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There are so many good reasons to ban polystyrene food containers! They break down very easily, so no wonder I see them everywhere in our neighborhoods, forests, rivers and ocean, which I find very distressing. Then they stay there, crumbling into microplastics consumed by fish and other animals that humans eat. We are poisoning wildlife and ourselves, all for convenience. And it seems ridiculous to me to allow food and drink to be served in these containers, when it's been found that harmful chemicals from them leach into the very food they are designed for. And the EPA has found that even when deposited in landfills, styrene from these containers can leach into our drinking water, causing liver, kidney and circulatory system problems.