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# Global Warming: Doing what the planet needs in Washington, Copenhagen, Pittsburgh and tropical forests

The next four months are going to be a critical time for action on global warming. Both in Washington, with the Senate debate on the House-passed energy and climate bill, and in



Copenhagen in December, with the negotiations for a new treaty to make drastic reductions in greenhouse gases. The G-20 meeting in Pittsburgh on September 24-25 is key for both these events, since it is where President Obama and the leaders of the world's largest economies could make a commitment to making the necessary investments to avoid the worst consequences of climate change.

**Thursday, Sept. 10, 2009**

**4:30 pm**

**Porter 100, Gregg Hall**

This presentation will discuss the balance of forces and the political dynamics that could lead to historic steps on climate change in the next few months – or to a failure to act that would have drastic consequences for the planet.

