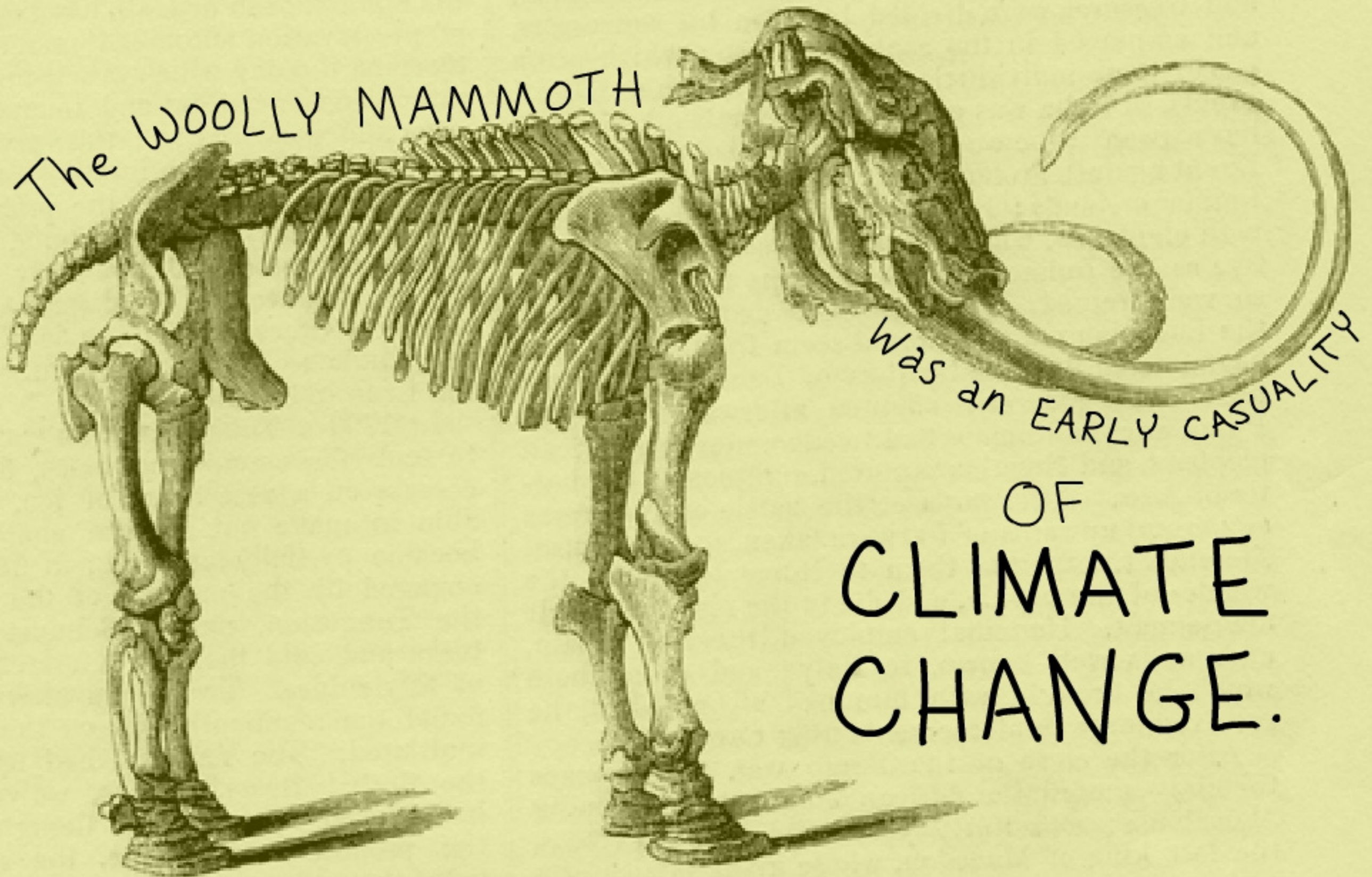
around 

and it
becomes




4-SIGHT

SADLY, the WOOLLY MAMMOTH did NOT possess 4-SIGHT.



365.—Mammoth found in Siberia.



CHARLES DARWIN wrote,
"It is NOT the STRONGEST
nor the most INTELLIGENT of
the SPECIES that SURVIVE;
it is the ONE MOST
Adaptable to CHANGE."



So FAR, MAN is clinging to
"BUSINESS AS USUAL."



Looking BACKWARDS, and thinking HOPING that LIFE will be as it was BEFORE.

What can ONE person do



when 6.8 BILLION are FRYING the PLANET?



Of course, SOME
are being
FRIED

MORE than
doing the
FRYING....



I CAN'T HELP
WORRYING
about myself,
and my FAMILY.



Maybe we'd be

SAFER in the FAR NORTH?

An aerial photograph of a coastal city, likely New York City, showing a dense urban area in the foreground and a large body of water (the harbor) in the background. The sun is reflecting on the water's surface. The text "ARE CITIES the SAFEST Place if a" is overlaid in a large, black, handwritten-style font across the top half of the image.

ARE CITIES the
SAFEST Place
if a

CLIMATE
CATASTROPHE
HITS?



HALF of the WORLD'S Population live in Cities.



We can't ALL FLEE



to ESCAPE

1. EXTREME STORMS
2. FLOODS
3. HEAT WAVES
4. POWER BLACKOUTS
5. WATER FAILURE
6. SEWER BACKUPS
7. INVASIVE INSECTS
8. FOOD SHORTAGES
- etc., etc.,



But it's a MAMMOTH job

to ADAPT the CITY

to a CHANGING
and
MORE
THREATENING
CLIMATE.

Sanitary Sewer Replacement and Local Road Resurfacing



We're under construction to serve you better.

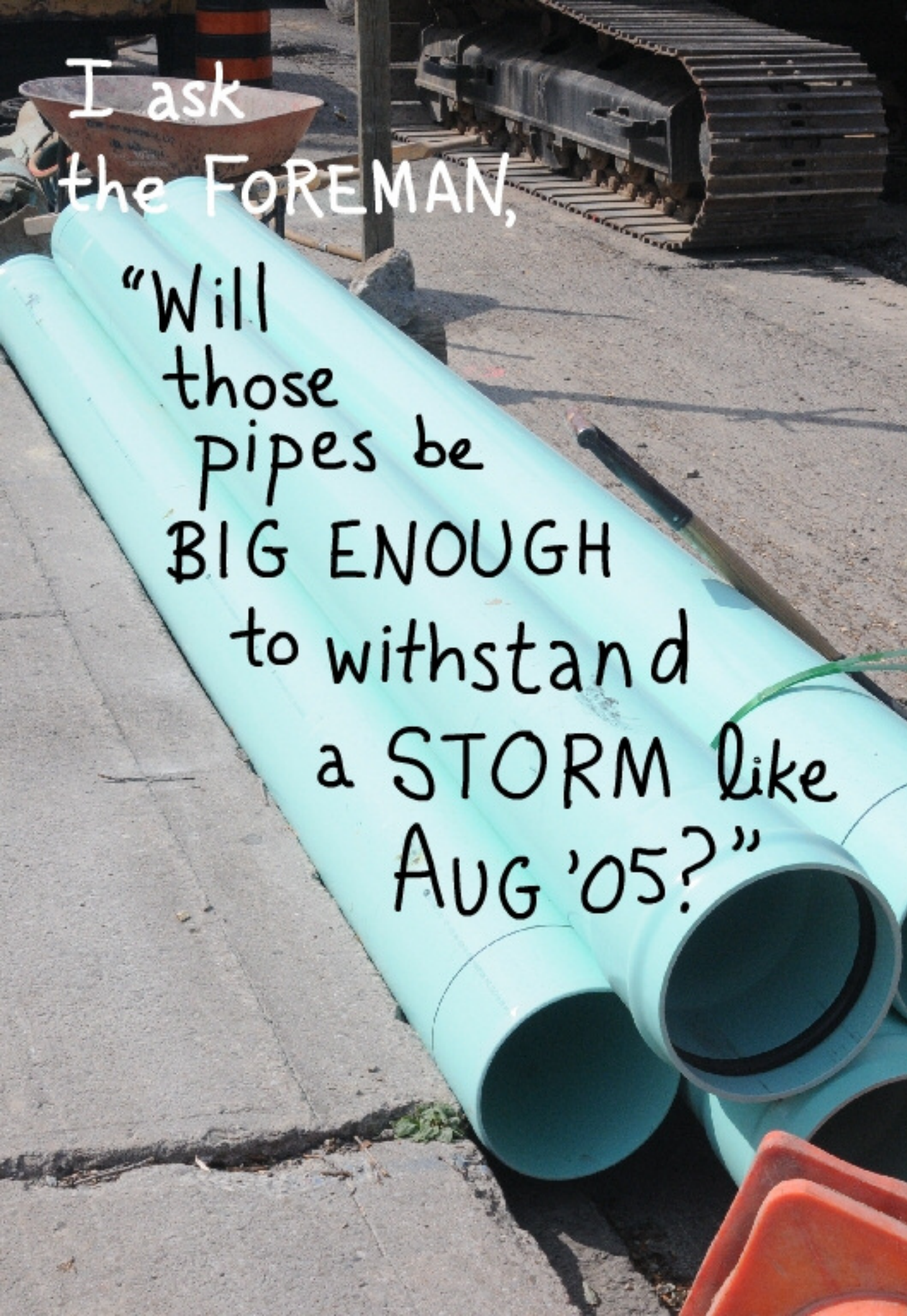
This City of Toronto project will improve
roads and sanitary sewer service.

Expected Completion Date: Fall 2010

How FAR
AHEAD is

the CITY
PLANNING?





I ask
the FOREMAN,

"Will
those
pipes be
BIG ENOUGH
to withstand
a STORM like
AUG '05?"



He can't say.
BUT, the NEW pipes
are NOT bigger.

Hmmm...

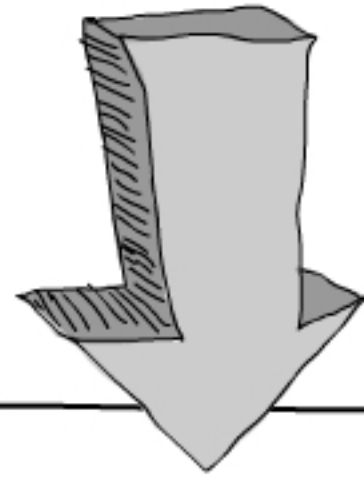


I wonder...

Do they have a

PLAN

to prepare for the FLOODS,
DROUGHTS, and the EXTREME
WEATHER of the FUTURE?



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Google

city, climate change, plan, toronto,

And I discover



WORRIED too!

"In the last decade, Toronto has experienced more extreme heat, storms, floods and droughts as well as the invasion of damaging insects..."

Ahead of the Storm, [April 2008]

1 STORM with a GIANT Price tag
caught their attention.

\$500M



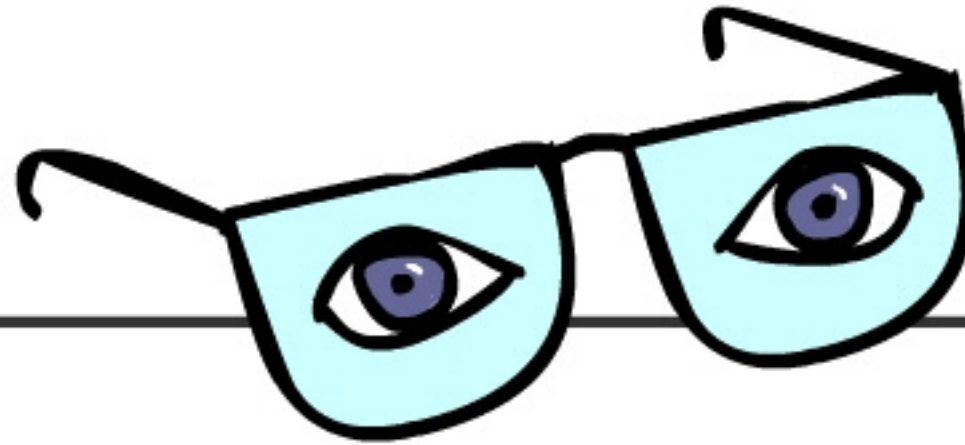
The August 2005 storm was the MOST EXPENSIVE in Toronto's history. A major road was wiped out. 4,200 homes were flooded (including ours). In total, there was \$500 MILLION in insured losses.



The Insurance industry was NOT happy. The City had to take action...

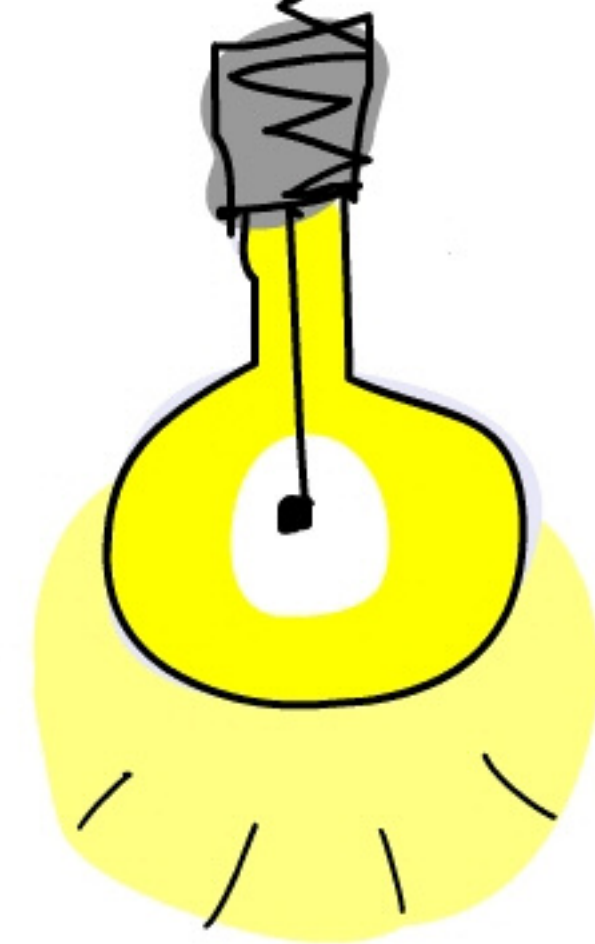
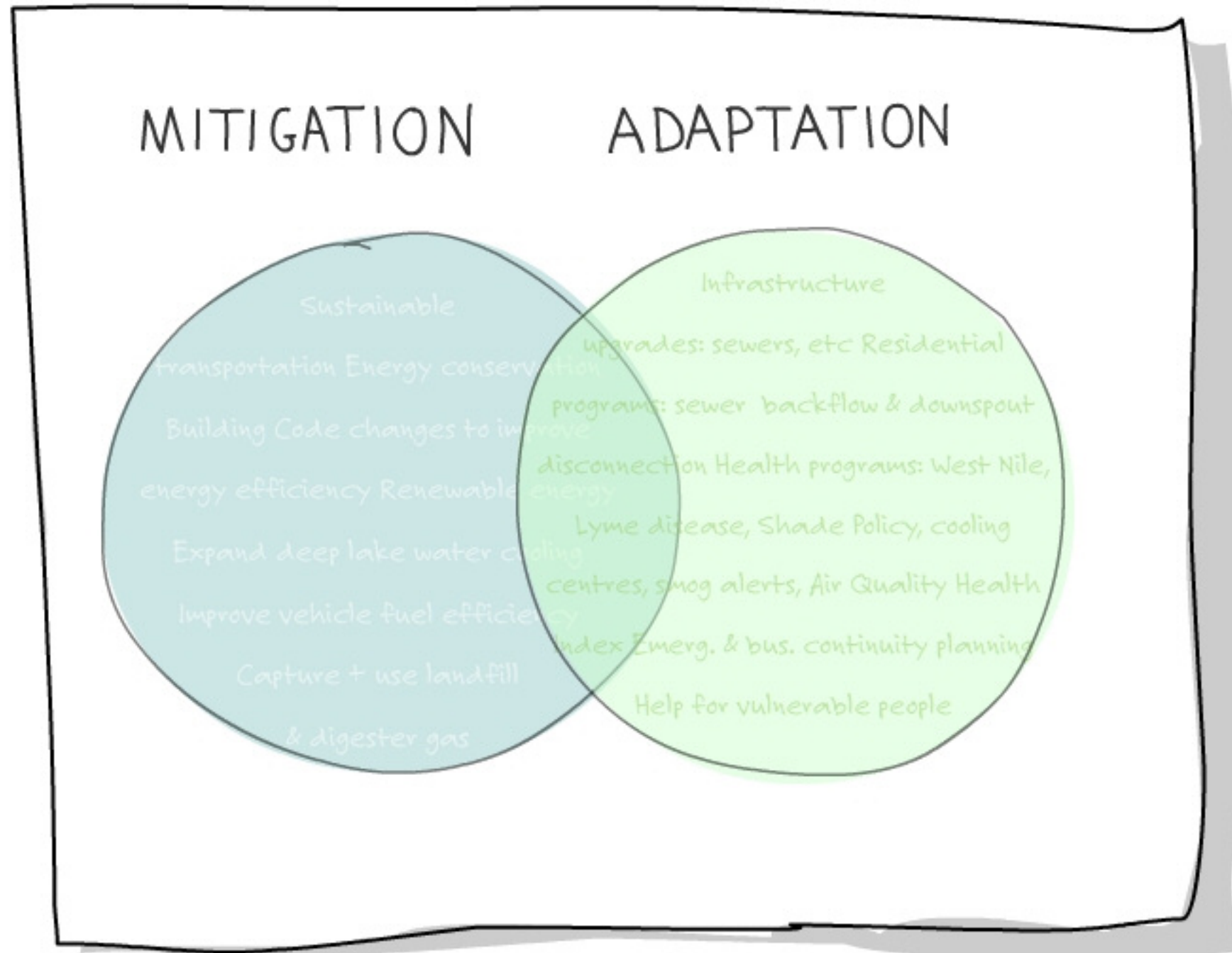
The CITY drew up a PLAN!

I'm
THRILLED



✓ STORMS ✓ FLOODS ✓ EXTREME HEAT ✓ DROUGHTS ✓ INSECTS

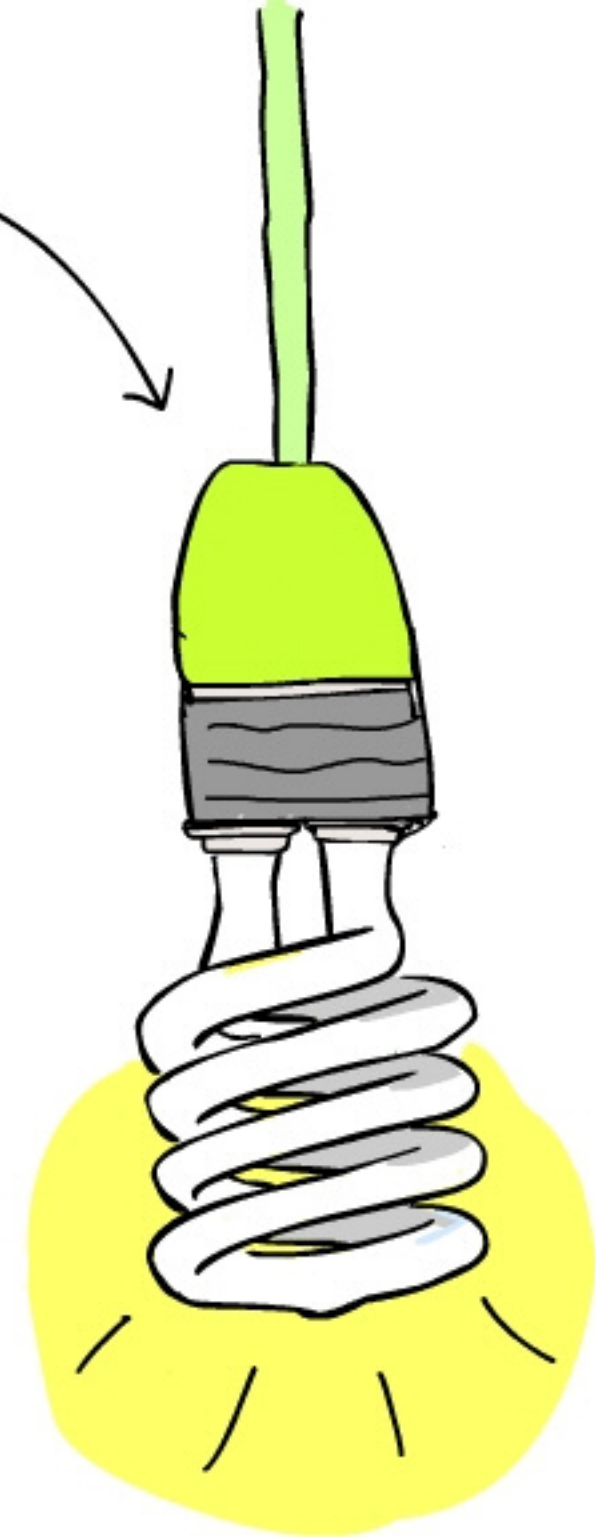
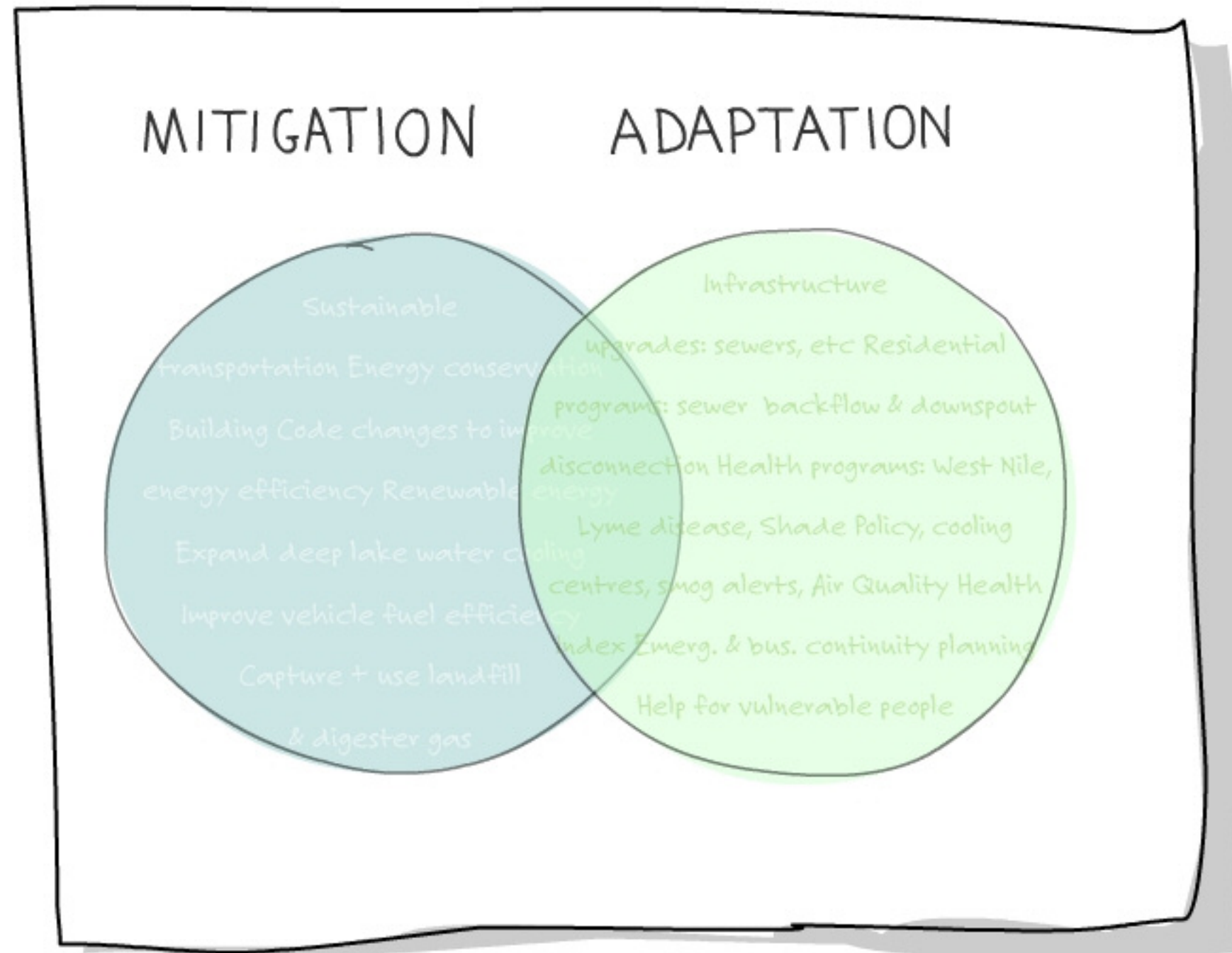
And when I read it, the



comes on!

Ooops

And when I read it, the



comes on!



I see How we Fit into their PLAN.

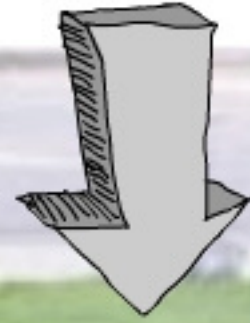
When we SOLD our car in 2007,



we were MiTiGATiNG our CO₂.

↑
REDUCING

AND when we built a PERMEABLE driveway



Unknowingly,
we were part of their
ADAPTATION plan

to reduce STORMWATER runoff and FLOODS!



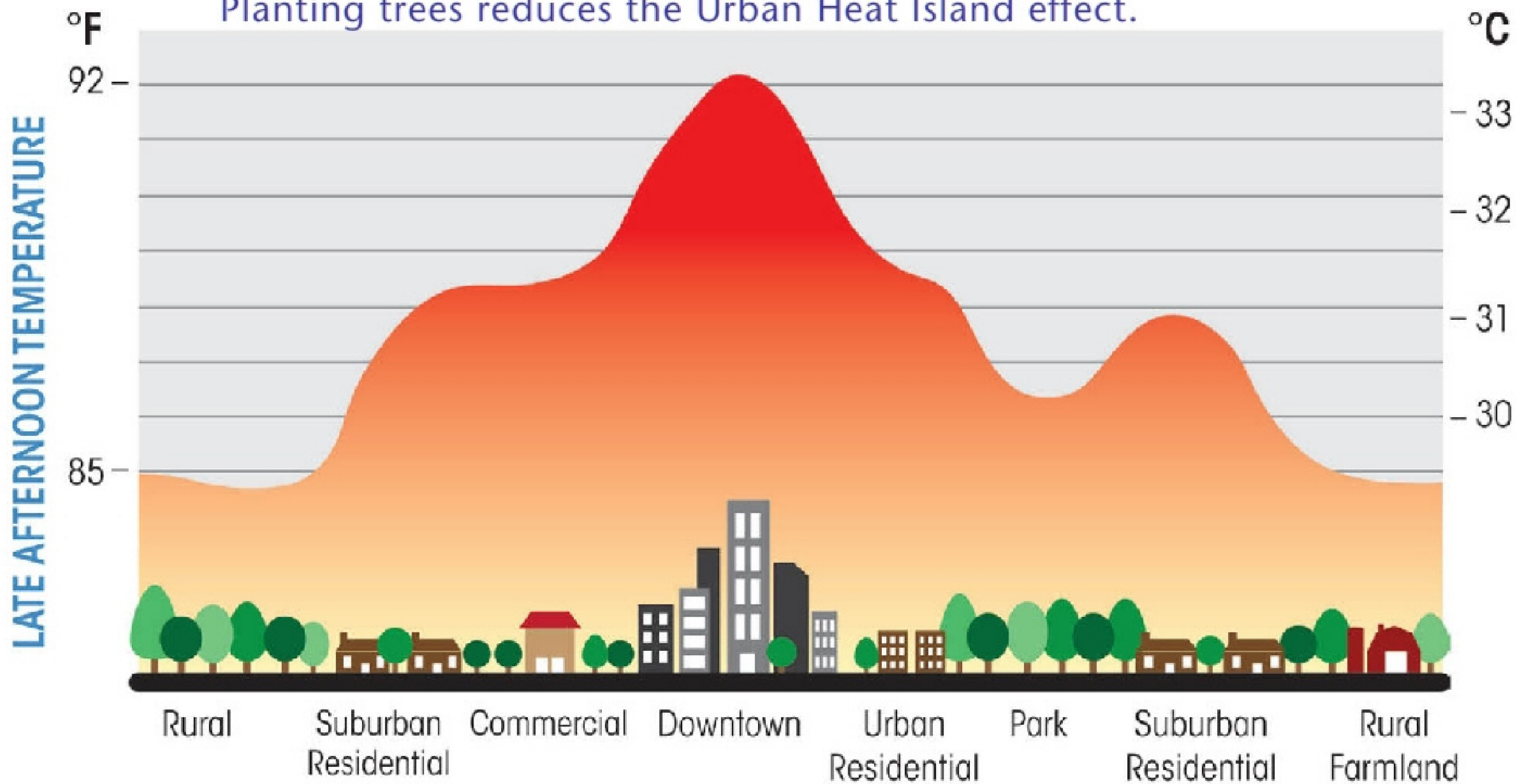


Even the TREES we Planted to provide SHADE,

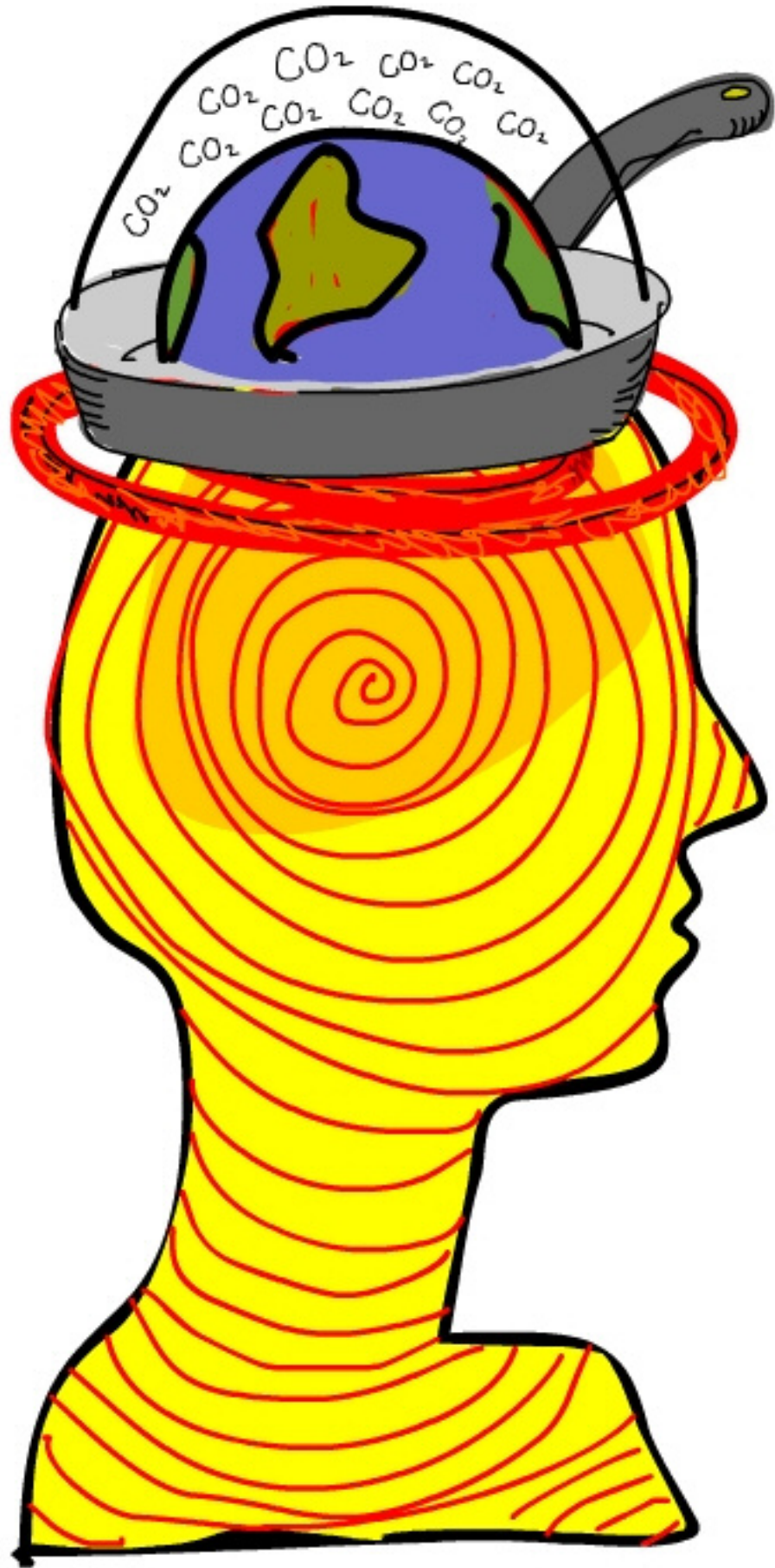


are in the City's ADAPTATION plan.

Planting trees reduces the Urban Heat Island effect.



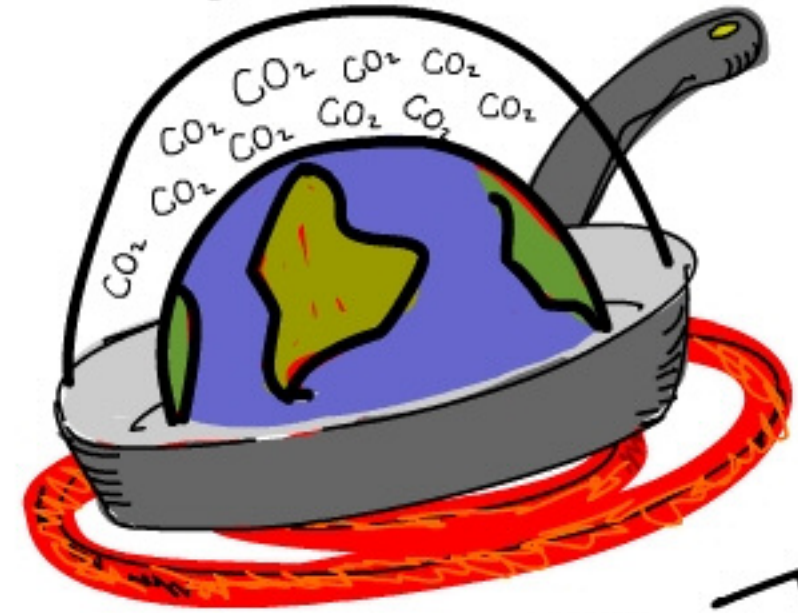
Graph courtesy: Clean Air Partnership



NOW it
MAKES
SENSE
what
ONE person
can do.

EACH of us
needs

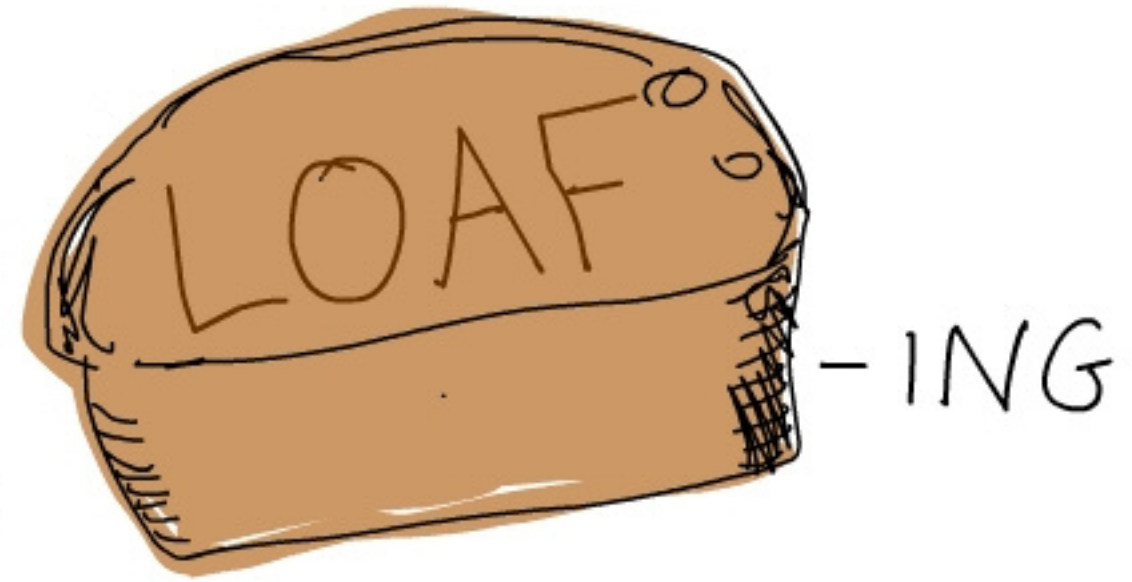
A
PLAN



to

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to
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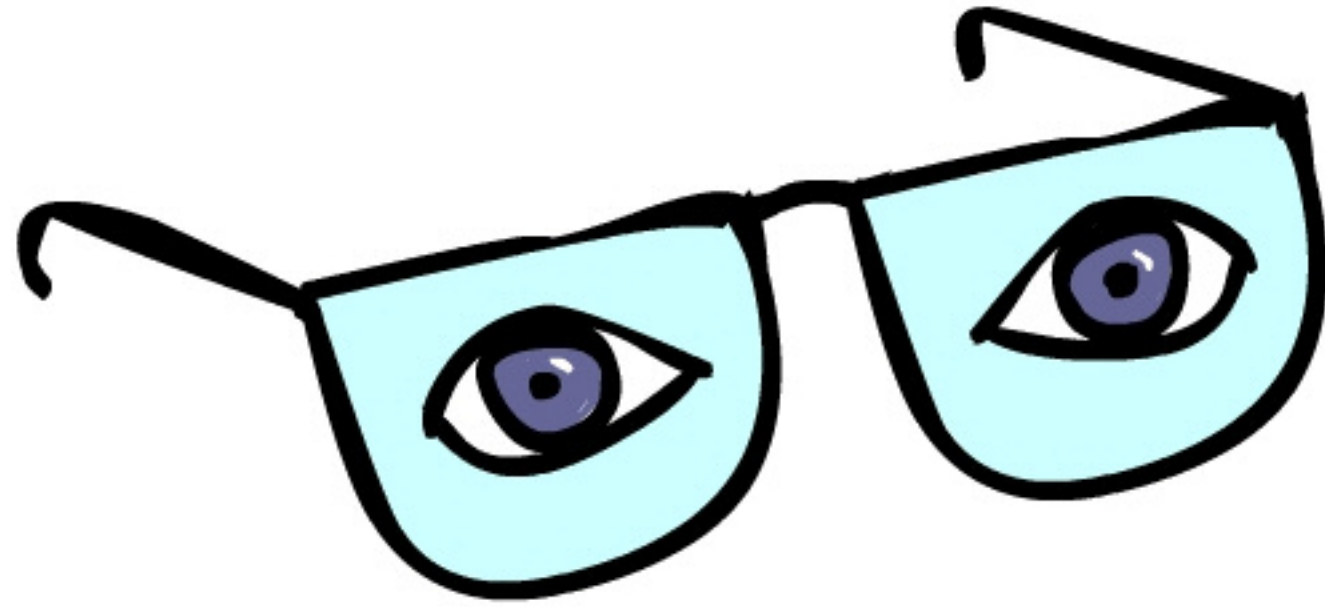
DON'T be
FOOLed by the
GLOBAL LEADERS



LOCAL LEADERS
and Cities are
MAKING PLANS
to ADAPT to
CLIMATE CHANGE.



(because it's affecting
them now!)



You need your own
Mitigation + Adaptation P_LAN.



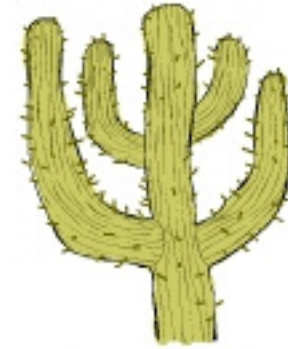
Floods



Heat Waves



CO₂

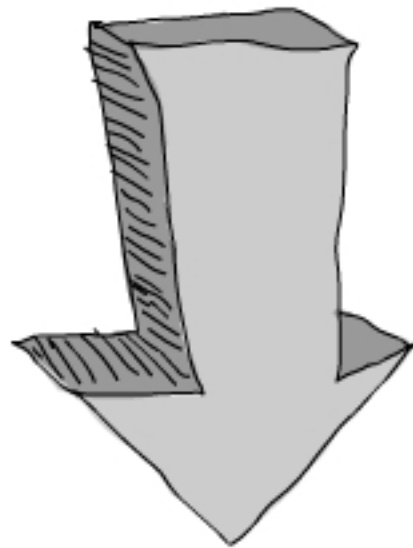


Droughts



Food shortages

With a Little HELP from FRIENDS
You can PUT it INTO ACTION!



JOIN the
WORK PARTY

On 10/10/10,

**in every corner of the globe,
we will bring our communities
together to implement solutions
to the climate crisis: from solar
panels to community gardens,
wind turbines to bike workshops.**

**We'll tell leaders: "We're getting
to work—what about you?"**



from 350.org & 1010global.org

www.350.org

And together,
Let's tell
our LEADERS



FRYING the PLANET



Franke James merges science, art and story-telling to inspire people to take action and “do the hardest thing first” for the planet. Franke is an artist, speaker, and the author of two award-winning books: *Bothered By My Green Conscience* and *Dear Office-Politics*.

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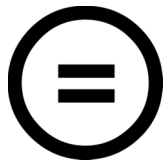
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