Homework: Who Cares about Phosphate?

Write about what you learned and what you think can and should be done to tackle issues surrounding phosphate mining and use. This should be a reflection of what you learned in class; you should not need to do any (or much) outside research. If you do include information from elsewhere, be sure not to copy or plagiarize that information and be sure to give a reference list. Specifically, your reflection should include:

* a paragraph summarizing the benefits of phosphate extraction and use,
* a paragraph summarizing the negative consequences of phosphate extraction (mining and processing) and use,
* and a paragraph about what you think society should do, and what you can personally do, to help minimize the negative consequences of phosphate mining and use (and how your suggestions will help).