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Recent titles on the Global Climate **Crisis and Ecology**

A basic collection for mid-size and branch libraries

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A bibliography for the general public and for print collection development by public and undergraduate academic libraries on the topics of Environment, Ecology, and Climate Change. Presented as a poster at the Florida Library Association 2010 convention. Includes input over the course of 5 years from professors and fellow Miami Dade county librarians. Virtual resources to follow.

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A Best Choice: the works of Lester R. Brown, chairman of the Earth Policy Institute, and his co-workers:

Plan B 4.0: mobilizing to save civilization or earlier books Eco-Economy, or Beyond Malthus. The Earth Policy Reader,

- is also written by Brown, Janet Larsen and Bernie Fischlowitz-Roberts, as is, Outgrowing the Earth: essays from the EPI.
- 2. With Speed and Violence: why scientists fear tipping points in Climate Change by Fred Pearce 2007
- 3. Citizenship Papers, by former professor/ farm advocate, Wendell Berry 2003; also A Place on Earth, his 1967 novel
- 4. The Weather Makers: how man is changing climate, what it means for life on earth by Tim Flannery 2006
- 5. Crimes against Nature: how George W. Bush and corporate pals are plundering the country ... by Robert Kennedy, Jr. -2005
- 6. <u>The True State of the Planet</u> ed. by Ron Bailey 10 premier environmental researchers –their contributions to the environmental movement with early works from 1995, including classic opposing views(now refuted)

Prize Winners

- 7. <u>An Inconvenient Truth</u> by Al Gore, *winner of 2007 Nobel Peace Prize* -an intro to his global warming lecture and movie, or his new book <u>Our Choice: a plan to solve the Climate Crisis</u> (11/2009); also <u>Earth in the Balance</u> (1993)
- 8. The Green Belt Movement, by Wangari Maathai, a 2004 Noble Peace prize laureate
- 9. Collapse: how societies choose to fail or succeed, a history by Pulitzer Prize winner, Jared Diamond 2005
- 10. <u>The Creation: an appeal to save life on earth</u> also <u>The Future of Life</u> by <u>E.O.Wilson</u> a *Pulitzer Prize* biologist, 2002 **Famous Leaders**
- 11. Storms of my Grandchildren: the truth about the coming climate catastrophe by Dr. James Hansen, NASA advisor- 2009
- 12. Red Sky at Morning, by Yale dean of Forestry, Environmental Studies James Gustave Speth, a founder of NRDC -2005
- 13. End of Nature, Eaarth, by Bill McKibben, important book like Silent Spring, (40th anniv) by Rachel Carson. -2002
- 14. Everglades: River of Grass by Marjorie Stoneman Douglas 1st ed. published 1947, a defense of the Everglades
- 15. Essays of Barbara Kingsolver, Animal, Vegetable, Miracle, a year of food life, 2008 or High Tide in Tucson, 1996 Water Issues
- 16. The Swamp: Everglades, Florida and the politics of paradise a classic history by Michael Grunwald -2007
- 17. The Last Oasis, facing water scarcity- Sandra Postel or Water Wars, privatization, pollution, profits Vandana Siva- 2002
- 18. Cadillac Desert: the American West and its disappearing water by Mark Reisner -1987
- 19. Water: the epic struggle for wealth, power, and civilization by Steven Solomon -2010
- 20. Seasick: Ocean Change and the extinction of Life on Earth by Alanna Mitchell ocean chemistry 2009
- 21. <u>Animal Factory: looming threat of industrial pig, dairy and poultry farms, to humans and environment</u> by David Kirby -2010 **The Classics**
- 22. Twenty Thousand Leagues under the Sea, by Jules Vern -1860 .. a science fiction first, with an ecology perspective.
- 23. (kids stuff) The Lorax, by Dr. Seuss or My Side of the Mountain trilogy by Jean C. George or Hoot by Carl Hiaasen
- 24. American Earth: Environmental Writings since Thoreau ed. Bill McKibben 2008 classic writings Library of America
- 25. Project Earth Science series, National Teachers Assoc. Press -2000 e.g. Physical Oceanography, (for science projects)
- 26. Walden by Henry David Thoreau 1847

Eco-psychology / spirituality works

- 27. The Divine Milieu, also his The Phenomenon of Man by Pierre Teilhard de Chardin, -1929
- 28. The Voice of the Earth (1992) by Theodore Roszak, eco-psychologist, with Rollo May defined term "counter-culture"
- 29. Earth Spirituality in the Catholic and Dominican tradition by Sharon T. Zayac, O.P. 2003
- 30. <u>The Great Work</u> (or other books) by <u>Thomas Berry</u> -an Augustinian priest and follower of Teilhard de Chardin -2000 **Eco- Jurisprudence and economics**
- 31. Wild Law, a manifesto for earth justice by Cormac Cullinan 2007
- 32. Essentials of Environmental Law, 3rd (includes a history of legislation), by Craig B. Simonsen -2006
- 33. The Earth Charter by UNESCO Paris, 2000
- 34. Protecting Public Health and Environment: implementing the Precautionary Principle ed. Raffensperger & Tickner 1999
- 34. Deep Economy: the wealth of communities and the durable future by Bill McKibben, of 350.org
- 35. The Green Collar Economy: how one solution can fix our two biggest problems by Van Jones, J.D. 2008

 Technical in a (product catalog format) a reference on alternative energy
- 36. The Solar Living Sourcebook, 30th anniversary edition -2007 by John Schaefer from Real Goods or Gaiam Indust. (Above titles are representative, NOT comprehensive)

Note: [Librarians should be aware of recent contributions in virtual, as well] Also appreciated are many excellent periodical contributors, including: E Magazine, Solar Today, and National Geographic; as well as magazines from Sierra Club, Union of Concerned Scientists, Natural Resources Defense Council, Environmental Defense, Ocean Conservancy, and The Nature Conservancy.