



*BRIGHT GREEN LIES - How the Environmental Movement Lost its Way and What We Can Do About It* -- Derrick Jensen, Lierre Keith, & Max Wilbert (Monkfish, US, 2021, paperback, 500 pages)

In my opinion, this book is a must-read for climate advocates. It presents a deluge of facts and figures regarding the huge carbon footprint and other destructive environmental impacts of many facets of industrial-scale renewable energy, including problematic recycling potential and feeble output of power compared to fossil fuels. This information is shocking and worrisome. Shocking because my previous reading on energy issues had not brought home to me this gloomy reality. (Note: I don't agree with the authors claim that this information has been intentionally covered up by environmentalists.)

This assessment of renewables and their place in climate solutions is important as we consider such issues as “electrification of everything” and divestment of fossil fuel stocks.

Fortunately, the book contains good news too. The authors discuss their views on the path forward to reversing climate change and helping life, human and otherwise, survive on this planet.

A worthwhile documentary based on the book was made by Julia Barnes, a young Canadian filmmaker: *Bright Green Lies – Clean Energy Has A Dirty Secret* (2021). It includes authoritative sources such as our own David Suzuki. I also recommend a provocative one-hour interview with the authors at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-wsVbN8r2AM>.

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