

Agenda 21: Who, What, Where, and When?

WHO

You don't hear a lot about "Agenda 21." Most people don't know where it comes from or what it will do. If they did,

Participating in a UN advocated planning process would very likely bring out many of the conspiracy-fixated groups and individuals in our society such as the National Rifle Association, citizen militias and some members of Congress. This segment of our society who fear 'one-world government' and a UN invasion of the United States through which our individual freedom would be stripped away would actively work to defeat any elected official who joined 'the conspiracy' by undertaking LA21. So, we call our processes something else, such as comprehensive planning, growth management or smart growth. – J. Gary Lawrence, advisor to President Clinton's Council on Sustainable Development and to US AID

It is commonly called "Sustainable Development."

- **Implemented by innocent-sounding programs that most people support**
- **Hosted by environmental groups for things such as habitats for endangered species, wetlands, roadless areas, heritage areas, and nature preserves**
- **Under the guise of protecting the environment, allows the UN to decide how all land is used (including private land)**

WHAT

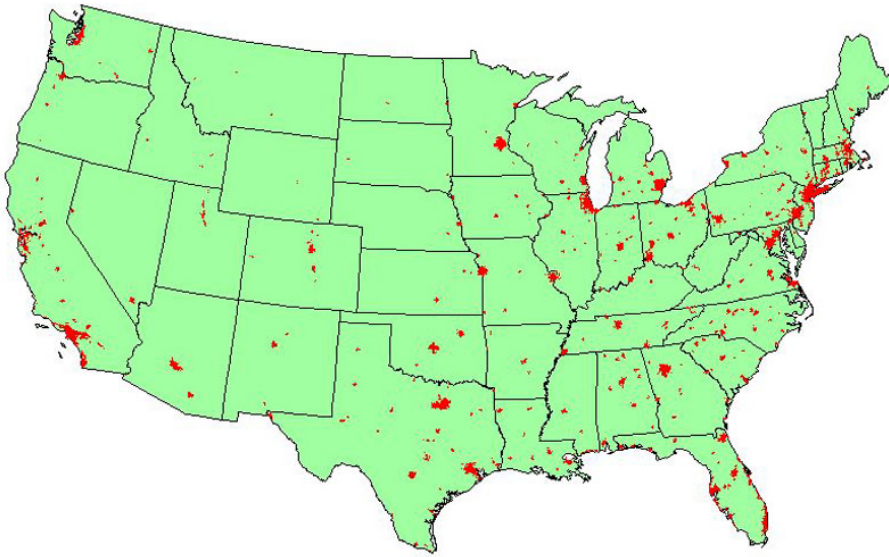
The doctrine of Agenda 21 is a user's manual for governments to control every aspect of life. In the words of the editor:

Effective execution of AGENDA 21 will require a profound reorientation of all human society, unlike anything the world has ever experienced — a major shift in the priorities of both governments and individuals and an unprecedented redeployment of human and financial resources. This shift will demand that a concern for the environmental consequences of every human action be integrated into individual and collective decision-making at every level. – Daniel Sitarz, editor of AGENDA 21: The Earth Summit Strategy to Save Our Planet (Earthpress, 1993)

Following the Earth Summit, American Congresswoman Nancy Pelosi introduced a resolution which was adopted in the House of Representatives:

H.CON.RES.353

Latest Title: Expressing the sense of the Congress that the United States should assume a strong leadership role in implementing the decisions made at the Earth Summit by developing a national strategy to implement Agenda 21 and other Earth summit agreements through domestic policy and foreign policy, by cooperating with all countries to identify and initiate further agreements to protect the global environment, and by supporting and participating in a high-level United Nations Sustainable Development Commission.



The sustainability movement basically scares people into believing the earth will self-destruct, the globe will over-develop, and species will die.

But our country is not overcrowded. Only 6% is developed. Here is a map showing the classified “urban area” (3%) by the Census Bureau.

WHERE

Since the UN has no enforcement authority and Agenda 21 is a recommendation rather than a binding treaty, implementation depends on “soft law” which follows this pattern:

- 1) create regulations that make existing systems impossible, to where “voluntary” submission is achieved
- 2) offer subsidies or grants to promote the new system, to where “voluntary” submission is achieved

A classic example of this is HB 170 from the 2013 Kentucky General Assembly:

Create new sections of KRS Chapters 278 and 96 to require retail electric suppliers to use increasing amounts of renewable energy; require retail electric suppliers to take energy-efficiency measures and implement energy-efficiency programs that increase energy savings over a period of time; provide for alternative compliance plans for public utilities who fail to meet renewable energy or efficiency requirements; define renewable energy; specify reporting requirements to the Public Service Commission regarding progress in diversifying energy sources and energy savings; require the Public Service Commission to develop tariff guidelines for purchase of renewable power.

Another bill in 2013 was HB 36, which offered incentive money to those counties who would consolidate certain of their programs (“interlocal agreements”). While interlocal agreements can be very helpful for certain things, offering money as an incentive to participate is an obvious sign that this is a tool being used for more than just “what’s best for our local governments.”

“The true foundation of republican government is the equal right of every citizen in his person and property and in their management.” –Thomas Jefferson, 1816

WHEN

Agenda 21 has been in place for over 20 years. However, it takes time to actually implement its guidelines. The International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives (ICLEI), now called "Local Governments for Sustainability" is an organization "helping" local governments all over the world implement Agenda 21 guidelines at the local level. Member cities in Kentucky include Berea, Frankfort, and Lexington-Fayette County. (Multiple other "green" groups have members among our other Kentucky cities, most notably Louisville and Owensboro in addition.)

HOW DO WE STOP AGENDA 21?

Because Agenda 21 pops up in so many different forms, the only effective way to counteract it is to fight each expression of Agenda 21 at our local level of influence. Once we can see the bigger picture behind all the seemingly miscellaneous environmental-type activity, we can then work to block its implementation piece by piece and educate others in the process.

In the past few years, documentation of cities dropping ICLEI membership has encouraged other citizens to work with their cities to follow this new pattern.

In the 2013 Kentucky General Assembly, SB 80 (Schickel, Webb) was a counter to Agenda 21:

AN ACT relating to the prohibition against implementing the United Nations Agenda 21.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:

âSECTION 1. A NEW SECTION OF SUBCHAPTER 1 OF KRS CHAPTER 224 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

(1) For the purposes of this section, the following definitions apply:

(a) "United Nations Agenda 21" means the nonbinding policy statement adopted at the 1992 Rio de Janerio Conference of United Nations Conference on Environment and Development that set forth principles and objectives for national policies and actions to promote sustainable development. "United Nations Agenda 21" includes the Rio Declaration on Environment and Development and the Statement of Principles for Sustainable Development; and

(b) "Political subdivision" has the same meaning as in KRS 39D.040.

(2) Because the United Nations Agenda 21 attempts to usurp the rights of property owners via use of eminent domain, no state agency or political subdivision of the Commonwealth of Kentucky shall adopt or implement the creed, doctrine, principles, or any tenet of the United Nations Agenda 21 or any other international law that contravenes the United States Constitution or the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

(3) No state agency or political subdivision of the Commonwealth of Kentucky shall:

(a) Be a member of an organization that intends on implementing the United Nations Agenda 21: or

(b) Expend public funds, regardless of whether the funds were received into a public account from taxpayer receipts or from private grants, directly or indirectly, to organizations that intend on using any portion for implementing the United Nations Agenda 21.

Sample Law from Alabama

Section 35-1-6

Limitation on certain environmental or developmental policies affecting property rights.

(a) As used in this section, "political subdivisions" means all state, county, incorporated city, unincorporated city, public local entity, public-private partnership, and any other public entity of the state, a county, or city.

(b) The State of Alabama and all political subdivisions may not adopt or implement policy recommendations that deliberately or inadvertently infringe or restrict private property rights without due process, as may be required by policy recommendations originating in, or traceable to "Agenda 21," adopted by the United Nations in 1992 at its Conference on Environment and Development or any other international law or ancillary plan of action that contravenes the Constitution of the United States or the Constitution of the State of Alabama.

(c) Since the United Nations has accredited and enlisted numerous non-governmental and inter-governmental organizations to assist in the implementation of its policies relative to Agenda 21 around the world, the State of Alabama and all political subdivisions may not enter into any agreement, expend any sum of money, or receive funds contracting services, or giving financial aid to or from those non-governmental and inter-governmental organizations as defined in Agenda 21.

(Act 2012-598, §1.)

WHY MUST WE STOP AGENDA 21?

“The moment the idea is admitted into society that property is not as sacred as the laws of God, and there is not a force of law and public justice to protect it, anarchy and tyranny commence.” – John Adams

“Freedom is never more than one generation away from extinction. We didn't pass it to our children in the bloodstream. It must be fought for, protected, and handed on for them to do the same.” – Ronald Reagan