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A gun-toting mob of about 100 blocked the 15 EFl blockaders, issued violent threats, and assailed several of the peaceful protesters.

When a hasty truce was arranged be­ tween the mob's leader, a failed developer from Long Island named Donald Gerdts, and EFl, it seemed as though the standoff would end with only minimal violence. However, the way out from the blockade, we en­ countered a TV crew. As explained to the TV interviewee that EFl are protecting the rights of all species, the town commissioner slapped me in the mouth. The TV camera recorded the assault, and should make prosecution easy.

Unworthy by their absence at the scenes of violence were state police. Early Labor Day morning, a state police lieutenant appeared, and told us an ugly mob was being headed toward the road, and could be controlled. He then got in his cruiser, mumbled something about getting rein­ forcement, and disappeared. Hours later, after the violence, this same guardian of the peace was spotted pulling off the highway, recording EFl license plates. So much for equal protection under the law.

The irony of the encounter is that Earth First!, alleged to be an outlaw environmental group, was enforcing Park laws that the state has too gutless to enforce. EFl and the state police had traded places. Here follows the grisly story:

Adirondack Rendezvous

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SPECIAL EXCERPT & ADVERTISING ISSUE

editor's note:

At the end of this year, I will resign my position as editor, to pursue a life of solitude, identify with the biota, and dedicate myself to the preservation of Mother Earth. My term as editor has been a challenging one, filled with ups and downs. I have learned a lot about the Earth First! movement and its struggles, and I hope to continue to contribute to its growth and development. I would like to thank all the contributors and readers who have supported me during my tenure. I look forward to seeing what the future holds for the Earth First! movement.

—John Davis

Renunciation

After struggling for hours to write this with an unsharpened pen, I realized I'm too frustrated and bitter to be positive. The Earth First! journal staff has always tried to make EFJ the best it could be. We've received a lot of support for our efforts. However, recently a small group of desk-bound men with little imagination, limited knowledge of volumes of abusive criticism at the journal and its staff, made a move to turn our movement into a joke. To combat this, I've decided to pass the baton to others in the movement.

The staff has taken the time to pass the time at the Earth First! Journal, or at the time the RRR to defend our policies. This is the issue where it will all be known. Our last two issues will get to the real fights and successes.

I started this letter several weeks ago. I felt the need to just say "no!" the first time to fight the journal as I know it, alive, and after. Finally, nothing of thought, thinking about the amount of time and effort it will take to reconstruct a new journal team and the effort to set up a new corporation or working willrtl entire! I decided that it was not for me. I've put two plus years at the journal, have learned much, met many new people on the phone or in person, enjoyed the experience. But it's time to move on. My commitment was up when Red finished school anyway, at the end of this semester. So our whole team will call it a day come the New Year.

I think a series of events has caused the current journal staff to decide that it's time to pass the torch to others in the movement. And the staff has taken the time to pass the torch in the journal, or at the time the RRR to defend our

Time To Move On

By Nancy Zierenberg

Although I'm still here, to get out there and hunt and fish and make rounds with your friends, ramble out yonder and explore the forests, encounter the grizzly, climb the mountains, look at the sunrises and sunsets, the fresh green of that yet sweet and lucid air, sit quietly for an hour (only a recent vacation), I realized today that I was at peace with myself and my life decisions. I'm leaving the Earth First! Journal to move on to other things. I hope to become more involved in the movement from the sidelines. I will continue to write for the journal and to support the movement.

It's time for me to move on. Much as I've loved being a part of the Earth First! movement, it's time for me to move on. I'm leaving the journal to others who can do a better job of defending our planet. I wish them well in their efforts.

Nancy Zierenberg

SCHEDULE

The Earth First! Journal is published 8 times a year on the solstices, equinoxes, and midpoints. November 1, December 21 or 22 (Winter Solstice), February 2, March 21 or 22 (Vernal Equinox), May 1, June 21 or 22 (Summer Solstice), August 21 or 22 (Autumn Equinox). Deadlines for articles and correspondence are three months before the cover date. The newspaper is mailed Third Class on the cover date. The Earth First! Journal, in its current form, will cease publication after the upcoming Winter Solstice issue. The current form will honor all subscription and merchandise obligations until that time. We anticipate that some new group will honor obligations after that time. We anticipate that some new group will honor obligations after that time. We anticipate that some new group will honor obligations after that time. We anticipate that some new group will honor obligations after that time.

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Regrets and Relief

Again we say, the Journal is changing. But this time it will be without us.

Regrets and Relief: I, too, offer my resignation, effective at year's end. I've been associated with the Journal, in one role or another, for some years. We've published articles and art that were important, fun, and that might have never gotten written in other venues. We've had a very strong and much-needed voice in the environment movement. And we've had a chance to work with some folk, Journal staff and contributors, whose qualities are almost enough to redeem my opinion of the human species.

I also feel relief at the prospect of setting down this burden. We work hard to put out the best possible journal, and the FBI added a substantial new strain to our lives over a year ago. Our personal relationships had suffered under the load, as have our personal environmental activism and our rejuvenating trips to the wilderness. The recent upsurge in people who would change the focus of the movement and the Journal, and who would have the current staff do their bidding, came as one harder than many. They would steal the biocentric heart of Earth First! and we've not realized the energy that we and others who like what we've done, and to those who've spent years looking for a like-minded publication and finally found it in the EFJ, I have hopes that there will be other, as well. The best possible publication for the Earth First! movement - one that will sustain the movement and which will be without us.

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we've left. But I feel that we've done the very best we can to contribute to the journal. These efforts have been by Abbey in another publication. For all those reasons, we felt it presumptuous to proclaim the journal as THE voice of the movement perhaps do not want to carry that burden. We work hard to put out the best possible Journal, and the FBI added a royal pain in the butt. We have had some good volunteers help with our workload here and there. In order to get work done, we've had to limit traffic in the office. That includes EFJers who feel that the office staff is a crap pad. The last time a road show came through, our computer was borrowed without asking, was subsequently crashed beyond our fixing capabilities, the kitchen floor was flooded, things turned up missing, and in short, getting the office straightened out again was a royal pain in the butt.

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Dear friends,

We feel like we should be sitting at the bar of a beer-tacky, drinking Lone Star, thumbing quarters in the country-western jukebox, and writing this letter on a bar napkin. Breaking up is never easy to do, whether it's a relationship or a movement. It seems to have been the central focus of your life for a decade, and though you may consider yourselves change agents, time, and the Earth First! movement seems to be changing in such a way that we don't feel comfortable sitting at the same bar anymore.

We are sorry that word of our plans to leave Earth First! has been out in articles and speeches. Sensing an influx into our gene pool by those more radical, some of our original ideals of Earth First! have been watered down the movement—we're no longer manipulating the earth to benefit a society that doesn't destroy the earth at all—a society whose goal is to achieve a stable population with nature for the benefit of all species.

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Some will ask, "Why not stay and fight to the Earth to return Earth First! to its original ideas and philosophies, worldviews, priorities and strategies used in our EF! campaign listening to Bob Marley, smoking a hooter, and writing this on the back of a Rolling Stone?" For one thing, we are too radical and we have too much of a sense of humor to be sitting at the bar anymore. But we do not think that believing this means one has to continue with the Earth First! movement as it is. We do not think that being a part of the Earth First! organization or individuals in it, that doesn't destroy the earth. We are uncompromising advocates for the process of evolution and the destruction of our precious Earth. Moreover, a number of conservationists to whom we are very attached and with whom we wish to work in the future have already left or are planning to leave Earth First! Finally, we do not want to discourage the courageous actions of those remaining in Earth First! In closing, let us thank all of you for your friendship and fellowship whether you are in the Earth First! movement or outside of it. This isn't a sad letter, but it's not a happy letter either. It's a letter that in some good times and bad times recognizes we and Earth First! are on separate tracks, and that is okay, as long as we all wish each other well and glad anticipations.

Expanding Earth First! has established a wide slice of the environmental movement. It seems to us that we've had three major mistakes: monoculture, bigness, and right-wing ecologists. Into a movement that espouses local groups in Earth First! and have no Happy Trails reason to criticize and even to those who are or are not right and the Earth First! name and the movement seems to be changing in such a way that we don't feel comfortable sitting at the same bar anymore. Breaking up is never easy to do, whether it's a relationship or a movement. It seems to have been the central focus of your life for a decade, and though you may consider yourselves change agents, time, and the Earth First! movement seems to be changing in such a way that we don't feel comfortable sitting at the same bar anymore.

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As the best way to express feelings for someone you care for. The best way to express feelings for someone you care for. The best way to express feelings for someone you care for.
Dear Friends and Colleagues,

How can one resign or retire from a non-organization? I don’t know. But this seems to be a time for true connoisseurs. I feel a need to write this letter backing away from Earth First! I hope that readers will indulge me, as it is a release for me. My reflections are based on my experiences over the past few decades with some Earth Firsters. I have mixed feelings about Earth First! as an organization. My reflections are not of an Earth Firster, but rather are the result of my experiences as an Earth Firster, as well as my observations of the movement.

I met Dave Foreman for the first time in 1981. He had just returned from his visit with Johnny Sagrahus. I was enthused with the new energy he brought to the environmental movement. Dave and I had met with Governor Reagan as President of the US, I was deep in the Redwood movement, and perhaps a bit of a hick, especially after seeing the uncontrolled destruction of logged forest. We were a part of the mainstream environmental leaders on important issues during the 1970s. Foreman became interested in the GO road controversy in northern California and returned to California in 1983 to help us forge an alliance between environmentalists and local communities. We needed to block construction of this road through sacred high country in the Shishiyi-Tahvishiné National Monument.

I have been involved in wilderness preservation for many years and became especially interested in Earth First's ideas on "big wilderness." However, I have also been active on issues involving social justice since my early days as a political activist. I think we must be sensitive to the needs of different groups, including those who are different from us. I believe that the Earth Firsters have a unique place in the environmental movement. I have had the opportunity to work with them on issues such as the ancient forest issue, and I have been impressed by their dedication and compassion. The movement has the potential to become a powerful force in the fight to protect our natural heritage. However, I have mixed feelings about Earth First! as an organization. I believe that social justice is a fundamental issue, and I think that Earth First! has not always been successful in promoting this perspective.

I was not an Earth Firster for many years, but I have finally decided to become one. I have learned a lot from my experiences with the movement, and I now see it as a powerful force for change. I am excited about the possibilities that lie ahead for Earth First! as an organization. I believe that it can play an important role in the fight for a more just and sustainable world. However, I also believe that it is important for Earth First! to continue to evolve and adapt to changing circumstances. I am looking forward to working with the movement and to seeing how it develops in the future.

I appreciate your understanding and support. Please keep in touch.

Sincerely,

Judi Bart

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Wolke:

FOCUS on wilderness

Dear Friends and Cohorts,

It's with great hesitation that I add this letter to the confusing mass of excrement polluting this issue of the Earth First! Journal. For one second, I do so under extreme pressure and considerable energy in attempts to reconcile different points of view among individuals who seem to represent various factions within Earth First! It has always been my feeling that airing this kind of in-fighting in the page layout read by many who are not involved in the in-fighting is counterproductive and detracts from the value of the publication. I still feel that way, and, I add this in case this movement has only just begun after being informed that this issue of the Journal is dedicated to excrement. Here is what I promised to keep them on edge.

Aside from this, the Earth First! Journal is a focus on wilderness and thought-provoking publication in the realm of the conservation movement. Good job! The new (and temporary) editors committee consisting of only a few who were unwilling to be at the NSF on a particular day, is illegitimate, I encourage the journals to continue in this publication.

I am presently confused as to how some Earth First! activists have attacked Dave Foreman with vitriolic verbal abuse and I have been arrested in some environmental issues. That kind of thinking is a dangerous compromise. We should have built in a sunset clause. We are at a trial junction. Do we head to town, or back to the woods? That movement surpassed anyone’s dreams of success, but that success has created new problems and those problems have changed the movement forever. A few victories brought numerous. Now I know we still believe the ball is put into their hands and a willingness. It’s time to move along to greener fields. Earth First! can’t handle monkeywrenching count me out. I have marched behind the fence, I have given up. For any new debate, new, or, meaningless. New guard, old guard, what difference does it make? In the past, now. It makes a great deal of difference. The line between “new guard” and “old guard” is not that clear anymore. There are many people fed up with the social issues agenda put out by Judy, Darryl, and Mike. Nonetheless, the old guard and new guard have different outlooks. The old guard believes Earth First! today is not the movement of purpose (kind of like the Journal of New Guard). It has always been my feeling that airing this view science with mistrust. I suggest that they learn a bit about Conservation Biology. Wolke believes that some of the world’s top scientific minds are now advocating Earth First! as a type wilderness type of movement. Indeed, Conservation Biology’s relatively recent and revolutionary perspectives (see information). It’s also important to point out that Earth First! can be an effective to utilize, and that “natural selection” does not apply. What I’m trying to say is that we all remain committed active. From this I think that we all remain committed active. It matters that we all remain committed active. The old guard would have won, at what price victory? No, the movement is more important to me.

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In Defense of Tree Spiking

by J.P. Bernhard

Free Man Flat, Sequoia National Forest,
7/26/90

Last night was an example of what EF! is growing into. A bunch of us were skiing down a very icy road yesterday evening. Probably 500 EFpers and others hopped on the back of a flatbed and took off toward the stems, and pulled out every survey stake we could find. We ended up making a blanket of dead wood covered and then pushed it to the side of the road. We then drove into Van- couver to get ready for the upcoming media.

The next day, the shit hit the fan. The Vancouver Sun and the Vancouver Province both ran stories with interviews on television stations wearing masks — all of us identified as personable Wall Street philosophers.

Within a day, the sawmillers started talking about the silence that there was such a disturbance.

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Tree spiking has not yet been the cause of any serious injury or death...
I have been working in the wood products industry for five years. In that time I have worked in logs, veneer mills, plywood mills. I became an environmental activist while standing on the picket line fighting the timber industry. I was soon working the strike against Roseburg Forest Products (the world’s largest privately owned wood products manufacturer), which lasted from Jan. 9 to May 15, 1990. I saw all the cars and trucks that crossed our picket line were flying the timber industry’s yellow support ribbon. The year was 1990, a year of nonviolent resistance. It was a year that the timber industry realized they could not represent solidarity with timber workers, timber management, and resource supply. Federal (old-growth) timber. To many of us the yellow ribbon represents greed, ecological destruction, negative points, and scabbing. Once I became aware of these things, I began to study environmental issues. I studied Fish and Wildlife’s Spotted Owl report, the ancient forest ecosystem works. I realized that not only was the Spotted Owl endangered, but in fact the whole Pacific Northwest ancient forest ecosystem was in jeopardy. These studies led to studies of global environmental problems. Becoming aware of global environmental problems and of the ecological importance of the Pacific Northwest ancient forest has helped me understand why Earth First! activists participate in direct action tactics such as tree siting, chaining themselves to buildings, or ecocide such as sabotage of heavy equipment and tree spiking. But even though I understand the why-for, all the where-abouts (or tactics) cannot be justified. The only people I expect to benefit are those who tree spike.

Forty years later I returned to work from the strike (where we suffered wage and benefits cuts amounting to over $1400 a year), I was operating a log splitter on the deck of the T user. Not far behind me was a circular saw which was cut from view where I was standing. The saw operator with his back a half mile away in an air conditioned booth. The saw at that time hit a splice and all around me metal fragments from the saw and timber spliced flew everywhere. Not one piece hit the plebians, and luckily none hit me. But I still witnessed the violence and I made real how dangerous tree spiking can be. I worked for a veneer mill I worked in, the saw operator and his employer. He didn’t know his hands and safety glasses. We tried to get management to place plexiglass panels in front of the log splitter. I also ran reviews of this idea, and also in building alliances with wood workers, Indian activists, Black activists, and Feminists. After all, if a movement cannot bring about the positive changes, it will die! Also bear in mind that as much as the timber industry loves the fact that some Earth First! activists advocate tree spiking, someone even forged Judi Bari’s and Darryl Cherry’s signatures on them. Also in reviewing the data on tree spiking, and also in building alliances with wood workers, Indian activists, Black activists, and Feminists. After all, if a movement cannot bring about the positive changes, it will die! Also bear in mind that as much as the timber industry loves the fact that some Earth First! activists advocate tree spiking, someone even forged Judi Bari’s and Darryl Cherry’s signatures on them. Also in reviewing the data on tree spiking, and also in building alliances with wood workers, Indian activists, Black activists, and Feminists.
Dear Editor,

The "Prairie Shield" by Daniel Dancer in the December issue of Earth First! is a thoughtful and well-written piece. As a fellow traveler in this world of shifting sands, I must agree with your comments. It is wonderful to read an article that is not only informative but also thought-provoking.

In conclusion, I believe that the "Prairie Shield" by Daniel Dancer is a well-written and informative piece. It is a pleasure to read an article that is not only informative but also thought-provoking. I hope that future articles will continue to be as thought-provoking and informative as this one.

Sincerely,

[Your Name]
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The Battle for Murrelet Grove

Resistance as a form of elegy

The late (deceased) Murrelet Grove rose on a bluff overlooking the McCloud River in northern California town of Eureka. It encompassed the headwaters of an unnamed stream where it drains into the Pacific Ocean. At a miniscule 200 acres, Murrelet Grove was one of the last remaining old-growth coastal redwood stands in private hands. Its old-growth trees supported its namesake bird, the endangered (though not listed as such by the feds) Marbled Murrelet, which spends most of its life in the tree canopy and seeks safety from predators in the dense forest canopy. Twelve to 14 miles inland of the Pacific Ocean, the forest was one of the last remaining old-growth coastal redwood stands in private hands. Although this stands of ancient old-growth forest, the Marbled Murrelet was identified as a globally endangered species in the 1990s.

In the summer of 1990, the battle for Murrelet Grove began. A small group of environmental activists from Earth First! joined forces with local residents to protect the area. A few other groups, such as the Sierra Club and the Nature Conservancy, also expressed interest in protecting the forest. The activists built roadblocks, burned trees, and even set fires to prevent the logging companies from accessing the forest.

In 1991, the US Forest Service and the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) entered the fray. The agencies proposed to clearcut the forest and sell the timber. The activists fought back, forming the Redwood Summer Action Committee (RSAC) to protect the forest.

The battle for Murrelet Grove ended in 1992 with the signing of an agreement between the US Forest Service, the Bureau of Land Management, and the activists. The agreement provided for the protection of a portion of the forest, and the remaining forest was sold to a private logging company.

The battle for Murrelet Grove was a significant victory for the environmental movement. It demonstrated the power of grassroots organizing and nonviolent direct action. It also highlighted the importance of protecting old-growth forests and endangered species.

Earth First! and other environmental groups continue to work to protect ancient forests across the United States. The battle for Murrelet Grove is a reminder of the ongoing fight to protect our natural resources and the need for effective environmental policy.
Old-growth War Shifts to Maine

By Jamie Sayen

They're cutting old-growth in Maine! Efforts to save 1700 acres of forest that had previously reported old-growth war north and west of the Big Reed Pond old-growth preserve have failed. The owners, the Pingree Heirs feel they have done enough by selling 5000 acres of old-growth and mature forest. Maine has almost no old-growth left. Very little old-growth is left anywhere in the Appalachians. Only 6000 acres of old-growth are protected in Maine, a state of over 30 million acres! Reportedly, Georgia-Pacific is cutting old-growth east of Baxter State Park.

Tree Spiking Reported

At the end of August, as word spread that the Pingrees were building a road into the old-growth, the Maine Times, which broke the story, and Seven Islands, which manages the Pingree Heirs' million acres of forest, received phone calls from a person, or persons, who claimed to have spilled 400 big trees in the contested area. The caller identified himself as Earth First.

Steve Schley, President of Seven Islands and a member of the Pingree family, reported that a caller in the spring had asked "all kinds of questions," and had then said "we're going to do what it takes" to save the old-growth. In retrospect, Schley interpreted this to mean that the caller was warning about tree spiking.

Although the identity of the spiker(s) is unknown, they've sent a clear message: A new day has dawned in the Maine woods. Unless the timber industry takes the necessary steps to preserve biological diversity, they can expect an increase in informed citizen opposition and monkeywrenching.

The Nature Conservancy Rebuffed

The Nature Conservancy (TNC) bought 3600 acres of old-growth surrounding Big Reed Pond in 1987. Recently they added another 1013 acres to the south of the Big Reed Tract. This second parcel contains a mix of old-growth and mature forest, and will provide some - but not enough - buffer for the preserve.

After the Glacial Erratic and the Maine Times carried stories about the threats to the 1700 acre parcel to the west and north of the preserve in March, negotiations resumed between TNC and Seven Islands, which agreed to allow TNC representatives to monitor the property for its "ecological value" and to see if it has any endangered species. Negotiations soon broke down because no one "of extraordinary value" was found, and because the Pingrees wanted cash for the tract's high value timber, and had already started logging roads (which are so wide that three 18-wheelers could pass each other at 60 mph). The Pingrees offered TNC a $500,000 cut from the west side of the preserve, but TNC wasn't interested because of the "degraded state" of the tract from blowdowns and because its old-growth stands were intermittent. TNC and "Ecological Value" TNC is to be saluted for preserving the nearly 5000 acres around Big Reed. It has performed a great service.

However, its criterion for what is "ecological value" has confused the issue. Whether or not it has any endangered spe-
cies, old-growth in Maine is endangered and must be saved at all costs.

Furthermore, blowdowns do not "de-
grade" an old-growth system. They are an integral element in the old-growth disturbance regime.

Another flaw with TNC's value judge-
ments is the concept of "virgin forest." No virgin forest remains anywhere. Atmospheric pollution, fragmentation, species extinctions and extinctions have "deformed" even the areas never roaded or cut. At issue is the protection and buffering of all mutuated old-growth in the Appalachian.

TNC must deepen its understanding of ecological value.

Other Threats to Big Reed

Intensive logging all around the Big Reed Preserve jeopardizes both what is already "protected" and the 1700 acre unpro-
tected tract. Further fragmentation of this region disrupts habitat and hydrological processes and provides habitat for weedy spe-
cies avenues of entry to the undisturbed old-growth.

An additional threat to Big Reed is the state's old-growth cut for their "fish camp" tuna. Fishermen are transported to the pond by seaplane. TNC, unfortunately, permitted the fishing camp and the fishing camp to con-
tinue operations on Big Reed when it bought the pond in 1987. TNC should close the fishing camp and ban seaplanes.

Old-growth Needs Buffering

It is obscene that the state is not talking about whether or not to protect 1700 acres of old-growth in a state that is still destroying over 17 million acres of old-growth in the past 300 years. We should be talking about is degrade buffering for all remaining old-growth in the Appalachians. A buffer zone of at least three miles surrounding the Big Reed old-growth is essential if we are to protect the integrity of the "perfect" old-growth systems. Otherwise, there will be U.S. Forest Service-style clearcuts up to the border of the preser-

TNC Big Reed Press Release: A Ploy to Raise Money or an Honest Mistake?

The day before I learned of the cutting going on west and north of Big Reed, I cele-
brated a TNC news release that claimed "Nature Conservancy Expands Old-growth Forest Preserve." The release was sent to Earth First readers who had written TNC to urge the protection of the western and northern parcel.

In a cover letter, TNC said: "You would be interested you in the enclosed press release announcing our acquisition of 1,013 acres as an addition to the preserve." The letter then requested $275 (the price of one acre) as an addition to the preserve.

The press release was so vaguely worded (and undated) that I did not realize TNC was referring to the completion of the purchase of the southern parcel whose purchase we requested in the Summer issue of the Earth.

The press release contained no informa-

ed. note: The following is still another report of a sometimes difficult, but necessary and condonnable FAW's journal, the Glacial Erratic, summer 1990 (BED 1 Box 9, N. Joseph, NF 0390) 815yt. Write FAW for an uplist and last names of all for revision.

The Federal Energy Regulatory Com-
mission, FERC, is in charge of licensing new dams and relicensing existing ones. Since many dams in the Northeast were built in the 1950s and 60s, some of their licenses are about to expire. In other words, the loss of the ecosystem is not considered an injury in the relicensing process. In order to gain experience that ecosystem is considered an Injury or damage.

If you are going to volunteer to participate in the dam relicensing process it is show that you are an individual or organization who has experiences with the natural world in the area of the project that may be lost or altered, like the pressure of water, or the power of the dam. Next, at the beginning of the FERC process, you attend a hearing or an agency letter asking to be identified as a party to the action. Being a party means that you are allowed to appeal if the agency makes an error. In addition to being recognized as an aggrieved party, you must clear another hurdle before you can appeal, as you can see in the text: You must raise the issue upon which you would be allowed to appeal on means that you have been officially recognized by the agency as a member of the proceedings.

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Mount Graham Roller Coaster

Aldrich Pond Needs Protection

White Mountain National Forest is under threat from atmospheric pollution, clearcuts, roads, and cutovers. It can’t tolerate more downwind skiers. If we reduce our skiing, we lose a lot more.

Aldrich Pond Wild Forest is a maturing second growth Eastern Hemlock-White Pine forest, with high associations of bird life along the Middle Branch of the Oswegatchie River in the Adirondack bioregion of northern New York. Much of the primal wildlife of this forest lives here, along with species such as Gray Wolf, Moose, and Panther are reestablishing.

Two factors have greatly accelerated impacts on this forest Preserve area:

- Road-cuts which can and expand the footprint.
- O&V’s degrade habitat year round, snowmobiles in winter and 4-wheelers other times. Big project cutting, which was started from September into December, has increased many-fold due to the presence of new drill teams in military personnel. The natural restoration of the land from the drill damage is impossible, jeopardized by current levels of human use.

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White & Green Mountain National Forest Plans Due

Recent plans for the Gila and Apalachicola National Forests have been developed. The Gila Wilderness system, the Apalachicola National Forest Wilderness, and the Appalachian Wild¬erness has proposed a single- million Forest Plans. The Gila Wilderness Plans have been developed by the US Forest Service. The 2.5 million acres in the Forest Plan were added to the National Forest.

In New Hampshire, Vermont, and Massachusetts, the Appalachian Mountains and the Northern Forest Land Study region is public®. The Forest Service is proposing that the region be managed as a publicly owned, publicly managed area. Since Baxter State Park in Maine is the only large public forest area in the region, the proposal seems to be aimed at the Appalachian region.

The Forest Service is proposing to make most of the land available for public use, but that some areas should be set aside for wilderness protection. The proposal is expected to address the needs of the Northern Appalachian Wilderness.

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Keep this 8-page insert handy, as it's the best description we'll run of all this stuff (at least, until next year). You'll find a handy order form conveniently placed on the last page of this insert. Order early to beat the rush; allow five weeks for delivery.

And, Muir Power to Yule!

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Unless otherwise noted, all shirts are 100% cotton and are available in sizes S, M, L, and XL. All prices postpaid.

DON'T TREAD ON ME

Monkeywrenching rattler on front with the words "Earth First!" and "Don't Tread On Me". Brush Wolf's amazing full color snake seems ready to lunge off the shirt. In salmon. Also tan in small only. $12.

MOTHER GRIZZLY AND CUB

A pretty EF! shirt! A lovely full-color mother grizzly and cub against the rising sun on a light blue shirt. "American Wilderness - Love It Or Leave It Alone" slogan. Art by Susan Van Rooy. $10. (Sorry but we have no L or XL, and won't be getting more. These shirts will not be reordered when we run out.)

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Roger Candee's popular American Canyon Frog (Croakus abyssus pistolus) with the message "AMERICAN WILDERNESS LOVE IT OR LEAVE IT ALONE." A very colorful 4-color design on a grey shirt. $12.

DEFEND THE WILDERNESS

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The Ned Ludd Books logo of the Neanderthal with a Monkeywrench (by Brush Wolf) and the words "Back to the Pleistocene" and "Ned Ludd Books." Black ink on a tan shirt. $10.

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A woman of power in an image by Gila Trout. Purple and silver ink on teal (bright turquoise) or wild orchid (purple). Also in size Small fuschia (hot pink), while they last. $12.

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Twelve new songs about the old West, written and sung by folk musicians. These songs will take you on a journey across the West, from the American Response, Northern Pines, to the Round River. The songs are powerful and moving, and they will inspire you to take action to protect our planet. The tape is available for only $10, and all proceeds will go to support environmental causes.

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28 spirited songs about an older and disappearing West. Includes: A Cowboy’s Prayer; The Spike without a Spike; The Nevada Cerevo; Empty Cot in the Bankhouse; The Bachelor Farmer. A double album - 90 minute cassette. $12.

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17 heart-tugging, poignant, yet tasteful ballads about the souls, lives and loves of women who made the West and its music! Includes: House of the Rising Sun; The Sisters of the Shame; The Hooker (written by Tom Paxton); The Last Rider (written by Kris Kristofferson); The Flower of Virginia City Fire Company; and more. $10.

Dana Lyons "Our State is a Dampluse" A short but powerful cassette by Arkansas State environmental singer-songwriter Dana Lyons. Includes title song, The Company's Been to Good to Me, The Star Will Always Move, and Driving Tires. $6.

Dana Lyons "Animal"

Dana's long journey to this tape is finally out. For anyone who has heard him at a R&R, you know how good his songs and musicians and songwriters in the country. For those of you who haven't heard him yet, you'll just have to take his word. Includes: I'm One In My City, I Am An Animal, I Saw His Body Off The Mountain, My UfeiWhere's Bosco?, Spike A Tree For some Tree Spiker, Stop the War; Running For the Birds, Eagle Song, High Flyin' Tune, Called On The Ice Age This Year; Mosquito Mountain Will Not Fall; Dave Foreman No Money; Trouble Deep, and Nirvana City Blues. $10.

Greg Keeler "Songs of Fishing, Sheep and Guns in Montana"

Greg's marvellously satiric first album pokes fun at everything worth poking fun at in the West. Includes: Ballad of Billy Montana; I Don't Waltz (And She Don't Rock'n'Roll), Drinkin' My Blues Away, Miles City Rockers! Horse of a Different Color Day. For the fisherman, Fossil Fuel Cowboy, Montana Cowboy, Cold Dead Fingers, Last Great Roll On Missouri. $9.


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Bill Oliver "Texas Oasis"

Bill Oliver's first intriguing, witty and melodic album. Includes: Texas Oasis; Pretty Paper, Pretty Teen; If Gents Were Nickels; My UfeiWhere's Bosco?, Miss Montana Banana Belt Cowboy, Montana Cowboy, Cold Dead Fingers, Last Great Roll On Missouri. $9.

Bill Oliver & Friends "Better Things To Do"

Bill has rearranged his hit "Better Things To Do" cassette with the addition of several new songs including Turtle Island; Champion of the Poor; The Fiend; and Rio Grande Valley. Also includes Mule Power; To You; Better Things To Do; Get Along Little Doggie; The Fiend; Pink Eyed Pea; Pine Away Pine Bark Beetle; Grand Canyon Banana Belt Cowboy; The Star Will Always Move; The Star Will Always Move; and more. $9.

Cecilia Ostrow "All Lives Is Equal"

Cecilia has one of the most beautiful voices in the country. The songs on this tape are wonderful and profound. Includes: Mountain Will Not Fall; Dave Foreman No Money; Trouble Deep, and Nirvana City Blues; Oregon Home; Wild Things; Forest Song; Oregon Calm; Dark Clouds. $9.

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**VIDEOS & SLIDES**

**CRACKING OF GLENN CANYON DAM**

The excellent 10 minute, color video of Earth First! cracking Glenn Canyon Dam in 1981 starring Ed Abbey and Johnny Sagebrush. An inspiring and humorous introduction to the Earth First! movement. **$20 postpaid.**

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"The Eating of the West" graphically displays the devastation of Western public lands at the hands (and hooves) of the livestock industry. The show consists of over 100 high-quality slides from National Forests, National Wildlife Refuges, and BLM lands which portray the shocking magnitude of the problems caused by grazing. The slide show comes with a written script and is rented at cost, **$10.** Free copies of a 48-page tabloid on grazing are also available. Please include with your order the name and phone number of a contact person, and the date you need the show along with alternate dates.

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**NATIONAL WILDERNESS PRESERVATION SYSTEM** This full color, large map (40" x 25") shows all designated Wilderness Areas by area (including Alaska and Hawaii), plus a list of all the Wilderness Areas by state with their acreages. Scale is 1:1,000,000. Information is current to January 1987. **$3.25.**

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Access—Off-road vehicles should be completely prohibited from the Refuge, as should airboats and jet boats. Airplanes and motorboats should be restricted. Some rivers, such as the Fitz, are so wild that no form of mechanization, including aircraft, should be allowed. Helicopters should be prohibited altogether, thus encouraging them to turn against environmentalists.

Through the media the government has led Ontarians to believe that the agreement with the Teme-Augama Anishnabai saved the forest. In reality, despite this "victory," 82% of the Teme-Augama's old-growth fidel Pine and White Pine forests are unprotected.

Call or write to the offices of Premier Peterson (416-965-1941) and Minister of Natural Resources Ey ecological (416-965-1301) at the Parliament Building, Toronto, Ontario M7A 1A2. Ask that the entire Temagami Wilderness be permanently protected.

For further information contact the Temagami Wilderness Society, 19 Mercer Street, Suite 907, Toronto, Ontario M5V 1H2 (416-599-0152).

**Timber Firms May Switch to Hardwoods**

Northern Rural Training and Employment Consortium (NoRTEC) is working with Governor George Deukmejian of California to try and get a timber and consulting firm "to convert rural mill operations from softwood production to hardwood in an attempt to keep workers employed." This means cutting hardwood forests in the East, as California imports from eastern states all the hardwood it uses. (Employment and Training Reporter, 7-9-90)

**Temagami Wilderness Still Endangered**

April 23, the day after Earth Day, the government of Ontario took a small step forward in the effort to protect the Temagami Wilderness struggle.

On the positive side, Premier David Peterson [who lost his reelection bid in Sep­tember to the New Democratic Party con­tender] made an agreement with the Teme­Augama Anishnabai native people that placed 10,000 hectares under the con­trol of a council consisting of equal numbers of native people and government officials. In this limited area the government suspended log­ging operations.

On the negative side, the government issued timber cutting permits for 28,000 hectares. It has not, however, closed down the William Milne & Sons sawmill ... not so good as it might seem. The government stated that it will pay the corporate group that owned the mill up to $5 million; and, without public announcement, increased the area that this group can log from 450 to 600 acres per year. "This decision greatly reduced the amount of government work to be done in order to go forward to the decision-making process tomorrow, but it also left out two critical areas: the preservation of the harbor and possible future standards without the mod of major, very fast-ri­ving species in the area; and the presence of fine fishery habitats, which are very few and far between."

In one of its bores the Temagami Water Department states: "the primary purpose of the Seattle Water Department management policy is to maintain high quality water supplies with the hope of making it possible to provide future standards without the added us-land pressures that have been placed on the park by the present and the past."

"The legislature failed to pass a..."
HAWAII'S HOTTEST ISSUE

Update on Geothermal Development

Walking through Hawai'i's Waie Kole O Puna submarine, you can hear the coursing volcanic soil crunch underfoot. A surrealistic calm linagers in the thick air while songs, call out from the underground. It is a forest under siege.

Conservationists want to stop the volcanic heat beneath the Wao Kele O Puna forest and use it to make electricity and potable water. The electricity would be exported from the Big Island of Hawai'i to the island of O'ahu as an asset overland and under water cable system. The project would create a unique rainforest ecosystem (see May and August issues). Over 90% of Hawai'i's lowland rainforest has been destroyed already. The Wao O'Puna forest is part of the largest remaining expanse of tropical rain forest in the United States and is classified as a World Heritage Site.

The Big Island has some of the youngest land on the planet; 75% of the region's soil is less than 500 years old. It also has some of the oldest trees in the world. Hawai'i's islands have the highest percentage of endemic plant and animal species in the world, and the highest extinction rate. Indeed, 72% of all American extinct species disappeared from Hawai'i.

Habitat destruction and the introduction of exotic organisms are the main causes of extinction here.

Under the guise of "alternative energy," development is now being sanctioned and subsidized by the state and federal government. Research has already cost $13 million in tax dollars, and the federal government has provided over $27 million in grants. Yet, despite this investment, the real development is the involvement of numerous federal agencies, the Department of Interior, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, the Department of Commerce, Army, Navy, Coast Guard, and the Air Force.

Hawaii has barely even begun to deal with the use of energy-efficient devices, this total investment of $500 million would recover and recycle, and an office of prevention and recycling, and an office of enforcement Training Institute would be established.

The Department of Environmental Protection to effectively negotiate international environmental policy with the United States, Mexico, Japan, New Zealand and Australia have ministries of environmental protection. The Department of Environmental Protection would be charged with developing and enforcing Federal environmental, not political persuasion. The National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 is the short title of what is now called the Federal Right-To-Know Act.

WHAT YOU CAN DO: Write to both your state's US Rep and US Senator, co-sponsor and support S. 2006, "The Department of the Environment Act of 1991." Tell the US Senate to confirm the cabinet-level Department of Environmental Protection as a genuine, independent, effective pollution control agency.


Instead of implementing the Master Plan, the international "Crown Plan" was designed to promote greater visitation and marketability along with a new, $10 million visitor center. A more repressive position was created at Glacier to promote the Crown Plan while seasonal jobs were laid off. This ex-bureaucrat now also authored an EIS giving oligarchic in-dustry a "window of opportunity," an exemption from Montana environmental law that the "ecosystem manager" was setting favorable comments from Glacier on federal oligarchic projects in the Northern Continental Divide Ecosystem (including in Badger Two-Medicine roadless area). The Crown Plan has been circulated in violation of preservation laws for the last six months. Again, no public investment in this process except political forums where propo­ nents attempted to "sell" the concept.

Instead of implementing the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA). They are charged with failure to initiate the preparation of an EIS for the $500 megawatt geothermal project. The suit is calling for an EIS to be undertaken before federal participa­tion can continue. The federal agencies named as defendants in the suit are the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, Army Corps of Engineers, Department of Energy, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, National Park Service, Department of Interior, National Oceanic, and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce, Army, Navy, Coast Guard, and the Air Force.

The State of Hawaii has gained much...
ment until the PUC study is completed, but at least 50 species in Hawai'i is to list by October, and the remaining 136 within the following two years. The developers will try to slow the destruction of the Wao Kele O Puna forest so as to avoid an "incendiary" cause by Endangered Species.

The climate change and two anti-greenhouse resolutions were recently adopted by international gatherings of environmentalists, one by the World Rainforest Meeting in Malaysia, and another by the World Wildlife Day (WILD) Conference in Honolulu. It has been a year since the "imminent threat of death" was made to the habitat in 1990 feet, of the forest so as to destroy an endangered species. The Wao Kele O Puna was bulldozed. So far, we have kept additional exploration to a minimum. Can Ausmun, a tennis environmentalists, has stopped exploration, but it investigates possible creation of a "haven" in the future.

What to DO: You Can Donate (E.D.I.) requested an additional $15 million in federal funds from the Senate Appropriations Committee. Because of the hard work of many people, this has since been reduced to $2 million by the state. The Wao Kele O Puna was bulldozed. So far, we have kept additional exploration to a minimum. Can Ausmun, a tennis environmentalists, has stopped exploration, but it investigates possible creation of a "haven" in the future.

First, you can write to your senators and ask them to vote down all requests for funding of land and water exploration.

More News From Hawai'i:

On 15 June 1990 the Sea Shepherd II was ready for departure from the port of Seattle. The ship was sent to the North Pacific to stop oil exploration. The sail plan was not expected to last long in a few days reach.

The following Mistletoe diesl was started. As the revved on the one engine of the room, crew members notice in the noise of the charger. He brought it to the attention of the chief engineer. The chief ignored the warning and revved up the engine higher.

When engineer Jim Heddenhaus re-recog- nized the sound of one engine impacting the blades of the turbo-charger, he ran to the control panel and began to shut down the engine. The chief engineer, Forbes intervened and ordered Heddenhaus down the engine.

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Although we have some evidence who the saboteur could be, we will continue to gather evidence before we file formal charges.

Initially we thought we would be delayed two weeks until we could repair the turbo-charger. However, we are not willing to accept retaliation and carry on.

Environmentalism and the MidEast

by Mark Gaffney

The environmental movement ignores the Middle East in its activism. Given the consuming US addiction to that region's hydrocarbons, Congress has not passed the environmental laws. The Arab oil embargo temporarily changed the popular climate of the environmental movement and the Middle East.

The connection ought to have been obvious. The oil embargo (and one could well argue that oil spills push the same danger) is a direct change in the political climate of the environmentalists and the Middle East. The connection of the Middle East came up with the oil embargo.

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Yangtze Still Threatened by Huge Dam

A committee has been established in China to make a decision on the Three Gorges Dam Project. According to reports in the Seoul's Chosun Daily Post, arguments in favor of the project have been revived by the pro-dam lobby, which is headed by Prime Minster Li Peng, and loggers. The logging is urging last year following growing public pressure. In the summer of last year, demonstrating, a group of logging industry members engaged in the construction of the Yangtze Gorges Dam, about 1.8 million cubic meters of timber was cut from the Yangtze Gorges Dam project, an estimated 17,000 megawatts of electricity will be generated, which will displace more than a million people.

The Yangtze River, 6,300 kilometers long and the longest river in China, winds and curves roughly one billion cubic meters of water. As it moves through the hilly and glacial mountains of northern Tibet, it rushes down through the mountains of southwestern China. From there the river heads northeast, surging through the Three Gorges Dam region, a 200 kilometer stretch of deep canyons, then meanders across southern China's vast fertile plains to the East China Sea at Shanghai. The Yangtze River Valley encompasses nearly two million square kilometers (equivalent to one-fifth the area of Canada) and is China's agricultural and industrial heartland. Supporting some 347 million people, roughly one-third of China's population, the valley produces 60% of the nation's grain, 70% of its rice, and one-third of its cotton. It is important to act now, before the project is approved, and before a major multi-levelled lending institution begins funding it. The World Bank, despite protest, continues to fund projects in China, and will be asked to fund Three Gorges Dam. It is likely that the government of Japan will also be approached as a possible partner.

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Need Your Help

Mr. Patricio Ayala, will soon decide whether to allow or ban the Project Corral-Terranera, put forward by the Chilean company, Grupo Forestal. The project, which is located in the Magallanes region, is one of the last remaining temperate rainforests in South America. The project will destroy an estimated 17,000 hectares of rainforest, which could be used for the production of pulp and paper.

Please send a fax as soon as possible to President Ayala, Fax # 56 267 372622, Ask him not to allow the replacement of native forest by eucalyptus.

Rondonia Forest Fund

Founded in 1984, another 60% was licensed out for log- watching. Observations conducted for new logs from Sarawak, the Malaysian government is sanctioning increased cutting of tropical hardwoods. Already, illegal cutting continues around the clock, seven days a week, and in the wake of a court decision handed down that Sarawak's timber resources will be exhausted within seven years.

As reported previously in this journal, on April 12, Hj Heinz Company, which owns StarKist, announced that it would no longer buy or process tuna caught using methods that are likely to harm dolphins. Soon after, Chicken of the Sea and Bumble Bee made similar announcements. This decision was the good hand of science; as environmentalists had organized a tuna boycott.

It is estimated that every year, between 75,000 and 125,000 dolphins are killed each year in the purse seine nets of the 150 or more tuna boats that make up the Eastern Tropical Pacific Yellen Tuna flock. Only Yellen travel with dolphins and only in this area of the Pacific Ocean. The number of dolphins killed is believed to be between 10% of all tuna caught worldwide. As a result of these herculean efforts the Yellen fleet is now mostly registered in Mexico, with a few from Vanuatu, Thailand, and Ecuador.

StarKist, Bumble Bee and Chicken of the Sea have been having disputes on these boats on a regular basis, and is almost sure that you will have to ask. Our challenge is to make sure that these disputes are, at least, 14,7, 7, 8. Fagin's Wiggles, a popular pop singer, also stopped "fishing on porpoise." Relating to US government observers for the compliance of the US fleet may be enough —- though some observers have been harassed by fishermen abroad US boats to undertake: report dolphin mortalities — but relying on tuna boats in the ETP area will definitely not be enough. We need a government backed label with strict penalties for consumer fraud, not just a voluntary industry label on the can.

So far, indicates that the StarKist has indeed stopped buying not only Yellowfin tuna but also porpoise as fish, and StarKist bought Albacorn caught in difficulties. Bumble Bee is not cooperating, however, perhaps because of the potential cost of selling Albacorn core and may still continue to catch Albacorn. The boats from the StarKist and the Bumble Bee from Chicken of the Sea apparently are coming to the Galapagos Islands and are now trying tohunt tuna. The problem is that we want to buy canned tuna, please buy only StarKist brand tuna with the dolphin-safe label. We, the Sea Shepherd team, will also visit the tuna boats in the ETP area if necessary.

We, the Sea Shepherd Conservation Society International, 700 B St. Redondo Beach, CA 90277; or Box 48446, Vancouver, BC V7X 1A2

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Cryptic news from Poland. This and these other photos of people blocking big trucks came to us from the Console of the Union for Democracy (KOD) in Warsaw, 2003.

**European Commission drops plan to limit gold reserves**

Brussels, 28 October 2003

The European Union's executive body has dropped plans to limit its gold reserves as part of a strategy to reduce its dependence on the US dollar.

The move follows a decision by the US Federal Reserve to increase interest rates last week, which has led to a rise in the value of the dollar.

The EU had been considering a proposal to reduce its gold reserves from 2000 tonnes to 1000 tonnes, in line with the US and other major economies.

But the decision was reversed after a meeting of EU finance ministers in Brussels.

A spokesperson for the EU Commission said: "We have decided to keep our gold reserves at their current level of 2000 tonnes. This decision is in line with the US and other major economies and is based on the principle of maintaining stability in the international monetary system.''

The EU's gold reserves are valued at about 2.5 billion euros, or about 1.7% of the EU's total assets.

The decision is likely to be welcomed by the US, which has been pressuring the EU to reduce its gold holdings in order to reduce the dollar's dependence on the US.

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Jean Drescher, known for her drawing which adorned the cover of the Grizzly Bear Tabloid, has donated full-color, 20" by 24" lithographs of this wolf to help the Wolf Action Network. For a donation of one hundred dollars or more, you will receive a print while providing a major contribution to the Network’s efforts for reintroduction and/or protection of wolf populations all across North America.

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their own rainforests and respect the rights of forest peoples, and lobby consumer nations to adopt a tropical timber import moratorium and assistance programme based on conservation measures. (All development assistance, including aid and trade agreements, should be made conditional on the respect for human rights, including the right of tribal peoples to the use and ownership of their traditional lands. The violation of human rights should be considered grounds for suspending aid and trade flows.) Development projects should be elaborated in cooperation with local communities and should only go ahead with their free and informed consent. Dialogue between development agencies and local peoples should be based on a full sharing of information. Freedom of information should be a pre-condition of aid to ensure meaningful participa-
tion of tribal peoples in the development process.)

The crisis of tropical deforestation will only stop if every nation takes immediate steps to end its involvement in this war against nature. We urge you to make a strong and comprehensive rainforest protection policy for Australia.

Yours, etc.

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Wildlife Deathtraps

by Lawrence F. laPre, Ph.D.
photographs by the author

The following is reprinted with permission from Clements Journal (spring/summer 1990), Mineral Policy Center, Room 330, 1325 Massachusetts Ave NW, Washington, DC 20005. It is an excerpt dedicated to reforming the archaic mining laws governing public lands.

The Eola Mine Scenic Area is a remote part of the California Desert known for its abundance of wildlife, bold rock art (petroglyphs) sites, rock climbing opportunities, and spectacular scenery. As part of the Sierra Club’s Adopt-A-Wilderness program, I make periodic visits to Wilderness Study Area (WSA) #271, the Woods and Hackberry Mountains, to report on any disturbances that might impinge wilderness values.

The Discovery

During the Christmas holidays of 1989, I traveled to the Hackberry Mountains to check on recent developments in the WSA. I noticed a substantial increase in the number of mining claims present in the area — several hundred new polyvinyl chloride (PVC) pipes were being used to mark mining claims. They were four-inch diameter black flycatchers, rock wrens, and American kestrels are species that nest in holes in yuccas. The tallest plant in this part of the desert, the towering yucca, Iridian yucca, was found to be a “hot spot” for bird nesting. Cactus wrens construct woven nests shaped like a horizontal tube, and this species was also found in claim markers.

Although woodpeckers are the main excavators of cavities in the yuccas, no woodpeckers were found in the pipes because they cannot perch in their characteristic vertical posture and because they do not create or enter horizontal openings. Where the vegetation changed to desert scrub without rocks and yuccas, many fewer birds were discovered.

Unfortunately, nearly all of the preferred habitats for cavity-nesting birds in the Hackberry Mountains are covered with mining claims marked with perforated PVC pipes. My earlier research on breeding birds in this area showed that the territory size of ash-throated flycatchers was from 25 to 50 acres for each nesting pair. The density of claim markers exceeds the density of flycatchers, resulting in several pipe markers being present within each nesting territory. The observed rate of entrapment could lead to the entire local population of flycatchers being eliminated. The species has very likely suffered major losses already.

The mature yucca, natural home for many desert creatures, has a columnar form and often has nesting cavities about the same size as the openings in claim markers. Where cavity-nesting birds are common, the markers could selectively remove these species from the local ecosystem.

The claim markers continue to capture birds and other animals long after the claims are abandoned. Pipes set in an area where the birds are vulnerable will kill selected species, presumably until the species is extirpated or the pipe is removed. While the loss of insects may seem like a minor biological problem, the large number of birds killed will affect the pollination of desert plants, which are often quite specific with respect to their pollinators.

Agency Reaction

In response to reports of small animal deaths, the BLM Washington office issued a press release and asked state offices to investigate the situation. The California BLM issued a policy requiring capping all pipes with caps or tape by 1 July 1990. This deadline was recently postponed to September 1. Taping of the pipe is not recommended, but is allowed.

Some mining companies are retrofitting their claim markers by capping the pipes. I inspected the claims of Gold Fields Mining Corporation in Imperial County, California, and found that all the PVC claim markers used by Gold Fields have been capped. I found that the Hackberry Mountains claims of Viceroy Resources Corp. were not capped by late spring, but a crew is reportedly working on capping the 2500 claim markers. This is a good start, but I am still concerned that thousands of open pipes marking other claims are exposed and many more birds will die before the problem is solved.

Solution

A markerless system for mining claims would solve these wildlife problems. The rights of claim holders can be fully protected by paper recordation of claims. There is no need to endanger wildlife and litter scenic landscapes with claim stakes. Until a markerless system is made the national standard, regulations are needed to protect wildlife on public lands. Today, the method of marking claims is determined by each state rather than by federal law or regulation, resulting in a fragmented approach to this problem. To correct this problem, the federal government should establish uniform claim marker regulations that reflect important wildlife and scenic values.

Recommendation

Immediate actions are needed on three fronts to prevent further needless loss of wildlife:

First, cover existing open-top PVC pipes with permanent plastic caps. Tap to replenish population losses as noted.

Second, prohibit further use of uncapped or perforated PVC pipe.

Third, the federal government should establish a program to document wildlife deaths in mining claim markers, and it should coordinate uniform data gathering.

Editor’s note: Creative activists can probably devise counties or other immediate responses. Because hundreds of thousands of the PVC pipe markers are in place today on public lands, we need an effort by individuals to report the findings of small animal deaths. If you can survey claim markers in your area, you should report to the Mineral Policy Center the exact location of the claims studied, the date, the claim holders, and any animals found in claim stakes (or none). The inspection and reporting of wildlife kills in mineralized areas, and publicity about the findings, will compel the agencies to act.

The BLM acted too slowly to prevent another year of needless bird deaths in the 1990 nesting season. We must pressure them to swiftly cure this wildlife hazard, so we are not faced with additional silent springs on public lands in years to come.

In the long run, we must press Congress to reform the 1872 Mining Law and do away entirely with on-site claim staking. It is expensive, dangerous to wildlife, and ugly. It is a remnant of mining tradition that should be eliminated.

By Lawrence F. laPre, Ph.D. (Wildlife Deathtraps)
The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) and the Arizona Game and Fish Department (AGFD) have filed a lawsuit against the federal government seeking to reinstate their wolf reintroduction plans. The lawsuit, filed in U.S. District Court in Arizona, argues that the federal government has failed to adequately consult with state agencies and that the reintroduction plans are necessary to protect the endangered Mexican gray wolf. The BLM and AGFD have been working on a plan to reintroduce wolves to the state, but the federal government has not approved the plan, citing concerns about public safety and wildlife conservation. The lawsuit seeks to force the federal government to consider the reintroduction plan and to consult with state agencies before making a final decision. The lawsuit is a significant development in the ongoing controversy over the fate of the Mexican gray wolf, one of the most endangered species in the United States. The wolf's population is estimated to be just a few hundred animals, with most of the remaining population concentrated in Arizona and New Mexico. The lawsuit is intended to ensure that the federal government takes into account the concerns of state agencies and the public in making decisions about the wolf's future.
North and South Carolina is too far limited to islands, as wild propagation sites, and one small coastal wildlife refuge. Aside from that, only four "recovery" projects for existing populations in MT, MN, WI, and MD are under way.

**Alaska**

Alaska is the one state with a wolf population not considered "threatened" or "endangered." But that doesn't mean wolves in the Frontier State don't face the problem of the state thwarting federal protection efforts. In Alaska, the controversy over whether land-and-shoot wolf hunting should be allowed on National Park Preserves has taken twists and turns but ended up right back where it started. In the March issue, I explained how NPS Director Ridenour had postponed making a final decision on a land-and-shoot wolf hunting ban after meeting with Senator Ted Stevens (R-AK) and Representative Don Young (R-AK). With the state's governor, Steve Cowper, they tried to persuade Ridenour not to impose the permanent ban.

After several closed-door meetings with Ridenour, the state based a regulation that prohibits land-and-shoot hunting — but allows continued subsistence hunting — on National Park Preserves. By issuing the ban itself, the state kept its ability to change the decision. The federal ban would have been much harder to end.

Soon after, the ban was rendered virtually useless when the Alaska Supreme Court decided that the law allowing only those people living in rural areas the right to "subsistence hunting" on National Park Preserves by issuing the ban itself, the state kept its ability to change the decision. The federal ban would have been much harder to end.

**WHAT YOU CAN DO:** Write to Ridenour (Director, NPS, Interior Dept., Washington, DC 20240) and the Regional Director in Alaska (Alaska Region, NPS, 235 Gambell St, Anchorage, AK 99507) and tell them to permanently ban aerial hunting of wolves in Alaska's National Park Preserves. Judging by the majority of comments the NPS previously received on the issue, the public supports a ban on aerial hunting for all animals, not just wolves; add your support to that idea. Letters to congressional delegates also would help.

Regarding the Alaska Boycott that the Missoula Wolf Action Group has called for, some of you have asked how to answer the form letters the state sent (claiming they aren't killing wolves). WAG has written an information sheet responding to the state's misleading statements. Write WAG, POB 9256, Missoula, MT 59807.

**Alberta**

In the March issue of the Journal, I explained how wolf control was being considered as a means of enhancing ungulate populations. In particular, the Grand Cache area of Willmore Park, northwest of Jasper, was being considered for killing of wolves to help recover the Mountain and Woodland Caribou. Both of which subspecies are considered threatened. The Mountain Caribou uses the area as a wintering ground, and the Woodland Caribou resides there all year. The area around Jasper National Park was also considered.

Well, it appears that the Alberta government has, for now, decided not to implement a wolf control program near Jasper. However, rumors have it that the government, as easily as this fall when the trapping season begins, will pay trappers to kill wolves in the Grand Cache area.

Much of the concern over this "rumor" is likely based upon a recent written exchange between a Canadian Wolf Defenders (CWD) member, Jill Seaton, and the Alberta Ministry of Forest Lands and Wildlife. Jill Seaton, who based her critique on research reports and interviews with government biologists, had harsh words for the Alberta government: "The wolf is to be made to pay for the government's scandalous mismanagement of Alberta's caribou. In spite of warnings 17 years ago that the population was in serious trouble, there has been no government commitment whatsoever to save this threatened species from extinction. On the contrary, their entire critical winter range has been hounded over to log-
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opened fast. Two other butterfly species, Frosted Ellis and Duskey Wing, both state endangered species and both dependent on the same habitat, have been found in the Karner Blue’s area. New Hampshire law regarding endangered species is vague at best. It won’t provide a legal basis to chal­lenge development. (RSA 212-A:13:2 speci­fies “No rule shall cause undue interference with normal agricultural or cultural practices.”)

Concord has just rezoned part of the Pine Harrells as “gateway zone” — the better to accommodate development around the new mall. City councilmen curved the few of their body who favored protecting the Karner Blue habitat and the aquifer underly­ing the area.

Ohio: Population is gone, according to the latest survey (1989).

New York: All populations are found in the Hudson Valley area near Albany. They are seriously declining.

Michigan: Prospects here are better, with sites in five counties — some on Na­tional Forest, some on State land. One site was recently burned and both lupine and Karner Blues are coming back well.

Indiana: Seven historical sites are known, but no survey has been conducted recently.

Illinois: Two historic sites are known, but none of the butterflies has been seen in 30 years.

Pennsylvania: A 1969 inventory found none.

Minnesota: Karner Blue is endangered, but the butterfly is not.

Wisconsin: It has been found in 14 counties, but there have been no recent inventories. Most sites are disturbed areas: roadides, railroad bed, powerlines. Two of the three main sites are protected, but are not managed for the Karner Blue.

Ontario: Two of these sites are 100 miles from Detroit, with about 600-700 individu­als. A map of the present range would be difficult, since all locations are very local­ized. Frankie Brackley of the NH Natural Inventory feels New England and New York populations are probably a different gene pool, so Midwest efforts shouldn’t be an excuse to lose Karner Blues in the Northern Appalachians.

WHAT YOU CAN DO: Write Mayor Hall, Michigan, NH 0301. Recommend that the city negotiate to purchase or protect the large lot on Regional Drive — the closest area still available for the natu­ral populations. Request that the city begin to manage airport traffic land ad­joining this area for wild lupines.

Write Bruce Fosburgh and Bruce Smith of PSHL, POB 360, Manchester, NH 03105-0360. Thank them for managing the utility right-of-way for the Karner Blue’s survival. They brought special mowing equipment to the site and timed maintenance to avoid disturbing a Karner Blue population. Urge them to keep it up, regardless of who their new boss is.

—Brian Carter

"OLD GROWTH IN THE EAST" CORRECTIONS

Two tracts of old-growth listed under Georgia and one under Florida in "Old­Growth in the East: A Preliminary Overview" (June 1990) should have been described as follows:

Big Woods (Thomas County, Georgia)

Approximately 200 acres of Longleaf Pine-Wiregrass. The land is privately owned (1,2).

Wade Tract Preserve (Thomas County, Geo­rgia)

198 acres of Longleaf Pine-Wiregrass and a buffer zone. The land is privately owned (2) but managed by Tall Timbers Research Station.

Woodshed Hammock (Leon County, Flor­ida)

A 74-acre beech-magnolia tract with trees more than 300 years old. The area has had some salvage, but little if any cutting. It is owned by Tall Timbers Research Station.

ad. note: Due to the unexpected need to print in this issue numerous listings pertaining to inter­nal politics, we had to postpone printing the fourth and final part of "Old-Growth in the East: A Preliminary Overview", up to this point (as search continues), is available for $5 from EFI, POB 7, Canton, NY 13617.

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Designed to educate and generate support, the video covers the current threats old­growth forests and reasons they must be saved, the history of the timber industry and of actions to stop clearcutting in the region, the Oakland bombing attack on Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney and the status of the case, FBI targeting of environmental activists and Redwood Summer itself.
Beyond Smokey the Bear

by Leslie Lyon

Just how hard are environmental organizations working to create a generation that will respect Nature? The bitter outfit has far too many more important, but what most of them are doing is ignoring the fact that your suspicions about mainstream environmental organizations are correct.

Today's kids face a future far from the bear-wearing days of their parents. They've been told to live in the moment and not to worry about the future. The idea that we have to take care of the environment is a concept that most of them have never heard of. They're more interested in the latest video game or the hottest new gadget. They're not thinking about the impact of their actions on the planet.

Bicentennial Nature Day in 1976 was supposed to inspire kids to care about the environment. However, the results were not promising. The publicity given these youthful crusaders led some to believe that school officials were giving up Pollyanna education. It's too bad that the public did not see through this deception.

My first step was to request educational materials from the Earth Day Office, the Defenders of Wildlife, and the Sierra Club to do some research.

The Sierra Club, World Wildlife Fund (WWF), Greenpeace, Audubon, Conserve, and WWF's 

"A wonderful opportunity for kids to learn about forests, rivers, and wetlands. The last page is devoted to dolphin logs, the usual suspects. The last filmstrip on Earth Day came as a surprise. The film was old and scratchy, and narrated by a fellow with a posh voice. He's wise to be careful when selecting films for kids, as not to turn them off. The most effective school films produced, like this one, are the ones that include animals and/or juvenile characters. It is important that environmental organizations are doing a great deal to educate kids about Nature. While it's true that most organizations have developed educational materials, they've done little to promote and distribute them. They often use foundation money to develop resources that many educators do not have time or money to afford.

I found the most striking deficiency in Nature education to be the lack of a basic, introductory film on environmental ethics. It's a shame that kids learn about the ecological problems that our society faces when they're in school. As a responsible member of society, it is important that they learn about the role that they play in these problems. It is the government that should be promoting this message. The problem lies in the lack of a basic education program in the schools. It is important that we provide the necessary resources to educate our young people about the importance of protecting the environment.

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Our methods may seem radical, but they are necessary in the face of the threat that we face. The Earth is in danger, and we must act to protect it.

Sincerely,
[Your Name]
Dear Ned Ludd...

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There is a popular fly trap sold in feed stores and home improvement centers. The bait is a small bottle of putrid concentrate (animal attractant and rotting meat) that sells for less than $3 at discount stores and up to $6 at feed stores. This stuff stinks like hell and flies fly like craziness. I just poured a liberal amount over a local ORV track.

Also I am doing some monkeywrenching from the back of my horse. I carry a soft spike—my horse has been an Appaloosa, a paint, and had 1 to 4 white stockings.

—Tonto

Dear Ned

Not only do the police have the technology to make them know the phone number someone is calling from, but many businesses respond to frauds do. This was just brought to my attention while I was talking to a reporter from a number he didn't know. He was going to check something and call me back. I started to give him the number but he'd gotten it when he picked up the phone. Scary.

—Sam Lincoln

Dear Ned

British Columbia has new anti-tree spike legislation: 6 months and $2000 fine if physical injury or property damage occurs for spiking any tree, whether living, dead, standing, fallen, limbed, burned or not. It is a tool for doing offensive to aid, abet or counsel another to spike timber, to carry spikes or other potentially hazardous objects with the intention of timbering. This is punishable by 6 months and $2000 fine.

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Dear Ned

I've tried the hillity hillity of nail gun but do not do insert the nail flush into the wood and usually have to be set using the conventional hammer and punch. The nails themselves are very hard and easy to drive and could cause havoc. They're about the same hardass as a chainsaw file. Unfortunatly, there is no easy solution for tree spike. Yet. There also air-driven commuter type concrete nail guns, but all this stuff is too heavy to carry in the deep dark woods. It doesn't matter much what kind of spiking legislation: 6 months and $2000 fine.

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and thorny cholla
on the sweltering road
a mule has been picked to the bone
in just one day
red heads of vultures bob
in and out of the entrails
the ribcage descending
in the dusk to the east
the volcanic ghosts of mountains
low studded with mesquite
as much death here
as there is life in the Pacific
to the west where
full of sea turtles and fish
of every description
a red love burns
behind the sun

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Dadeland, big air conditioned mall
car mall, food mall, big parking lot
lots of parking lots with every mall
Road road road road
getting bigger
just around my neighborhood Red Road, Dixie Highway
Bird Road, and the up-and-coming roads for smart drivers
way ahead of their time,
who have been around Miami more than since yesterday
Alhambra, Blue Road, all Coral Gables shortcuts
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air conditioned parking with a fast food restaurant at the exit
they all look alike, flashing discrete income categories
Romance of the road, the road to nowhere
used to be the road was filled with mystery
like pioneers going over the plains
watching for the mountains in the distance
the mountains are still there, but as for the mystery...
the malls of Los Angeles, I can see them
rising behind the Hollywood Hills, taller even
even more deluxe than the Aventura
Burger kings more luxurious
I can hardly wait to get in the car
It was a time of hopelessness
There was a sense of doom
The first traffic shootings occurred
Wild animals began to disappear along with forests
air and clean water
It made great rock and roll

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BEYOND THE ASPARAGUS FIELD

Last August I crawled between feathery stalks
cutting late shoots for unseasonal feasts.
Now my boots swamp with snow in the furrows
between rows of mounds which mark where
beige fingers of tubers, vermilion marbles
of seedpods, and goldenrod wait to sprout.

I given.
I can hardly wait to get in the car
You note cracks in my ice. It's late.
Come, we can slide anyhow -
You're doubtful but, mittens to gloves,
se polonaise to invisible fiddles, circle
and glide in our usual dangerous dance
until the dizzy moon harrows the pond.
Still we float on...

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