TOPICAL STUDY RESEARCH PAPER

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The effects of humans on our surrounding ecosystems will be the foci of the topical research paper. Depending on your topic, you are either researching an environmental human-caused problem or a human-proposed solution to an environmental problem or issue.

**Reminder**: the topical study research paper is worth 15% of your final grade for this course.

Format: cover page, double-spaced body, 12 pt. readable font, bibliography

Length: 6 pages (excluding cover page and bibliography)

Bibliography: Generally, 1 source per page is required, so 6 reputable sources will be required.

 Reputable sources: books, articles from peer-reviewed journals, .edu or .gov webpages.

DUE DATE: Final paper to be submitted by Friday, June 9.

\*Drafts can be turned in earlier for feedback and then improved for a higher grade.

Sub-topics to address within paper:

* Introduction – thoroughly define your topic
* Humans role in causing the problem/history of the problem
* Humans role in proposing a solution or solutions – explore and explain each
* Conclusion – wrap it up, what do we know now; where do you think we’re heading with the issue?

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