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Hello Water Smart:

" So long as men think that government is the art of obtaining office, and that it is the business of the ruler to follow the whims of the multitude, so long will society have no use for a philosopher. Rather it will want to use for its own wicked ends, and therefore to corrupt and turn from philosophy, all who have the rudiments of a philosophic nature."

The water smart workshop in Nelson BC served one important purpose for "Tommy Tree-hugger" to network with other concerned citizens and to get to know our mutual antagonist: the face of pitiful governance.

A BC socialist premier called environmentalist " enemy's of the state" I had just been released from a BC maximum security prison having peacefully defied a forsworn "injunction" procured by BC Ministry of Forestry to road and clear-cut the unstable slopes of ""Perry's Ridge in the Slocan Valley 1997.

It was a real eye opener for me when it was revealed (in court) that M.o.F bureaucrats had mislead the judge regarding slope stability causing the judge to nullify the "injunction" after a 100 of Canada's finest police officers, marched off 9 or 10 citizens that could not bare the weight of pitiful socialism. Our local socialist MLA beamed gleefully knowing the vote from forest/mill workers would secure his pension.

Most of the interior mills are now closed and a good percentage of decent logging jobs are non-existent. The fear of drought now stands taller than forestry job security.

My understanding at this "water smart workshop" was that the BC capitalist where looking for ideas to modernize BC's water act.

1) educate university students properly by eliminating "forestry degrees" folding those studies into a environmental degree. It is misleading for student to think our wild forest are not likely the most important aspect of a healthy functioning planet.

2) fold forest into environment ministry.

3) hire "Tommy Tree-hugger"

4) inspire Nelson Daily news to cover important stories such as this.

Like Socrates I was incarcerated for inspiring youth to peacefully defy corrupt governance, unlike Socrates I was not forced to drink hemlock, still I am not sure if his punishment was not more humane, as I have to endure ever greater acts of tyranny.

Good luck being water smart, you are going to need it.