

20,000 Scientists Sign “Warning To Humanity” Letter About Environmental Destruction

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Scientists across the globe have ramped up their warnings about the environmental destruction that human beings are carrying out, with a total of [20,000 scientists signing on to a “Warning to Humanity” letter.](#)

The [paper](#)—“World Scientists’ Warning to Humanity: A Second Notice”—was published in November 2017 in the journal *Bioscience* and quickly received the largest-ever formal support by scientists for a journal article with roughly 15,000 signatories from 184 countries.

Today, the article has collected 20,000 expert endorsements and/or co-signatories, and [more are encouraged](#) to add their names.

The “Warning” became one of the most widely discussed research papers in the world. It [currently ranks 6th](#) out of 9 million papers on the Altmetric scale, which tracks attention to research. It has also inspired pleas from political leaders from Israel to [Canada](#).

The fact that scientists are trying to drill into our heads is that time is running out to prevent catastrophe, and if we continue on our current pace for even a few more years, the damage will be irreversible. Ring of Fire’s Farron Cousins discusses this.