

LETTER TO THE EDITOR - TRAIL TIMES
Teck joins the West's war on the 'gas of life'
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On the front page of the Trail Times (July 7, 2022), Sheri Regnier reports that Teck Resources announces a carbon capture, utilization, and storage ("CCUS") pilot project to begin operations in the Trail acid plant during the second half of 2023.

The "carbon" to be captured is actually carbon dioxide ("CO₂"), a colourless, odourless gas that is as important as oxygen, water, and sunlight in sustaining life on the planet. Without CO₂, Earth will become a lifeless desert.

Natural processes have depleted, and continue to deplete, the store of bioavailable CO₂ to levels well below the optimum for plant growth. Unfortunately, the consumption of fossil fuels will not restore an optimum level of atmospheric CO₂.

Then why should Teck, a responsible corporate citizen, be a party to the West's anti-life madness?

"The three things that any functioning country must have an ample supply of are food, water, and energy. Those are the fundamental necessities of life, not diversity, equity, and inclusion. Food, water, and energy. If you have a surplus of food, water, and energy, you win. If you don't, you lose." Tucker Carlson, Fox News, July 6, 2022¹.

An attack on CO₂ is a direct attack on a primary source of energy, fossil fuels, and an indirect attack on our ability to produce and distribute food.

China, India, and other countries that refuse to embrace this anti-CO₂ insanity will "win".

The West must recognize the importance of fossil fuels and allow its carbon emissions to replenish the planet's severely-depleted store of bioavailable carbon dioxide. Or else, we "lose".

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¹ <https://watsongallery.ca/ClimateReality/CR/Video/2022.07.06.TuckerCarlson/2022.07.06.TuckerCarlsonTonight-FoxNews.pdf>