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Discussion Questions

Why do species invasions matter?

Discuss these questions with a friend, or record your own thoughts in your science journal.

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1. Dr. Vitousek describes the establishment of invasive species as nearly irreversible, similar to species extinction.

Consider invasive species in your area and strategies for their removal. Based on your experience, do you agree or disagree with Dr. Vitousek?

2. Why do you think that Dr. Vitousek links invasive species with biodiversity loss?

3. Which type of global change do you think is most important and why?