

**Global Warming and Climate Change:
The Legal, Public and Ecological
Health Consequences**

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Abstract

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The works attempt to understand the human health consequences of global climate change from both a public and ecological health perspective and to address how practitioners of law and other cognitive disciplines, may collectively act to aid humanity in confronting the climate crisis. The candidate concludes that we must not only totally transform how we live, but how we think, in respond to a challenge which many authorities believe is one of the greatest threats that the human species has faced in thousands of years.

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