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## Eco-grief Workshops Offered to Fish and Wildlife Employees

The Left's propaganda on climate change is taking a toll on government employees' mental health causing, some to suffer from "ecological grief," "eco-anxiety," or "eco-grief." To ease the effects of this climate change-enhanced psychosis, the Interior Department's Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) is now offering "eco-grief" training to employees who are struggling with a sense of trauma or loss as they witness a changing environment.

According to a Daily Universe [article](#)



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An increasing number of people are being affected by an emerging mental health condition called "ecological grief."

Ecological grief, also known as eco-grief or eco-anxiety, is when "people experience climate grief when they notice or anticipate the loss of 'species, ecosystems and meaningful landscapes due to acute or chronic environmental change,'" according to the research [article](#) "Addressing Climate Change Concerns in Practice" published by the American Psychological Association [APA].

*The Washington Times* [shared](#), "The APA acknowledged in a 2020 article that 'not much is known about climate grief' and said there were no clinical studies on treatments." The paper added that eco-grief affects "younger people more than older people and hit[s] indigenous people harder because they are more likely to be upended by a changing climate," and that "climate scientists and activists would make for particularly acute sufferers."

The new FWS "woke" training workshop is currently being offered to employees in the Southwest region, which covers Arizona, New Mexico, Texas, and Oklahoma. Per the *Times*:

"This 4-hour workshop seeks to normalize the wide range of emotional responses that conservationists experience while empowering participants to act while taking care of themselves," the notice said. "The workshop is intended for those experiencing ecological



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grief and for those who wish to support them.”

This class is just another ludicrous attempt by government seeking to accommodate and protect the anxiety-afflicted snowflakes that are too politically correct, too easily offended, and too soft in their demands for safe spaces, trigger warnings, preferred pronouns, and social justice.

Congressman Pete Stauber (R-Minn.), a member of the House Natural Resources Committee, [said](#), “When I first heard of the ‘ecogrief’ class sponsored by FWS, I thought this was a joke. This is taxpayer waste, plain and simple, and our House Republican majority will be holding this administration accountable.”

But it appears that our federal government’s waste of taxpayers’ money on climate change propaganda is sadly paying dividends. The APA [summarized](#) a 2020 survey:

56% of U.S. adults said that climate change is the most important issue facing the world today. While people’s focus and concerns have shifted toward the pandemic in the last year, climate issues remain prominent in people’s lives. More than two-thirds (68%) of the adults APA surveyed said they had “at least a little ‘eco-anxiety,’” or anxiety or worry about climate change and its effects. Nearly half (48%) of young adults ages 18 to 34 said they felt stress over climate change in their daily lives. While these changes have been rapid, they have not been surprising: More than a decade ago, [The Lancet](#) and the University College London Institute for Global Health Commission called climate change the biggest threat to global health — and mental health in particular — of the 21st century.

An FWS employee, who asked not to be named, [shared](#) with the *Times* that there is a “massive backlog of projects at the agency and said there are better ways to spend money than on ecogrief training.”

The *Times* continued:

“The FWS is in absolute crisis when it comes to funding and staffing,” the employee said. “Most refuges I know have lost 50 to 60% of their staff over the last 12 years. And yet consider how much time, money, energy and staff time is being spent on spreading the woke message.”

The employee cast the ecogrief training as part of a larger push toward that “woke” agenda.

Other examples include having employees take part in LGBTQ pride events while wearing agency clothing, complete with a special “FWS pride” rainbow logo.

“Would the FWS support its employees having a booth and being dressed in uniform and while on the clock supporting a pro-life festival?” the employee asked rhetorically.

At least we can have comfort knowing that there are government employees who recognize the evil of the Biden administration’s woke agenda.

Congressman Paul Gosar (R-Ariz.) called the course “nonsensical and a complete and total waste of resources.” The *Times* continued:



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He blasted the “climate warming hoax” and “constant scare-porn news stories” that spawn the anxiety that the ecogrief course seeks to address.

“The treatment is not a four-hour course but to understand that CO2 is necessary for life on earth. It is not a poison to be feared,” he said in a statement to The Times.

Besides, he said, “if you really want to get anxious, think about a possible coming ice age. A warm earth creates prosperity, abundant food and growth. A colder earth results in death and starvation. The last mini-ice age (1100-1800) wreaked havoc in the Northern Hemisphere.”

Now that the cat is out of the bag, we can expect the [House Oversight and Accountability Committee](#) to expose this training class as nothing more than woke madness at taxpayer expense.



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