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Subject: Re: Global Warming: Katrina, Rita, Wilma: Whats next?

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That'd be kind of hard...considering that nobody besides researchers even sees the ice caps, seeing as how one is on a barren, uninhabited continent and the other is floating in the Arctic Ocean. Nobody permanently lives on or near either ice cap.

And "melting at an amazing rate?" I'm gonna go out on a limb and say you don't have any research proving that. And the opinions of pundits and politicians do NOT count as "research." If you can provide a PUBLISHED report by credited scientists IN THIS FIELD (A climatologist, for example) that says the ice caps are "melting at an amazing rate," there would be validity in the claim. There's a big difference between the OPINIONS of scientists and ACTUAL, EXPERIMENTAL DATA. Just because Dr. Somebody said that global warming is the fault of humanity doesn't make it so if he can't PROVE it.

The fact is that there is no conclusive evidence either way. Johnny Anybody can claim that X, Y, or Z effect is due to human influence- but we can't prove that. It might be due to a natural warming cycle- a phenomenon which is known and documented as having happened before. We are in one such cycle now. Yes, we need to be careful about how we treat the environment- but we have no way of proving that this warming trend is due to human emissions (or demolitions, as it were).

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