

countries across the board have lowered their emissions. But looking toward your case ...

Hobbs: Well, can I have any statistics on how much they have been lowered? Or ...

Nadle: Well sure, I'd shown you that United States Conference of Mayors cities, according to ICLI, has lowered them to Kyoto Protocol standards, which would be 7 percent below 1990 levels, and then my partner will further elaborate on what other countries have done also to be successful. But I have a quick question for you ...

Hobbs: One more quick follow-up question: How much has that affected the temperature?

Nadle: How much that's affected? Again, my partner will bring up more statistics showing the environmental benefits. But I have a question for you. You bring up various economic models, but is it not true that instead of using various economic models of what could happen in the future, it's better to look to what's already happened with the Kyoto Protocol?

Hobbs: Okay, so let's look at what has already happened. You talk about this Mayor's Commission, and yet we have statistics that say that the Mayor's Commission is nonbinding. It's mostly to do ... and we also have evidence that shows it might be of a more a political agenda than anything because it's nonbinding and it says that they want to abide by Kyoto, but it really does not provide the limits that Kyoto does. It gives them absolutely no time frame in which to implement them, and that's where the economic harms come in, is the time frame. Trying to do this in four years is absolutely ridiculous.

Nadle: But has that four years already occurred?

Hobbs: No ... it's from 2008 to 2012.

Nadle: And the United States Conference of Mayor's cities have already met those levels, correct?

Hobbs: You haven't given me any statistics that they have. Seattle, who started this commission, they haven't had anything done to their city. They haven't had any reports since 2002, and if they were so eager to boast about this, you would think that they would.

Nadle: Actually, recent reports from Greg Nickels, the mayor, shows that they've reduced their emissions by 60 percent already since the implementation of the Kyoto Protocol.

Hobbs: But they have no official report to back that up because an official report hasn't been done since 2002.

Nadle: It was an official report done by the United States Conference of Mayors, not the city of Seattle specifically. But again, let's look to your national security point. You again talk about the fact that the United States is not exempt; however, are you aware that the Kyoto Protocol does specifically exempt militaries from emissions?