

Lilli Treppel: Hello and welcome! I am Lilli Treppel here to talk to you today about scientific current events.

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Lilli Treppel: As the Black Lives Matter movement is on the rise and Americans are demanding justice, Environmental Racism is being put in the spotlight, but what is Environmental Racism?

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Lilli Treppel: Environmental Racism is a global issue. From international waste trade, to areas being affected in your own state. In America it can be linked to inequalities in urban areas during white flight, which was a prime time of segregation. Even though Segregation has been stripped by law the practices can still be found everywhere in this country. This issue is being brought to light due to the racial injustices happening recently in our country. Now that you know more about Environmental Racism, what are its affects and what can be done to bring about justice?

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Lilli Treppel: Environmental justice can only succeed when everyone is treated equal in America and their health is not being put in danger based on the color of their skin. An area that makes up the south west of the United States, named by scientists as the Cancer Belt, presents that very issue. Air pollution produced by factories and plants burning chemicals, leave areas mostly populated by people of color with tremendous health issues. Environmental Injustice can ALSO be found in THE Flint, Michigan water crisis as well, and even the area of Harlem...

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Lilli Treppel: These are just a few of the prime examples of threats that Environmental Racism brings. There are many more just like it all over the world. As our planet is needing great attention, providing environmental justice to American's is a good start to reducing our pollution out take and will also help us take one step towards equality in this time of change.

Thanks for tuning in and I hope that now you feel enlightened and take a stand against this injustice!

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