

# *Potpourri*

*Skepticism is the first step to Truth – D. Diderot*

Albemarle County BOS

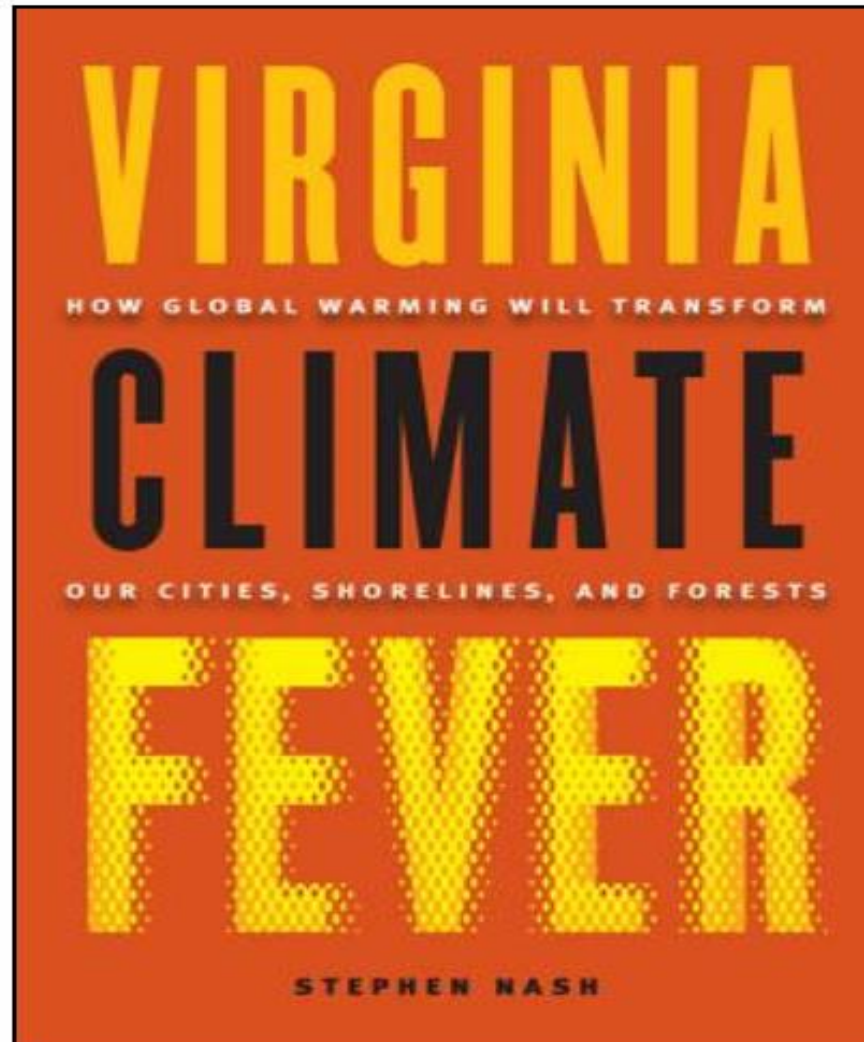
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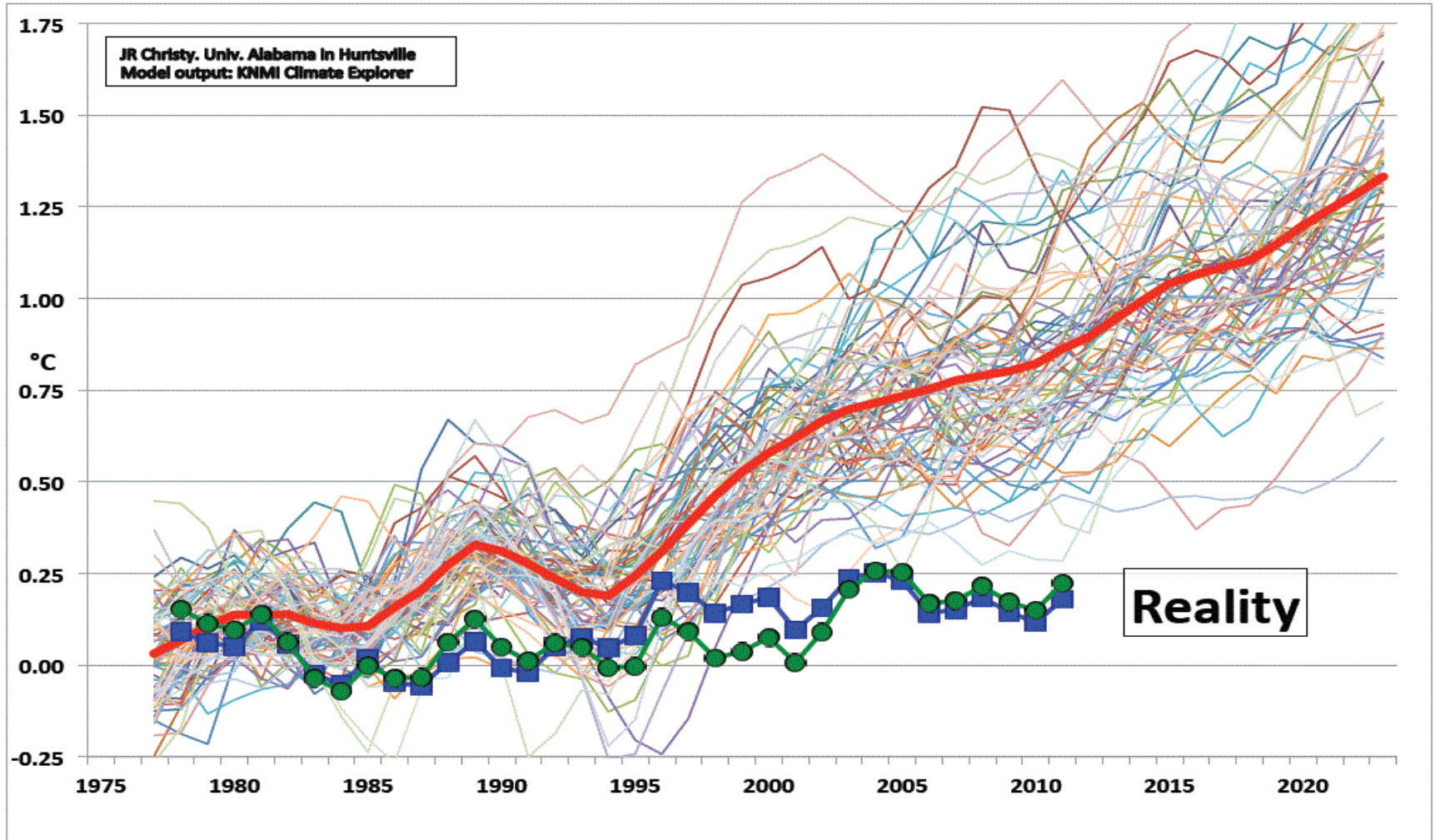
# Nash Cites *Failed Climate Models* As Sources For Factual Future Climate

“Regional **modeling** allows climatologists **to project** just how hot we can expect typical summers to be in the Fairfax, Norfolk, Danville or the Roanoke area...

The book lays out **climate projections** for Virginia by Texas Tech University Professor Katharine Hayhoe, an atmospheric scientist...

**If** greenhouse gases continue to accumulate in the global atmosphere at current rates, Fairfax County **could see** nearly double the number of 90+ degree days...”

# Climate Models' Predictions Failures Documented



# The Factual Record; Not Computer Fantasy or Journalist's Opinion

“The NOAA National Weather Service database maintains records on 90+ days in Virginia – although the records for individual sites are rather spotty. For Charlottesville, the 90+ days record begins in 1950, and since this date, **the correlation has been toward fewer – not more – hot days...**

Using data from the NOAA National Climatic Data Center, there has been **no significant trend in the state's summertime average maximum temperature since records began in 1895**, and also no significant trends since either 1970 or over the last three decades. **Five of the six climate divisions in Virginia have no significant trends in summertime average maximum temperature over the past 120 years...**

[http://www.americanthinker.com/blog/2014/11/feverish\\_times\\_for\\_climate\\_change\\_analyses\\_in\\_virginia.html](http://www.americanthinker.com/blog/2014/11/feverish_times_for_climate_change_analyses_in_virginia.html)

# Virginia Institute of Marine Science, College of William and Mary

*\*Study: Sinking land, not rising seas, a bigger worry*

“Sea levels around the Chesapeake Bay are not rising as quickly as other places in the world - actually, they are moving about half as fast as the global average...

Coastal lands around the Bay are **sinking more rapidly** than elsewhere around the planet, especially in Hampton Roads.”

## **Land Subsidence, not sea level rise**

\*<http://hamptonroads.com/2010/12/study-sinking-land-not-rising-seas-bigger-worry>

**Trends and acceleration in global and regional sea levels since 1807.** Global and Planetary Change 113: 11-22. Jevrejeva, S., Moore, J.C., Grinsted, A., Matthews, A.P. and Spada, G. 2014

“this newest analysis of the most comprehensive data set available suggests that there has been no dramatic increase – or any increase, for that matter – in the mean rate of global sea level rise due to the historical increase in the atmosphere’s CO<sub>2</sub> concentration. **[Therefore, there is no evidence of any human influence on sea levels]**”

# WSJ November 18, 2014:

## FCC Internet Aid Targets *Rural* Areas

### INTERNET SPENDING

The head of the Federal Communications Commission on Monday proposed a \$1.5 billion increase in the agency's funding of high-speed Internet connections for schools and libraries.

FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler would boost to \$3.9 billion the annual limit on the government's E-Rate program. It would be funded from a 16-cent increase in fees paid by consumers in monthly phone bills, or about \$1.90 a year.

The proposal is the second step in an overhaul of the program, which critics say has struggled to help schools keep pace with the Internet age, particularly in rural or low-income areas. This summer the FCC voted to shift funding from older technologies, such as pagers and landline phones,





# Albemarle County Staff's Comprehensive Plan: Section 12: "Community Services"

- Objective 10: Support provision of private electricity, telephone, natural gas, wireless, and fiber optic service **when provision is in keeping with other aspects of the Comprehensive Plan.**
- Strategy 10c: ... **Require compliance reviews with the Comprehensive Plan for requests for fiber optic extension to and through the Rural Area.**

# WSJ: “*Comet Holds Organic Matter*”

(Rocket probe lands on comet)

“An organic compound is one whose molecules contain the **carbon atom, the basis of life on earth**”\*

Long past the time to discard the radical environmentalists’ sloppy and “non-scienced” propaganda term of *carbon pollution*.

\*WSJ Tuesday, November 18, 2014

# *“Renewable Energy Cheaper Than Coal” a Google Failure...Project Closed Down 2011* After Four Years

“Two highly qualified *Google* engineers who have spent years studying and trying to improve renewable energy technology have stated quite bluntly that **renewables will never permit** the human race to cut CO2 emissions to the levels **demande d by climate activists**. Whatever the future holds, it is not a renewables-powered civilization: such a thing is impossible. “

<http://www.thegwpf.com/renewable-energy-simply-wont-work-top-google-engineers-conclude/#sthash.ZP6HAUk8.dpuf>

# *No Global Warming For Over 18 Years*

*Reuters November 17, 2014*

On Monday, President Barack Obama announced the release of a global warming “toolkit,” one day before **all 50 U.S. states fell below freezing temperatures.**

According to Reuters, “After announcing two major global initiatives on climate change last week, the Obama administration pivoted on Monday to American towns and cities to help them adapt to the **impacts of global warming.**”