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NEW JURASSIC PREDATORS THRIVE IN WASHINGTON'S SWAMP

NATIONAL MALL TO BE RESTORED TO ORIGINAL CONDITION

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WASHINGTON, DC ~ *Armed Freedom*
An Environmental Protection Agency spokesman announced today that, under new interpretations of the Clean Air Act, parts of downtown Washington will be restored.

Reading from a prepared text, EPA spokesman Trogh Leaudite said, "For too long, the Environmental Protection Agency has spent taxpayer dollars on an out-of-control agenda that has destroyed millions of jobs. As soon as the EPA's Administrator-nominee, Scott Pruitt, is confirmed, we will begin hiring *exclusively* American workers. They will transform the Federal Triangle into an environmentally friendly oasis, replacing the disastrous Urban Heat Island of the seven, 1930s-era, Federal buildings there. Since we are downsizing the Federal bureaucracy, these 'architecturally historic' buildings will no longer be necessary. We will return the area to its natural, 18th century condition. Even though Pierre L'Enfant, called this place 'a contemptible hamlet' built on a swamp of muck, *it is demonstrably far better environmentally*. We are simply fulfilling our mission: we are 'Making America Great Again.'"

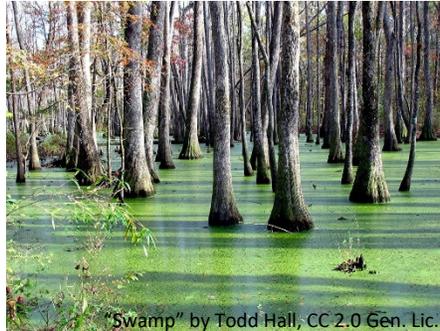


PHOTO: National Mall as it will appear east of the Museum of Natural History.

Democratic Members of Congress voiced outrage, calling the new Administration's plans, "a not-so-subtle ploy to create a far-more-friendly environment for the Cabinet and other high-level appointees." Speaking to reporters in the White House Briefing Room, Press Secretary Sean Spicer denounced this interpretation. "It's an idiotic 'fake news factoid' concocted by Democrats eager to disparage the President's new Cabinet appointees as 'rapacious, swamp-dwelling denizens of labor-rights-ignoring big business, and the greedy, overly-privileged, crisis-creating banking class.'" When a large animal's terrifying roar was heard just outside the doors of the Briefing Room, most of the reporters self-defenestrated. Spicer, who had fallen into a swoon, was revived by a courageous, still-present CNN reporter who, with great gusto, emptied a large bucket of ice water on him.

Across the area that is soon to be re-

turned to its primordial condition, reports began coming in about huge, lizard-like reptiles. "One had three horns sticking out of its head and was bigger than a Humvee!" said a tourist on the Mall.

Well-known-wino-about-the-Mall, Matt Kramer, slurred to this reporter: "'I don't care if this wine 'tastes like they took my childhood summers in Provence and put them in a glass,' I quit! I was taking another sip when this long-necked green thing with big, sharp teeth looked over my shoulder like it was checking out the bottle's vintage!"

Kansas tourists, viewing work on the Museum of the Bible, argued with mainstream Christians over Darwin's theory. When told that the female West African Bullfrog, in an otherwise single-sex environment, could change her gender to male, they "Spicered": "That's just wrong on so many levels! First, natural selection is clearly 'fake science.' Secondly, if such a female-but-now-male frog *did* exist, it would have to use the *female* Don's Johns over there!" At this point, the surprised speaker was devoured by a green-backed lizard that had lumbered down from Capitol Hill hearings. A Kansan said, "It was Armageddon! I just can't forget the *terrible* sound of its mnunchin'!"

~ Reporter U. Beasley also contributed to this story.