

BIG BUCK'S TEN POINT PLAN

- 1. Carpool and reduce trips.** Two people can save \$1,500 a year by carpooling. Plan commutes ahead of time to cut costs even more!
- 2. Drive an electric vehicle.** Save BIG on gas and receive a federal tax break of up to \$7,500. Alternatively, consider efficient hybrid engines or "flex fuel" (ethanol).
- 3. Invest in solar power.** You can sell electricity back to power companies and receive government grants for installing solar panels.
- 4. Insulate windows and doors.** Modest investments in insulation and weatherstripping can save you thousands in heating and cooling costs.
- 5. Set the thermostat.** Lower the temperature when you're away from home to save energy and money.
- 6. Switch to LED bulbs.** 90% of the power fed into an incandescent bulb is emitted as heat. Wasted energy is wasted money.
- 7. Optimize laundry.** Save money by doing two COLD loads of laundry weekly. It can save up to 500 lbs of CO₂ per year.
- 8. Make a vacation a staycation.** Save a ton of money and 1.6 tons of CO₂ emissions by avoiding one round-trip transatlantic flight.
- 9. Reduce meat consumption.** Veggie diets cost less and help to mitigate climate change. Reducing meat consumption pads your wallet, not your gut.
- 10. Use ecological common sense.** Turn off unused lights and appliances. Close doors and windows when heating or cooling. Saving money makes sense for you and the environment!

