

..... Pleistocene Extinction.....

Part one, by Amy.

Climate Change.

The last mammoths walked the earth 12,000 years ago.

Mammoths were accustomed to cold, dry weather, however, the weather began to warm up. About 13,000 years ago the weather reached a warm peak, then it began to cool down again. There was then another cold period from 11 to 10 thousand years ago.

Mammoths could not handle the warm weather, therefore they died out.

With the warm weather came an unwanted change in the landscape. Before the warmth came the land was more prairie-like, but with the warmth came forests, in which the animals could not live.

Disease.

Not much on this subject was found, but I found something. When humans came from other places to where mammoths and other creatures were they may have brought with them diseases that the animals were not exposed to yet. With this exposure to these diseases the animals were overwhelmed and they died out.