Now let's put some of the pieces together



Net oil exports start declining dramatically due to internal use by exporters; peak was ~2008; wars, suffering increase

Climate change impacts increasing unevenly in space & time, ability to rapidly reduce GHGs without economic collapse gone-----

Abject European dependence on Russia, ME for oil & gas perceived

U.S. economic and fiscal crisis with bimodal resolution: either a) higher & more progressive taxes, decreased militarism, or b) diminished social contract + militarism + vast inequality

Human population peaks and begins uneven decline. Mental health deteriorates further. Unprecedented cruelty continues, involving more people than WWII. Human rights advances fail and retreat. Disparities in all things increase. Shortages in materials, energy, water plague wide swaths of world. Wild animals killed and eaten en mass everywhere where not protected by militarized police. Forests at risk.

Over time, scenarios for the future are increasingly dominated by statistically contagious, interconnected "black swan" events, e.g. famine, political unrest and instability, "liquid" and other wars and insurrections, financial collapses, infrastructure failures, terrorism, great storms, nuclear meltdowns, earthquakes, normal accidents, mass unemployment and loss of faith in "system," epidemics/pandemics, supply chain failures, etc.

DoD procurement crisis heats up, this decade. Navy effectively kills "3 + 2" plan by 2016. LASG halts pit facility expansion. no all-new bombs. NNSA and DOE continue pattern of fiascos.

It is critical to establish humanitarian values in the present decade. It will never be easier than now. Nuclear weapons ban must link with wider issues.

New Mexico



New Mexico Zero: Downward Drift: Continuing exodus of non-military non-government professionals; continuing population declines in most rural counties; gradual loss of natural amenities, habitats, species ensembles; fracking bubble bursts (this decade); falling human development indices; increasing inequality; declining skills; corruption; failure of entrepreneurial model of business development ("Innovate ABQ") along with loss of some current economic anchors; some improvement in health coverage but quality of care poor; new slums and homeless encampments; political disenfranchisement and lassitude.

New Mexico One: Same as NM0 but also nuclear wasteplex and fracking petroplex; military and homeland security focus; essentially the ABQ "war zone" expands as does the Carlsbad WIPP culture; lab, military contractor, and uniformed military retirees and leave-holders more frequently hold political office. Reputation and identity of state shift to national security, which now includes oil and gas, toxic and radioactive waste, drugs, police wars, prisons, collapsing suburbs, homeless encampments.

New Mexico Two: Civil discontent, honest appraisal of situation with NM0 fuels progressive revolt, electoral sweep, fosters green "New Deal," the groundwork for which had been laid previously. Public investment and private incentivization fuel locally-owned renaissance in sustainability. Distributed generation and microgrids become popular as banks remove barriers and incentives are put in place. PNM's role whittled down. Local ownership, increased political enfranchisement, trust, changed mentality, skills -- pride. Protection of habitats, livelihoods as stewards, producers. Cultural renewal-in-depth as consumerism falters. Arts flourish.

It is critical to articulate green, human development values immediately. New Mexico risks a downward spiral from which it might never recover. Mere reform is inadequate.