

## Quotation Note Card

**“Environmental Change,” Homer-Dixon,  
Boutwell, and Rathjens, 40**

**Homer-Dixon, Boutwell, and Rathjens use financial terms to describe resource consumption. Depleting resources faster than they can be renewed is “the consumption of the resource’s ‘capital.’” Accordingly, a “sustainable economy” is one that “leaves the capital intact and undamaged so that future generations can enjoy undiminished income.”**