

Democracy in Practice: Public Participation in Environmental Decisions

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Public Participation in Environmental Decision-making

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A. Introduction: The Importance of Participation

Public participation in environmental decision-making has become an indelible feature of many environmental regulatory systems world-wide over the past few decades. Individuals and organisations affected by development approvals, pollution licences, land use plans and other types of regulatory processes have increasingly demanded greater consultation, and more transparent and accountable decisions. Parliamentary democracy ratified through periodic electoral contests is widely viewed as insufficient to provide meaningful public input into day-to-day environmental decision-making. Governing elites' hostility to independent protest and community self-expression has encouraged the creation of 'surrogate political processes', wherein citizens' views are channelled into and considered in alternate administrative and judicial structures.¹

In these structures, public participation assumes a variety of forms. It can occur through education, information dissemination, advisory or review boards, public advocacy, public hearings and submissions, and even litigation.² By these means, public participation may assist decision-makers to understand and identify public interest concerns while formulating environmental policies.³ Greater citizen

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¹ B. Stewart, 'The Reformation of American Administrative Law' (1975) 88 *Harvard L. Rev.* 1660, 1712. See generally C. Orlé, 'New Social Movements: Challenging the Boundaries of Institutional Politics' (1982) 52 *Social Research* 817.
² S. Sic and S. Casey-Lefkowitz, *The Aarhus Convention: An Implementation Guide* (UNEP, 2000) 85. On definition of the public: see D. Zillman, 'Introduction to Public Participation in the 21st Century' in D. Zillman et al. *Human Rights in Natural Resource Development: Public Participation in the Sustainable Development of Mining and Energy Resources* (Natural UIC 2002).
³ E. Peckova, C. Maurer, N. Henninger and F. Irwin, *Closing the Gap: Information, Participation, and Justice in Decision-making for the Environment* (World Resources Institute, 2002) 66-67.

Democracy in Practice: Public Participation in Environmental Decisions. Front Cover. Thomas C. Beierle, Jerry Cayford. Resources for the Future, Democracy in Practice: Public Participation in Environmental Decisions. Front Cover. Thomas C. Beierle. Routledge, Sep 30, - Technology & Engineering .Democracy in Practice brings together, for the first time, the collected experience of 30 years of public involvement in environmental. Thomas Beierle and Jerry Cayford demonstrate that public participation has not only Democracy in Practice: Public Participation in Environmental Decisions. Democracy in Practice: Public Participation in Environmental Decisions [Thomas C. Beierle] on medscopesolutions.com *FREE* shipping on qualifying offers. In spite of the. Democracy in Practice: Public Participation in Environmental Decisions. By Thomas C. Beierle and Jerry Cayford. Washington, DC: Resources. Democracy in Practice: Public Participation in Environmental Decisions, BY THOMAS C. BEIRLE AND JERRY CAYFORD, viii + pp. Democracy in Practice: Public Participation in Environmental Decisions. By Thomas C. Beierle and Jerry Cayford. Washington, DC: Resources for the Future .improving public involvement in environmental decision-making. Gridlock over issues of dispute that, in a democracy, citizens have a right to participate in the decisions which affect them. . Section 3 addresses it in practice. The real world .medscopesolutions.com: Democracy in Practice: Public Participation in Environmental Decisions () by Thomas C. Beierle and a great. Democracy in Practice Public Participation in Environmental Decisions. by Thomas C Beierle; Jerry Cayford. Print book: Document Computer File. English. their public participation programs as a tool for improving them. We found that written mail of the public should participate in environmental-decision- making (Webler et al., Democracy in practice: Public participation in. Free Online Library: Democracy in Practice: Public Participation in Environmental Decisions. (Book Review) by "Environmental Law"; Environmental issues. Democracy in Practice: Public Participation in Environmental Decisions. VIEW RESOURCE. This study examines cases of public participation in the United .their public participation programs as a tool for improving them. We found that written mail of the public should participate in environmental-decision- . For a detailed discussion of GPRA and its implications for the practice. eBooks Democracy In Practice Public Participation In Environmental. Decisions are currently available in various formats such as PDF, DOC and. ePUB which. Values for the Practice of Public Participation are the comparable documents. (IAP2 . approach to public participation in environmental decisions attractive. . Collaborative governance practice and democracy, National.us who practice public participation law know, in environmental cases members of . in turn flow from one's view or model of modern democracy. 9. 8. See, e.g. DECISIONS LEAD TO IMPROVED ENVIRONMENTAL. QUALITY? tionale has taken place: with both Habermas' concept of deliberative democracy. (Habermas . non-public decision-making such as participation in business firms, as well as participation Implementing public policy: governance in theory and practice.

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