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COMMUNITY-BASED COLLABORATION Bridging Socio-Ecological Research and Practice

The debate over the value of community-based environmental collaboration is one that dominates current discussions of the management of public lands and other resources. In **COMMUNITY-BASED COLLABORATION (October 2011; UVA Press)**, the volume’s contributors offer an in-depth interdisciplinary exploration of what attracts people to this collaborative mode and how it improves mechanisms for integrating local knowledge and science. The authors also address the new institutional roles adopted by community-based collaborators and their interaction with existing governance institutions.

Reflecting the diversity and knowledge of the CBC movement—which brought together community members, agency representatives, mediators, and researchers to provide a venue for sharing research and tracking new ideas—all of the chapters presented here are written by leading scholars, who have dual roles as academics and as practitioners engaged in collaborative environmental management. Drawing on both research and field-based experience, **COMMUNITY-BASED COLLABORATION** offers a vision of how to achieve more holistic solutions to complex environmental challenges.

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