

# **CNN Blames Trump for Hurricanes; His Climate Policies Will Lead to '80,000 Unnecessary Deaths'**

Blame Trump for Hurricane Florence?

That's CNN's suggestion.

CNN's political analyst, John Avlon, made the stunning claim Thursday during a segment called "Reality Check."

Is Trump "complicit in this storm?" asked Alisyn Camerota in the segment introduction.

"His policies have been tearing down our defenses to climate change, which is often a blame for extreme weather," Avlon answered. "On the same day Trump was discussing Florence, his EPA proposed rolling back restrictions on emissions of methane. That's just the latest environmental policy targeted by the Trump Administration."

Avlon rattled off a series of Obama-era environmental regulations the Trump Administration is rolling back — including pulling out of the Paris climate accord — and then boldly predicted a death toll in the thousands.

"It is so bad according to two Harvard scientists, it could lead to 80,000 unnecessary deaths every decade," Avlon said. "Warmer water means more intense storms. When President Trump called Hurricane Florence tremendously wet, he was on to something."

"This isn't rocket science, it is climate science," he concluded. "As long as we continue to aggressively ignore it, the cost in lives and dollars will escalate. That's your reality check."

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