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Agenda 21 and the step by step process to enforce it in America

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Throughout the spring and summer of this year I have been traveling the nation, speaking to audiences and elected officials about Agenda 21 and how it has become official policy in nearly every city and rural section of the nation. My audiences have been enthusiastic and eager to learn more. At every stop someone has asked me for a copy of my address, usually saying it is the best explanation of Agenda 21 they have ever heard. So, for this addition of the DeWeese Report I have decided to reprint it in its entirety. Please make copies and share with your friends, family and elected officials. We are truly starting to make incredible progress in this fight to stop Agenda 21. Every person education on the subject becomes a more effective activist to stop it! TAD

The official word is out about me. According to several newspaper reports from around the country, I am only here to spread wild conspiracy rumors to scare you into fearing your benevolent government.

Recently, the Corvallis, Oregon *Gazette-Times* carried an article entitled "The Great Riparian Conspiracy." The reporter took great delight in making those of us who oppose Agenda 21 sound like the typical redneck who "just hates that there UN."

And said the article, "Like any good conspiracy theory, there is a kernel of truth at the fore of this one. For instance, there really is something called Agenda 21." And there really is an International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives (ICLEI).

Well, hurray for this reporter, he at least read the title pages. But he obviously failed to read even the introduction to the Agenda 21 reports. It's the same old story in news reports across the nation. The reporter just assumes there is no truth to it and does no more checking of the facts.

Of course, that is the kind of condescending smirk those of us who have spent years studying this issue have come to expect. Through 18 years experience devoted to this issue, I think I can say with some confidence that this reporter hasn't spent ten minutes actually reading a single Sustainable Development document and compared it to "local" development plans. I have. And here is what I know.

Where did Agenda 21 come from?

There is a new language taking over government. The typical city council meeting discusses "comprehensive development," "density," "historic preservation," and "partnerships" between the city and private business.

Civic leaders organize community meetings run by "facilitators," as they outline a "vision" for the town, enforced by "consensus." Free trade, social justice, consensus, carbon footprints, partnerships, preservation, stakeholders, land use, environmental protection, development, diversity, visioning,

open space, heritage, comprehensive planning, critical thinking, and community service are all part of our new language.

What are they really talking about? What mental pictures come to mind when those words are used? Where was such language first developed?

The term "Sustainable Development" was born on the pages of a United Nations document called "Our Common Future," the official report of the 1987 UN World Commission on Environment and Development.

As a result of this report, for the first time, the use of environmental protection and human development were tied to the age-old Socialist goals of international redistribution of wealth. And that is the key to understanding the true purpose of Sustainable Development and all of its policies -- control of all facets of the economy.

Here is how the UN described Agenda 21 in one of its own publications in 1993 in an article entitled "Agenda 21: The Earth Summit Strategy to Save our Planet:" "Agenda 21 proposes an array of actions which are intended to be implemented by EVERY person on Earth...it calls for specific changes in the activities of ALL people... Effective execution of Agenda 21 will REQUIRE a profound reorientation of ALL humans, unlike anything the world has ever experienced."

So the same reporter, who would undoubtedly argue that the US must be involved in the UN, completely ignores its call for a policy that will profoundly change our society. And when you and I point it out and protest against it -- we are just a bunch of nuts. Pardon me, for taking offense at that -- but who is the stupid one here?

I have never said that there are UN troops or UN representatives enforcing Agenda 21 in this country. It is being done in a much more subtle, less direct way. But the result is the same.

What gives Agenda 21 the "ruling authority" to become American law?

Here is the exact course that brought Agenda 21 to America and into our local community.

The infrastructure pushing the Sustainable Development agenda is a vast, international matrix. At the top of the heap is the United Nations Environmental Program (UNEP). But the UNEP doesn't operate on its own. Influencing it are thousands of non-governmental organizations (NGOs). These are private groups which seek to implement a special political agenda. Through the UN infrastructure, particularly through the UNEP, they have great power.

And I should point out that true NGOs are groups officially sanctioned and certified by the UN to participate in these international efforts. Prior to the 1992 UN Earth Summit in Rio, these sanctioned NGO groups spent considerable time writing and creating the document that would be introduced to the world as Agenda 21.

At the Earth Summit, nearly every head of state signed agreement to follow Agenda 21, including President George H. W. Bush

Agenda 21 is not a treaty that has to be ratified by the Senate. Rather it is what is known as a soft law policy – a guideline that the nation agrees to implement through its own legislative process. That is why it is so difficult to follow and document as UN-created policy. President Bush, in signing the document, committed the US to implement the policies of Agenda 21. That sent the policy to our Federal bureaucracy, which started to set it in motion.

Agenda 21 then gained huge momentum when, in 1993, President Bill Clinton, issued an Executive Order to create the President's Council on Sustainable Development and made it official US policy.

Take a look at who served on that Council and you will see many of the same NGOs which helped write Agenda 21 for the UN. They include Jonathon Lash of the World Resources Institute, one of the three most powerful organizations influencing the UNEP. And the President's Council also contained John Sawhill of the Nature Conservancy and Jay Hair of the National Wildlife Federation and Michele Perrault, international Vice President of the Sierra Club. All players in the creation of Agenda 21, openly serving on the President's council with the specific mission of implementing Agenda 21 into American policy.

And here is the vitally important connection between Agenda 21 and the US enforcement of it that all of these reporters and government officials and NGOs deny exist. Listen carefully. Included at the UNEP table to develop the policy, along with all of the NGO groups who helped write it are these players – an incredible mix of agencies of the federal government. These include the Department of State; Department of Interior; Department of Agriculture; Environmental Protection Agency; the National Park Service; The U.S. Forest Service; and the Fish and Wildlife Service. These agencies send representatives to all UNEP meetings. Why do they do that – if Agenda 21 is just a myth that has no affect on our government?

You might remember a great deal of discussion during the Clinton Administration about the idea of a "Reinvention of Government." Vice President Al Gore was put in charge of the reinvention. The reinvention, of course, was Sustainable Development.

The purpose of the President's Council's was to translate the guidelines of Agenda 21 into public policy to be administered by the federal government.

And this step by step process translated into the "ruling authority" through a UN plan (Agenda 21) has become unquestioned US policy throughout the nation. It was invented by NGOs through the UN. It was brought to the US through the President's Council. And, through federal and state legislation it is being implemented on the local level through the involvement of NGOs who helped write it.

Sustainable Development is not a local idea or a local policy.

What is Agenda 21 and Sustainable Development?

So what is Sustainable Development? Sustainable Development is about a planned central economy and redistribution of the wealth – on a local, state, national and international level.

The process by which it is implemented creates a matrix of locked away land -- or severe land use controls; control of energy and energy production; control of transportation; control of industry; control of food production; control of development; control of water availability; and control of population size and growth.

Most of their policies and regulations are issued under the excuse of protecting the environment.

This is the process through which America is being transformed. It is what your elected officials are really doing as they use terms like comprehensive development plans, energy audits, open space and historic preservation. That is Agenda 21 and Sustainable Development.

Agenda 21 is not just policy – it is a complete system to change the way we think, the way we react, the way we make decisions – and those who promote it have very specific answers as to how they want each of you to do those things.

That's why they call it an AGENDA. Let me show you what I mean.

The Three Es

The Sustainable Development logo used in most literature on the subject contains three connecting circles labeled **Social Equity; Economic Prosperity; and Ecological Integrity** (known commonly as the 3 Es).

Social Equity

I will tell you straight out, if you fail to grasp the Social Equity aspect of Sustainable Development – then you simply have no grasp of this issue. Period.

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Social Equity is based on a demand for “social justice.” Social justice is described as the right and opportunity of all people “to benefit equally from the resources afforded us by society and the environment.” – Redistribution of the wealth. By the way, Karl Marx was the first to coin the phrase “social justice.”

Today, the phrase is used throughout Sustainablist literature and is the root of new policy initiatives. The Sustainablist system is based on the principle that individuals must give up selfish wants for the needs of the common good, or the “community.”

This is the same policy behind the push to eliminate our nation’s borders to allow the “migration” of those from other nations into the United States to share our individually-created wealth and our taxpayers-paid government social programs. Borders, they say, stop the natural migration of the human race. “National sovereignty” they say, “is a social injustice.”

According to the Sustainablists it is a social injustice for some to have prosperity if others do not. Profits are made at the expense of the people. And so Sustainable policy is developed from that starting position.

As a result, Social Equity through Sustainable Development is a means to a forced utopia with promises of healthcare for all. Jobs for all. Housing for all. Equality for all.

So, the reason the government refuses to secure our borders is because it is committed to imposing sustainable development.

The reason congress refused to listen to your pleas against centralized health care is because it is committed to sustainable development. Simply do a Google search for “Sustainable Medicine” and you will find more than 5,850,000 references, containing most of the provisions of Obamacare.

Incredibly, a new social justice policy making its way through state governments is called “Gross National Happiness” (GNH). Under the Health plank of Agenda 21, it is an attempt to qualify in psychological terms general wellbeing.

If allowed to move forward, Gross National Happiness will slowly replace Gross National Product (GNP) as the standard to measure the health of the nation. Rather than using economics, it will measure social trends that affect quality of life.

This is combined with the “Happy Planet Index” (HPI), developed by the New Economy Foundation, with support from the Friends of the Earth.

At its core, the Happy Planet Index argues that long and happy lives must be the economy’s ultimate goal and not merely insatiable economic goals.

And you wonder why the economy is collapsing as the rantings from a bad LSD trip become serious policy actually considered by real government agencies. What I have just revealed to you comes from official documents from the state of Maryland.

Economic Prosperity

The international system of Agenda 21 encompasses the free trade movement that created the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA), and Public/Private Partnerships, all pulled together into a government-driven economy called “corporatism.” It is not Capitalism or free markets, though it may have some of the trappings. The marketplace is still there. But, ultimately, corporatism does not trust the marketplace to do what the elites want done.

The partnerships allow for special tax breaks; access to land for some developers but not others; non-compete clauses in government projects that guarantee profits, access to grants and lucrative special government projects, and much more. Under PPPs there is a guarantee of protection and profits.

Corporations that play ball get the power of government and Government gets to hide behind the independence of private business. Thus the partnership between corporations and government is done at the expense of ordinary people – the exact opposite effect of free markets controlled by consumers. This is the new way business is being run in America under Sustainable Development. The business plan of the day – lobby for regulations. They argue that it’s good for the economy, creating jobs by destroying things from the past. They say it’s good for the economy to enforce regulations to make people buy things they didn’t need before.

It’s certainly not free enterprise or open markets. The true description is government-sanctioned monopolies; right out of the Mussolini fascist play book.

Ecological Integrity

Well, this is the excuse for the whole agenda – environmental protection .

To understand the power of the transformation of society under sustainable development, consider this quote from the UN’s Biodiversity treaty which was also introduced at the 1992 Earth Summit:

“Nature has an integral set of different values (cultural, spiritual and material) where humans are one strand in nature’s web and all living creatures are considered equal. Therefore the natural way is the right way and human activities should be molded along nature’s rhythms.”

This quote lays down the ground rules for the entire Sustainable Development agenda. It says humans are nothing special – just one strand in the nature of things or, put another way, humans are simply biological resources.

Sustainablist policy is to oversee any issue in which man interacts with nature –which, of course, is literally everything. This is necessary, Sustainablists say, because humans only defile nature.

In other words, Sustainablists view man as nothing more than a swarm of locusts which swoops down on nature and sucks it clean until there is nothing left. Nothing good comes from man, according to Sustainablist doctrine.

And private property ownership and control is a main target of Sustainable Development. Consider this quote from the report of the 1976 UN’s Habitat I conference which said: *“Land ...cannot be treated as an ordinary asset, controlled by individuals and subject to the pressures and inefficiencies of the market. Private land ownership is also a principle instrument of accumulation and concentration of wealth, therefore, contributes to social injustice.”*

The fact is, Agenda 21 is a blueprint to completely change our society to a top-down planned central economy in a strange mixture of Socialism, fascism and corporatism.

To convince Americans to accept it required something that that would get us to sacrifice our natural rights voluntarily. The answer was environmental Armageddon. You must sacrifice freedom to protect the planet. It’s urgent we’re told.

Do you doubt that? Then consider this quote by Alexander King, co-founder of the Club of Rome: *"In searching for a new enemy to unite us, we came up with the idea that pollution, the threat of global warming. Water shortages, famine and the like would fit the bill...All of these dangers are caused by human intervention...the real enemy then, is humanity."*

So the urgency is on. Global warming and Climate Change are feeding the hysteria. There's no time to consider things like individual concerns, wants and needs. Selfish, cries the Sustainabilist! We must save the environment! Go Green! Get out of your cars. Stop using energy. Sacrifice. Cut your carbon foot print or perish.

And so Federal and state governments, working hand in hand with a horde of Non-governmental organizations – private groups with personal political agendas, force passage of rules and regulations- passed down to local communities.

But, say your local officials, none of that UN, socialist stuff is true - just conspiracy theories by right wing radicals. "We're just creating the tools necessary in a local effort to manage growth and development for our community," they say.

Have you heard any of these? Then consider this quote from J. Gary Lawrence, a planner for the city of Seattle, and an advisor to the President's Council for Sustainable Development: *"Participating in a U.N. advocated planning process would very likely bring out many...who would actively work to defeat any elected official...undertaking Local Agenda 21. So we will call our process something else, such as "comprehensive planning," "growth management," or "smart growth." Local indeed.*

Sustainable Development is the process by which America is being reorganized around a central principle of state collectivism using the environment as bait. This is a political movement led by those who seek to control the world economy, dictate development and redistribute the world's wealth. They use the philosophical base of Karl Marx, the tactics of Adolph Hitler, and the rhetoric of the Sierra Club.

Everything connected with Sustainable Development translates to higher costs, shortages and sacrifice.

The best way to understand what Sustainable Development actually is can be found by discovering what is NOT sustainable.

Maurice Strong, Secretary General of the UN's Rio Earth Summit in 1992 said, *"...Current lifestyles and consumption patterns of the affluent middle class – involving high meat intake, use of fossil fuels, appliances, home and work air-conditioning, and suburban housing are not sustainable."*

Four routes to Agenda 21

So how is this wrenching transformation being put into place? There are four very specific routes being used. In the rural areas it's called the Wildlands Project. In the cities it's called smart growth. In business it's called Public/Private Partnerships. And in government it's called stakeholder councils and non-elected boards and regional government – or reinvented government. Let's take them one at a time.

Wildlands Project

The Wildlands Project was the brainchild of Earth First's Dave Foreman and it literally calls for the "re-wilding" of 50% of all the land in every state – back to the way it was before Christopher Columbus set foot on this land.

In 1983, when Foreman first dreamed up the scheme for the Wildlands Project, he said: *"It is not enough to preserve the roadless, undeveloped country remaining. We must re-create wilderness in large regions: move out the cars and civilized people, dismantle the roads and dams, reclaim the plowed lands and clearcuts,-- reintroduce extirpated species."* Destruction of human civilization was his goal.

In reality, The Wildlands Project is a diabolical plan to herd people off the rural lands and into human settlements. Crazy you say! Yes. Impossible? Not so fast. From the demented mind of Foreman, the plan became the blueprint for the UN's Biodiversity Treaty. So now the scheme is international in scope – with the power of law.

Thomas Lovejoy, a science advisor to the federal Department of Interior said, *"We will map the whole nation...determine development for the whole country, and regulate it."*

And your local elected officials are helping to implement this insanity. Yet, they are quick to deny that such ideas have their origins on the international level. They accuse me of wearing a tin foil hat and hearing voices.

Well, here is a voice I hear. Again, Maurice Strong said at the UN's Earth Summit, *"Isn't the only hope for the planet that the industrial nations collapse? Isn't it our responsibility to bring that about?"* And that is the true agenda we face!

But how do you remove people from the land? One step at a time. There are many tools in place to stop human activity and grow the wilderness.

- Deny grazing and water rights on public lands. It becomes more difficult and more expensive to run the farm or ranch – eventually he goes out of business.
- Lock away natural resources by creating more national parks. It shuts down the mines -- and they go out of business.
- Call every mosquito infested swamp and occasional mud puddle a wetlands and ban any development around it.
- Invent a Spotted Owl shortage and pretend it can't live in a forest where timber is cut. Shut off the forest. Then, when no trees are cut, there's nothing to feed the mills and then there are no jobs, and -- they go out of business.

The state of Maryland is considering a plan to ban septic tanks as a means to protect the Chesapeake Bay, even though there is no evidence that septic tanks do any damage what so ever. The only result of the ban will be to make it impossible to live in a rural area – unless you want to spend several million dollars on a private water treatment plant. Cleverly, they don't ban building on private property or impose a land grab. They just make it impossible to live there.

The Wildlands Project comes in many names and many programs. Wilderness areas, Comprehensive land use plans, Bike ways, Green ways, Heritage areas, land management, rails to trails, open space, wolf and bear reintroduction, Conservation Easements, and many more.

Each of these programs is designed to make it just a little harder to live on the land – a little more expensive – a little

more hopeless. In reality the process is simply herding people off rural land and into human habitat areas – or cities.

Smart Growth

The **second** path to Sustainable Development is called Smart Growth. They put a line around the city and tell you no growth can take place outside that line. Urban sprawl, they say disdainfully.

They refuse to build more roads as a ploy to get you out of your car into public transportation, restricting mobility. New highways, they say are feeders to more development. They even stop the widening of existing roads – for the same reason. So roads become overcrowded in gridlock. And they blame development. Their new ploy is to force cars to share the road with bikes – the “complete street,” they call it.

In many smart growth cities new apartment buildings now have no garages or parking lots – we don’t want any stinking cars!

Smart Growth creates an unnatural restriction on space inside the controlled city limits—so there is a shortage of houses, and prices go up. That means populations will have to be controlled, because now there is a shortage of land.

That’s why kind, compassionate environmentalist Dr. Jacques Cousteau declared “*In order to stabilize world populations, we must eliminate 350,000 people per day.*” Sustainablists call for an 85% reduction in human population. How is that done? Do we use the proven success of China’s population control methods of forced abortions and sterilizations? The Chinese, I can tell you, are big supporters of Sustainable Development and I’m sure they can share some ideas with us.

Of course, Comprehensive Development Plans are the tools of choice in nearly every city in the nation to produce the proper smart growth community. Through these plans, energy and water use is tightly controlled.

Smart Growth advocates force individuals to live in denser communities that take up smaller tracts of land per housing unit. Planning advocates and government bureaucrats are forcing such planned communities across the state and nation, and those plans put severe controls on private property. In fact, there can be no private property in a smart growth community.

Reinvented Government and Stakeholder Councils

The **Third** way to Sustainable Development-- inside the human habitat areas, (our cities and towns) government is steadily being controlled by an elite ruling class called stakeholder Councils. These are mostly NGOs, who, like thieves in the night, just show up to stake their claim to enforce their own private agendas.

The function of legitimate elected government within the Sustainablism system is fast becoming little more than the rubber stamp to create and enforce the dictates of the councils.

Once the councils are established, it becomes nearly impossible to discuss issues with your elected representatives. Instead they will automatically refer you to the proper council or administration or department, run by unresponsive appointed hacks armed with their own political agenda. Consequently, they control almost all business decisions. They can dictate the kind of building materials you may use in your home – or whether you can build on your property at all. They decide if roads are built. How much water can be used. How downtowns will look through historic preservation. . How neighborhoods will be built.

These non-elected councils fit almost perfectly the definition of a State Soviet: a system of councils that report to an apex council and then implement a predetermined outcome. Soviets are the operating mechanism of a government-controlled economy – the exact opposite of a Constitutional Republic.

Public/Private Partnerships

The **fourth** path to Sustainable Development, as I mentioned, is Public/Private Partnerships. That means they can charge what they want and they can use the power of government to put competition out of business. You hear the propaganda of the PPPs nightly on your television as their commercials tell you to go green.

And they use Congress to build more wealth and power. GE used their partnership with government to ban their own product – the incandescent light bulb and replace it with the new “green” bulbs. By next year you won’t be allowed to buy incandescent bulbs. Why? Because GE can make three times as much from the new ones as they are more expensive.

Such is the reality of green industry. In fact, there would be no green industry if not for the billions of dollars in grant money shelled out to the partnerships to develop alternative energy schemes.

In reality, wind energy may well be the least sustainable and least eco-friendly of all electricity options. In fact, it probably requires more energy to manufacture, haul and install these monstrous windmills and their transmission systems than they will generate in their lifetimes. Yet the nation, in the name of Sustainable Development is investing everything in our future to enforce them over real energy providers.

Alternative energy amounts to less than one percent of our energy needs. And for every green job created, two in legitimate industry are lost because of green rules and regulations.

America has now discovered that it has a near infinite amount of shale oil in literally every state. Rather than celebrate our good fortune to reduce gas prices and eliminate dependency on foreign oil cartels, the Sustainablism are rushing in a near panic to block the drilling of shale oil.

To the Sustainablism elite, who loath competition and free markets, such a change in the status quo is terrifying because their control is highly profitable for those industries as they take the tax money through the Public/Private Partnerships.

And now there is a new kind of corporation being developed through Public Private Partnerships –it’s called “benefit” corporations. As Michael Shaw of Freedom Advocates describes it, imagine a legislated brotherhood of business where favored businesses get to go to the front of the line for permits, licenses and opportunities merely because they agree to advance the principles of Sustainable Development and Agenda 21.

Five states already have Benefit Corporation legislation: Hawaii, Virginia, Maryland, Vermont and New Jersey. And six more are in the process of making it part of their states corporate legal system, including California, Colorado, Michigan, New York, North Carolina and Pennsylvania. This policy will destroy free enterprise and guarantee that we can’t stop Agenda 21.

ICLEI

Many Americans ask how dangerous international policies can

suddenly turn up in local government, all seemingly uniform to those in communities across the nation and around the globe. The answer – Meet ICLEI, a non-profit, private foundation, dedicated to helping your mayor implement all of his promises.

Originally known as the International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives (ICLEI), today the group simply calls itself “*ICLEI – Local Governments for Sustainability.*” In 1992, ICLEI was one of the groups instrumental in creating Agenda 21.

ICLEI’s mission is to implement Agenda 21 world-wide and it’s having tremendous success. ICLEI is now operating in more than 600 cities in all 50 states. The group is shooting for 1,000 member cities in the next three years. Each of these cities pay dues to ICLEI to receive its programs. When local governments contract with ICLEI they agree to implement the Agenda 21 policy of Sustainable Development.

Here’s just some of the programs ICLEI provides cities and towns, in order to spread their own particular political agenda in the name of “community services” and environmental protection:

Software products and associated training, Access to a network of experts, newsletters, conferences and training workshops, Toolkits, online resources, case studies, fact sheets, policy and practice manuals.

These tools are used to fully indoctrinate employees at city hall to assure only Sustainable policies are considered. *And, then there’s Notification of relevant grant opportunities* – this is the important one – money – with severe strings attached.

But keep in mind, your community does not have to be an ICLEI member to be affected by Agenda 21 ICLEI policies. Around the nation, ICLEI partners with other, established organizations, like the American Planning Association and the International City/County Management Association (ICMA). And then there is the Renaissance Planning Group.

These groups, and hundreds more like them, work hand in hand with groups like U.S. Conference of Mayors, the National Governors Association, the National League of Cities, the National Association of County Administrators and more that your elected representatives belong to.

We are now finding that while ICLEI is a convenient target because of its obvious ties to the UN, the American Planning Association may be the more dangerous player in the game. That’s because the APA is in literally every city, trusted as a legitimate, non-controversial, established organization. Nothing here to tie it to some international UN conspiracy, we are told.

Well, again, not so fast. The APA just issued its new planning guide – sent to every community in the nation. A quick look through it finds references to social justice, smart growth, promotion of “affordable housing,” protection of farm land, stopping urban sprawl, combating climate change, dealing with homelessness, energy preservation, provisions for child care and more – all out of the social justice plank of Agenda 21.

And then there is a section on “property fairness,” wherein the report discusses efforts by property owners to stop government land grabs without compensation. . How radical of them to actually want to be paid for land the government takes! The APA refers to these property owners as “radical property rights organizations.”

These are the people who are making policy. These are the people your local officials trust to be main stream. These are the

true enemy of freedom on America. That’s how these policies quickly spread across the nation as enforced regulations. And here are some of the results of these efforts?

Dictates from the top

Across the nation, state legislatures are passing laws requiring cities and towns to establish comprehensive development plans that include high density urban development areas, controls on energy and water use, controls on transportation, making it more difficult to drive cars, perhaps forcing acceptance of light rail and high speed trains. These laws are now being used as a weapon to force Sustainable Development at a rapid pace across the nation.

Whole areas of communities are now being redesigned to “encourage” industry and office buildings as a means to build economic development. Of course that means eminent domain trumps property rights and private homes. And the cold hard fact is that after the land has been taken for such development, many cities find that no industry uses the project. The land just lies empty, unused, worthless, the result of government over reach rather than common sense free market decisions. That too is Sustainable Development.

Comprehensive Development Plans in city after city across the nation are enforcing schemes to “cut their carbon footprint” by controlling energy use.

Here’s some of what each of you can now expect from these plans that your city fathers say will make things better:

One of the most popular tools now to control energy use is the energy audit and building review. They establish quotas for electrical use and for heating and cooling pumps; water use; weatherization of existing buildings; replacing incandescent light bulbs; and on and on. That means that government bureaucrats will come into your home or office building and determine the amount of potential energy use you should have.

You will be given a list of “recommendations” necessary to bring your home into compliance. These may include the need for a new roof; new energy efficient appliances; new windows, etc.

In Oakland California, the city council did just these things, and the result was an average cost to every single homeowner of at least \$35,000. And if you don’t comply, you will be fined, and possibly unable to sell you home until you do.

Across the nation, power companies, in partnership with government planners, are forcing the use of Smart Meters. These meters contain RFID chips. The technology enables the power company to keep track of how much power you are using and control, regulate and ration your use of that electricity. They will set the temperature in your home.

If they decide that you are using too much hot water for your showers or washing machines, or too much air conditioning, your electricity will automatically be turned down or even off. Moreover, a future goal is to have all appliances replaced with those containing that same RFID chip, which the smart meter will “speak to” for more regulations and controls.

Those who protest that such meters are a violation of their private property rights and freedom of choice are told that their only choice is to accept the meters or have no electricity to their home.

- Under the title of Sustainable Farming, the planners are excited about a new sustainable style of tractor to pull the plows – it's called a team of Oxen. Don't laugh – they're serious. There is a college in Vermont that teaches sustainable farming and they have a herd of Oxen. Students are paying for an education to learn Davy Crockett's farming techniques.
- In San Diego, California, there have been no new docks built in its harbor because the docks hide the sun from the plankton underneath.
- In Lincoln, Nebraska, there is now a pending rule to force property owners to cut back trees in their yard so they don't block the solar panels on the neighbor's roof.
- There are now policies being advocated to place taxes on use of toilet paper; on the number of miles you drive; and on the use of plastic bags.
- The EPA is now providing funding to NGO groups to run training programs for people to photograph and report neighbors who may be "committing crimes against the environment."

This summer, Obama signed Executive order 13575 to create the White House Rural Council. The council is a list of the most aggressive agencies and departments of the US Government. It will bring an army of regulators into rural areas to completely control every decision of land use, farming, and development. It will even affect curriculum in schools.

Farmers who have been feeding America for over 200 years will not be able to make a single decision without permission and massive paperwork from bureaucrats from over 25 agencies. The result will only be food shortages and higher prices.

Welcome to the utopia of Sustainable Development.

Socialism, Fascism, Corporatism by any other name is really...

This is Big Brother at its worst. And it's planned control enforced by your local leaders and representatives – in partnership with ICLEI – an organization who's Vice Chairman (Harvey Revin) said, "*Individual rights will have to take a backseat to the collective.*"

Would any of your elected officials admit to enforcing communism on your community? Of course not. Then why are they so eager to be in partnership with an organization which does?

The United States is not a global village run by elders who hand down the rules from on-high. We are a nation of individuals whose rights are supposed to be protected and guaranteed by the representatives we elect. We demand accountability from them.

However, global forces which do not accept the unique American form of government sneak behind the curtain, avoiding controversy and honest debate.

The only possible result can be the tyranny of a powerless electorate stripped of their rights, property, and self determination.

Global Warming has been the excuse for the hysteria, but true science is now showing that to be the greatest hoax ever

perpetrated. So there is no need for these dire policies to cut back our carbon footprint by forcing us to lock away land and resources and live in high density cracker boxes.

International NGOs tell you its all "local"

We all want a clean environment. However, what we are objecting to here is not environmental protection, but the process that is being used in its name.

There is nothing local, or innocent or normal about it. This is an international agenda created by ideological zealots working hand in hand through massive international gatherings sponsored through the United Nations.

There, documents are carefully prepared for the signatures of leaders of every nation. Once signed, the bureaucracies of the nation use documents like Agenda 21 as a blueprint for legislation and regulations.

To write that legislation, the bureaucrats work hand in hand with the same zealots who wrote the UN documents it's based on. And then these UN sanctioned NGOs, such as the Sierra Club and the Nature Conservancy team up with local groups like the American Planning Association to apply pressure and make sure local city councils and county supervisors toe the line.

And as they dutifully put the agenda in place, these representatives tell you every step of the way that it is all a local plan.

The resulting non-elected boards, councils and region governments, appointed by an "ecologarchy," answerable to no one, is the perfect definition of a soviet. A centrally-controlled economy.

I assure you, we cannot restore our unique American Republic if our communities are little soviets. Nor can we protect the environment if our economy is destroyed and free men are unable to make choices other than survival in a Sustainablist tyranny.

The Sustainablists are using our carbon foot print as a measure of our guilt. One fact is sure -- if you have no carbon foot print you are dead.

Steps to stopping Agenda 21

Elected officials can no longer play ignorant about the origins of their policies. America is dying while they are denying! It is their elected duty to represent the people and protect them from these piranhas that are devouring our way of life.

To save it you must now take action. And understand that the main battle is being fought, not in congress, but on the local level.

If America is to survive, you and I must stop Sustainable Development and Agenda 21 now, at every level of government. We must stand up and protest at every city council and commissioner meeting, at every planning board, and consensus meeting.

Fight the creation of non-elected councils, commissions, or boards, because they can and will be used as a weapon against your ability to deal and reason with local government.

Above all, refuse federal or state money or new sustainable programs and get rid of the old ones.

And if ICLEI and the American Planning Association are now running things in your town – throw them out! Stop payment of dues, disband anything they have built and start looking for some high grade tar and feathers.

And if your elected representatives continue to ignore you while playing footsy with those leading this tyranny, then you must force them out of office. Your survival depends on it.

Nameless, faceless bureaucrats wielding power in the backrooms, untouchable and unseen, is not freedom.

The Sustainablists now haunt the upper levels of the federal government, our state houses, and our city council chambers.

Stirrings among the citizenry

In these very dangerous times it is easy to despair over our nation's future.

They have achieved many of their goals, but they have not yet won. Their whole agenda is built on a house of cards that stands only when you are ignorant and compliant.

And their arrogance and impatience to force the policy into place is resulting in a stir of the American people.

We are beginning to move the rock of freedom uphill. We are on the threshold of great change because the word is quickly spreading about Agenda 21.

After 18 years of issuing warnings about Agenda 21, finally opposition is being heard. In the past ten months, ten communities have taken action and revoked contracts with ICLEI. Starting with Carroll County, Maryland; then Amador County, California; then Montgomery County, Pennsylvania; then Edmond, Oklahoma, then Las Cruces, NM, then Spartanburg, SC, then Albemarle County, Virginia, then Plantation, Florida, then James City County, Virginia, the place where American basically started – and most recently, Lexington, Virginia – all have rejected its contract with ICLEI.

I have just returned from an extensive ten-day tour of Idaho, Washington, Oregon and Montana, where I spoke to enthusiastic audiences, was interviewed by the news media (resulting in favorable news reports) and met with several elected officials, with exciting results.

In the Washington state legislature, Rep. Matt Shay reports the creation of an anti-Agenda 21 caucus – and one is being planned for the Washington Senate as well. In Oregon, I addressed a meeting of state legislators at the capital building in Salem. The address was live-streamed over the internet and several legislators heard that message and expressed interest in learning more and taking action against Agenda 21.

Of great significance, in Bonner County, Idaho, County Commissioner Cornel Rasor is working to establish a "Property Rights Council" as an official arm of the county government. The Council will oversee legislation that comes before the county commission to determine if it violates private property. In addition, it will train county staff to understand property rights and assure they are protected in all county business. This is a revolutionary idea that must be shared and implemented across the nation.

While I was traveling in Montana, word came that presidential candidate Newt Gingrich talked about Agenda 21 on the Sean Hannity radio show. I had supplied the Gingrich campaign with that

information after they contacted me. Apparently Mr. Gingrich and all presidential candidates are being pummeled with questions about Agenda 21. We need to increase that pressure at every campaign stop for candidates at every level!

Finally, in a surprise move, two bills (Assembly Bill 303 and Senate Bill 225) have been introduced into the Wisconsin legislature to allow local community government to repeal comprehensive development plans that were forced under state smart growth legislation. The bills also eliminate the grant program that was set up to finance the smart growth planning. These bills need support and more co-sponsors. Moreover, this legislation needs to be used as model legislation for every single state legislature in the nation.

Every day I talk to activists across the nation hoping to be the next community to kick these zealots out. In a panic, ICLEI is now rushing to cleanse its web site of any mention of Agenda 21. Our opponents are trying their best to ridicule us and paint our movement as extremists. It's not working – we are getting stronger everyday. For the first time since I started down the road to expose Agenda 21, I believe we will succeed in crushing it.

When Lambs become Lions

You know, recently I watched the film Robin Hood, starring Russell Crowe. And I was struck by the similarities between England of the Thirteenth Century and today's America.

It was a time of surfs who had no rights, no property and only poverty in their future. It was a time when the king owned everything, from land to livestock. And it was a time when tax collectors could literally confiscate everything you had in the name of the king, leaving you with virtually nothing.

The people attempted to rise up, demanding that the king give them legal rights from which they could be guaranteed the ability to benefit from the fruits of their own labor.

The people of 13th Century England knew what they had to do, if ever they were going to be free. The slogan under which they organized was, "Rise and Rise again, until lambs become lions."

Today, as we face an ever growing tyranny by a congress and a president, as well as elected officials at every level who ignore you, lie to you, deny their actions that you can plainly see. Americans, for the first time in our history, face the same evil those Englishmen faced so long ago.

And so today, I appeal to you to take that same resolve. Today, begin that effort to rise up, and continue to fight again and again, at city council and Board of Supervisor meetings. Take their ridicule and return for another fight.

Stand up to the self-proclaimed Stakeholders and outsider NGOs – the carpetbaggers of our day. Reach out to your neighbors and help them see the threat to their freedom that is Agenda 21.

Never give in. Rise and rise again until lambs become lions. ●