

50 Miles

Our addiction to coal is making us sick. Each year, pollution from coal plants around the country results in approximately 12,000 emergency room visits. Coal plant emissions including mercury, smog and coal ash are all directly linked to detrimental health effects such as asthma, lung cancer and cardiovascular disease. Sierra Club is working to ensure that these negative implications are realized by not only the public, but by our legislators as well. In putting pressure on influential legislators, Sierra Club hopes to see stricter regulation on coal plant pollution emission not only in Wisconsin, but throughout the country. An estimated fifty percent of Americans currently live in places with unsafe air quality, it is essential that we shift toward sustainable forms of energy and cut our coal addiction.



Author: Amanda Kannard Geography 370 Final Project Projection: Albers Equal Area Conic Latitude of Origin, Central Meridian: 37.5 N, 89 W Information from: American Lung Association Wisconsin Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention Program Sierra Club Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources

