

Collusion exists

Dinah Shumway sees crony collusion in Mark Reynolds' assertion that some Congressional Republicans acknowledge climate change and fossil fuels cause warming. She finds conspiracy in government and in capitalism. Funny, she works with fossil fuel capitalists looking to mine for profit on government land.

Funny, a different conspiracy has lasted decades: Exxon records show they've known since 1981 that climate change is real and caused by fossil fuels. Exxon funded a climate change denying conspiracy while simultaneously telling angry shareholders that they stopped funding this conspiracy.

It's like Ford documents revealing Ford knew Pinto's design was defective and subject to explosions but Ford decided, due to repair costs, not to recall Pintos. Ford audaciously kept building new Pintos with the same flaw.

It's like Big Tobacco documents showing they knew smoking caused cancer but Big Tobacco conspired to deny it. They lied about their ability to control nicotine levels because they wanted cigarettes to remain addictive.

Shumway is right, collusion exists, but wrong about who's colluding. All the pseudo-scientific information she presents is refuted on SkepticalScience. com. Readers should ask Congressman Paul Cook to sponsor carbon fee and dividend legislation, a clear sign of well-informed patriotism.

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