# "UNLESS SOMEONE LIKE YOU CARES A WHOLE AWFUL LOT, NOTHING IS GOING TO GET BETTER. IT'S NOT."

-THE LORAX

Below are some of my favorite climate literacy resources (books, films, videos, websites). These resources are designed to help fulfill your curiosities and inspire you to take action and know that *you can* make a difference. I highly encourage you to explore what they have to offer. Within each group, I have listed what I feel to be the most importance sources near the top.

#### Documentaries/Films

# "This Changes Everything"

- https://thefilm.thischangeseverything.org/
- Filmed over 211 shoot days in nine countries and five continents over four years, This Changes Everything is an epic attempt to re-imagine the vast challenge of climate change. the film presents seven powerful portraits of communities on the front lines, from Montana's Powder River Basin to the Alberta Tar Sands, from the coast of South India to Beijing and beyond. Interwoven with these stories of struggle is Klein's narration, connecting the carbon in the air with the economic system that put it there. Throughout the film, Klein builds to her most controversial and exciting idea: that we can seize the existential crisis of climate change to transform our failed economic system into something radically better.

#### "Before the Flood"

- o https://www.beforetheflood.com/
- Defore the Flood presents a riveting account of the dramatic changes now occurring around the world due to climate change, as well as the actions we as individuals and as a society can take to prevent the disruption of life on our planet. Beyond the steps we can take as individuals, the film urges viewers to push their elected officials in supporting the use of alternative energy sources such as solar and wind power."

## "Racing Extinction"

- o http://racingextinction.com/
- I couldn't find a good description online, but this film focuses on the role of humans in the mass extinction of animal species through illegal animal trafficking and anthropogenic climate change.
  It's extremely powerful, and one of my all-time favorites. I <u>highly recommend</u> it!

## "The Story of Stuff"

- o http://storyofstuff.org/
- o "The Story of Stuff, originally released in December 2007, is a 20-minute, fast-paced, fact-filled look at the underside of our production and consumption patterns. The Story of Stuff exposes the connections between a huge number of environmental and social issues, and calls us together to create a more sustainable and just world" ... She also has a few follow-up videos that could be worth looking into.

#### **Books**

## "The Weather Makers" – Tim Flannery

o "An international best seller embraced and endorsed by policy makers, scientists, writers and energy industry executives from around the world, Tim Flannery's *The Weather Makers* contributed in bringing the topic of global warming to national prominence. For the first time, a scientist provided an accessible and comprehensive account of the history, current status, and future impact of climate change, writing what has been acclaimed by reviewers everywhere as the definitive book on global warming."

#### • "The Sixth Extinction" – Elizabeth Kolbert

O "Over the last half-billion years, there have been Five mass extinctions, when the diversity of life on earth suddenly and dramatically contracted. Scientists around the world are currently monitoring the sixth extinction, predicted to be the most devastating extinction event since the asteroid impact that wiped out the dinosaurs. This time around, the cataclysm is us. Interweaving research in half a dozen disciplines, descriptions of the fascinating species that have already been lost, and the history of extinction as a concept, Kolbert provides a moving and comprehensive account of the disappearances occurring before our very eyes."

# • "This Changes Everything" – Naomi Klein

"Naomi Klein argues that climate change isn't just another issue to be neatly filed between taxes and health care. It's an alarm that calls us to fix an economic system that is already failing us in many ways. Klein meticulously builds the case for how massively reducing our greenhouse emissions is our best chance to simultaneously reduce gaping inequalities, re-imagine our broken democracies, and rebuild our gutted local economies. She exposes the ideological desperation of the climate-change deniers, the messianic delusions of the would-be geoengineers, and the tragic defeatism of too many mainstream green initiatives."

# • "Atmosphere of Hope" – Tim Flannery

A follow-up to his first book: "Today, Earth's climate system is fast approaching a crisis. Political leadership has not kept up, and public engagement with the issue of climate change has declined. Opinion is divided between technological optimists and pessimists who feel that catastrophe is inevitable."

#### • "The World Without Us" – Alan Weisman

o "In The World Without Us, Alan Weisman offers an utterly original approach to questions of humanity's impact on the planet: he asks us to envision our Earth, without us. In his revelatory, bestselling account, Alan Weisman draws on every field of science to present an environmental assessment like no other, the most affecting portrait yet of humankind's place on this planet."

# **Videos**

- Dear Future Generations: Sorry
  - o https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eRLJscAlk1M
- Climate Science: What You Need to Know
  - https://www.youtube.com/watch?annotation\_id=annotation\_48442071&feature=iv&src\_vid=y2euBvdP28c&v=ffjlyms1BX4
- A New Perspective on Climate Change
  - o https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EbjKcHPmxKQ
- What if the World went Vegetarian?
  - o https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ANUoAdXfA60
- NASA: A Year in the Life of Earth's CO2
  - o <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=x1SgmFa0r04">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=x1SgmFa0r04</a>
- CO2 Emissions as Seen Through a Special Camera Lense
  - o https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iH-W3gYx8vY
- What if all the Ice on Earth Melted? Ft. Bill Nye
  - o https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b6CPsGanO\_U
- Experimenting with climate change beliefs
  - o http://www.cornell.edu/video/jonathan-schuldt-climate-change-beliefs
- Why People Don't Believe in Climate Science
  - o https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y2euBvdP28c
- Politics and Climate Change
  - o https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lr1kDPM8kao
- Oregon Kids Sue Government Over Climate Change
  - o https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=911qIJT23ek
- People Don't Understand Climate Change (Communication Failure)
  - o <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eNx9tvCrvv8">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eNx9tvCrvv8</a>
- Can Climate Change Be Stopped? The People Speak
  - o <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-sTuebBl0Og">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-sTuebBl0Og</a>
- Coca Cola Upcycling
  - o https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I\_A4GCxiJ0U
- 5 Recycled Life Hacks
  - o https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YR9z8eNUJ18
- Our Future: Narrated by Morgan Freeman
  - o https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8YQIaOldDU8

#### Websites

#### More Than Scientists

- o <a href="http://morethanscientists.org/get-involved/">http://morethanscientists.org/get-involved/</a>
- This website is absolutely amazing! It's the most comprehensive list of climate-minded organizations, climate change information, and simple solutions that I've seen. I encourage you to watch the video that pops up when you first enter the page, and explore some (or all!) of the resources it provides.

## Climate Interpreter

- o http://climateinterpreter.org/
- o Full of resources to help you understand and communicate climate change effectively.

#### Climate Voices

- o http://climatevoices.org/
- You can search for climate experts across the US. This is a great resource if you want to reach out to any of them. There's at least one listed that is a professor at OSU, and a lot more that are in the surrounding areas.

#### • Adventure Scientists

- o http://www.adventurescience.org/
- You can view, collect, and share data addressing a variety of environmental topics all while going on your favorite outdoor adventures.

## Climate Choices Dialogue

- https://www.nifi.org/en/catalog/product/climate-choices-options-chart
- This is what we talked about in the second workshop. It addresses our 3 basic options moving forward in climate action. You can download the PDF for free.

