How should we organize to solve the ecological crisis?

The demand for an ecologically sustainable society presents a radical challenge to capitalism, and we must struggle for in a radical way. Here are some ideas about



how to push the struggle towards a revolutionary vision and strategy:

• **No compromise:** We can't compromise our demands. We won't settle for continued reliance on fossil fuels in any form, including caps and carbon taxes that let polluters keep polluting.

• Think systemically: We must put individual struggles in context, looking at the ecological crisis as a whole and its relationship to social problems. For example, a struggle against toxic waste dumping in an urban neighborhood could also fight against lead paint, housing segregation, and the prison-industrial complex.

- **Build solidarity:** We need to build allegiances between the ecological movement and the struggles of communities of color, women's struggles, and workers' struggles. We prioritize the demands of oppressed and exploited people and ally with militant, democratic struggles like the Chicago teachers' strike.
- **Confront capitalism:** Individual "dirty" corporations make great targets, but we also need to expose how their actions are part of an oppressive system. While we target corporations, we must also challenge the capitalist state that supports them.
- **Be internationalist:** To ensure sustainable development everywhere, we need an end to imperialist exploitation of the developing world. We stand in solidarity with workers' and farmers' struggles around the world (as well as colonized peoples in the US) and demand an end to neoliberalism and US militarism.
- **Demonstrate alternatives:** Our words and actions point to a better society—one in which the economy and society are under the control of working people, and we mobilize democratically to solve social and ecological problems.



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