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Comments: Regarding any concept or agenda which involves significant change to the natural environment around us, it must balance thorough research with experience or exposure to pertinent experience to form a meaningful justification of any action taken.

This can and should be thought of in the exact intent of 'the golden rule'.

Do unto others as you would have done to you.

People unfortunately tend to relegate such a rule to individuals and individual survival.

However, the same applies to our surroundings.

Our forests and all natural habitats are an infrastructure which surpasses any that man can conjure.

Short term benefits indeed do NOT justify long term destruction.

The most valuable assets of our countries are our natural resources. (period)

Mass clearing of any forests is never a good idea.

Every forest ecosystem greatly benefits those who respect them.

Reducing lush fauna to dry dirt and concrete is undoubtedly a selfish endeavor.

Consider the forests as you do your own home.

If you have not personally experienced the greatness of old growth forests and national parks,

Visit one and shake the hand of a forest ranger working hard to preserve it for you and your children's future enjoyment. It can be a life changer.