This multi-media resource list, compiled by Shaun Briley, of the San Diego Public Library, includes books, films and other materials related to the issues presented in the film *If a Tree Falls*.

*If a Tree Falls: A Story of the Earth Liberation Front* explores two of America’s most pressing issues — environmentalism and terrorism — by lifting the veil on a radical environmental group the FBI calls America’s “number one domestic terrorism threat.” Daniel McGowan, a former member of the Earth Liberation Front, faces life in prison for two multimillion-dollar arsons against Oregon timber companies. What turned this working-class kid from Queens into an eco-warrior? Marshall Curry (*Oscar®-nominated Street Fight, POV 2005*) provides a nuanced and provocative account that is part coming-of-age story, part cautionary tale and part cops-and-robbers thriller.

**ADULT NONFICTION**

**American environmentalism**


Wapner, Paul. *Living Through the End of Nature: The Future of American Environmentalism*. Wapner argues that environmentalists need to shift their focus from wilderness preservation to the encouragement of nature in urban and agricultural spaces.

**America’s forests**


Hirt, Paul W. *A Conspiracy of Optimism: Management of the National Forests since World War Two*. Lincoln : University of Nebraska Press, 1996. Hirt provides a historical examination of the way the nation’s forests were used for resource extraction in the second half of the 20th Century.


**Radical environmentalism**


Kuipers, Dean. *Operation Bite Back: Rod Coronado’s War to Save American Wilderness*. New York : Bloomsbury, 2009. Kuipers provides an account of environmental extremism by focusing on Rob Coronado, one of the movement’s most active members.

**Liddick, Donald R. Eco-Terrorism: Radical Environmental and Animal Liberation Movements. Westport, Conn. : Praeger, 2006.** In this book, Liddick provides an introduction to radical domestic movements and the tactics that they use.


Scarse, Rik. *Eco-Warriors: Understanding the Radical Environmental Movement*. Walnut Creek, Calif. : Left Coast Press, 2006. Scarse explains the history and motives of several radical environmental groups.


**Reactions**

Delve Deeper into If a Tree Falls
A Film by Marshall Curry


Domestic protest and security


Reed, T.V. The Art of Protest: Culture and Activism from the Civil Rights Movement to the Streets of Seattle. Minneapolis: University of Minnesota Press, 2005. Reed outlines the role that activism has played in recent American history and continues to play today.


ADULT FICTION


FILMS/DOCUMENTARIES

An Inconvenient Truth. A film by Davis Guggenheim, 2006. TRT: 100 min. An Inconvenient Truth is a passionate and inspirational look at former Vice President Al Gore’s fervent crusade to halt global warming’s deadly progress by exposing the myths and misconception that surround it.


Butterfly. A film by Doug Wolens, 2000. TRT: 79 min. In December 1997, Julia Hill climbed a thousand-year-old redwood tree vowing to not come down until it was saved from being clear-cut. Wolens’ film is a primer on forest issues and direct-action environmentalism, but most of all, it is about the spiritual journey of a determined, articulate woman nicknamed Butterfly who saved an ancient tree she called Luna.