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1 A photograph of marks in mist.

It is a picture of nothing,

yet of where something once was.

The trails are the only proof of their existence,

yet all that is needed to believe.

So small /

so vital /

paths are so telling.

Trails blazed cannot be erased.

These signatures are permanent,

captured in a photograph that will be evidence

for eternity.

2 When I am

gone from the world

will my

trail

still be

noticed

Was my life charged enough to

make a path

Have I paved a way through the

fog for those struggling to

be seen

Impact is important

But there is more to me than

what I leave behind

There is me.

If I cannot be recognized as me

I hope my trail is enough

for me to be known

My aspirations are to leave a mark that

curves the world forward

While so many paths are

polarized with negativity

I will withstand

Forces

leave my own trail

Will I leave a mark on the world

Will I leave a path in the clouds . . .