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Climate Observations

John Doyle, Crow Tribal Elder

After his daily 5 am walk, we find John Doyle in his office at Little Big Horn College in Crow Agency MT. It is dark for walking but he feels safe in the winter, unlike in the summer when rattlesnakes enjoy the paved surfaces. John is a respected Crow tribal elder, a past 24-year County Commissioner, a founding member of the Crow Environmental Health Steering Committee and a current member of the EPA's National Environmental Justice Advisory Council.

John is an enrolled Crow Indian, raised on the Reservation. And has been outside "all his life" – hunting, fishing, swimming. As a place-based person, he has observed the same land and waters for decades and he has noticed changes: you "can't help but notice when something is not as it should be." (continued)



Montana Legislative Session 2021

Members have given public testimony on renewable energy, local and sustainable agriculture, and other issues related to health and climate change. (iStock photo





Montana Results

2020 Conservation in the West Poll

This annual and professionally conducted survey shows increasing concern over climate.

61% of Montanans said climate was a serious or extremely serious problem.

84% say that issues around clean water, clean air, wildlife and public lands are important in deciding whether or not to support an elected official. More detail here



Sign-On: Union of Concerned



Sign-On to letter to HHS

Scientists

The USC wants health professionals and scientists to sign on to this letter requesting climate action from the White House now.

on Climate Health and Equity

Climate Health Action requests sign-ons to <u>this</u> <u>letter</u> to the Health and Human Services.



Support Great Falls in opposing a Slaughterhouse

Research from other cities have shown that such a facility detracts from home values, tourism, health, and more. The city of GF unanimously requested to the governor that an Environmental Impact be done. Sign on to send a letter to Governor Glanforte supporting this ask.



Local and State Resiliency to a Changing Climate

Montana State University Initiative for Regulation and Applied Economic Analysis. Monday April 4, 2-4pm. Register <u>here</u>

Members in the News

***If you do climate actions, let us know and we will note them in future editions if you agree!

2021.03.25 Ideagen Global Power Chat featuring Dr. Beth Schenk

2021.03.24 UM Climate and Health Course, Dr. Beth Schenk spoke

2021.03.22 Montana State University, Dr.Beth Schenk presents to undergraduate nursing students

2021.03.19 "Health for a Better World: Providence - Carbon Negative by 2030", Friday Medical Conference, WMT-AHEC, Dr. Beth Schenk

2021.03.19 Linked-In Live Event of Providence: Environmental Stewardship, Dr. Beth Schenk

2021.03.19 Climate Change and Human Health: Moving Forward, a DPHHS <u>Healthier Montana</u> Lunch and Learn series, Rob and Lori Byron

2021.03.18 U.S House Committee on Climate and Health <u>Dr Beth</u> <u>Schenk testified,</u> representing Health Care WIthout Harm and the American Lung Association

2021.03.11 Climate Presentation to WWAMI Program Directors, Dr.Jen Robohm

2021.03.10 - Community Nursing Class, MSU, Julie Ryder

2021.03.09 Graduate Environmental Health Class, Montana Tech, Rob and Lori Byron

2021.03.09 Pediatricians and Climate Advocacy, U of Connecticut Medical Students, Lori Byron

2021.03.08 - Washington State University, Dr. Beth Schenk presented to undergraduate nursing students on climate and health

2021.03.03 Nature's Guardians: What Indigenous Voices can Teach Us, Trent Center, Duke University, Rob and Lori Byron

2021.03.01 GENERAL INTERNISTS AS CLIMATE HEALTH ADVOCATES , commentary, Society for General Internal Medicine, Rob Byron

2021.03.01 Everything Lubbock News Article, Lori Byron

2021.02.26 Missoula Current Column "At Providence, WE ACT to care for the climate" by Dr. Beth Schenk.

2021.02.22 Climate Change and AAP Climate change advocacy, U of Connecticut Residents, Lori Byron

2021.02.17 12-1 Montana C2H2 Health Equity Webinar brought to you by Center for American Indian and Rural Health Equity (CAIRHE), • **Alexandra Adams**, MD, PhD, Director, Center for American Indian and Rural Health Equity, Montana State University • **Robert Byron**, MD, MPH, FACP, Crow Indian Health Center, Hardin • **Lori Byron**, MD, FAAP, Pediatric Hospitalist, Billings • **Mari Eggers**, PhD, MSU Research Scientist, Member Gallatin Board of Health. Watch here

2021.02.13 Climate Advocacy Training, American Medical Student Association annual meeting, Lori Byron

2021.02.10 Env Health Class, Montana Tech, Rob and Lori Byron

2021.02.09, CBS Morning News: Climate and Health and Pediatricians, Lori Byron

2021.02.01 Podcast with Dr. Beth Schenk, <u>CHANT: The Climate, Health, and Nursing Tool</u>

2021.02 Dr. Beth Schenk interviewed by Brazilian nurses for a book on climate and children.

EPA Challenge Seeks Innovative Solutions for Reducing Indoor Air Pollution from Wildfires

The goal of the challenge is to solicit ideas for low-cost air cleaning technologies that reduce particulate air pollutants in homes during wildfires or other high pollution episodes. If their ideas are chosen, Challenge winners will receive prizes of up to \$10,000. Proposals will be accepted through May 17, 2021.

To learn more and apply, click <u>here.</u>



Learning Corner: One in Five Deaths from Fossil Fuels

Dr. Ari Bernstein, Director of C-CHANGE at Harvard is interviewed on Living on Earth regarding this study. Read more here:

Personal Action

35,000 Decisions a Day!

The <u>average individual makes about 35,000 decisions</u> <u>every day.</u> Our choices matter. Where do we shop. Who do we vote for? Where is your savings invested? What do we eat? Act like the planet is depending on us (it is!)



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