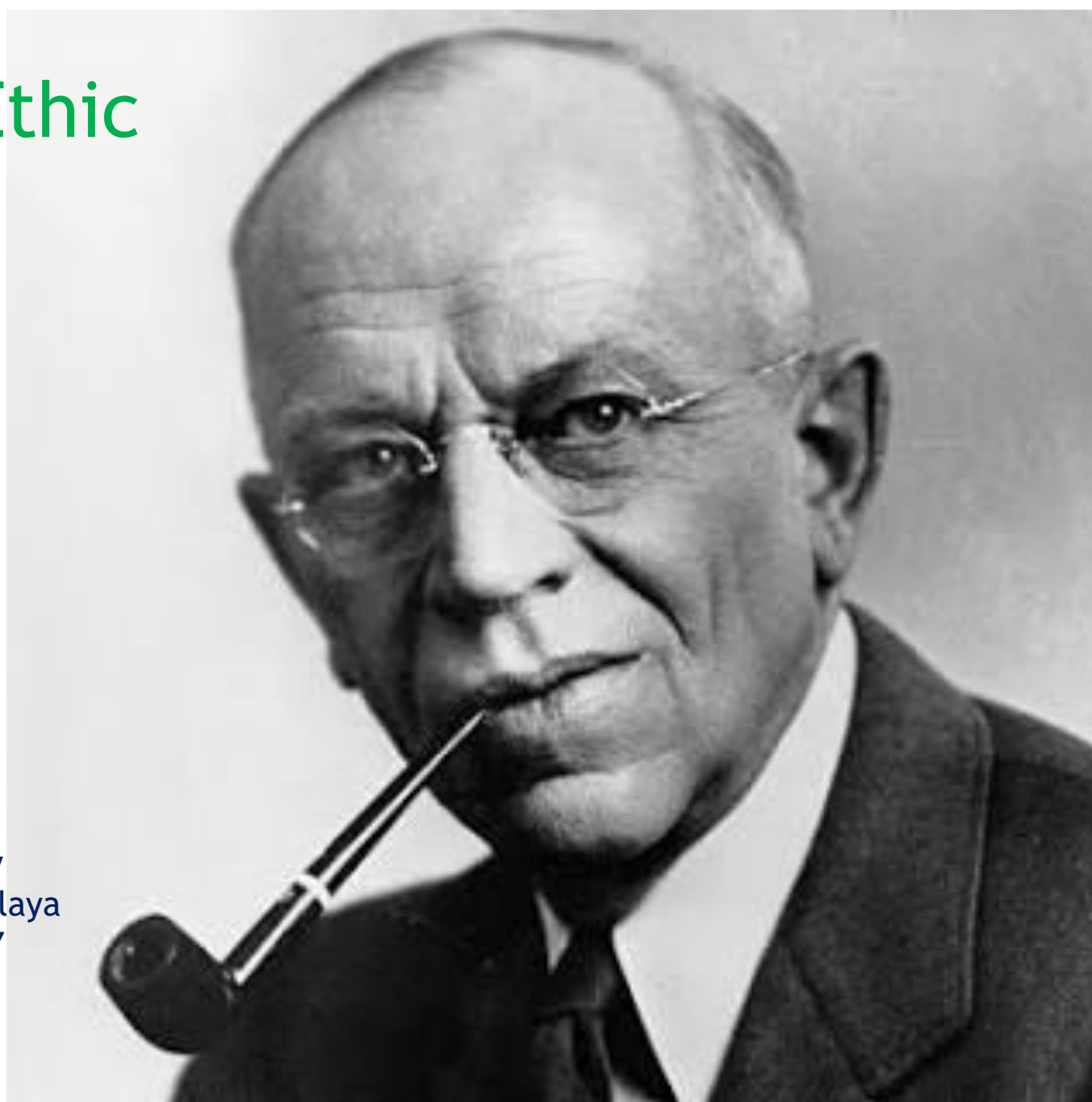


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# Land Ethic



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A Sand County Almanac 1949

Aldo Leopold (1887 –1948),  
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# Land ethic

- ▶ [The ethical sequence](#)
- ▶ Initially, ethics was concerned mainly with the relationship between the individual and the individual's moral obligation toward the individual. Later, the focus of ethics shifted to the relationship between the individual and society to the natural environment.

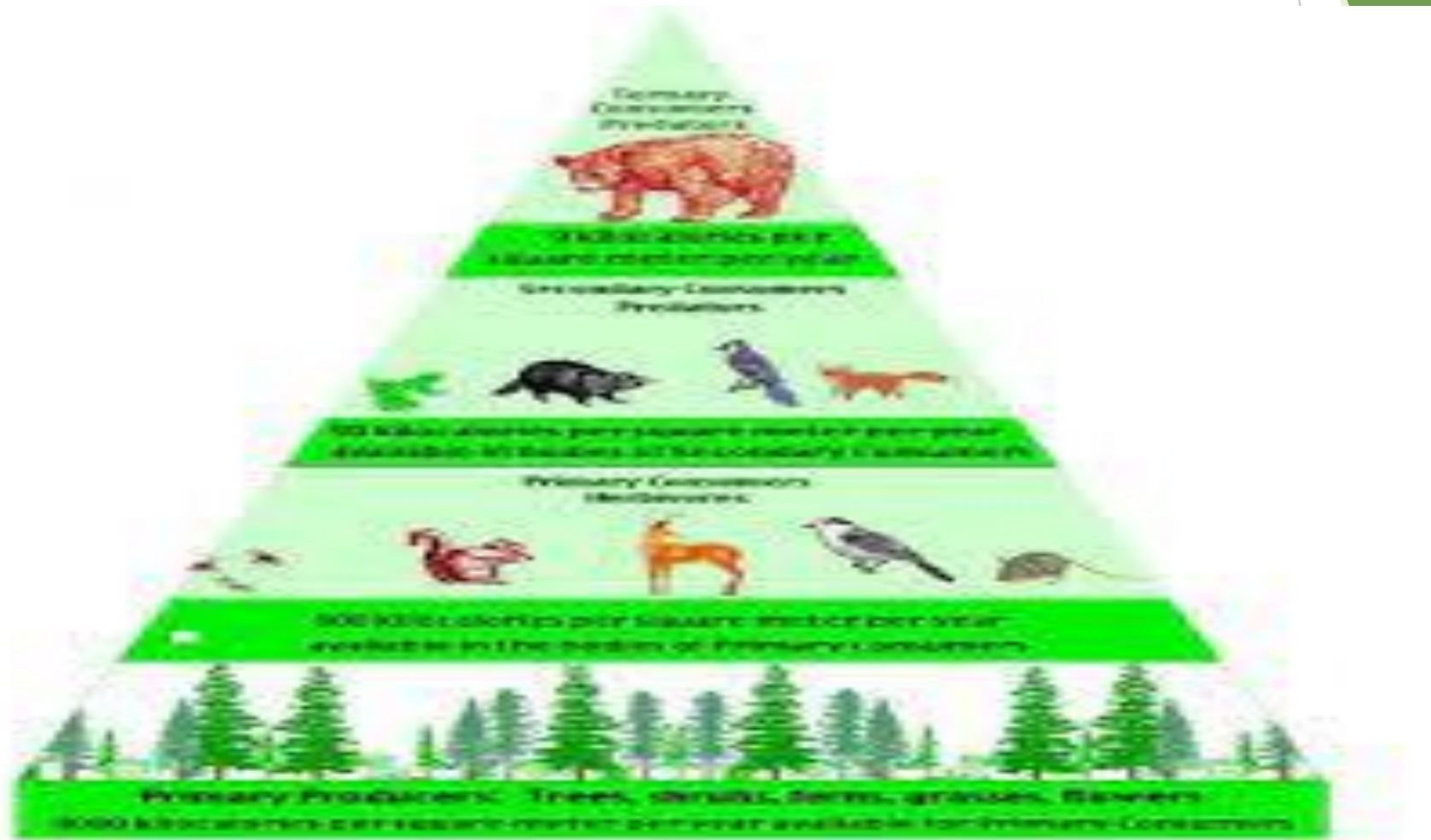
# The Community concept

- ▶ According to Leopold, each entity in the universe is a simple member of the land community. Expands the moral boundaries to almost all the members of land.

# The Ecological conscience

- ▶ Following Leopold, we may say that to possess ecological conscience is the prerequisite for humans to maintain ecological sustainability, which enables us to be aware about the moral relationship among the entities of land and as well as its conservation. Helps to overcome self-centred consciousness and reach toward ecocentric environmental consciousness.

# The land Pyramid



## The land health

- ▶ The Land ethic emphasizes humans' duty toward the land's health. Land health has the capacity of its self-renewal, and this potentiality of the land's self-renewal should be preserved.

## The outlook of Land Ethic

- ▶ According to Leopold, a moral relationship with the land cannot develop without having love and compassion for the land and an appreciation for its worth.
- ▶ “a thing is right when it tends to preserve the integrity, stability and beauty of the biotic community. It is wrong when it tends otherwise”



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