



VISUAL RESOURCES (1965, R1991, R2001, R2007)

Policy Statement

The American Society of Landscape Architects believes that the quality of the nation's visual environment is as important a resource as that of the nation's natural, historic and cultural resources. The visual landscape, be it on public or private lands, rural or urban areas, reflects our national attitudes and actions toward caring for the Earth. It is a record visible to all, written on the face of the land, revealing our successes and failures in meeting our stewardship responsibilities. The visual landscape's significance is its contribution to our cognitive development, aesthetic experience, spiritual enrichment, and psychological renewal. Effective protection, enhancement, and management of the visual environment is best realized through the combined efforts of landscape architects and other environmental design professionals, an enlightened public, and committed government agencies.

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