Against Doom
A Climate Insurgency Manual

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While the world’s people suffer the apocalyptic torments of floods, fires, droughts, heatwaves, desertification, disease vectors, food shortages, forced migration, ecosystem collapse, extinction, and other effects of uncontrolled climate change, the world’s governmental and political leaders continue to accelerate our wild ride to climate doom. Is there any way for the rest of us to put on the brakes?

Climate insurgency is a strategy for using people power to realize our common interest in protecting the climate. It uses mass, global, nonviolent action to challenge the legitimacy of public and corporate officials who are perpetrating climate destruction.

A global climate insurgency has already begun. It has the potential to halt and roll back the fossil fuel agenda and the global thrust toward climate destruction.

Against Doom: A Climate Insurgency Manual tells how to put that strategy into action—and how it can succeed. It is a handbook for halting global warming and restoring our climate—a how-to for climate insurgents.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Jeremy Brecher is the author of more than a dozen books on labor and social movements, including Save the Humans? Common Preservation in Action and his classic labor history Strike!, recently published in a revised fortieth anniversary edition by PM Press. He has been writing about climate protection since 1988, most recently in his book Climate Insurgency: A Strategy for Survival (2015). He holds a PhD from the Union Graduate School and is a cofounder of the Labor Network for Sustainability. In addition to being awarded five regional Emmy Awards for his documentary film work, Jeremy was arrested in the early White House sit-ins against the Keystone XL pipeline.

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“Against Doom lays out key elements of a far-reaching, global-scaled, pragmatic, people-powered strategy to topple the power of the fossil fuel industry and the institutions behind it.”

—David Solnit, author of Globalize Liberation: How to Uproot the System and Build a Better World

“In Against Doom, Brecher has provided the climate movement with two essential tools: a moral framework for the struggle against fossil fuels, and an actual plan for victory. By blending sober social movement analysis with the fire of grassroots activism, this book shows that there is a genuine, and winnable, case against the fossil fuel economy—a case to be argued in the streets as well as the courtroom. It’s an essential volume for anyone committed to social change in the fight against climate change.”

—Joseph Hamilton, Climate Defense Project

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