

Slow down or stop climate change research

In Delaware, we've got a lot to lose -- from the buzz of a busy Bethany summer, to the retirement communities along the inland bays, to the homes of hard-working families in south Wilmington. Delaware can't afford a future where climate change and sea level rise are the new normal.

Climate change is a global issue. Delaware -- and our nation -- can't address it alone. In fact, the U.S. is responsible for less than one-fifth of greenhouse gas emissions around the world. Delaware is a down-wind and down-stream state, which means we suffer the effects of environmental and business decisions made in neighboring states. Climate change is a global problem, in need of global action, so I'm encouraged that the world's leaders are meeting this week to tackle the issue.

We need policies that prepare us for the effects of sea level rise, and more importantly, that address the root causes of climate change. I'll continue to fight for these priorities in Congress.

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