

Dear Scientists,

I am concerned about my city, and I am reaching out to you for help. This year has been very hot and very dry. I have noticed that some of the city's plants look like they need attention—they have not grown as tall and fast as they usually do, and when there has been no rain for weeks or months, many plants turn brown and yellow instead of green. I am worried about what might happen to the plants in our area over the next few years. As experts on the ecosystem where we live, I think you can help me.

I am hoping you can send me a report on what might be impacting our plants (including our environment, temperature, and rainfall) and make a presentation to our city council. We will use your report and presentation in our decisions about the plants in our area.

Thank you for your help.

Sincerely,

The Mayor

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