Science Journal Entry: What happened in Black Hill?

A

B





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The pictures above were taken recently in two different areas of Black Hill Regional Park in Boyds, MD. Both pictures were taken at the same time of the year. Analyze the pictures and predict what could have caused the differences.

If picture A was a protected, fenced area of the park, and picture B was completely open and unprotected, what could have caused the understory vegetation to be removed?

Over time, what can you predict might happen to the smaller animals that live in area B?

How could increasing human populations have affected the change you see from area A to area B?