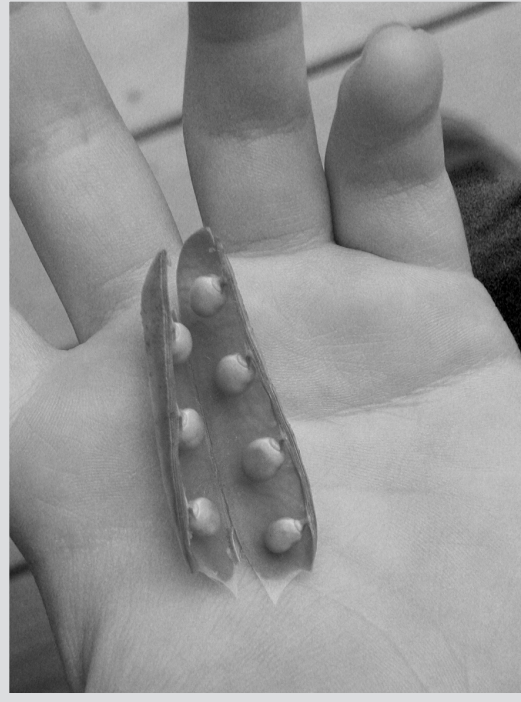


STOP GLOBAL WARMING BY GIVING PEACE—AND PEAS—A CHANCE!

FIGHT CLIMATE CHANGE WITH YOUR FORK • EAT ORGANIC AND LOCALLY GROWN FOODS, AND LESS MEAT

WHY ORGANIC?

Organic farming actually takes greenhouse gases out of the atmosphere. The crop and soil management practices can trap as much or more carbon as forests and wetlands, or no-till farmland. In contrast, conventional agriculture's dependence on petroleum-based fertilizers contributes heavily to climate change. According to a 23-year-long Rodale Institute study, if just 10,000 medium-sized farms in the US converted to organic production, they would store so much carbon in the soil that it would be equivalent to taking 1,174,400 cars off the road.



WHY LOCAL?

The average food travels 1500 miles from farm to fork. The average US household's annual diet requires over 1,000 gallons of fuel to transport over these long distances. In other words, we use about as much energy to grow and transport our food as to power our homes or fuel our cars. Buying locally grown foods greatly reduces CO₂, supports your local economy, and provides you with a fresher and tastier product.

WHY LESS MEAT?

Animal agriculture generates nearly 20% of all greenhouse gas emissions, which is more than driving, flying and all other forms of transportation combined. If you are an average US meat eater, reducing your meat consumption by two-thirds is roughly equivalent to doubling your vehicle's fuel efficiency, in terms of greenhouse gas reduction. If you eat meat, eggs or dairy, buy locally farmed products raised sustainably.

FIND LOCAL ORGANICS

At OrganicConsumers.org, there's a searchable directory of places in your community to find local and sustainably-made products.



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HOW WAR IS CONTRIBUTING TO CLIMATE CHANGE

Projected total US spending on the Iraq war could cover all of the global investments in renewable power generation that are needed between now and 2030 in order to halt current warming trends.

Since March 2003, the US has emitted at least 141 million metric tons of carbon dioxide fighting in Iraq. This is the equivalent of putting 25 million more cars on the road in the US this year.

In 2006, the United States spent more on the war in Iraq than the whole world spent on investments in renewable energy.

At PlantingPeace.us, you'll find research, news articles, and calls to action linking war and global warming, including a Climate of War, the report by Oil Change International from which the above facts are drawn.

PRESS THE POLITICIANS ON CLIMATE CHANGE

Tired of petty election-year mudslinging? Get ready for a season of heart-pounding, bone-crushing rounds of political wrestling—with the issues. Jump into the ring to help the Grassroots Netroots Alliance press every local, state and federal politician to answer the toughest questions on all the burning issues.

Go to GrassrootsNetroots.org to find out how politicians on your ballot stand on issues related to health, justice, sustainability, peace and democracy.



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