

***Act Locally, Think Globally:
How Nature's Trust Can Seed Relocalization and Pollinate Planetary Patriotism***

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New circumstances clear an opening for new visions. An Obama administration creates opportunity for a fundamental paradigm shift in environmental law. The unfolding economic collapse creates conditions for local natural capitalism as an alternative to globalized industrial capitalism. Professor Wood will cast these developments as opportunities to grow a new local-to-global movement organized around Nature's Trust principles. Nature's Trust describes government's fundamental obligation to protect natural resources as an endowment for present and future generations of citizens. Nature's Trust demands natural asset protection from government officials and requires businesses to fuel economic prosperity using Earth's renewable interest, not its capital. A Nature's Trust reorientation through all levels of government will secure the natural infrastructure and ecological wealth needed for local sustainability and adaptation to climate change and peak oil. By "thinking locally and acting globally," citizens can re-engineer the scale of their food and energy sources to the local level, yet export their innovations to the global level through 21st century social pollination venues. Uniting with neighbors to protect Nature's Trust, citizens can join an urgent global climate defense effort and ignite

planetary patriotism across the Earth.