



Media and Environment: Conflict, Politics and the News

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DESCRIPTION

Conflict over issues such as climate change, toxic waste and wilderness provides a key site for examining the shaping and negotiation of public debate. This book offers a new understanding of the relationship between media roles and environmental futures, and of the ways in which news works to influence environmental decision-making across boundaries and over time.

Drawing on a range of international examples, Dr Libby Lester invites readers to develop a nuanced understanding of changing media practices and dynamics by connecting local, national and global environmental issues, journalistic practices and news sources, public relations and protests, and the symbolic and strategic circulation of meanings in the public sphere.

Media and Environment argues that news maintains a central role in environmental politics. As such, it asks about our understandings of place and community, of local responsibility and global citizenship, and how communication as a society on these crucial issues affects our lives, now and into the future.

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FEATURES

- Major new introduction to the relationship between the media and environment, with a focus on the role played by news.
- Covers key topics including: local, national and global issues, journalistic sources, public relations and protest, and the circulation of environmental meanings in the public sphere.
- Draws on a range of international examples, designed to illustrate the role of media in environmental decision-making across boundaries and time.
- Clearly written (by a former journalist) and fully up-to-date, the book will become the key introduction to this hot topic.

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