Opinion Statements

1. It is important for people to preserve wilderness areas.

2. The world’s natural resources exist for people to use.

3. Environmental degradation is the biggest problem facing humanity today.

4. People will eventually develop new technologies to cope with environmental problems.

5. People have a responsibility to protect all life forms on Earth.

6. Protecting a country’s natural resources and natural heritage is primarily the government’s responsibility.

7. The government is doing a good job of protecting the country’s natural environment.

8. Recycling is the most important thing people can do to help improve the environment.

9. People should be able to use their own land in whatever way they see fit (for farming, housing, logging, wildlife habitat, and so on).

10. All people have a right to clean air and water.

11. Human consumption is the greatest factor contributing to Earth’s environmental problems.

12. Use of compact fluorescent light bulbs, which use less energy than incandescent bulbs, should be required in all public buildings.

13. Global treaties are needed to address the earth’s changing climate.

14. New energy production on the planet should be limited to only renewable energy sources.

15. There should be laws restricting development on farmland or forestland outside cities or towns.

16. Zoning laws should prevent people from living in places with a history of major forest fires.