

Man did not create the Web of Life; he is just one strand in it.

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"Man did not weave the web of life – he is merely a strand in it.

Whatever he does to the web, he does to himself."

Chief Seattle, 1854.

The following message was posted on our [Value Nature as Living Being](#) petition site:

Man did not create the Web of Life, he is just one strand in it. What we do to the Web, we do to ourselves. All things are related.

Man cannot create one blade of grass nor one drop of water; Our Mother Earth does these for us.

We do not rule this planet, we are subject to it; it would be intelligent to remember that. We must be stewards, we must control our numbers, we must not unbalance the very fine parameters that allow animal and plant life to survive on the only blue planet in our Universe.

Without the soil there will be no plants, without plants there will be no animals (that's us). Without land we have nowhere to live for we cannot swim in sea water forever, nor drink it.

We are like a snake that eats its own tail.....sooner or later there will be no snake left! Earth has rights – sacred rights going back millennia.

Once we lived respecting the harsh realities of her rule and we were no threat to her sustainability. We have lost that respect, that intelligence, that wisdom. We have great knowledge but very little wisdom.

Just because you can do something doesn't mean you should!

If Mankind has rights, (and we have given them to ourselves) then the Earth that sustains us and without which we would not exist, must also have the same and greater rights. Otherwise, we should have none either. Accept our place in the Web of Life or be cut from it.