Describe the causes of wordiness in the following sentences and paragraphs where needed. Rewrite omitting as many needless words as you can. I've given you the word counts of the originals. How many words are in your revisions?

In this essay, I will be looking at how higher summer temperatures cause quicker soil and plant evaporation. We all know that climate change has caused elevated temperatures in the Northwest throughout the spring and summer months. We also know that these record-breaking temperatures have the effect of quickly and easily desiccating soil and drying out plant foliage so that it is more flammable. Understandably then, when lightning strikes this very combustible environment, a spark can very quickly turn into a widespread blaze. (83 words)