

16 BOBBI POLLOCK: I want to address the piece
17 in the paper about 1,600 instances of hearing loss and
18 other injuries to marine mammals yearly. Speaking as
19 one who is very hard of hearing, one of the first things
20 you're asked when you take a hearing test is, Have you
21 ever been exposed to a loud noise?

22 All of God's creatures use sound for life. I
23 invite you to be silent for five minutes. Don't hear
24 the birds or the waves lapping on the shore. Don't hear
25 it. What more can I say? I don't need to.

1 Like the Indians said, the Indians said the
2 white man, through his insensitivity to the way of
3 nature, has desecrated the face of Mother Earth. The
4 white man's advanced technological capacity has occurred
5 as a result of his lack of regard for the spiritual path
6 and for the way of all living things. The white man's
7 desire for material possessions and power has blinded
8 him to the pain that he caused Mother Earth for the
9 quest for what he calls natural resources. And the path
10 of the Great Spirit has become difficult to see by
11 almost all men, even by many Indians who have chosen
12 instead to follow the path of the white man. Thank you
13 very much. (Applause.)