

### **Term Paper:**

Each of you is to write a short paper of 10 to 13 double-spaced typewritten pages on a subject of your choice on some aspect of the interaction of Americans with the environment. Your subject is simply something that, when examined as an environmental historian, yields new perspectives and insights. For example, look at our initial discussions of the Asian tsunami and hurricane Katrina. How do these disasters result from the interplay of nature and society? Also use Steinberg to help with rethinking history from an ecological perspective. How does environmental history change our perception of your chosen topic? In order to help you with your papers, I am requiring each of you to turn in a prospectus for the paper. The prospectus is due on **3 April**. Note that a prospectus is a statement in which you tell me what you plan to do in the paper and what sources you intend to use to do it. The prospectus should be no more than one page. This paper is 40% of your course grade. The paper is due **19 April**. I encourage early submissions.