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Synopsis

This book covers the context of the environmental policy process, as well as exploring specific environmental issues. It examines topics such as toxic and hazardous substances; energy - both fossil fuel and nuclear; public lands; and global policy-making focusing on climate change and transboundary politics.

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"One of the biggest strengths of Environmental Politics and Policy is it manages to fit in plenty of historical examples, statistics, and examples, while seeming to "tell a story." While relevant data and statistics are provided to substantiate the topics presented and to provide context for them, it does not descend into a boring, dry recount of facts and figures. It manages to clearly explain the topics, while not losing the students' interest. For example, in the opening chapter, the author manages to slip in facts on fracking and the various constituencies involved, while explaining a localized, current controversy in a way that makes it seem as though he is explaining the plot of a recent movie. I think it is very accessible for students because the way the problems are explained is provided in a humanized and informal way." -- Leda Barnett

"Tony Rosenbaum has created a real gem of a text in Environmental Politics and Policy. Over the years, I have come to rely heavily on the text in both my undergraduate and graduate courses. The writing is clear and very accessible even to policy novices, and students find the case study examples particularly useful and engaging. I suggest to my students that the text is scalable-you could skim it and still gain a breadth of understanding

about the American policymaking process, or you could slow down and really dig into the details to develop a robust understanding of our complex and dynamic system. This is a text worth spending time with to mine its wealth of information." -- Damian C. Adams "I highly recommend Environmental Politics and Policy. I've assigned multiple editions in undergraduate and graduate courses in political science, environmental studies, and policy analysis. With each new edition comes thoroughly and thoughtfully updated coverage of critical issues. Timely discussion is devoted to the increasing partisan polarization in Congress and the implications for the environmental agendas of forward-thinking leaders, proponents of alternative energy, and climate change activists." -- Bradley Clark "Environmental Politics and Policy is well written and accessible for students. The new material on the impact and fallout from the BP oil spill, the UN Climate Change Conference in Durban, as well as further discussion of the legacy of evolving governance after the Kyoto Protocol updates the book well. The historical narrative of evolving environmental policy is also useful. Rosenbaum's book has been a useful guide into this critical domain over a number of editions, and students will continue to consult it with benefit for their studies." -- Richard Kotter

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Very well written with plenty of examples of the politics and decision making that goes into Environmental Law.

Required reading for college course.

Book arrived in perfect condition!

Actually I liked this book It was Easy to read and understand, highly recommended for those who are just curious about subject

In this newest edition of Environmental Politics and Policies, readers will find a comparable "framework" (the author's word) to the other editions as well as the same overall focus/spirit. However, there are also "significant editorial improvements" and a closer reading of current environment issues (xi). Likewise, professors (and other familiar with former editions of this text) will note refined organization and a meticulous culling of outdated material. Other valuable additions to the text address the impact of the Obama administration. For those new to this text or for professors looking to adopt a new textbook/supplementary textbook, do know that this can be used at multiple levels of study. Concepts such as "What is Environmental Justice?" are carefully and methodically unpacked (146). Perhaps most importantly, the author refrains from littering the text with technical jargon. It remains in entirely accessible language that an undergraduate can easily comprehend; however, it never talks down to the graduate student/professor nor does it engage in "hand holding." This is no minor feat. As a professor, I understand the value of captivating, well-edited, informative texts. So, I certainly appreciate this author's "commitment to material that is interesting as well as balanced and teachable -- in the end, a book that is both a good read and a fair read" (xiii). And, this finally comment is particularly potent. A text of this nature could be polarizing or even (in our current political climate) controversial. Instead, everything about this text reads as judicious as possible. This is one of the most closely edited, smart, balanced texts I have read on this topic. It is perfect for the classroom or even the casual reader. Highly recommended!

This is the 10th edition of this text. As a former professor, let me say that you may be able to get away with buying the cheaper 9th edition. That 3 year old edition will pretty much contain the same material except for the latest stuff on the Paris update to the Kyoto agreement. I guess it depends on how much you care about getting the current edition (and how much your professor likes to assign references that are only found in the current edition). If you are NOT enrolled in a class for which this is a required text, I would definitely go for an older edition, but you do need to recognize that I am a cheapskate.

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