Topic/Objectives: 2-2 US	Environmental Policy; (1) Explain the purpose of	Name:		
environmental policy; (2)	Describe the history of US environmental policy; (3)	Date:		
Describe the direction of o	current US environmental policy.	Period:		
Essential Question: How (do environmental policies protect the environment?			
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Questions:	Notes:			
	Environmental con:	sists of plans and principles that		
	address interactions between humans and the environment.			
	works with citizens, organizations and businesses to make			
	environmental policy.			
	° are propose	ed to and passed by the legislative		
	branch.			
	 Enacted legislation is put into action and enforced by 			
		(i.e. EPA, US Forest Service,		
	National Resource Conservation Service, etc.)			
	 help ensure corporations and gov't agencies 			
	• •	comply, and are used to challenge infringement of environmental		
	laws on rights.			
	The relationship between US goals and	d the environment has changed over		
	time.			
	First Period (1780s to late-180	•		
	Laws primarily dealt with			
	(Westward Expansion, Native	•		
	 Second Period (late-1800s to r 	•		
		of westward		
	•	of 1891 and Wilderness Act of 1964)		
	• Third Period (mid-to late-1900			
	Public priorities and public pol	•		
		(see Cuyahoga River Fires).		

Modern US environmental policy reveals past misuses and strives for a sustainable future.				
	°		(1970)	
			ed the Council on Environmental Quality	
		-	red (EIS) Environmental Impact Statements for any federal action.	
	o <u>-</u>	∘ Creat	ed through an executive order by President Nixon	
			ates water quality, air pollution and solid waste	
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Summary:				