

# OPEN SPACE

- Open spaces, such as city parks and state forests, can have psychological benefits for humans. A study conducted in the UK showed that people reported higher levels of happiness in areas with greater biodiversity when compared to less diverse areas (Fuller et al. 2007). GM plants could add to or detract from open spaces, possibly affecting the people who value them.
- Will the plant add to or maintain biodiversity within an area?

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