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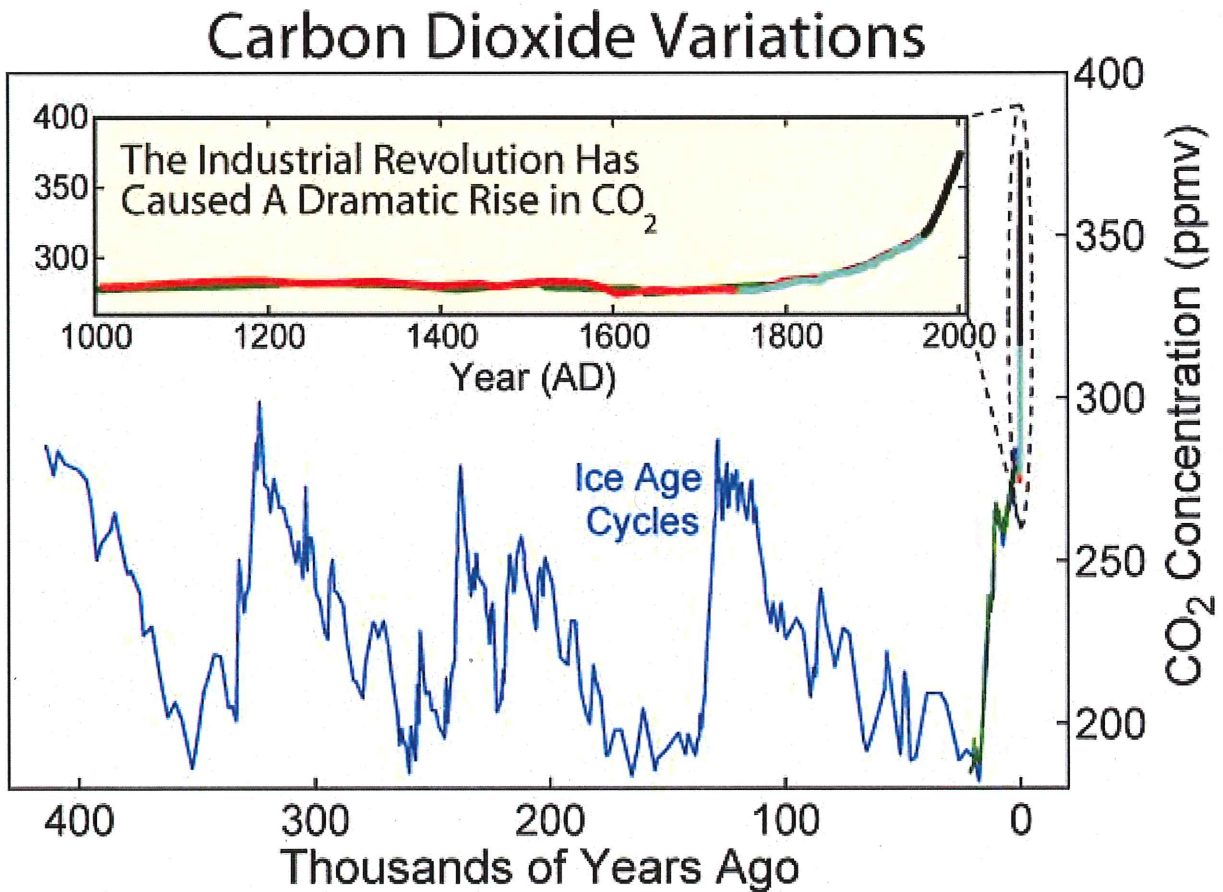
“Now that you know, what will you do?”
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As a climate leader with the Climate Reality Project, environmental activist, and mom of three I strongly urge the county council to pass this bill to clarify the zoning regulations as they pertain to commercial solar arrays on agricultural preservation land.

Climate change is an urgent matter. Our normal carbon cycle has been greatly disrupted by human-caused fossil fuel emissions. Just a few decades ago, we were within the normal carbon bounds at 310-330 ppm CO₂. We are currently sustaining just over 400 ppm, far above the norm:



The large-scale and rapid installation of renewable energy is a major element necessary for any hope of returning to the normal carbon cycle. Commercial solar plays a vital role in this equation.

Respectfully Submitted,
Meagan Braganca