

# THE EARTH IS DYING AND I'M POSTING ON INSTAGRAM

May Seventeenth, Twenty-Nineteen

#### Why i still choose to answer a face-time call over the Earth's call for help

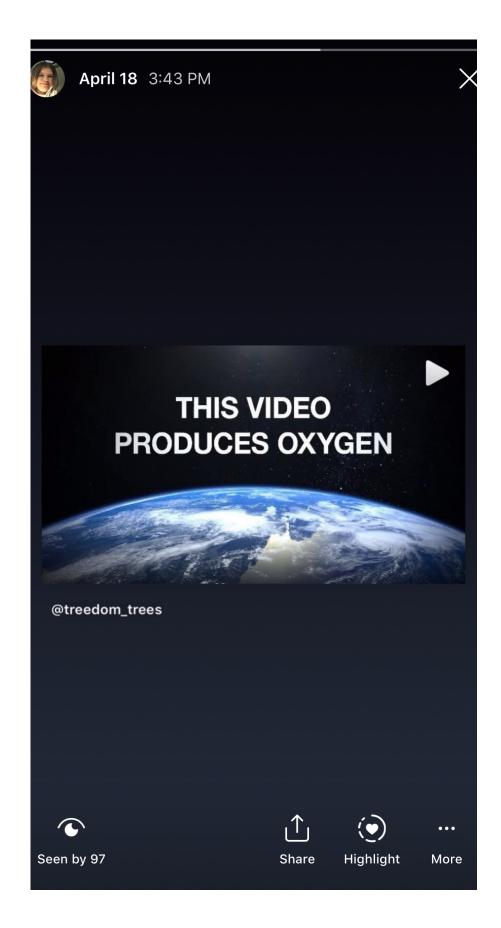
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Trust me I know how hard it was to stop sending streaks to read this, I could barely put my phone down to write this. The world is getting hotter than the back of my phone. However, instead of putting said phone down -its an extremely cracked Iphone 6s plus, nothing too special- and going out into the world to actually do something helpful, like protest a pipeline. I simply continue to lay on my couch and share an Instagram post and feel semi-satisfied with my "contribution" to help create a more sustainable Earth.

#### THIS IS NOT ENOUGH!

The world is still imploding,
Canada is warming up two times
-in some places three times- more
than the rest of the world
according to "Changing Climate
Canada" and me simply sharing a
post or two to "save the bees" or
"donate a dollar to plant new trees"
doesn't effectively help our
environment.

Post from my Instagram on April eighteenth twenty-nineteen



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#### WHAT IS GLOBAL WARMING?

"Global warming is the warming of the Earth due to human activity such as burning fossil fuels and destroy forest for agriculture" (causes of climate change).

Greenhouse gas emissions such as carbon dioxide is the main cause of human induced climate change. Climate change can cause extreme weather changes such as droughts, hurricanes, polar ice caps melting and flooding.

#### **WHY I CARE?**

The Earth is dying and so are we however, i care more about my phone dying. I need to help change the Earth so I can give my children their





best shot of living a good life. I don't want to have to explain to my children why the Earth is damaged beyond repair and there are no more ice caps because I didn't do everything humanly possible to fix our mistakes.

Although I've only been on this Earth for seventeen years and I did not cause all the damage on the Earth, I feel responsible to fix it as I'll be stuck with it. Not seventy- two year old Donald Trump who does not believe climate change exists.

### WHY I'M NOT DOING ANYTHING

Climate change and Global warming are serious issue the

world is facing. As a seventeen year old with no resources and no power except for the power my phone gives me I simply chose to do the bare minimum. It helps my self-conscience feel good (although only momentarily, it's the same feeling you get when your Netflix loads).

Could I get more resources and power to help chane the world? Yes, a sixteen year old girl from Sweden - "the most sustainable country in the world" (environmental leader)- is protesting and raising awareness. well I'm raising my phone to get a better angle for my selfie.



The concept of global warming was created by and for the Chinese in order to make U.S. manufacturing non-competitive.

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50.6K RETWEETS 28.3K LIKES

Sixteen year old global warming activist Greta Thunberg



#### **HOW WILL I HELP?**

However posting an Instagram post may help momentarily there are other steps I can take to help our Earth. I will stop eating meat as cows are the highest producers of methane gas. I can stop using one use plastic. I can protest against pipelines. I can write to the Government asking for change. The most important thing I can do though is get off my phone- which was beeping incessantly while writing thisand go out into the world and try and make it a beautiful place again.

#### HOW CAN YOU HELP?

- 1. Cut out meat even if it's just a day a week. Cow burps are the number two source of Methane in the united states "phys org".
- 2. Plant trees
- 3. Write letters to your mayor, parliament member, premier, prime

prime minister. Ask for policy changes.

- 4. Attend environment protests and climate change rallies. Show your frustration in a peaceful way.
- 5. You can also put down your phone. Look outside at this beautiful world and do your best to help.