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General Comment

People placed global warming at the bottom of the list in terms of our planet's priorities in a poll which ranked the world's most pressing problems Less than two percent of the climate studies in the survey actually endorsed the so-called "consensus view" that human activity is driving global warming and some of the studies actually opposed that view. Despite a manufactured "consensus," the elites and leaders continued to ignore any attempt to question the orthodoxy of climate alarmism. September 2006 News article claimed that polar bears in the Arctic are threatened with extinction by global warming. The article quoted a visitor to the Arctic who claims he saw two distressed polar bears. According to the article, the man noted that "one of the polar bears looked to be dead and the other one looked to be exhausted." The article did not state the bears were actually dead or exhausted, rather that they "looked" that way. What was missing from this article was the fact that according to biologists who study the animals, polar bears are doing quite well. Biologist Dr. Mitchell Taylor from the Arctic government of Nunavut, a territory of Canada, refuted these claims in May when he noted that "Of the 13 populations of polar bears in Canada, 11 are stable or increasing in number. They are not going extinct, or even appear to be affected at present." Sadly, it appears that reporting anecdotes and hearsay as fact, has now replaced the basic tenets of journalism. Each such alarmist article is larded with words such as 'if', 'might', 'could', 'probably', 'perhaps', 'expected', 'projected' or 'modeled' - and many involve such deep dreaming, or ignorance of scientific facts and principles, that they are akin to nonsense," a professor concluded in an op-ed. A Magazine which first warned of a coming ice age in 1920's before switching to warning about global

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warming in the 1930's before switching yet again to promoting the 1970's coming ice age scare. The April 3, 2006 global warming special report of Magazine was a prime example of the media's shortcomings, as the magazine cited partisan left-wing environmental groups with a vested financial interest in hyping alarmism. Example ENGINEERED "CONSENSUS" a newspaper featured an op-ed by a social scientist at University and the author of a 2004 Science study. Insisted that a review of 928 scientific papers showed there was 100% consensus that global warming was not caused by natural climate variations. However, the analysis in Magazine excluded nearly 11,000 studies or more than 90 percent of the papers dealing with global warming, according to a critique by social scientist. Example media endlessly hypes studies that purportedly show that global warming could increase mosquito populations, malaria, West Nile Virus, heat waves and hurricanes, threaten the oceans, damage coral reefs, boost poison ivy growth, damage vineyards, and global food crops, Oddly, according to the another reports, warmer temperatures almost never seem to have any positive effects on plant or animal life or food production. Poll found that most Americans do not attribute the cause of recent severe weather events to global warming, and the portion of Americans who believe global warming is naturally occurring is on the rise. it appears that alarmism has led to skepticism. The American people know when their intelligence is being insulted. They know when they are being used and when they are being duped by the hysterical left. The American people deserve better -- much better -- from our fourth estate. We have a right to expect accuracy and objectivity on climate change coverage. We have a right to expect balance in sourcing and fair analysis from our leaders who cover the issue. must roll back this mantra that there is scientific "consensus" of impending climatic doom as an excuse to ignore recent science. After all, there was a so-called scientific "consensus" that there were nine planets in our solar system until Pluto was recently demoted. Stopping Hysteria will not be easy since hysteria sells -- it's very profitable but educated people challenge the Hype and ask leaders to reverse course and report on the objective science of climate change, to stop ignoring legitimate voices this scientific debate and to stop acting as a vehicle for unsubstantiated hype. media has flip-flopped between global cooling and warming scares.

At the turn of the 20th century, the elites and billionaires peddled an upcoming ice age -- and they said the world was coming to an end. In the 1930s, the alarm was raised about disaster from global warming - again they said the world was coming to an end. Then in the 70's, an alarm for another ice age was raised - again they said the world was coming to an end. And now, today we are back to fears of catastrophic global warming -- and once again they are saying the world is coming to an end.