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***Eco/Carbon Footprint (Grades 7-9)***

compute your ecological footprint

<http://www.islandwood.org/kids/impact/footprint.php>

World Wildlife Federation top ten ways to reduce eco footprint

[http://www.wwf.org.uk/what\\_we\\_do/changing\\_the\\_way\\_we\\_live/cities/top\\_ten\\_ways\\_to\\_reduce\\_your\\_ecological\\_footprint.cfm](http://www.wwf.org.uk/what_we_do/changing_the_way_we_live/cities/top_ten_ways_to_reduce_your_ecological_footprint.cfm)

Verizon decides to cut its carbon footprint

<http://www.treehugger.com/green-investments/verizon-reduce-carbon-footprint-50-2020-ceo-says.html>

India suggests US reduce carbon footprint before pressuring others

<http://www.bloomberg.com/apps/news?pid=newsarchive&sid=a7WGSJvqXSyU>

Kristie Pelletier claims carbon footprint is a myth

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=osyXCIOQfRE>

dense explanation of carbon footprint

[http://www.footprintnetwork.org/en/index.php/GFn/page/carbon\\_footprint/](http://www.footprintnetwork.org/en/index.php/GFn/page/carbon_footprint/)

definition of carbon footprint

<http://timeforchange.org/what-is-a-carbon-footprint-definition>

investors put pressure on companies to reduce carbon footprint

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/sustainable-business/investors-demand-greenhouse-gas-reductions>