Curious about carbon offsets?
You are invited to join World Tree for an "Impact Brunch" with internationally acclaimed climate scientist Andrew Weaver and a video welcome from Elizabeth May, MP.
The brunch on Feb 25 is free and seating is limited, so please register in advance here.
Your ticket includes:
  · Video welcome by Elizabeth May, MP
  · Keynote address by Andrew Weaver, MLA
  · Networking with green investors
  · Presentation by Dr. Cathy Key from World Tree on investing to make a difference
  · Delicious brunch
  · Low carbon door prizes
This event celebrates the launch of World Tree's 2017 Carbon Offset Program.

There are many carbon offsetting programs and providers around the world, including a Community Carbon Market on Vancouver Island and Vancouver-based Offsetters.

It's also possible to offset your own personal carbon footprint with an organization such as Cool Effect.

Gold Standard was established in 2003 by WWF and other international NGOs as a best practice benchmark for energy projects developed under the UN’s Clean Development Mechanism. It was set up to ensure that projects delivered genuine emission reductions and long-term sustainable development.
Now endorsed by 80+ NGOs and with more than 1,100+ projects in 70 countries undergoing certification, the Gold Standard has become the global benchmark for the highest integrity and greatest impact in climate and development initiatives.

Yeah, but what IS an offset?
A carbon offset is a reduction in emissions of carbon dioxide or other greenhouse gases in order to compensate for or to offset an emission made elsewhere.
So if a person drives a car to work, that car burns fuel and the exhaust contains a mixture of gases, most of which contain carbon, like carbon dioxide and methane.
In order to reduce the environmental damage from those carbon-containing gases, a person can support (usually with money, called buying offsets) an initiative that will remove from the atmosphere, or prevent from entering the atmosphere, an equal amount of carbon-containing gas – that's the offset.

Climate change and health
Bhutan, the world’s fourth-highest country at 2,200 metres, is linking climate data with epidemiological surveillance, to track and manage diseases connected to changes in the country’s climate.

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