

CLRC Special Interest Group: Sustainability

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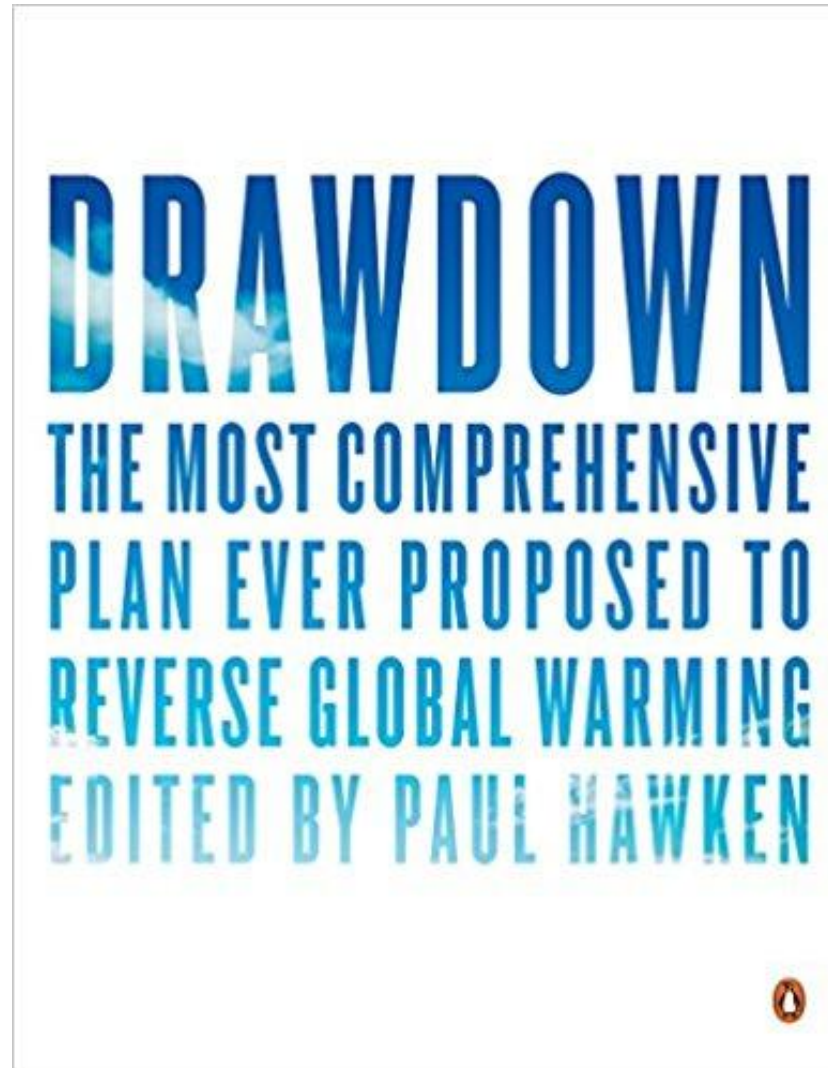


What is Drawdown?

The point in time when the concentration of greenhouse gases in the atmosphere begins to decline on a year-to-year basis.

The Book

- ▶ 100 Solutions to decrease CO2
 - ✓ Electricity
 - ✓ Food, Agriculture, & Land Use
 - ✓ Industry
 - ✓ Transportation
 - ✓ Buildings
 - ✓ Health & Education
- ▶ Each solution reduces greenhouse gases by avoiding emissions and/or by sequestering carbon dioxide already in the atmosphere.



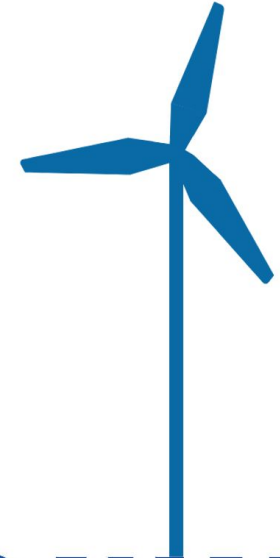
Once Upon a Time...

Members of the NYLA Sustainability Initiative thought it would be awesome to feature the book and the 100 solutions it posits as a focused way forward for groups who want to take a more active role in reducing global warming. So they:

- ✓ Partnered with Project Drawdown to bring Drawdown Learn to NY Libraries in 2019
- ✓ Coordinated with Overdrive and Penguin Random House to offer pay-per-click copies and discounted pricing on hard copies
- ✓ Developed a toolkit with a customizable presentation, lesson plans, suggested reading, ideas for community partnerships and programs, and more!

***NEW
YORK
READS:***

DRAWDOWN





What Can You Do?

Challenge...



...Accepted?



Sustainable food makes us better,
makes our communities better,
and is better for the world.

Solution #4 Plant-Rich Diet Sector: Food

If 50% of the world's population restricts their diet to a healthy 2500 calories per day and reduces meat consumption overall, an estimated 26.7 gigatons of emissions could be avoided... (p. 39-40)

REDUCE ANIMAL PRODUCTS

PLANT-RICH DIETS

I will enjoy (___) meatless or
vegan meal(s) each day of the
challenge.

LEARN MORE

SELECT

DAILY ACTION



SUPPORT LOCAL FOOD SYSTEMS

PLANT-RICH DIETS

I will source (___) percent of
my food from local producers
each day. This could include
signing up for a local CSA,
buying from a farmer's market,
visiting a food co-op, foraging
with a local group, or growing
my own ingredients.

LEARN MORE

SELECT

DAILY ACTION



Solution #3 Reduced Food Waste Sector: Food

...if 50% of food waste is reduced by 2050, avoided emissions could be equal to 26.2 gigatons of carbon dioxide...(p. 42-43)

ZERO-WASTE COOKING
REDUCED FOOD WASTE

I will cook (____) meal(s) with zero-waste each day

LEARN MORE

SELECT

DAILY ACTION

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KEEP TRACK OF WASTED FOOD
REDUCED FOOD WASTE


I will keep a daily log of food I throw away during Drawdown Ecochallenge, either because it went bad before I ate it, I put too much on my plate, or it was scraps from food preparation.

LEARN MORE

SELECT

DAILY ACTION

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Practice the "5 Rs" -- refuse, reduce, reuse, repurpose, and recycle.

Solution #70 Recycled Paper Sector: Materials (Industry)

Over 30 years, recycled paper can deliver .9 gigatons of carbon dioxide emissions reductions...(p. 166)

PRACTICE THE 5 R'S **RECYCLING**

I will Practice the "5 Rs" – refuse, reduce, reuse, repurpose, and recycle – to reduce my waste more than I can with just recycling alone.

[LEARN MORE](#)

SELECT

DAILY ACTION



GO PAPERLESS **RECYCLED PAPER**

I will reduce the amount of paper mail that I receive by 0.11lbs (0.05kg) a day or 3.3lbs (1.6kg) a month by opting into paperless billing, ending unwanted subscriptions and opting out of junk mail.

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SELECT

ONE-TIME ACTION



Happening at a library near you!

- ▶ Library Farm @ Northern Onondaga Public Library, Cicero

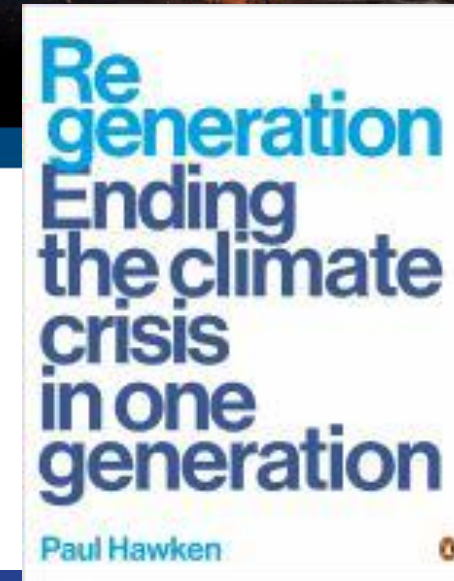


- ▶ Young Naturalists Program & Pollinator Garden @ Manlius Library



Want to Know More?

- Visit Project Drawdown: <https://drawdown.org>
 - ✓ Read “Climate Solutions at Work”
 - ✓ Complete the Climate Solutions 101 Online Course
- Check out Paul Hawken’s latest:
Regeneration: Ending the Climate Crisis in One Generation (2021)
- Contact the Sustainable Libraries Initiative to learn more about their Certification program!
<https://sustainablelibrariesinitiative.org/>
- Member of NYLA? Join the Sustainable Thinking and Action Round Table (START)



Thank You



Would you like to join the CLRC Special Interest Group on Sustainability?
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