

Example of an Outline

1. Introduction
   1. NOAA declares 2016 hottest year on record
      1. Third year in a row
      2. Data
         1. Average surface temperatures
         2. Ocean temperatures
         3. Record broken 5 times in the last 16 years
   2. NASA data supports NOAA data
      1. Data
         1. Temperature findings
         2. Warmest years on record
2. Climate Change Deniers
   1. Donald Trump
      1. Tweets
   2. Scott Pruitt, EPA nominee
      1. written opinions
   3. Other Nominees and their stance on Climate Change
      1. Rex Tillerson, State Department
      2. Ryan Zinke, Interior Department
3. Scientific Community
   1. Agreement regarding warmest years
   2. Varying methodologies
   3. Anomalies
      1. El Niño
         1. Long term effects of El Niño
   4. Japan Meteorolgical Agency and Britain's Hadley Center findings support NASA and NOAA findings.
      1. Varying methodologies
   5. Additional supporting data from NASA
      1. Historical comparison
      2. Current efforts (<2 degrees C)
   6. Examples of Climate Change effects
      1. Australia - Great Barrier Reef bleaching
      2. Artic - sea ice record lows, and high temperatures
      3. Megafire in Fort McMurray, Alberta, Canada
      4. Record high temperatures in India
      5. US effects
         1. Second warmest year on record
         2. Warmest year recorded in Alaska
      6. Stratosphere data
4. Conclusion
   1. Record is no surprise to NASA

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