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[27 Apr. BBC News. Sausage 'solution' to Australia's cane toad invasion.](#) Saving quolls from cane toads.

[21 Apr. Hartford Courant. Deadly Bat Fungus Appears To Be Spreading.](#) The latest on white-nose syndrome. More on what you can do to help [here](#).

[21 Apr. BBC News. DNA boost in battle against bleeding canker.](#) Article about a disease affecting a different chestnut from the one I spoke about in class.

[21 Apr. BBC News. Counting the cost of alien invasions.](#) An opinion piece about the economics of invasive species.

[15 Apr. New York Times. U.S. Leads New Bid to Phase Out Whale Hunting.](#)

[15 Apr. Discovery News. Ivory-billed woodpecker search ends.](#)

[10 Apr. BBC News. Has CITES had its day?](#)

[9 Apr. BBC News. Hide and seek with invasive species.](#) Tracking rats with dogs.

[7 Apr. New York Times. Giant Lizard Is Discovered in the Philippines.](#) A new species to science.

[6 Apr. BBC News. Turtles killed 'in millions' by fishing gear.](#) A graphic example of the effects of by-catch.

[25 Mar. BBC News. Forest loss slows, as China plants and Brazil preserves.](#) It's not all bad news ...

[25 Mar. BBC News. Gorillas in central Africa 'extinct in 20 years'.](#) ... then again, .... (video report).

[25 Mar. New York Times. Too-Busy Bees.](#) Op-Ed piece on the loss of pollination services.

[23 Mar. New York Times. U.N. Group Rejects Shark Protections.](#) No to tuna last week, no sharks this week ...

[23 Mar. New York Times. Are Aquariums Getting Too Lifelike?](#) Effects of the pet trade.

[21 Mar. The Economist. The clouds of unknowing.](#) Although not really about conservation biology, this article concisely summarizes key issues in the present climate change debate. The accompanying editorial - [Spin, science and climate change](#) - also addresses the issue of uncertainty in science.

[21 Mar. BBC News. Internet threatens rare species, conservationists warn.](#) Shopping for newts ...

[19 Mar. New York Times. U.N. Rejects Export Ban on Atlantic Bluefin Tuna.](#)

[15 Mar. BBC News. Tiger decline is 'sign of world's failure'.](#) Overkill and CITES.

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[12 Mar. The Economist. Almond pollination in California: Vitamin Bee.](#) An example of an ecosystem service in action.

[12 Mar. New York Times. Talks to Address Trade in Tuna and Ivory.](#) Parties to CITES - which we'll discuss later in the class - get ready to meet. More [here](#)

[12 Mar. New York Times. Climate Change Threatens Migratory Birds, Report Says.](#)

[10 Mar. BBC News. Insect that fights Japanese knotweed to be released.](#) An example of planned biocontrol for an invasive plant.

[10 Mar. New York Times. Military Bases as Wildlife Havens.](#) Video on the conservation of red-cockaded woodpecker, among others.

[7 Mar. New York Times. Fretting About the Last of the World's Biggest Cats.](#) Less than 3000 left ....

[6 Mar. New York Times. No Endangered Status for Plains Bird.](#) Warranted, but precluded ...

[5 Mar. New York Times. Can Wild Bison Repopulate the Plains?](#)

[4 Mar. BBC News. 'Extinct' frog found in Australia.](#) All is not lost.

[24 Feb. BBC News. Plastic rubbish blights Atlantic Ocean.](#) Human impact at sea.

[24 Feb. BBC News. Census discovers 5,000 marine species.](#) New species are being found all the time.

[24 Feb. New York Times. Whaling Compromise Proposed, and Panned.](#) Following nicely from Monday's lecture, the latest debate on whaling.

[24 Feb. New York Times. Arizona: Condors Died of Lead Poisoning.](#)

[20 Feb. The Economist. Conflict conservation: Biodiversity down the barrel of a gun.](#) Unintended conservation in conflict zones.

[17 Feb. BBC News. Rare northern right whales were not hunted to the brink.](#) More evidence that it can be hard to determine why things are rare.

[17 Feb. New York Times. Small Protection Zones Help Predators, Too.](#) Helping fish, helps penguins.

[17 Feb. New York Times. Around the Redwoods, the Fog Is Dissipating.](#) Trees need fog.

[15 Feb. Time. Asian Carp in the Great Lakes? This Means War!](#). More on invasive carp in the Great Lakes. And [here](#) is Time's top 10 invasive species.

[13 Feb. BBC News. Tiger Farms in China Feed Thirst for Parts.](#)

[4 Feb. BBC News. US-born pandas Tai Shan and Mei Lan head for China.](#) OK, so I said no pandas, but I admit that they're cool.

[4 Feb. BBC News. Climate change causes wolverine decline across Canada.](#)

[1 Feb. New York Times. Saving Tiny Toads Without a Home.](#) Extinct in the wild, personified.

[26 Jan. BBC News. Oceans 'under new threat'.](#) Ocean acidification - why carbon emissions are not just changing the atmosphere.

[22 Jan. BBC News. Governments 'must tackle' roots of nature crisis.](#) Preparations for this year's UN biodiversity summit begin.

[22 Jan. New York Times. Ban Sought on Trade in Pythons and Kin.](#) Keeping big snakes away.

[21 Jan. New York Times. Carp DNA Is Found in Lake Michigan.](#) Genetic detection of invasive species.

[21 Jan. BBC News. Bee decline linked to falling biodiversity.](#) Diversification is not just good for your stock portfolio ...

[21 Jan. The Economist. Price fixing. Why it is important to put a price on nature.](#) The value of ecosystem services - to be covered towards the end of the course.

[21 Jan. BBC News. Biodiversity nears 'point of no return'.](#) Opinion, not news, but insightful nonetheless (and written by a politician!).

[21 Dec. BBC News. Czech zoo sends rare Northern White rhinos to Kenya.](#)

[19 Dec. New York Times. Hope for the Everglades.](#) Major progress for anyone who cares about wetland restoration.

[14 Dec. New York Times. Onetime Nevada Brothel Could Become Conservationists' Oasis.](#) When worlds collide.

[3 Dec. Washington Post. As emissions increase, carbon 'sinks' get clogged.](#) Why we need ecosystem services.

[1 Dec. BBC News. 'Global surge' in rhino poaching.](#)

[1 Dec. BBC News. Major sea level rise likely as Antarctic ice melts.](#) Changes down south.

[1 Dec. BBC News. Save 'special' carnivores plea.](#) Phylogeny and conservation.

[25 Nov. BBC News. Acid oceans leave fish at more risk from predators.](#)

[21 Nov. The Economist. Socked.](#) Bad news for Canada's salmon ...

[21 Nov. The Economist. Changing tides.](#) ... and Atlantic salmon.

[21 Nov. The Economist. In wolf's clothing.](#) Who's really to blame?

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[24 Oct. BBC News. Tiger skin trade in China exposed.](#)

[24 Oct. New York Times. Polar Bear Habitat Proposed for Alaska.](#)

[31 Jul. BBC News. Fresh hope for world's fisheries.](#)

[29 Jul. New York Times. New Panda Preserves Suggested.](#)

[4 Jul. BBC News. World 'still losing biodiversity'.](#)

[4 Jul. BBC News. Amur tigers on 'genetic brink'.](#)

[4 Jul. BBC News. Brazil's huge wetland under threat.](#)

[4 Jul. BBC News. No safe haven for rarest antelope.](#)

[30 Jun. New York Times. When a Hybrid Takes Hold, the Outcome Can Be Bad.](#)

[30 Jun. BBC News. Wood harvest puts pandas at risk.](#)

[30 Jun. New York Times. Wolves to Return to Endangered List.](#)

[18 Jun. BBC News. Dingoes 'could help rare species'.](#) When is an introduced species a good idea?

[18 Jun. BBC News. Mekong dolphins 'almost extinct'.](#)

[16 Jun. BBC News. Blue butterfly colonies thriving.](#)

[16 Jun. New York Times. An Unsightly Algae Extends Its Grip to a Crucial New York Stream.](#)

[10 Jun. New York Times. Return of the Once-Rare Beaver? Not in My Yard.](#)

[5 Jun. BBC News. Rainforest is worth more standing.](#) A study from Indonesia.

[4 Jun. New Yorker. The Sixth Extinction?](#) (Requires registration.)

[19 Apr. New Yorker. Swamp things.](#) Podcast on pythons (and other exotics) in Florida. Written article (requires registration) is [here](#).

[17 Apr. BBC News. Pet trade puts orangutans at risk.](#) Yes, some people keep them as pets ...

[17 Apr. BBC News. African lark soon to be extinct.](#) Extinction in progress.

[15 Apr. BBC News. Big brood of rotund rare parrots.](#) A small population success that combines in-situ and ex-situ activities.

[15 Apr. BBC News. New rare orangutan find in Borneo.](#)

[15 Apr. New York Times. Coral Transplant Surgery Prescribed for Japan.](#) Restoring coral reef habitat.

[11 Apr. The Economist. Prairie in the city.](#) Urban conservation of grasslands.

[3 Apr. BBC News.](#) Evidence for inbreeding in wolves.

[1 Apr. New York Times. Everglades Restoration Plan Shrinks.](#)

[1 Apr. New York Times. Asian Dolphin Less Rare Than Thought.](#) Some good news.

[1 Apr. BBC News. How do you catch a python?](#) Invasive pythons in south Florida (this is not a joke).

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[24 Mar. New York Times. Chernobyl Taking a Toll on Invertebrates Too.](#)

[23 Mar. New York Times. Lessons of the Exxon Valdez. \(Editorial\)](#) Twenty years after the oil spill.

[22 Mar. New York Times. In This Springtime Battle, the Parakeets Appear to Be Winning.](#) The challenges of invasive species in Connecticut.

[22 Mar. New York Times. Cat Got Your Fish?](#) Unexpected consequences.

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[11 Mar. New York Times. Rise in Ocean Acidity May Lead to Thinner Plankton Shells.](#) More on the effects of acidification.

[9 Mar BBC News. Maldives moves to protect its sharks.](#) Good news for big fish.

[9 Mar. New York Times. Tools That Leave Wildlife Unbothered Widen Research Horizons.](#) Not about conservation per se, but about tools regularly used for conservation studies.

[5 Mar. New York Times. Bid to Undo Bush Memo on Threats to Species.](#) The latest on moves to alter implementation of the US Endangered Species Act.

[5 Mar. New York Times. In Congo, With Rebels Now at Bay, Calm Erupts.](#) War and gorilla conservation.

[5 Mar BBC News. 'No proof' of bee killer theory.](#) Controversy brewing over Colony Collapse Disorder.

[5 Mar BBC News. Climate 'hitting Europe's birds'.](#) New projections on expected population changes with climate change.

[3 Mar. New York Times. U.S. Zookeepers Wary of Herpes Virus Attacking Asian Elephants.](#) Disease in captive populations relates to the topic of yesterday's (missed) lecture, and will come up again when we talk about captive breeding.

[3 Mar. New York Times. Moderate Development Is Tied to Reef Damage.](#) More on reef conservation.

[3 Mar. New Scientist. Fish numbers outpace human population.](#) The pros and cons of farming fish.

[23 Feb. LA Times. UCLA class project: Find Bin Laden.](#) An unusual application of ecology theory and tools used to find rare species.

[23 Feb. BBC News. Lifeline for endangered albatross.](#) This article is directly relevant to today's lecture.

[22 Feb. New York Times. Rescue Flight.](#) We'll talk about whooping crane conservation when we cover captive breeding, later in the course.

[22 Feb. New York Times. Vacuuming the reef.](#) Invasive species removal from coral reefs in Hawaii.

[20 Feb. National Geographic. "Extinct" Bird Seen, Eaten.](#) Good, and bad, news for Worcester's buttonquail.

[17 Feb. BBC News. Ivory trade hits Asia's elephants.](#)

[17 Feb. New York Times. Debate Rages Over Elk Feeding Program.](#) Sometimes it might be best not to get involved ....

[17 Feb. New York Times. The Unintended Consequences of Changing Nature's Balance.](#) Removing one invasive species, just allows another to take over.

[13 Feb. BBC News. Darwin's Galapagos.](#) Examining the trade-offs between conservation and ecotourism. More in [New Scientist](#).

[13 Feb. New York Times. Record Number of Peregrine Falcons in New York State.](#) Peregrines now breeding in several Connecticut cities too.

[13 Feb. New Scientist. Ocean climate change: a really inconvenient truth.](#) Effects of climate change on the world's fish.

[10 Feb. New York Times. Seeing the Risks of Humanity's Hand in Species Evolution.](#) Harvest advice from Deuteronomy.

[10 Feb. New York Times. Protecting Fish Ahead of the 'Big Melt'.](#) Preemptive action.

[30 Jan. New York Times. Rising Acidity Is Threatening Food Web of Oceans, Science Panel Says.](#) This article is directly relevant to Wednesday's lecture, and next week's reading.

[29 Jan. BBC News. Ocean climate fix remains afloat.](#) This study is more environmental science than conservation biology, but I've included it as it relates to next week's lecture ... and it identifies "ecological impacts" as one of the next things that requires study.

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[23 Jan. BBC News. A billion frogs on world's plates.](#) Over-exploitation affects amphibians too.

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[22 Jan. BBC News. Nile run-off 'boosts fish stocks'.](#) A dilemma: are agricultural fertilizers always bad for marine ecosystems?

[22 Jan. BBC News. New evidence on Antarctic warming.](#)

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[20 Jan. New York Times. Growing Taste for Reef Fish Sends Their Numbers Sinking.](#) Eating Nemo.

[18 Jan. New York Times. Study Warns of Threat to Coasts From Rising Sea Levels.](#) Climate change and coastal wetlands.

[17 Jan. BBC News. Light pollution forms 'eco-traps'.](#) Adverse effects of polarized light.

[17 Jan. New York Times. Wind Farm Off Cape Cod Clears Hurdle.](#) this article doesn't really get into the issues relevant to conservation biology ... but you can read something about them [here](#).

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[15 Jan. New York Times. Research Ties Human Acts to Harmful Rates of Species Evolution.](#) Conservation of evolution.

[15 Jan. The Economist. A sea of troubles.](#) An editorial to go with a special feature ([Troubled Waters](#)) that touches on most of the major conservation/environmental issues that affect the oceans (climate, acidification, overfishing, pollution, and more).

[6 Jan. BBC News. US vows 'huge' marine protection.](#) Marine reserve planned for tropical Pacific.



[5 Jan. New Scientist. More polar bears going hungry.](#)

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[4 Jan. BBC News. Fence hope for Tasmanian Devils.](#) A new attempt to slow spread of a disease that threatens extinction.

[3 Jan. BBC News. Coral reef growth is slowest ever.](#) Concerns about ocean acidification.

[2 Jan. New York Times. Move to Increase Logging on Oregon Land.](#) New problems for spotted owls?

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