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Climate Change is the crisis of our time and the most serious threat humanity has faced to continued existence on planet.

This morning: financial issues that support a decision to divest from fossil fuels over 5 years.

Fiduciary responsibility: to manage and protect investments of MCERA. As taxpayer interest in making sure MCERA's funds wisely invested.

No doubt fossil fuels industry has been profitable in past because externalized costs.

Changing, unlikely to continue for 4 reasons:

1. See more effects of Climate Change (like drought), understand to avoid total climate catastrophe, 80% of reserves must be left in ground. Share prices based on projections everything will be extracted, sold and burned.
2. Governments starting to take action to regulate
3. Harder to find and deliver cheap fossil fuels
4. Renewables getting cheaper.

Looking at possible extreme devaluation of fossil fuels market creating “stranded assets.” for those who stay in.

Don't want to be last to divest as market collapses.

Not risky: Aperio Group, manager of customized index portfolios for investors, estimates risk to return when you take fossil fuels out of a portfolio is 0.0044 %. Sharpe ratio which measures risk-adjusted performance of investments is the same or better for fossil-free investments than for fossil fuel investments.

Fossil fuel companies too risky an investment.

Staying in market “imprudent and inconsistent with your fiduciary duties.”

Only divesting reduces exposure to collapse of market.

Take deeper look by scheduling meeting with experts in fossil-free investing to protect our money and to meet your fiduciary responsibilities.

