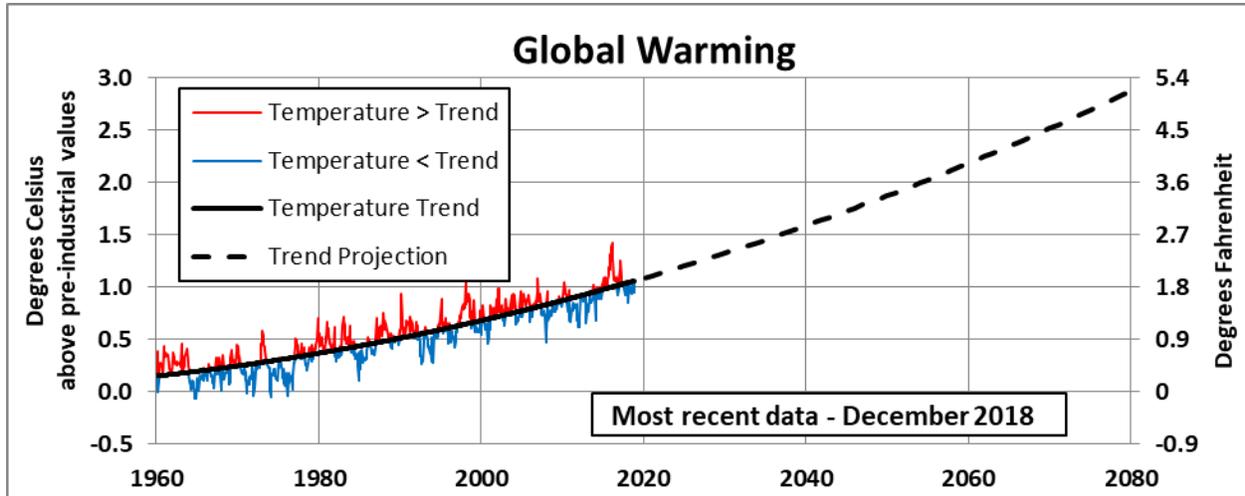


Global Warming Data, Trend and Projection
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Update Note – Due to the recent government shutdown, the January data update from NOAA was delayed until February 6. According to this update, global surface temperatures in December 2018 were consistent with the trend shown in the chart above, 1.06 °C (1.9 °F) above pre-industrial temperatures (see below). December 2018 was the second warmest December on record. The 2018 annual average was 0.99 °C (1.8 °F) above pre-industrial values, the fourth warmest year on record. Global annual average temperatures for the last five years have been the five warmest on record. Mild El Niño conditions are now present and expected to continue into the spring of 2019. Solar irradiance is approaching the minimum of its ≈11 year cycle, a cooling effect compared to recent years.

Data – Monthly global surface temperature anomaly data (red and blue lines) are monthly differences from the average temperature *for that month* during the years 1901-2000 and are available from [NOAA](http://www.noaa.gov). The red (blue) lines represent monthly temperatures warmer (cooler) than the trend. Note that **0.2 °C** has been added to the NOAA values to account for the difference between the 20th century average and pre-industrial values.

Trend and Projection — The trend shown in the chart is a quadratic fit to the recorded monthly global temperatures since 1960 relative to pre-industrial values. The projection is the continuation of this curve into future times. Note that the projection will change as the historical trend changes in response to new

data. Recent temperatures are about half the 2.0 °C target limit established by the Paris agreement. Based on the current projection, global temperatures will be 1.5 °C above pre-industrial levels by 2036 and the Paris Agreement's +2.0 °C target limit would be surpassed around 2054 (see chart.)