What Can I do to Minimize Climate Change Impacts?*

- 1. Call/write local, state, and federal elected officials
- 2. Reduce your carbon footprint by reducing energy consumption (Google "reduce carbon footprint")
- 3. Buy local and eliminate unnecessary trips to the store
- 4. Bike, walk or use public transportation when possible
- Shop online
 If live 9 miles or more from store, online purchases use less energy to get the product
- 6. Eat locally (restaurants, farmers markets, your garden) Average food item in U.S. travels 1,500 miles from farm to table
- 7. Eat less meat
- 8. Plant trees
- 9. Drive fuel-efficient vehicles and use energy saving driving practices
- 10. Use less water
- 11. Reduce, Reuse and Recycle
- 12. Purchase environmentally friendly products
- 13. Insulate and seal your home or business, adjust thermostat
- 14. Have an energy audit done on your home or business
- 15. Use energy saving light bulbs and appliances in your home or business
- 16. Encourage your local government and local power utility to decrease their fossil fuel use by increasing their use of alternative energy sources (wind, solar, geothermal)
- 17. If investing in energy companies, choose alternative energy companies rather than those dealing with fossil fuels (oil, coal, natural gas, propane, etc.)
- 18. Google "climate change actions"

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