

Abstract

This research is one of the few researches which aims to discuss the application of environment justice and verify it with a real example of policy planning from the point of view of citizens participation. In the past, there are few examples of citizen participating in policy-making. Moreover, citizens are not willing to take part in public policy-making, for the public doesn't believe the government will adopt their opinions, is not familiar with the process of policy-making and doesn't have professional knowledge about policy-making. As a result, the local forums between the government officials and the public cannot produce positive outputs.

Policy planning should regard the public as main stakeholder and the opinions of the "stakeholders" should be taken into account to get the legitimacy of policies and their support from the public. The application of environment justice depends on the application of policy. The government should offer the "stakeholder" necessary information so that the public is able to make the best judgment. Otherwise, the actions to carry out environmental justice will be in vain.

Taking the renovation of Zhong-Kang Drainage channel in Xin Zhuang as a example, this research records and analyzes how people in Xin Zhuang interact with the government during the process of policy-making in details. This research aims to become a model for the government in future by the execution of the project. Meanwhile, the research would like to activate the awareness of citizenship and increase the public's willingness to participate policy in planning and carry out the justice of environment.

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