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This *Earth First!* tabloid describes negative impacts of the U.S. Forest Service on national forests. Topics include reform proposals for the USFS, the role of deep ecology, the destruction of eco-systems across the U.S., abuse of Native American cultural heritage, and a call for the protection of national forests.

> It's not just the Forest Service. US environmental policy is a foul brew, a poisoned batch of alphabet soup. What's wrong with the Forest Service is also wrong with every other federal environmental agency-and there are lots of other agencies whose purpose is said to be the protection of the land, water, air and ecosystems upon which we all depend. The corporate wizards who've cooked up this fetid stew think things are just fine: all our ailing Mother Earth needs is a bracing draft of their concoction, a good dose of up-by-your-bootstraps free enterprise. If ecosystems can't pay their own way, why bother with them? If a species can't compete with chainsaws, if it can't adapt to poisoned air, soil and water, let it go extinct. That's survival of the

fittest, ain't it? But money won't protect us from ultraviolet rays, and it won't prevent climate change. US environmental policy is a series of disasters unfolding before our eyes.

—Scott Greacen

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