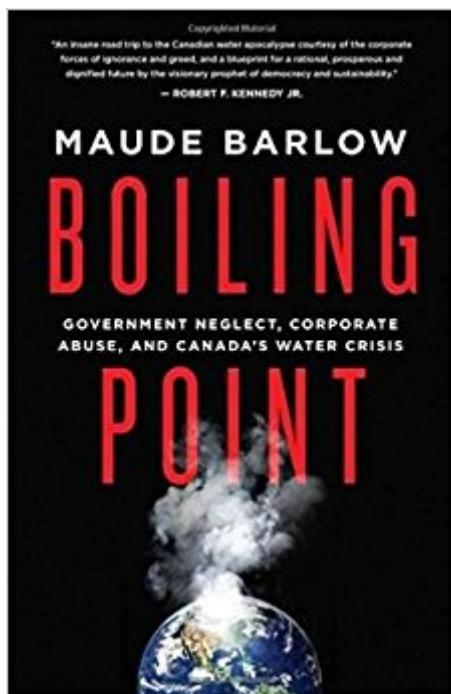


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# Boiling Point: Government Neglect, Corporate Abuse, And Canada's Water Crisis



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“Maude Barlow is one of our planet’s greatest water defenders. In this indispensable book, she brings her hard-won wisdom home, demonstrating that Canada is already in the midst of our own water crisis. With great warmth and precision, she also shows that by taking up the call for water justice — so intimately connected to other struggles — we can start to build the society we want. This book has all the facts, forceful analysis, and moral clarity that Canadians will need to wake up and join this most urgent of struggles.” — Naomi Klein, author of *This Changes Everything* and *The Shock Doctrine*

Barlow concludes on a hopeful note, providing reasonable solutions that show how a blue and just Canada is possible. She understands, however, that while most large corporations will do almost anything to increase profits, the primary responsibility for protecting citizens lies with governments at all levels. Barlow makes a convincing case that both our provincial and federal governments are failing this fundamental duty.

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Canadian Association of Labour Media — “Boiling Point is a concise, informative guide to Canada’s water crisis . . . Here’s hoping many Canadians read Boiling Point and demand the necessary action.”

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Book brought about valid points on the threats to Canada's water supplies and I found that I was captivated enough to want to keep reading on. It would've been great to have more details around the companies such as Nestle and how the gov't is doing so little to regulate them from pumping watersheds dry only to resell the public at ridiculously inflated prices.

Barlow does a thorough job in analyzing and explaining Canada's water needs and the challenges of keeping and safeguarding it for future generations.

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