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Comments: Many may not realize, but we humans are meant to learn  from Earth & her plants & animals, taking only what we need & reciprocating all that She provides. We are not at such a hierachy that seems us any power to ravage her of her rich resources, ultimately inflicting harm on Her precious creatures. Remember, what happens upstream, will also have impact (often unpredictable) further downstream.
Instead of merely "raising the bar" and focusing on positive economic impact...think about a world where mining ceases to exist. Or a world where the people intend to have a symbiotic relationship with the land, rather than exploiting Her to the point of our banishment. Please, consider the impact this may have as a much, much larger picture.
"As we work to heal the Earth, the Earth heals us.". Robin Kimmerer