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- Do not use line numbering.
- Remove the tables and figures and place them in separate files (see below).

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Glossary. Use a glossary to define words that have a specialized or unique meaning in the text that is not commonly found in a standard dictionary. Arrange the words in alphabetical order; they should be lowercased unless they are proper nouns.

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Photographs

We prefer digital files but will scan slides if necessary. Submit each digital photo in a separate file (not in a Word or Powerpoint file). When naming the files, include the figure number and a key word describing the photo in the name.

RAW format is best, TIFF and EPS are acceptable. JPEG files over 3 mb are acceptable for print; files under 3 mb are good enough only for online publications. JPEG files under 1 mb are usually not acceptable even for online publications.

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You can send digital photo files to us on a CD or DVD, or, if you have only a few files, compress them into one file and put them in a Box folder for the project editor.

Graphs and Charts

Supply data points for all graphs, charts, etc. The data points may be in Excel or another spreadsheet. The designers will refer to the data points if the graph must be redrawn, resized, etc.

Axis labels are sentence case and are centered along the full axes of the graph, not flush left. Right-hand axis labels are centered and base-aligned-right (so readers only have to turn the page once to read both labels).

Internal callouts will have two levels; the more common ones will be the lower level, which will be initial cap only. The higher-level callouts (which occur only rarely) will be all caps in the same font size as the lower level. Whatever case is specified, all callouts should be smaller than the axis labels.

Use short interior ticks on both axes.

Use commas in thousands in axis labels (7,256).

Abbreviate units of measure in axis labels.

Length of shoot (ft)

Set source notes as part of the caption, not as part of the art.

Drawings, Maps, and Other Illustrations

Submit high-resolution digital files, if available, following the same format information as for photos.

We can draw illustrations based on sketches. Make the sketch as clear as possible and include any explanatory notes needed to create the drawing.