



Newsletter of the
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Direct Action Needed!

Challenge the Corporate Climate Deniers!

The catastrophic monster Hurricane Helene killed at least 800 people as it swept through the Florida and the Carolinas in south east United States in late-September, writes Tony Staunton of the Campaign against Climate Change.

Images of flooding, destroyed houses and infrastructure, winds of 155mph and storm surges of up to 15 feet sweeping inland passed through the news outlets and passed on by. Yet Helene was of a power one-third stronger than any previous hurricane in the USA. It represented one of the top-ten worst climate disasters worldwide causing at least \$150billion of damage.

Trump

10 million homes were without power for extended periods. The photos of flooded towns often showed destroyed homes with posters or flags of the **Make America Great Again** movement of Billionaire Donald Trump. Many of the poor people suffering total losses, isolated and with food and water shortages, had believed his climate scepticism, arguing that these are weather events that are natural, that **Climate Change** is a lie constructed by the professional elite.

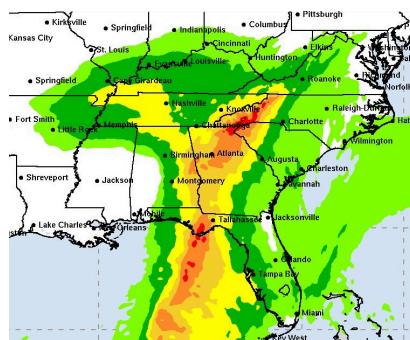
These conspiracy theories were further destroyed when Hurricane Milton, a rare Category 5 rapidly intensified to wind speeds of over 150mph, targeting Florida the following week.

Gas Emissions

Despite Helene and Milton, Climate Change is hardly mentioned across the US news and media. The far-Right political ideology has consumed most investigative journalism. Yet the ocean temperatures, of 33C in the Gulf of Mexico, offer unchallengeable evidence. Any such sea warming above 27C can produce hurricanes, and the water has not been so warm for many hundreds of thousands, perhaps millions of years.

The heating has been measured for many decades, proving the unnatural "hockey stick" rise in temperatures that can only be explained by the rise in greenhouse gases caused by emissions from fossil fuels into the atmosphere, trapping heat in our oceans and land masses.

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Calendar of Events Stop the Wars!

War and the industrial-military complex are responsible for more than 10% of all global emissions - more than the world's

65 poorest 65 countries Limiting the climate catastrophe requires ending the wars in Ukraine, Palestine and Lebanon and 11 other military conflicts worldwide. Israel's invasions of Gaza and Lebanon include the State's long-term ambition of securing oil and gas fields on the coast of Gaza, and control of fossil fuel assets in the region. a permanent ceasefire ensuring justice and security in Palestine is essential for climate justice.

Stop the Wars! Freedom for Palestine & Lebanon -
War destroys life, the environment and climate

**Plymouth Protest
midday every Saturday
near the Sundial, Armada Way**

**Stop Climate Denial:
Challenge the far-Right and
conspiracy theorists**

Join the national demonstration in London - 26th October 2024
StandUpToRacism.org.uk

**March for Clean Water!
Sunday 3rd November
National Demonstration in London**

Grab more information here:



Plymouth Climate Summit

Saturday 23rd November 2024 11am rally at Guildhall Square for midday march to Sherwell Centre, North Hill

www.plymouthhub4climate.org