AP Environmental Science - Summer Reading

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To better prepare you for the upcoming year in AP Environmental Science (APES), it is recommended that you spend some time this summer reading a book related to the course.

For the 2015-16 school year, the APES summer reading book list includes:

1493 – Uncovering the New World Columbus Created by Charles C. Mann

A Civil Action by Jonathan Harr

Collapse by Jared Diamond

Guns, Germs and Steel by Jared Diamond

Hot, Flat and Crowded, by Thomas Friedman

Ishmael by Daniel Quinn

The Botany of Desire by Michael Pollan

The End of Nature by Bill McKibben

The Omnivore’s Dilemma by Michael Pollan

Overdressed, The Shockingly High Cost of Cheap Fashion, by Elizabeth Cline

Tomatoland : How Modern Industrial Agriculture Destroyed Our Most Alluring Fruit

by Barry Estabrook

Assignment Requirements

1. As you read the book keep a daily journal that includes:
   a. important information and notes
   b. new vocabulary and definitions
   c. responses (positive or negative) to what you have read.
   d. dates and page numbers.
   e. Turn in for a separate grade!!!

2. Write a 2-3 page paper (font 12, double spaced, 1 inch margins, MLA citations) that includes a summary of the book, how you felt about the book and how you think it will relate to the course.

3. This assignment is due September 8(A), 9(B), 2015.