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Re: What our forests looked like...

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Re: Article 1

It's titled "What America's Forests Looked Like Before Europeans Arrived"

But the article is about the findings at one specific spot, the edge of a floodplain, where it meets the hillslope, on a small low gradient limestone stream in SE PA.

To generalize the findings at that one specific site out to "America's Forests" is very bold!

Here is the study.

[http://www.plosone.org/article/info%3 ... 71%2Fjournal.pone.0079317](http://www.plosone.org/article/info%3Durn%3Aplone%3Ajournal.pone.0079317)

May prove more informational than the Yahoo article.

Yes, more informational. And less disinformational!

Note that they talk about a red maple-black ash swamp forest on the floodplain, as well as low vegetation such as sedges. So, they are talking about a floodplain that was partly forested, and partly vegetated with low wetland non-woody vegetation. I think that is much more likely to be accurate than the impression given in the Yahoo article, which was a floodplain vegetated only with low wetland non-woody vegetation.