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- [Roger Pielke, Jr.](#), who directed the Center for Science and Technology Policy Research within the Cooperative Institute for Research in Environment Sciences (CIRES) since its inception in 2001, has ended his term serving as director of the Center and is on a year-long sabbatical at the James Martin Institute for Science and Civilization. CIRES Associate Director [Dr. William Lewis](#) will serve as the Interim Director of the Policy Center. William has considerable experience with science and policy issues and is a leader on campus and at CIRES. In addition, [Benjamin Hale](#), newly hired as a faculty member in Environmental Studies (ENVS), will be joining the Center this fall. [Lisa Dilling](#), who has been with us for the past few years as a CIRES visiting fellow, will be joining ENVS as a faculty member starting in January.
- Center Interim Director, [William Lewis](#), appeared before a House Natural Resources Committee hearing on July 31, 2007 on "[Crisis of Confidence: The Political Influence of the Bush Administration on Agency Science and Decision-Making](#)."
- NEW reviews are now out in the August 2007 editions of [Science](#) (17 August 2007 edition) and [Nature](#) (23 August 2007 edition) on Roger Pielke Jr.'s book: [The Honest Broker: Making Sense of Science in Policy and Politics](#). Roger was also interviewed in the July 2007 edition of Office of Science & Technology's [Bridges](#) on his new book.

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- [Twenty years of public opinion about global warming](#)
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Sample of [Recent Publications](#):

- **Caution in using economic losses from tropical cyclones as justification for action on energy policies:**  
Pielke, Jr., R. A., 2007. [Future Economic Damage from Tropical Cyclones: Sensitivities to Societal and Climate Changes](#), Proceedings of the Philosophical Transactions of the Royal Society.
- **Effective carbon governance to limit the amount of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere:**  
Dilling, L., 2007. [Toward carbon governance: Challenges across scales in the United States](#), Global Environmental Politics, Vol. 7, No. 2, pp. 28-44, May.
- **Reviews the literature on climate forecasting information and explores three main equity implications of seasonal climate forecasting use:**  
Carmen Lemos, M. and Dilling, L., 2007. [Equity in forecasting climate: can science save the world's poor?](#), Science and Public Policy, Vol. 34, No. 2, pp. 109-116.
- **A critique how the Stern Review Report on Climate Change treated disaster loss projections under conditions of climate change:**  
Pielke, Jr., R. A., 2007. [Mistreatment of the economic impacts of extreme events in the Stern Review Report on the Economics of Climate Change](#), Global Environmental Change, in press.

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