We have now felled forest enough everywhere, in many districts far too much. Let us restore this one element of material life to its normal proportions, and devise means of maintaining the permanence of its relations to the fields, the meadows, and the pastures. . . The establishment of an approximately fixed ratio between the two most broadly characterized distinctions of rural surface – woodland and plough land – would involve a certain persistence of character in all the branches of industry, all the occupations and habits of life . . and would thus help us to become, more emphatically, a well-ordered and stable commonwealth, and, not less conspicuously, a people of progress.

> Man and Nature George Perkins Marsh

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## Metric Conversion Table

centimeter	cm	0.39 inch
meter	m	39.37 inches
kilometer	km	0.62 mile
hectare	ha	2.47 acres
liter	1	0.90 quart
kilogram	kg	2.20 pounds
gram	g	0.035 ounce

## Cover

Clear-cutting had denuded thousands of acres along California's Redwood Creek when this photograph was taken in 1976, and siltation from the erosion-prone slopes was choking the creek and threatening redwood groves downstream in Redwood National Park that included some of the world's tallest trees. Two years later, however, this ecologically disturbed area became the scene of a massive restoration project when the U.S. Congress added to the park some 48,000 acres, three-fourths of which had been logged. The project, now well under way, represents the Park Service's first attempt to restore a park's "primary resource" on a large scale, and has attracted attention from as far away as Norway and Holland. Accounts of the project and the related efforts to restore the Redwood Creek Estuary begin on pages 57 and 66. Photo by Dave Van de Mark, courtesy of Savethe-Redwoods League.