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The *ALARM* began in 1991 as a revolutionary ecological news quarterly published by Earth First! groups active in the northeastern United States, emphasizing news and direct actions significant to regional and indigenous groups. The local Earth First! group Biodiversity Liberation Front EF! was its original publisher; issue 3 was the first issue to be broadly circulated. The local group Big River EF! published issue 10, and Mass EF! published issue 11. The Eastern North American Native Forest Network took over its annual publication with issue 12.

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This issue of the *ALARM* celebrates 500 years of indigenous resistance, for example with “Columbus sucks” actions. Anne Petermann discusses voting rights and voting’s potential for change; Judi Bari brings good news from the actions to save redwoods in northern California; Steve Taylor updates readers on the Shawnee forest in southern Illinois; and Abbey Edwards writes on Native American land ethics:

However, what little I know of other places, such as Africa, New Zealand and Australia, it seems clear that wherever you go, the Natives know what’s best for the land, and the white European invaders know best how to destroy it. Why are the Natives so much smarter than the whites? Is it genetic? Or is it experience? I hope it is experience, because then there is hope, and because then I don’t have to hate myself. I don’t have answers, but I certainly have my opinions.

—Abbey Edwards

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- More about environmental movements on the Wilderness Society’s blog  
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