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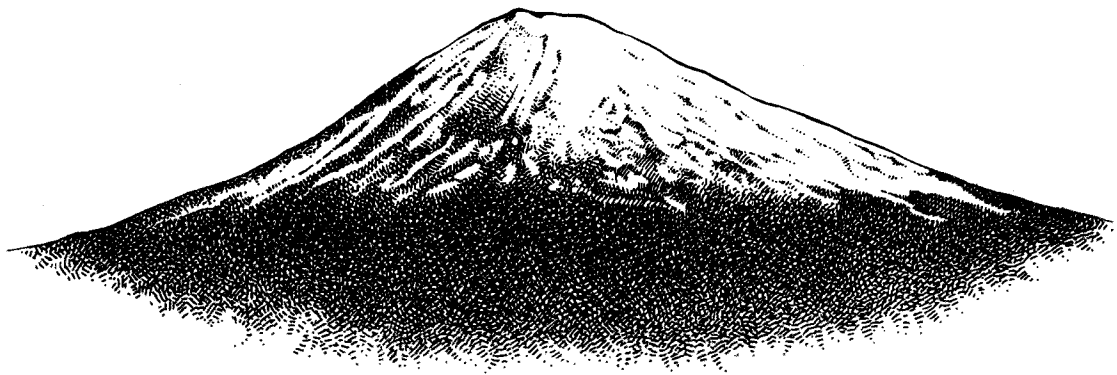
Dear Tom,

A major environmental topic, already the theme of films, articles, book chapters, and government reports, has not yet been established as an LC subject heading, meaning that access to the burgeoning material on that topic is severely hampered in library catalogs. Accordingly, I suggest the immediate creation and assignment of:

Mountaintop removal mining.

cn Authority: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 3, Mountaintop Mining/Valley Fill Environmental Impact Statement (2000); All Shaken Up: Mountaintop Removal Blasting and its effects On Coalfield Residents (1998 video); "Judge Rules Against Mountaintop Removal Valley Fills in Mining Case," Knight-Ridder/Tribune Business News, May 9, 2002; "EPA Works To Reform Regulation of Mountaintop Removal Mining," ibid., August 31, 2001; "Federal Appeals Court to Decide Fate of Mountaintop Mining," Coal Age, Jan. 2002, p. 12; "'Mountaintop Removal' Shakes Coal State," Washington Post, August 31, 1998, p. A1; "Stripping Methods Compete at Mountaintop Removal Sites," Coal Age, December 1985, p. 59+; "Mountaintop removal strip-mining" (index entry), in Jedediah Purdy, For Common Things: Irony, Trust, and Commitment in America Today (1999); p. 228; various Internet sources and websites (Google checklist attached).


pn Here are entered materials on a strip mining method in which the top of a mountain is removed by blasting and draglines to extract low-sulfur coal. In a process called "valley fill," the "overburden" or excess spoil is deposited into valleys and streams in piles that may be two miles long and over 100 feet high.



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Mountain top removal mining  
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Mountaintop mining

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## Mountaintop Removal

**Mountaintop Removal in the Appalachian Mountains by Richard C. Meadows, ... Mountaintop removal has many negative aspects to it as well. ...**

Description: **About the environmental effects of this newly accepted technique in surface mining, which arose due...**

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### Mountain Top Removal

**... AppVoices works with the citizens of such threatened communities to foster change and bring about quick solutions to mountaintop removal and community ...**

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## Almost level West Virginia. The Story of Mountaintop Removal.

**... Nedstat Counter. Welcome to the West Virginia Mountaintop Removal Homepage This is the first page of many regarding the environmentally and socially destructive ...**

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## Mountaintop

**... HOME. GREED INDEED! MOUNTAINTOP REMOVAL. ... Most of that is for mountaintop removal.**

**State survey maps show huge areas permitted for surface mining. ...**

Description: **Environmental activist's page about this method of strip mining for coal.**

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[world.care2.com/passiflora16/Mountaintop.html](http://world.care2.com/passiflora16/Mountaintop.html) - 18k - [Cached](#) - [Similar pages](#)

## Is there another way?

**Mining the mountains: Industry, critics look for mountaintop removal alternative**

**Is there another way? ... Today, mountaintop removal mines use 240-ton trucks. ...**

Description: **Charleston (West Virginia) Gazette article about environmental aspects of the mountaintop removal...**

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### Gazette Online - Mining the Mountains

**... mine. June 6, 1999: Mining the mountains: Industry, critics look for mountaintop removal alternative Is there another way? Since ...**

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## MOUNTAINTOP MINING INDEX

**... June 2000 Postmining Land Use Exceptions to Approximate Original Contour Requirements for Mountaintop Removal Operations and Steep Slope Mining Operations ...**

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## MOUNTAINTOP REMOVAL MINING REPORT

**... Although the tracking of mountaintop removal operations and associated waivers is**

not required by State or Federal law, WVDEP has made changes to its database ...  
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### **EMS - mountaintop removal mining, surface mining, valley fills, ...**

... Printer-friendly version **Mountaintop Removal Strip Mining**. Last update:  
May 7, 2002 Source unless noted: Citizens Coal Council. **Mountaintop ...**  
[www.ems.org/mountaintop\\_removal/background.html](http://www.ems.org/mountaintop_removal/background.html) - 13k - 12 Jun 2002 - [Cached](#) - [Similar pages](#)

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... Last update: May 7, 2002. **Mountaintop removal and the Clean Water Act**: In May 2002,  
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### **Mountaintop Removal Stripmining**

... **Mountaintop removal strip mining**. ... **Mountaintop removal strip mines** regularly set  
off blasts with 10 to 100 times the force of the Oklahoma City bombing. ...  
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### **Mountaintop Removal Mining**

Voices from the Mountains The Impact of **Mountaintop  
Removal Mining** A PHOTOGRAPHIC JOURNAL. ...  
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### **OVEC Galleries - Mountaintop Removal**

... We'll be adding a few **mountaintop removal galleries** soon, including  
some of our pictures of the 2001 Martin County sludge disaster. ...  
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### **WVGES Feature Article: Mountaintop Removal Mining**

A Geologic Overview of **Mountaintop Removal Mining** in West Virginia. Introduction  
(The full article is available below in .PDF format.) The environmental ...  
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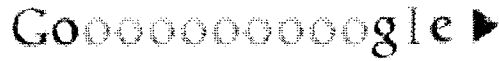
### **Opportunities and Threats**

**Mountaintop Removal Coal Mining. What is. Mountaintop Removal? ... Coal River Update.**

**Mountaintop Removal Links See What Others are Saying.** photo by Deana Smith. ...  
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... **Mountaintop Removal** - About the environmental effects of this newly accepted technique  
in surface mining, which arose due to technological advances in heavy ...  
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**Tending the Commons: Folklife and Landscape in Southern West ...**  
... garden. [Photo] Aerial view of Catenary Coal's Samples Mine, a **Mountaintop  
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