

# **GOP candidates still in denial about climate change**

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Michael Gerson often writes thoughtful columns but this week he made a ludicrous suggestion: if not for Donald Trump, Republican presidential candidates would be engaged in serious contemplation, economic analysis and political outreach. Gerson especially bemoaned the fact that [Trump "spreads destructive, unscientific nonsense."](#)

In contrast, Gerson insists that Jeb Bush and Marco Rubio are "hiring interesting thinkers and producing interesting speeches." Yes, Bush and Rubio are finding interesting ways to deny climate change without appearing to repeat the same old destructive, unscientific nonsense. Now they deny we can do anything about it, they deny we have the technology, and they insist emissions reduction policies will hurt the economy — all are false, but interesting, claims.

Meanwhile, Chris Christie repeats unscientific rubbish about human exhalation of carbon dioxide being the cause of climate change. Interestingly, when a kid quoted Christie's unscientific comments back at him, Christie yelled at her, insisting he never said anything so stupid, and she should stop misquoting him. Bobby Jindal produced an interesting letter ordering the President of the United States to refrain from speaking about climate change while in New Orleans. Ben Carson wouldn't be interested that scientists have proved that our changing climate is caused by humans, even if God sent an angel from heaven with tablets saying "Ben, climate change is real and your fossil fuels are causing it."

The only interesting Republicans are a group of 11 Republican representatives who sponsored a resolution last week acknowledging our extreme weather events and urging Congress to take action.

That was interesting. It was scientifically honest. Interested readers should please contact Citizens' Climate Lobby for more information.

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