

CLIMATE NEWSLETTER: FEBRUARY/MARCH

La Plata County League of Women Voters

GLOBAL

-Warming surpassed 1.5 Celsius over the last 12 months for the first time on record. 1.5* Celsius is the threshold many scientists have set as the critical level at which animals and humans will start needing to adapt to new temperatures and conditions. (source: CNN, Further Reading)*

-Colossal Project is currently working to bring back the woolly mammoth due to its positive impacts on the arctic grassland environment and improve genetic sciences. (Further Reading)

NATIONAL

-New England and the Northeast are facing major storms and flooding in February, CNN is calling this the new reality for coastline cities. (source: CNN Climate, Further Reading)

-Drastic El Nino storms have caused massive storms in California and wildfires in Chile in early February

(source: CNN Climate, Further Reading)



^New England Flooding^



^Durango, CO drought conditions^

LOCAL

-Safe & Healthy Colorado has submitted ballot language to restrict development of new oil and gas measures (Further Reading)

-A campaign to protect natural gas gains monetary and popularity support (Further Reading)

-Suncor Energy agrees to the largest air pollution penalty ever instated in CO (Further Reading)

(sources: Durango Herald, CGA, CPR Climate)

ACTIVISM OPPORTUNITIES & FURTHER READING

-Volunteer with the Mountain Studies Institute

-Volunteer with Southwest Conservation Corps

-Attend SASCO's local events

• CNN Climate Page

• CPR Climate Page

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Hi, my name is Cameron Garland and I'm the newly appointed Climate Chair for the La Plata County League of Women Voters! I'm a junior at DHS. I hope to major in environmental studies in college and later work as an attorney on behalf of protecting the environment. The environment is the most pressing issue facing our world today and I believe education and awareness are the first steps in climate recovery. The league interests me because of the accomplishments it has already made in increasing voter turnout and empowering women across the county to make their voices heard. I'm excited to join this positive, resilient and change making group of women.