Natural Resources Law & Policy
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First Assignment

The casebook for the class is Klein, Cheever, Birdsong, *Natural Resources Law: A Place-Based Book of Problems and Cases*, Third Edition, 2013. Supplemental readings will be posted on NYU Classes.

Tuesday, January 16: Introduction

1. *Themes of the class*
   - What is a natural resource?
   - Why protect natural resources?
   - What is conservation?

- **KCB Reading:** 1-31
  - Discussion Problem: Climate Change and Natural Resources
  - Discussion Problem: Beauty and the Beast

- **Other Reading:** Garrett Hardin, The Tragedy of the Commons, 162 Science 1243 (1968), [link/NYU Classes] (Read only 1244 (starting with “The tragedy of the commons develops in this way.”) to 1246 (ending with “We must find ways to legitimate the needed authority of both the custodians and the corrective feedbacks.”), and 1247-1248 (section titled “Mutual Coercion Mutually Agreed upon”). You are not reading this article for Hardin’s discussion of the population problem, but rather for his discussion of the “tragedy of the commons” and what can be done to address the tragedy.)