

My recommended class reading is Micah S. Muscolino's article, "Violence Against the People and the Land: The Environment and Refugee Migration from China's Henan Province, 1938-1945", featured in *Environment and History* in May 2011.

My research originally focused on the US Civil War through the distinctions between legitimate and illegitimate wartime environmental destruction using just war theory debates. After Professor Ludden previously challenged me, "why total war?", I realized that my interest in the morality of environmental warfare was tied to my experiences in the Army and the environmental consequences of warfare as they displace civilians. So, I decided to shift my study of the ecological consequences of the Civil War to its transformation of the southern landscape and its effect on black migration and environmental racism. Although this article is about China, it highlights using the environment as an instrument of war, the vulnerability of agricultural systems, and the challenges displaced people may face in new environments.

Below is the JSTOR link. I also saved a downloaded copy in my folder.

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