

WHERE YOU AT?

locating yourself in the corn- & coal-shed

1a. Name three sources of energy that power your day.

2a. What are the many forms that corn takes in your household?

3a. What happens when you flip a light switch? Trace the power back to its source.

4a. What impact does your consumption have on other regions of extraction and/or production?

5a. Map the dispersal of your region's natural resources over a typical year.

6a. How have coal and corn futures shaped the landscape? What sort of future does the futures market foretell? Imagine something else.

7a. How is the labor and environmental history of your area commemorated in song? What will be sung in 100 years?

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- 1b. Name three people(s) affected by the ways your day is powered.
- 2b. Given that Columbus discovered corn in much the same way he discovered America, how do you feel about current efforts to patent corn genomes?
- 3b. What happens when you pay a power bill? Trace the money forward to its recipient(s).
- 4b. The environmental and social costs of producing and consuming cheap energy are distributed unevenly. How does justice factor into the energy equation?
- 5b. Map the dispersal of people from your city over a typical holiday weekend.
- 6b. How many calories are burned collectively by workers at the Chicago Board of Trade during an average quarter?
- 7b. How does the electrical grid make you feel?