

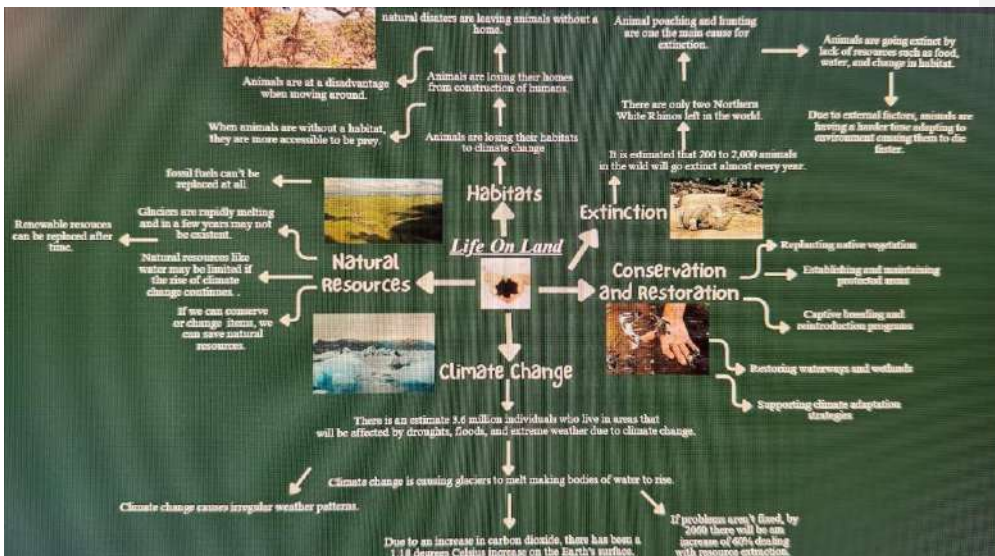
# Advocacy Report

## Topic: Life On Land

### Section 1: Explore

Earth is a place that I and others call home. Earth is a beautiful planet that is filled with different types of wildlife, organisms, and areas that make up Earth. However, we are killing our Earth by littering, cutting down trees, and polluting the air with harsh chemicals. Slowly, Earth's creatures and habitats are being severely affected by these harmful issues. Everything that Earth has plays a part in how we as humans can live and function properly.

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1. List of problems related to my world goal, created with Generative AI

○ **Global problems:**

- Biodiversity Loss: Deforestation and degradation of ecosystems are causing significant biodiversity loss worldwide.
- Climate Change: Deforestation contributes to increased greenhouse gas emissions, exacerbating global climate change.
- Water Scarcity: Degradation of wetlands and freshwater ecosystems impacts global water cycles, leading to water scarcity.
- Forest Degradation: Global demand for timber, agricultural products, and other resources drives deforestation and forest degradation.
- Carbon Emissions: Loss of forests reduces carbon sequestration capacity, contributing to global warming.
- Invasive Species: Global trade and travel introduce invasive species that harm native forests.

○ **National problems:**

- Policy Implementation: Many countries struggle with implementing effective conservation policies due to political, economic, and social challenges.
- Land Use Conflicts: National development projects, such as agriculture, mining, and urban expansion, often conflict with conservation goals.
- Funding and Resources: Limited financial and human resources can hinder national efforts to conserve and restore ecosystems.
- Agricultural Expansion: In many countries, forests are cleared for agriculture, leading to habitat loss and ecosystem degradation.
- Weak Governance: Corruption and weak enforcement of environmental laws can lead to illegal logging and land conversion.
- Economic Dependence: Nations dependent on forestry for economic growth may prioritize short-term gains over long-term sustainability.

○ **Local problems:**

- Land Tenure Issues: Unclear land ownership can lead to conflicts and hinder sustainable forest management.
- Fire Management: Poor management practices can result in forest fires, which devastate local ecosystems and communities.
- Afforestation Challenges: Local reforestation efforts may face challenges such as poor soil quality, lack of native seedlings, and insufficient knowledge.
- Community-Based Management: Involving local communities in forest management can lead to more sustainable outcomes. Examples include community forestry initiatives in Nepal and Mexico.
- Local Education and Awareness: Raising awareness about the importance of forests and ecosystems can empower local communities to engage in conservation activities.

2. Global Problem related to my world goal:

- After learning about Life on Earth, it has come to my attention that it is more serious than anyone thought. Due to the removal of wildlife habitats, there has been a decrease in animal and plant species. These animals and other organisms are being pushed to areas that they are not familiar with and being exposed to other predators. If these issues aren't fixed, we will see more of a decline in wildlife populations and other organisms.

3. National Problem related to my world goal:

- After reading and learning about Life on Earth, there have been issues occurring at the national level. With the rise of building and expanding with individuals around the nation, there has been an increase in harmful factors. In other areas, individuals have experienced different disasters that pose a danger to them. For example, individuals have experienced a rise in temperature, flooding, water equality issues, and loss of biodiversity. Again, if items aren't put in place to correct these items it can become irreversible.

4. Local Problem related to my world goal:

- After reading and learning about Life on Earth, there have been issues occurring locally around me. In my area, there has been a decrease in wildlife habitats and an increase in civilization that we don't have room for. Factories and other buildings are being built that are decreasing land. People feel they need to leave their area because they feel they are being pushed out. We are also seeing a decrease in the different forms of wildlife that we commonly find around our area. This local problem makes living and functioning difficult and challenging to do when being in this situation.

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5. Target 1:



- By 2020, ensure the conservation, restoration, and sustainable use of terrestrial and inland freshwater ecosystems and their services, in particular forests, wetlands, mountains, and drylands, in line with obligations under international agreements.

6. Target 2:



- By 2020, promote the implementation of sustainable management of all types of forests, halt deforestation, restore degraded forests and substantially increase afforestation and reforestation globally.

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