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The Disposable Issue
By William V. Shannon
(Excerpted from the N.Y. Times)

One day last week President Ford flew into Cincinnati through a dense smog to dedicate the National Environmental Research Center. Although a pollution alert was in effect, Ford delivered a speech that thickened the air with additional noxious materials. It is time for a "detente with nature," the President said. But it was soon apparent that he was offering nature the kind of disarmament agreement that Leonid Brezhnev would never buy.

There is no evidence that protecting the nation's air, land and water retards the