Paper Guideline

Topic: Possible solutions to Environmental Problems

Objectives:

1. Describe commonly proposed solutions to environmental problems, analyze their arguments
2. Provide a critical assessment of these solutions, draw insights from environmental sociology
3. Propose your own solution, provide justifications, assess strength and weakness

Overall approaches (choose one):

1. Focus on one specific environmental problem, say climate change, or a range of connected problems, such as issues associated with food production.
2. Choose a specific area, your hometown, or the USA.

Essay Structure, four parts:

* 1. Describe the reasons of choosing the problem/area, the general background information regarding the problem/area.
	2. Summarize commonly proposed solutions (e.g. recycling, switching to renewable energy, etc.), demonstrate the underlying logic/argument of these solutions. Be brief.
	3. Critically assess these solutions. Then design your own solution. This is the main body of your essay, a place to demonstrate your understanding of the course material.
	4. Conclusion and self-assessment

General writing requirements:

1. No more than 5 pages, 12 font size, double space, 1 inch margin all around, no paper decoration, double-spaced.
2. Name your file as “your last name final.docx”.
3. Academic writing style (see “The Elements and Structure of An Academic Writing” file)

all above, and presenting a logically coherent argument, demonstrating good understanding of the underlying issues, and the ability to go beyond the course materials (optional). The accuracy of your reference if crically important in this essay, please also provide specific page number