WILDFIRE

ALARMING STATISTICS:

1986-2003 wildfires occurred more than <u>4 times</u> as often, the fires burned more than <u>6 times</u> the average land area, and the fires lasted <u>5 times</u> as long as previously documented fires.

FOREST FIRES:

Trees store carbon. Burning trees release carbon into the atmosphere, accelerating global warming. In a warming climate, forest fire can prevent the return of the forest to the original state. (native plant and animal species disappear)

BURNING CITIES:

California recently suffered devastating fires. Santa Rosa burned; Paradise could not be saved; Napa, Ventura and Butte counties had major deadly wildfires out of control. Fire reached the county of Los Angeles. Exceptional fires, in number and severity, burned simultaneously. Loss of lives, loss of homes; warming planet

GREEN NEW DEAL

A template for organized resistance, HR 109 is about science and survival.