

The Inconvenient Truth in Benicia

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Just a week ago the UN Global Report on Climate Change was a shocking wake-up call concluding that we have 12 years to limit climate change catastrophe. "Climate change is running faster than we are- and we are running out of time."

This week Valero, our local refinery, is publicly attacking our Mayor, Vice Mayor, (who the citizens of Benicia elected), and City Council candidate Kari Birdseye. They fear that those of us who are working for continued healthy life on this planet are a threat to their profits.

The "Inconvenient Truth" that Al Gore warned us about a while back is playing out already with hurricanes, floods, droughts and sea rise. We will need to phase out of fossil fuels and support sustainable energy alternatives in order to save our planet.

Attacking the elected leaders in our community for caring about the future health and safety of town, our children's future, and our beloved earth just makes them look like the bad guys.

We humans need to be smart, be creative in finding solutions and take on the hard task of envisioning and implementing sustainable answers for survival into the future.

And I will surely support Kari Birdseye as someone who can lead the way!

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