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Panic in “Sustainable City”

By Tom DeWeese

The attacks came fast and furious, from March through June. A coordinated attack to vilify, ostracize and neutralize efforts by local citizen activists who are standing in opposition to Agenda 21 and its policy called Sustainable Development. The terms “conspiracy theory,” “extremists,” “fear mongers,” and “far right,” are all over these obvious attempts to smear any opposition to the agenda of the Sustainablist planners that now swarm over nearly every community in America.

It started with the American Planning Association (APA) delivering yet another report in a continuing effort to understand the fierce opposition to its “innocent,” “locally- driven” programs. Apparently it is a mystery to the APA why there would be opposition to its plans to reorganize entire communities which sometimes result in turning people’s lives upside down. The APA has done a series of studies over the past few years in an attempt to find a way to silence or counter our opposition to planning. The latest report, issued in March, 2014, entitled “The Actions of Discontent,” was perhaps the most honest of the reports the APA has issued, when it said the opposition to planning is “*marked by deep philosophical differences between activists and planning proponents...*”. That’s certainly better than saying we’re just nuts, unlike most of the usual attacks against us.

Case in point, the next attack came in April from the Southern Poverty Law Center (SPLC), yet again. This makes at least four SPLC reports I’m aware of, to specifically focus on me as the ring leader of the opposition. This report, entitled “Agenda 21, The UN, Sustainability and Right-Wing Conspiracy Theory,” says “*it’s time to call out the conspiracy theorists.*” It demands that “*politicians who spread falsehoods about Agenda 21 and its effects need to be*

shamed by other politicians, by editorial boards and other commentators and by the citizenry at large.” Those are pretty strong words. Apparently they are getting desperate to stop us.

That report was followed by another from the Natural Resources Defense Council entitled “Agenda 21 Conspiracy Theorists Threaten Cities’ Sustainability Efforts.” Next came another rant from “*Treehugger.com,*” calling me the “Conspiracy King.” Then came articles in two national news magazines, each relying on the Southern Poverty Law Center’s attack. *Newsweek* started it with a cover article entitled “The Plots to Destroy America.” Then came *Fortune* magazine and its smear of activist Rosa Koire, head of Democrats Against Agenda 21. Rosa told me that it started out as an interview, then, just to “even the playing field,” reporter David Morris decided to bring in ICLEI and the Southern Poverty Law Center. Yep. Two against one. That’s a little fairer odds than we usually get.

What we are witnessing is the panic of a collapsing tyranny which they thought was well in hand. And for a couple of decades it was all going the Sustainablist’s way, until some of us started to expose their hidden truths. Watch and learn America. This is how tyrants react to anyone who dares to challenge them. As is always the case, their tactic is a scorched earth policy to lash out in every direction with vicious force in hopes that something will stick.

In its complete exasperation, the SPLC demands that the business community, the Chamber of Commerce, local governments and the news media “*needs to stop reporting on Agenda 21 as if it were a bona fide controversy and plainly state the facts about the plan.*” Further, the SPLC demands that communities “*need to be encouraged to return to or*

start to develop such plans in tandem with responsible groups like the American Planning Association.” In other words, just as in the climate change debate, the SPLC demands that there be no debate, no discussion – just shut up and do it!

Meanwhile the tyranny of sustainable policy builds in town and after town, neighborhood after neighborhood.

In the Western states, the EPA is on a tear to control water, making it impossible to run the ranches. The Interior Department is forcing reintroductions of wolves and Grizzlies at the peril of livestock, family pets, children and natural herds of elk and deer.

In Orem, Utah, Betty Perry was arrested, handcuffed, and put in a holding tank because the grass in her front yard was dying. Violation, said the zoning enforcement officer. More recently, as the drought rages in California, a couple has been threatened with fines of \$500 because their grass in their yard was dead. The reason it was dead is because they were obeying a California state government mandate that told them to preserve water or face a \$500 fine. Tyrants always want it both ways.

Julie Bass, in Oak Park, Michigan, wanted to plant an organic garden in her yard. She even asked the mayor and city council if it was OK to plant and they both answered yes. But as she went to work on it, she too was arrested by the local zoning enforcement officer and faced 90 days in jail.

In Naperville, IL, two women were arrested for trying to prevent the local power company from installing smart meters that they clearly stated they did not want. The police came to the aid of the installers, cut a lock off their fences and trespassed on their property as the women tried to prevent it.

In Montgomery County, Ohio, Jennie Granato’s home was rendered basically worthless as the regional government enforced the installation of a bike highway across her front yard, bringing the lane within seven feet of her front door. To date she has not been compensated a red cent for the land they took as the regional government plays games with the legal system to deny Jennie her day in court.

Across the nation, the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is swarming over producers of unprocessed milk, confiscating products and shutting down plants, arresting producers and buyers alike, even though there have been no reports of sickness or deaths. Not even a complaint. And the assault on small farms continued in Michigan where entire herds of a certain breed of pigs were destroyed, accused of being feral, even though farmers had raised them for decades.

In Fauquier County, VA, the Piedmont Environmental Council (PEC) has colluded with local county government to harass organic farmer Martha Boneta for hosting a children’s birthday party in her little farm store. The store was forced to close as she was threatened with fines of \$5000 per day.

The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) announced last summer a decree to make American neighborhoods more “diverse.” It’s called “Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing,” calling for the federal government to gather and track data on “segregation” and “discrimination across America before deploying a wide range of social-engineering schemes to ensure more “diversity” in U.S. neighborhoods. It’s right out of the UN’s social justice plank. Bottom line, if your neighborhood lacks the government mandated diversity breakdown, you won’t be able to sell your home to anyone but the racial quota they demand.

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And on the international level, smug, arrogant, well-funded, white Sustainablists have determined that it's a proper use of government power to ensure black residence of Africa continue to live in mud huts without electricity, clean water or an infrastructure to provide jobs. As Paul Driessen (author of *Eco-Imperialism: Green Power – Black Death*) reports, some 2.5 billion people still do not have electricity or get it only sporadically, and so must burn wood and dung for heating and cooking, which leads to wide-spread lung disease. No electricity means no refrigeration, safe water or decent hospitals. All of this is just fine with the perpetrators of Agenda 21 because such a life style, in their opinion, is sustainable! In reality it's environmental racism. And that is the real outcome of "social justice."

All of these are examples of massive government overreach using the excuse of protecting the environment or controlling development or containing sprawl, or, in short, Sustainable Development. These, and many more outrageous government attacks on our once-free society, are the reasons why Americans are starting to show up at public meetings to demand that their elected officials protect them and their property from such out of control government sprawl. There is no justice, no reason, no compassion under sustainable policy dictates -- just the rush to raw power for power's sake. Americans are feeling that reality first hand.

As a result, people are starting to listen to my warnings because they can clearly see the results. When they do feel that impact, and when they do ask questions, they are treated to stonewalling, lies and contempt by arrogant officials. So a growing number of Americans have stopped accepting their scare tactics and dire warnings of Environmental Armageddon. I've said for years that Agenda 21/ Sustainable Development is built on a house of cards – on lies. And when such a foundation is finally challenged – it blows down rapidly. That is what is starting to happen across America. And that's why the powerful Sustainablists are in such a panic over my efforts to expose these outrages.

Over the past three years pro-freedom activists have managed to convince more than 150 cities to end their memberships with ICLEI, one of

the leading NGOs whose declared mission is to entrench sustainable policy into every community in the world. A close associate of mine reported that the head of ICLEI USA told him they are scared because ICLEI can't get new American cities to join them – because we made the very name "ICLEI" political poison. ICLEI is panicked.

More and more state legislatures are seriously considering anti-Agenda 21/pro-property rights legislation. Of course, Alabama has already passed such legislation, while Oklahoma and Tennessee have passed similar attempts in at least one house of their legislatures. The Virginia legislature, after a two year battle waged by property rights activists, passed the Boneta bill to stop local harassment and over reach by local governments over small farmers. The legislation was a direct response by property owners to the enforcement of sustainable policy overreach. And it was a major defeat to the NGO's pushing it. And it has them panicked!

Almost every day, now, I receive calls and emails from newly elected city councilmen and county commissioners from around the nation asking me what they can do to stop Agenda 21 policy in their community. I am starting to teach them new tactics to block new programs and ways to eliminate existing ones. We are especially focusing on strong language to define and defend private property rights. The fact is, Agenda 21 cannot be enforced without damaging property rights. Stand strong on that one issue and it can be stopped.

Regional governments and planning commissions are a major piece to the sustainable plans to change our government and impilment sustainable policies. With enough of these non-elected councils, sustainable policy can be enforced almost unopposed. The UN Commission on Global Governance defined the reason for the drive toward regionalism; *"Regionalism must proceed globalism. We foresee a seamless system of governance from local communities, individual states, regional unions and up through to the United Nations itself."*

Forewarned is forearmed. So property rights activists are focusing on stopping the imposition of non-elected regional government councils that are

now springing up across the nation. In just the state of Ohio, several local county and city governments have refused to join regional planning groups. Geauga County commissioners passed a resolution rejecting the Agenda 21 planning objectives put forth by the Northeast Ohio Sustainable Communities Consortium (NEOSCC). A month later the community of Lordstown, Ohio passed a similar resolution. The commissioners in Ohio's Pickaway County refused to join the Central Ohio Regional Planning Commission. And of course, the outrageous destruction of Jennie Granato's property for the sake of a bike lane exposed the near untouchable control yielded by the Miami Regional Planning Commission in Montgomery County, Ohio. The local property rights activists now understand the power they face.

Another reason for the Sustainablists to panic was the just-completed Climate Change conference sponsored by the Heartland Institute. This was a gathering of the so-called "skeptics," the scientists and engineers who actually practice sound science in the pursuit of truth. They all have one thing in common from their research. They can't find proof of the dire predictions of man-made Global Warming. These men and women of science have suffered greatly for their insistence on truth, no matter the cost. As a result, for years they have been black balled from science journals, denied funding for projects, and ridiculed for their opposition to the Climate Change hysteria. But they have persevered and they are beginning to turn the debate and the conference was full of a positive feeling of accomplishment. And right behind that conference, Australia became the first developed nation to repeal its Cap and Trade program, dumping the center piece of global sustainable policy. And the Sustainablists are panicked!

And finally, there is this bit of news to turn any "Green" to a gray depression. Carroll County Commissioner Richard Rothschild (the man who led his governing body to be the first in the nation to send ICLEI packing) won his primary reelection bid with 58% of the vote. Commissioner Rothschild was targeted in the Republican primary

by a Democrat-turned-Republican just for the occasion. The labor unions threw all of their massive resources of manpower and money into the effort to make him an example of what will happen to officials who dare oppose them. Richard defied them, speaking clearly and precisely on the dangers of sustainable development and all the policies that go with it. He didn't try to hide his conservative views. In fact, he put the word "conservative" along with the word "leadership," on his yard signs. He told the truth. And he won. The battle isn't over. He still has to win the November election. But he has proven that standing up and openly fighting sustainable development is a winning issue. And the Sustainablists are panicked!!!

To all the individuals and local activist groups who feel overwhelmed and hopeless in your fights – take heart. The Sustainablists are armed with billions of your tax dollars. They are powerful in the back rooms of your government. They have an open mike to any news outlet and they have had nearly a thirty year head start. But it is THEY who are now in a panic as their well-laid plans are starting to crumble under the weight of their own lies and arrogance and rotten policy. Obviously, for those smug, once-powerful NGO forces who thought they could crush their opposition with ridicule, there's panic in Sustainable City!

The forces of freedom should gain energy from the NGO's panic and increase our efforts to stamp out these self appointed tyrants once and for all. We certainly have a long way to go to restore our precious Republic. But it's D-Day on Omaha Beach and, though we continue to face fierce fighting, we have established a beachhead and are moving inland. And the Sustainablists are panicked.

As you face them in battle after battle, just remember these immortal words from Rocky Balboa; *"It ain't about how hard you hit. It's about how hard you can get hit...how much you can take and keep moving. That's how winning is done!"* ●

The “Humanitarian Crisis” and the Coming Crime Wave in U.S. Cities

By Tom DeWeese

The news is full of the “humanitarian crisis” taking place on the U.S. southern border. We hear of the “unaccompanied children” who have been tragically released into the nation without parental oversight. It paints a horrifying picture that has affected compassionate, caring Americans, bringing many to tears and wanting to help. That’s what Americans do. We care. We cry. We rush to help.

What many, blinded by their compassion, are not seeing, is the reality of what this modern day version of Castro’s infamous Muriel Boat Lift will bring to U.S. cities in coming months and years. That’s because only about 20% of those now rushing across the border are actually innocent children. Many more are dangerous felons, members of murderous gangs, and some are even Middle Eastern terrorists avoiding the TSA.

For those who remember history, my reference to the Muriel Boat Lift is not far off base. Castro decided to empty his prisons and make those felons America’s problem by putting them in boats and sending them to Miami. Again, Americans were overwhelmed with compassion for these “refuges.” Soon, crime in the city and surrounding area began to skyrocket. Thefts, rapes, drug sales and use, all rose dramatically as Castro’s joke on America succeeded in spades.

Back to the U.S./Mexican border today, reports are now indicating that a great many of those “children” crossing the border are actually members of murderous crime gangs such as MS-13. Several have been found to be guilty of murder, extortion and money laundering back in their home countries. Inside the rescue centers that are housing the “refuges,” there are reports of fights breaking out between rival gang members. Wait until they join up with their fellow gang members in America’s neighborhoods. American cities are being set up to explode in a crime wave never before experienced in the United States.

Even before this latest invasion of illegals, crimes committed by alien criminals, such as rape, murder or drug distribution have cost U.S. taxpayers \$1.6 billion in prison expense alone. The figure doesn’t include the cost of lost property, medical bills of the victims, time lost from work to recover, higher insurance costs, etc. Today, illegal aliens

make up 29% of the U.S. prison population – or 500,000 illegals. Those numbers are about to soar.

Latino gangs like Mara Salvatrucha 13 (MS-13) contribute most of the crime from the ranks of the illegals. They originated in El Salvador and today their U.S. leadership still comes from there. They steal cars and use them to run drugs over the border. They terrorize local citizens with violence. They are the chief source of drug sales for the cartels. And they are racists.

MS-13 is the largest and most violent of all gangs in the U.S. today. The FBI reports there are at least 70,000 MS-13 gang members operating between Central America and the United States. They have overtaken the Crips and the Bloods both in size and violence. MS-13, which began its operations in Los Angeles has now spread across the country and is prominent on the East Coast. The FBI reports the gang currently operates in 42 states, with the highest concentrations in California, New York and The District of Columbia.

The gang typically targets high school, and even middle school students for recruitment. Initiation into the gang typically requires the recruit to commit a brutal attack on either a rival gang member or even upon an unsuspecting civilian. They threaten and terrorize young school students who aren’t part of the gang and control whole school zones. Children are many times reluctant to go to school for fear of the gangs. They are robbed of expensive clothing and money. Sometimes children are forced to join a certain gang because the gang controls that particular school. Then the students become targets of rival gangs, simply because they attend a specific school. No one is safe as long as the gangs exist.

In Los Angeles, Mexican gangs declared “ethnic cleansing zones” in specific parts of the city. They kill whites and blacks. In New Jersey, a few years ago, MS-13 gang members killed three college students in execution style. And they flood our communities with dangerous illegal drugs as American children are their targets for addiction.

The fact is, this latest invasion of illegals is not about poor children coming here for a better life. That is a smokescreen. It’s about criminal violence and an effort to destroy U.S. border security. In part, it’s a power play by the violent Mexican drug cartels. And it’s about money. The cartels are selling passage into the U.S. for big bucks.

The Tucson, Arizona area is one of the prime crossing points for illegals. The organization for transporting illegals is almost a precision military operation. On the Mexican side of the border is a landing strip where planes fly in on a regular basis with their cargo. Some of it human; some drugs. It's all the same to those providing the transportation.

The planes land, the cargo loaded onto busses with the windows whited out. Young girls prepared for the trip by taking birth control, for they know what awaits them on the trip across the border from their "travel assistants" – rape. It's just part of the price for crossing the border into the promised land of America.

The busses drive to a specific location on the border. Here the cargo is unloaded and the process of walking across the border begins. Each of the human cargo is given information on what to do once they reach the other side, including a phone number of someone to call. The number is not necessarily a local number. It may be a location in Virginia, or Maine or Utah - anywhere in the U.S. The person on the other end gives instructions on how to gain transportation to their location where they will be brought into the illegal community in that city.

And so the journey across the border begins. Somewhere in the middle, between Mexico and the U.S. is a tree. From the branches of that tree hang women's panties. It's called the panty tree. Why? Trophies from the raped women of previous journeys. It's just the cost of doing business with the "Coyotes," the murderous thugs who run the illegal immigrant trade. They don't care who lives or dies. These are the ones who will leave illegals locked in trucks without food or water or ventilation. They charge enormous fees – up front. To them the cargo is all the same. They carry the drugs with the humans. They make deals with terrorists for the same trip. They rape, maim and kill. And go back for another load. Business is booming.

Once the cargo is inside the U.S., more buses are there to pick them up and transport them to drop off points. Here the phone calls are made for arrangements of more transportation across the nation. And in that highly organized manner, illegal aliens make their way into American cities. Only now, under the current crisis, the cartels are saving money as the U.S. Government is supplying the buses, housing and food.

The worst offenders are "Sanctuary Cities" where politicians have decided it's good for the community to encourage illegals to live. In such communities no one can ask for the country of origin, even if a crime as horrible as murder is committed. The sanctuaries permit 20 million illegals, drug smugglers, child sex rings, ID forgery networks, and an assortment of run of the mill criminals to live lawlessly inside the United States. They are provided with income, identification, driver's licenses, credit, housing,

education, and medical care at taxpayer expense.

It's a \$300 billion a year industry. That buys a lot of politicians. Along the border states no one talks about it. And, no surprise, a lot of politicians do nothing to stop it. Our fear and their greed are destroying the American dream.

And contrary to main stream media reports, not all of the illegals crossing our border are poor Hispanics from Central America. In fact, these "poor" are paying as much as \$2000 or more for the journey. The poor in Central America don't come by such sums easily. How do they raise it? But there is more. According to the national Association of Former Border Patrol officers (NAFBPO) large groups of Chinese are paying \$100,000 each for passage across the border. In addition, says NAFBPO, Hezbolla, a militant Shi'a Islamist group aligned with Hamas, has hooked up with the cartels to smuggle its members inside the US. And most recently Russians have also been seen crossing in groups. These are transnational criminals crossing our border to do harm to America.

And there's one more bit of alarming news that makes the border invasion a much bigger issue. The federal government is moving to lock away more and more land into national monuments under the excuse of environmental protection. But the real winners of such a move are the cartels. According to NAFBPO, 62% of the Arizona/Mexico border area is federal land. The Border Patrol does not have unfettered access to those federal lands. But guess who does? Drug cartels? They use those lands, where there is no law enforcement and no human activity, as smuggling corridors, compliments of the U.S. government.

There are now two new federal monuments being considered right in the path of the illegal traffic along the New Mexico/Mexico border. These federally protected environmental set asides hinder Border Patrol efforts to stop illegals. Worse, nearly 80% of forest fires occurring in those protected areas are caused by illegals deliberately setting them as a way to hide their activities. Why are officials of the U.S. government taking such actions that directly help these criminals while directly weakening American security? Congress should conduct an immediate investigation to find the answers. Has the illegal money found its way inside the Beltway?

Meanwhile, as Americans are subjected to such misdirected policy, the southern border of the nation is wide open. Even before the current invasion started, 4,000 illegal immigrants per day walked into the nation. An entire industry operates along the border to bring them in. There are safe houses, camps and transportation systems designed to help them disappear into the countryside. As TIME magazine reported, for the illegals, there are "no searches for weapons. No shoe removal. No photo-ID checks." Such searches are reserved for legal Americans trying to travel around their own country.

The Department of Homeland Security admits that no law-enforcement officials are looking for the vast majority of the 8 million to 12 million illegal aliens thought to be in the country. And in the middle of the current invasion the Border Patrol has been told to essentially stand down and let them in. It's all a "humanitarian" effort, you understand. "Refugees!" Apparently the federal government has more compassion for the criminals invading our nation than it does for legal American citizens who have to deal with the negative impact on our quality of life and national security. It really means politicians don't have the will to enforce our laws, especially in an election year.

It is politically correct to express compassion for the plight of those who steal into the country under cover of night. It is politically correct to be sensitive to the feelings of those of Middle Eastern decent. It is politically correct to impose black lists, national ID cards, searches of private property without warrants and strip search little old ladies at airports, under the excuse of fighting terrorism. But it is NOT politically correct to say these things are a danger to our liberties and must be stopped at all costs. No, that would show concern for the plight of American citizens who stand in the path of the coming crime wave that will be perpetrated by the criminals we are now helping to cross our border.●

Who's really waging the 'war on science'?

When it comes to attacking climate scientists, the alarmist Left has the market cornered

Paul Driessen

Left-leaning environmentalists, media and academics have long railed against the alleged conservative "war on science." They augment this vitriol with substantial money, books, documentaries and conference sessions devoted to "protecting" global warming alarmists from supposed "harassment" by climate chaos skeptics, whom they accuse of wanting to conduct "fishing expeditions" of alarmist emails and "rifle" their file cabinets in search of juicy material (which might expose collusion or manipulated science).

A primary target of this "unjustified harassment" has been Penn State University professor Dr. Michael Mann, creator of the infamous "hockey stick" temperature graph that purported to show a sudden spike in average planetary temperatures in recent decades, following centuries of supposedly stable climate. But at a recent AGU meeting a number of other "persecuted" scientists were trotted out to tell their story of how they have been "attacked" or had their research, policy demands or integrity questioned.

To fight back against this "harassment," the American Geophysical Union actually created a "Climate Science Legal Defense Fund," to pay mounting legal bills that these scientists have incurred. The AGU does not want any "prying eyes" to gain access to their emails or other information. These scientists and the AGU see themselves as "Freedom Fighters" in this "war on science." It's a bizarre war.

While proclaiming victimhood, they detest and vilify any experts who express doubts that we face an imminent climate Armageddon. They refuse to debate any such skeptics, or permit "nonbelievers" to participate in conferences where endless panels insist that every imaginable and imagined ecological problem is due to fossil fuels. They use hysteria and hyperbole to advance claims that slashing fossil fuel use and carbon dioxide emissions will enable us to control Earth's climate – and that references to computer model predictions

and "extreme weather events" justify skyrocketing energy costs, millions of lost jobs, and severe damage to people's livelihoods, living standards, health and welfare.

Reality is vastly different from what these alarmist, environmentalist, academic, media and political elites attempt to convey.

In 2009, before Mann's problems began, Greenpeace started attacking scientists it calls "climate deniers," focusing its venom on seven scientists at four institutions, including the University of Virginia and University of Delaware. This anti-humanity group claimed its effort would "bring greater transparency to the climate science discussion" through "educational and other charitable public interest activities." (If you believe that, send your bank account number to those Nigerians with millions in unclaimed cash.)

UVA administrators quickly agreed to turn over all archived records belonging to Dr. Patrick Michaels, a prominent climate chaos skeptic who had recently retired from the university. They did not seem to mind that no press coverage ensued, and certainly none that was critical of these Spanish Inquisition tactics.

However, when the American Tradition Institute later filed a similar FOIA request for *Dr. Mann's* records, UVA marshaled the troops and launched a media circus, saying conservatives were harassing a leading climate scientist. The AGU, American Meteorological Society and American Association of University Professors (the nation's college faculty union) rushed forward to lend their support. All the while, in a remarkable display of hypocrisy and double standards, UVA and these organizations continued to insist it was proper and ethical to turn all of Dr. Michaels' material over to Greenpeace.

Meanwhile, although it had started out similarly, the scenario played out quite differently at the University of Delaware. Greenpeace targeted Dr. David Legates, demanding access to records related to his role as the Delaware State Climatologist. The University not only agreed to this. It went further, and demanded that Legates produce *all* his records – regardless of whether they pertained to his role as State Climatologist, his position on the university faculty, or his outside speaking and writing activities, even though he had received no state money for any of this work. Everything was fair game.

But when the Competitive Enterprise Institute filed a FOIA request for documents belonging to several U of Delaware faculty members who had contributed to the IPCC, the university told CEI the state's FOIA Law did not apply. (The hypocrisy and double standards disease is contagious.) Although one faculty contributor clearly had received state money for his climate change work, University Vice-President and General Counsel Lawrence White claimed none of the individuals had received state funds.

When Legates approached White to inquire about the disparate treatment, White said Legates did not understand the law. State law did not require that White produce anything, White insisted, but also did not preclude him from doing so. Under threat of termination for failure to respond to the demands of a senior university official, Legates was required to allow White to inspect his emails and hardcopy files.

Legates subsequently sought outside legal advice. At this, his academic dean told him he had now gone too far. "This puts you at odds with the University," she told him, "and the College will no longer support anything you do." This remarkable threat was promptly implemented. Legates was terminated as the State Climatologist, removed from a state weather network he had been instrumental in organizing and operating, and banished from serving on any faculty committees.

Legates appealed to the AAUP – the same union that had staunchly supported Mann at UVA. Although the local AAUP president had written extensively on the need to protect academic freedom, she told Legates that FOIA issues and actions taken by the University of Delaware's vice-president and dean "would not fall within the scope of the AAUP."

What about the precedent of the AAUP and other professional organizations supporting Dr. Mann so quickly and vigorously? Where was the legal defense fund to pay Legates' legal bills? Fuggedaboutit.

In the end, it was shown that nothing White examined in Legates' files originated from state funds. The State Climate Office had received no money while Legates was there, and the university funded *none* of Legates' climate change research though state funds. This is important because, unlike in Virginia, Delaware's FOIA law says that regarding university faculty, only state-funded work is subject to FOIA.

That means White used his position to bully and attack Legates for his scientific views – pure and simple. Moreover, a 1991 federal arbitration case had ruled that the University of Delaware had violated another faculty member's academic freedom when it examined the content of her research. But now, more than twenty years later, U Del was at it again.

Obviously, academic freedom means nothing when one's views differ from the liberal faculty majority – or when they contrast with views and "science" that garners the university millions of dollars a year from government, foundation, corporate and other sources, to advance the alarmist climate change agenda. All these institutions are intolerant of research by scientists like Legates, because they fear losing grant money if they permit contrarian views, discussions, debates or anything that questions the climate chaos "consensus." At this point, academic freedom and free speech obviously apply only to advance selected political agendas, and campus "diversity" exists in everything but opinions.

Climate alarmists have been implicated in the ClimateGate scandal, for conspiring to prevent their adversaries from receiving grants, publishing scientific papers, and advancing their careers. Yet they are staunchly supported by their universities, professional organizations, union – and groups like Greenpeace.

Meanwhile, climate disaster skeptics are vilified and harassed by these same groups, who pretend they are fighting to "let scientists conduct research without the threat of politically motivated attacks." Far worse, we taxpayers are paying the tab for the junk science – and then getting stuck with regulations, soaring energy bills, lost jobs and reduced living standards ... based on that bogus science.

Right now, the climate alarmists appear to be winning their war on honest science. But storm clouds are gathering, and a powerful counteroffensive is heading their way.

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