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## BOOKS RECEIVED

*Accounting for Mother Nature: Changing Demands for Her Bounty.* Edited by Terry L. Anderson, Laura E. Huggins & Thomas Michael Power. Palo Alto, CA: Stanford University Press, 2007. Pp. 302. \$34.95 hardback. Examining the often negative outcomes of government's management of land and natural resources and exploring the role that private individuals and organizations can play in protecting natural and agrarian landscapes.

*The Colorado Plateau III: Integrating Research and Resources Management for Effective Conservation.* Edited by Charles van Riper III & Mark K. Sogge. Tucson: The University of Arizona Press, 2008. Pp. 432. \$39.95 hardback. Focusing on the integration of science into resource management issues; summarizing what criteria make a successful collaborative effort; outlining land management concerns about drought; providing summaries of current biological, sociological, and archaeological research; and highlighting current environmental issues in the Four Corner States of Arizona, New Mexico, Colorado, and Utah.

*Confronting the Coffee Crisis: Fair Trade, Sustainable Livelihoods and Ecosystems in Mexico and Central America.* Edited by Christopher M. Bacon, V. Ernesto Méndez, Stephen R. Gliessman, David Goodman & Jonathan A. Fox. Cambridge, MA. The MIT Press, 2008. Pp. 400. \$27.00 paperback. Presenting a series of interdisciplinary, empirically rich case studies showing how small-scale farmers manage ecosystems and organize collectively as they seek useful collaborations with international NGOs and coffee companies to create opportunities for themselves in the coffee market.

*Darkening Peaks: Glacier Retreat, Science, and Society.* Edited by Ben Orlove, Ellen Wiegandt & Brian H. Luckman. Berkeley: University of California Press, 2008. Pp. 296. \$45.00 hardback. Providing an integrated multidisciplinary, global exploration of the scientific, social, and economic dimensions of the accelerating pace of glacier retreat due to climate change; discussing how science observes and models glaciers and how climate change is altering their size and distribution; looking closely at their effect on human life.

*Economic Valuation of River Systems.* Edited by Fred J. Hitzhusen. Northampton, MA: Edward Elgar Publishing, 2008. Pp. 218. \$125.00 hardback. Applying benefit-cost analysis and a wide array of non-market and distribution economic valuation methods in ecologic context to determine the pay-off and distribution impacts of various infrastructure and water quality improvements to eight river systems in the Great Lakes region of the United States.

*Energy in Nature and Society: General Energetics of Complex Systems.* By Vaclav Smil. Cambridge, MA: The MIT Press, 2008. Pp. 512. \$32.00 paperback. Providing a systematic and exhaustive analysis of all of the major energy sources, storages, flows, and conversions that have shaped the evolution of the biosphere and civilization and concluding with an examination of general patterns, trends, and socioeconomic considerations of energy use today.

*The European Community and Marine Environmental Protection in the International Law of the Sea: Implementing Global Obligations at the Regional Level.* By Veronica Frank. Leiden, The Netherlands: Martinus Nijhoff Publishers, 2007. Pp. 482. \$229.00 hardback. Looking at the manner in which the European Community implements the international obligations in the specific fields of the prevention of oil pollution from ships, the regulation of ocean dumping, and the protection of marine habitats through the establishment of Marine Protected Areas and offering a comprehensive and interesting picture of the action taken by the EC to preserve the European marine environment.

*The Governance of Western Public Lands: Mapping Its Present and Future.* By Martin Nie. Lawrence, KS: University Press of Kansas, 2008. Pp. 368. \$39.95 hardback. Looking at why there continues to be so much conflict about public lands and resource management and how we can break through these impasses and showing that such conflicts have been driven by interrelated factors ranging from scarcity to mistrust and politics.

*Green Building & Remodeling for Dummies.* By Eric Corey Freed. Hoboken, NJ: Wiley, 2007. Pp. 362. \$21.99 paperback. Explaining exactly what makes a building green and green-building processes in depth, everything from examining construction sites and working with green professionals to choosing sustainable materials and reducing waste.

*The Green Building Revolution.* By Jerry Yudelson. Washington, DC: Island Press, 2007. Pp. 246. \$25.00 paperback. Acquainting readers with LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design), the certification program created by the U.S. Green Building Council that has been essential in advancing the field of green building far beyond the world of design and development.

*Green Living for Dummies: Make a Smaller Footprint on the Earth, Beginning at Home.* By Yvonne Jeffery, Liz Barclay & Michael Grosvenor. Hoboken, NJ: Wiley, 2008. Pp. 368. \$19.99 paperback. Packed with realistic ways to help the environment and create a better home for you and your loved ones,

from reducing energy use and waste and scaling back reliance on your car to making a difference in your diet, at work, and in your community.

*International Water Treaties: Negotiation and Cooperation Along Transboundary Rivers.* By Shlomi Dinar. New York, NY: Routledge, 2008. Pp. 345. \$140.00 hardback. Developing a theory to explain solutions to property rights conflicts over shared rivers by analyzing numerous rivers, dictated by the large number of treaty observations, testing several hypotheses, and devising general conclusions about the manner in which states resolve water disputes.

*An Introduction to Plant Breeding.* By Jack Brown & Peter Caligari. Oxford, UK: Blackwell Publishing, 2008. Pp. 209. \$80.00 paperback. Providing comprehensive coverage of the whole area of plant breeding, including modes of reproduction in plants, breeding objectives and schemes, genetics predictions, selection, alternative techniques, and practical considerations.

*The Lens of Time: A Repeat Photography of Landscape Change in the Canadian Rockies.* By Cliff White & E.J. (Ted) Hart. Calgary, Alberta, Canada: University of Calgary Press, 2007. Pp. 200. \$69.95 paperback. Showing the dramatic changes to the Rockies landscape that have occurred in the past 125 years and providing a valuable source of information about ecological and cultural change in this world-famous region.

*Making a Living While Making a Difference – Revised Edition, Conscious Careers in an Era of Interdependence.* By Melissa Everett. Gabriola Island, British Columbia: New Society Publishers, 2007. Pp. 240. \$24.95 paperback. Providing a comprehensive life/work guide for people who care about their communities and the planet.

*Marine Conservation Agreements: The Law and Policy of Reservations and Vetoes.* By Howard S. Schiffman. Leiden & Boston: Martinus Nijhoff Publishers, 2008. Pp. 278. \$164.00 hardback. Offering a rare glimpse into the decision making of regional fisheries management organizations and other international organizations that in some way manage living marine resources, exploring an element of ocean law and policy that is often discussed as a factor contributing to the decline of fish stocks, whales, dolphins, sea birds, and other marine creatures.

*Mountain Area Research & Management: Integrated Approaches.* Edited by Martin F. Price. Sterling, VA: Earthscan, 2007, distributed in the United States by Stylus Publishing. Pp. 302. \$95.00 hardback. Bringing together scientists and practitioners from five continents to present their experience in undertaking activities that contribute to our understanding and informed

management of mountain areas, addressing the challenges of working in interdisciplinary teams and of effectively involving stakeholders.

*Mountain Time: A Yellowstone Memoir.* By Paul Schullery. Albuquerque, NM: University of New Mexico Press, 2008. Pp. 264. \$19.95 paperback. Offering an insider's view of the management and natural history of the nation's most famous park and telling the story of what happens when people meet wilderness and of a ranger who must balance an appreciation of natural wonders with eccentric humans and unpredictable animals.

*Protecting Nature: Organizations and Networks in Europe and the USA.* Edited by C.S.A. (Kris) van Koppen & William T. Markham. Northampton, MA: Edward Elgar Publishing, 2008. Pp. 297. \$140.00 hardback. Offering a comparative analysis of organizations and networks involved in nature protection in France, Germany, Italy, the Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Sweden, the United Kingdom, and the United States, tracing their development from their origins, more than a century ago, to the present day.

*Scarcity, Entitlements and the Economics of Water in Developing Countries: New Horizons in Environmental Economics.* By P.B. Anand. Northampton, MA: Edward Elgar Publishing, 2007. Pp. 310. \$150.00 hardback. Arguing that if water supply and sanitation were mainly problems of technology or financial resources, they would have been resolved long ago and ascertaining that there are many factors affecting our ability to intervene and improve the effectiveness of policies.

*Solar Power Your Home for Dummies.* By Rik DeGunther. Hoboken, NJ: Wiley, 2008. Pp. 366. \$19.99 paperback. Explaining the benefits of solar power and taking the reader step by step through the process of building small (or even large) solar energy systems into existing and new homes.

*Theory and Practice of Transboundary Environmental Impact Assessment.* Edited by Kees Bastmeijer & Timo Koivurova. Leiden & Boston: Martinus Nijhoff Publishers, 2008. Pp. 397. \$186.00 hardback. Offering an assessment of 13 systems of Transboundary Environmental Impact Assessment that exist or are in development in different parts of the world.

*Transboundary Policy Challenges in the Pacific Border Regions of North America.* Edited by James Loucky, Donald K. Alper & J.C. Day. Calgary, Alberta Canada: University of Calgary Press, 2008. Pp. 343. \$34.95 paperback. Highlighting significant transboundary research and practices being undertaken within and across the Pacific border regions of North America and revealing how intricate and interrelated social, economic, and environmental concerns have become, particularly along borders, as Canada, Mexico, and the United States collectively search for sustainable solutions.