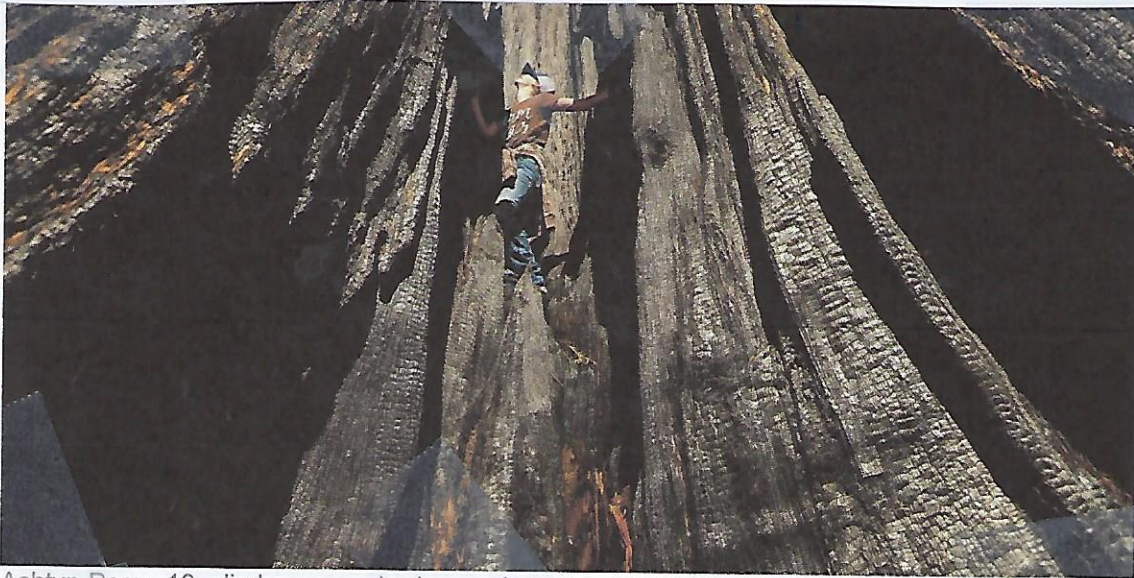


"The New Bucket List"



Ashtyn Perry, 13, climbs a scorched sequoia tree in Sequoia Crest, Calif. Photo: Noah Berger

This morning, I sent Axios managing editor Justin Green a link about the changing climate's effect on the giant sequoias in my native California, and he replied:

- "That cements my decision to take my kid to see them next year."

The big picture: Climate change is spurring people to rapidly accelerate their bucket lists — see the millennia-old trees before they burn, the glaciers before they melt or the tropical reefs before they die.

For more than a century, Californians were taught that the great redwoods were fireproof. The first sequoia tree incinerated in recorded history was in 2015, AP reports.

- **Since then**, thousands of the giant trees have burned in Sequoia National Park and the adjacent Sequoia National Forest.
- **To blame:** climate change and long-term forest management policies.

America's most famous glaciers, memorably viewed from the Going-to-the-Sun Road in Glacier National Park, are projected to vanish by the end of this century.

- **Australia's Great Barrier Reef** has lost half its corals in 25 years, a report said last year.