ABSTRACT

This bibliography presents representative literature pertaining to public concerns with environmental problems since the National Environmental Policy Act became law. Items cited deal with various aspects and manifestations of public concern. Items include: (1) sociological studies of the process of attitude formation; (2) attitude surveys; (3) opinion polls; (4) narrative descriptions of public reactions to specific environmental matters; (5) histories of the recent environmental movement; and (6) philosophical discussions of environmental ethics. The bibliography is divided into four sections: (1) Books; (2) Journal Articles; (3) Bibliographies; and (4) Miscellaneous. Standard bibliographic information is provided along with Library of Congress call numbers and brief annotations where needed. This bibliography was composed for use by legislators and their staffs but may be of use to researchers, environmentalists, and others as well. (Author/MB)

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Since January 1, 1970, when the National Environmental Policy Act was signed into law, there has been a great increase in literature pertaining to all aspects of the environment. Part of that literature relates to public concern with environmental problems. It seeks to determine the extent to which the attitudes have changed, whether this change has affected public behavior and the process of implementing public policy in response to these changes.

This bibliography presents a representative selection of that literature. The items cited deal with various aspects and manifestations of public concern; they include sociological studies of the process of attitude formation, attitude survey, opinion polls, narrative descriptions of public reactions to specific environmental matters, histories of the recent environmental movement, assessments of public reaction to the National Environmental Policy Act, philosophical discussions of environmental ethics, and analyses of the politics and administration of environmental affairs.

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