Handout M20-1. News blog.

Name: __________________________________________

My forest community type: _______________________________________

1. Write a short blog about your forest community type and its fire regime for a high-school science website. It should be no more than 150 words long.
   a) Describe your forest community type (what are the most important trees?).
   b) Describe the forest type’s historical fire regime (how often fires occurred and how severe they were).
   c) Describe 1 major change in your forest type’s vegetation and fire regime during the past 100 years.
   d) Tell your readers why that change matters. Use information from other sources, such as student presentations and your ideas about smoke and people’s safety.
   e) Write a headline no more than 8 words long. Make it catchy but also accurate.
   f) You may include 1 photo or other illustration. If you do, include a caption and credit the source.

2. Exchange papers with 2 students who wrote about the OTHER two forest community types. Have them write their suggestions for your article in the spaces below.

3. Read their papers and write your suggestions on their handouts, then give them back.

4. Use comments from your reviewers to improve your blog. Then hand it in with this handout.

Suggestions from student writing on ANOTHER forest type:
Name: __________________________________________

Write at least 1 strength and 1 way to improve the article. You may write on the back too.

Suggestions from student writing on YET ANOTHER forest type:
Name: __________________________________________

Write at least 1 strength and 1 way to improve the article. You may write on the back too.