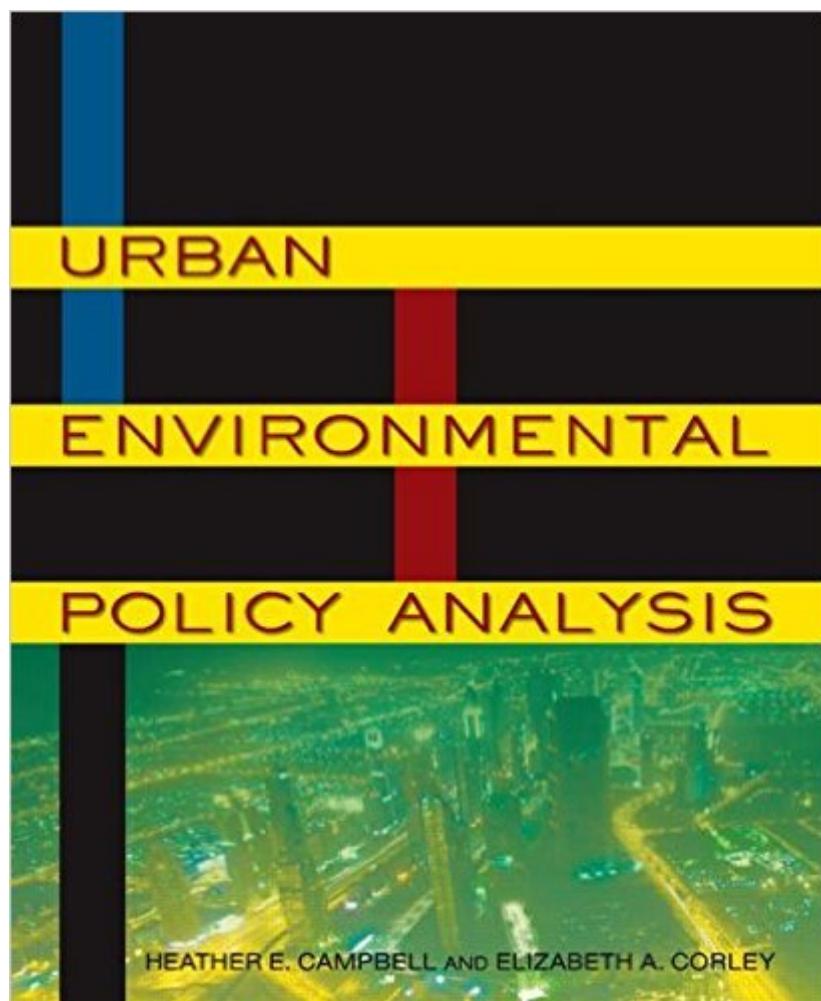


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# Urban Environmental Policy Analysis



## **Synopsis**

This timely book provides a wealth of useful information for following through on today's renewed concern for sustainability and environmentalism. It's designed to help city managers, policy analysts, and government administrators think comprehensively and communicate effectively about environmental policy issues. The authors illustrate a system-based framework model of the city that provides a holistic view of environmental media (land, air, and water) while helping decision-makers to understand the extent to which environmental policy decisions are intertwined with the natural, built, and social systems of the city. They go on to introduce basic and environment-specific policy-analytic models, methods, and tools; presents numerous specific environmental policy puzzles that will confront cities; and introduces methods for understanding and educating public opinions around urban environmental policy. The book is grounded in the policy-analytic perspective rather than political science, economic, or planning frameworks. It includes both new scholarship and synthesis of existing policy analysis. Numerous tables, figures, checklists, and maps, as well as a comprehensive reference list are included.

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I used Urban Environmental Policy Analysis for a general policy analysis course because it contains all the material necessary to teach students the policy analysis process, and it also takes a specific approach to the application of that process. Most other policy analysis texts are good on the process, but I've noted that students have a difficult time understanding how to apply policy analysis

to a specific policy area. This text is more detailed on the analysis process than some of the general textbooks (giving both the economic approach, but also the more practical aspects), and also acknowledges the complexity of policy and the interconnectedness of social, natural, and economic systems. It is clear, understandable, and students responded more favorably to this text than to one of the most well known policy analysis texts available. I highly recommend this text, not just for an environmental policy course, but for general policy analysis as well.

Great book! Very helpful to understanding issues in environmental policy.

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