

# What We're LOSING

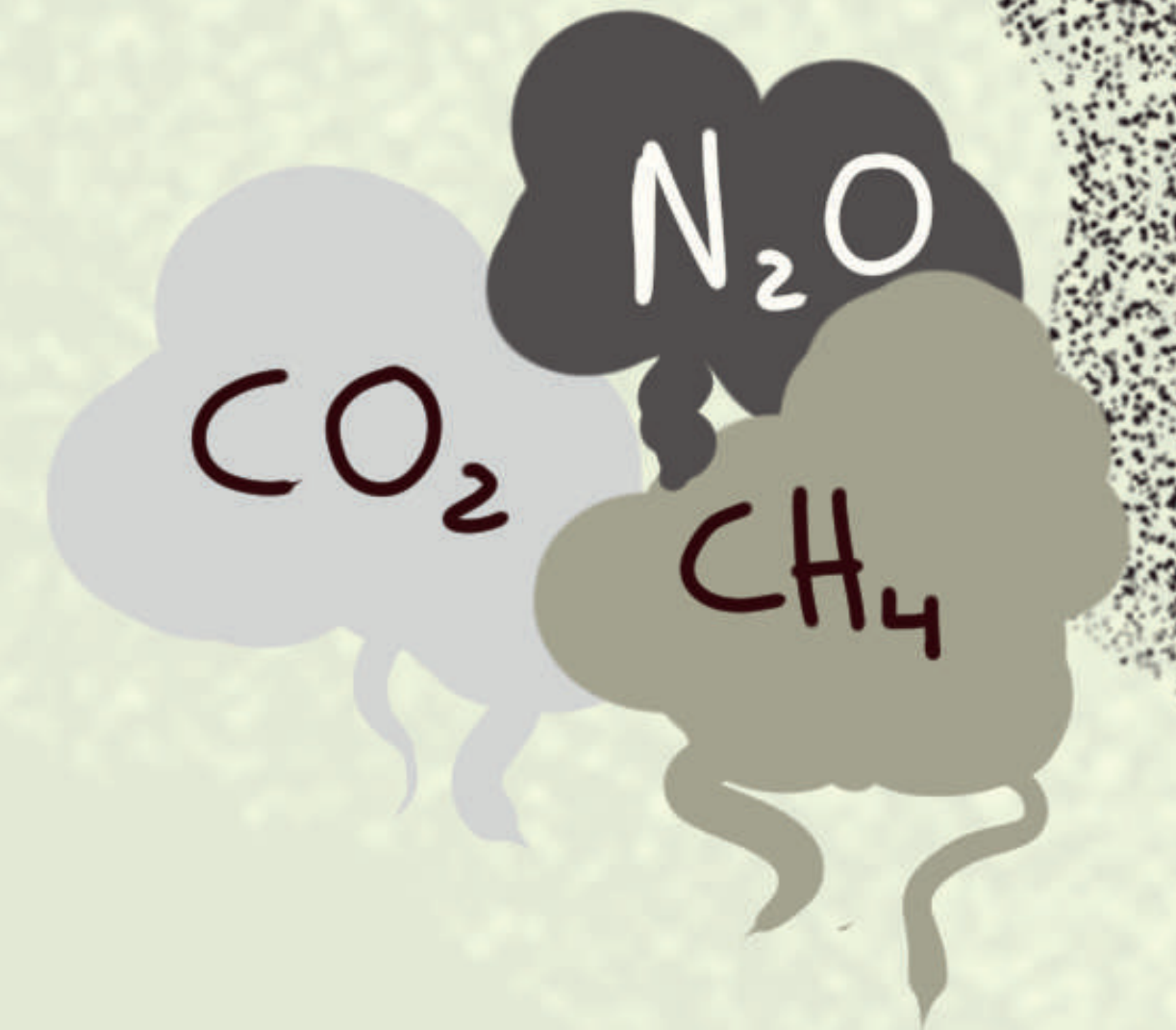
Illegal cattle ranching causes the deforestation of Mesoamerica's great forests resulting in:



## ENVIRONMENTAL DESTRUCTION



Biodiversity



Climate Stability

## THREATENING INDIGENOUS PEOPLES AND LOCAL COMMUNITIES



Food Security



Water Sources



Cultural Diversity



Physical Security

In 2021, Nicaragua, Honduras, Guatemala and Mexico topped the rates of environmental defenders murdered per capita, especially in areas where cattle ranching is linked to organized crime and illegal markets.



**MORE  
TREES**  
FEWER COWS