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Forest conservation in the Anthropocene: science, policy, and practice, ed. by V. Alaric Sample, R. Patrick Bixler, and Char Miller. University Press of Colorado, 2016. 336p bibl index afp ISBN 9781607324584, \$87.00; ISBN 9781607325215 pbk, \$34.95; ISBN 9781607325215 ebook, \$27.95.

The leading role of humanity in governing the natural environment has led some scientists to conclude that Earth has entered a new geological era (the Anthropocene) in which environmental changes are accelerating and threatening natural systems. Within this context, it is critical to identify climate change alleviation and adaptation tactics to protect natural areas. This edited volume brings together scientists and resource managers to establish key threats to forest ecosystems, examine vulnerability of forests, identify adaptation strategies, and evaluate policy frameworks for forest conservation in coming decades. The chapters are well researched and written by authors who represent the transdisciplinary nature of research on climate change impacts and policy in the context of forest environments. The book closes with a list of nine specific policy recommendations, reflecting action at the federal, state, and local levels, and is designed to address forest management in a changing world. This volume will be a great addition to a reading list in an environmental management course or as a standalone reader for a university course on forest conservation. The extensive bibliography also serves as an excellent reference on this topic.

--J. Schoof, Southern Illinois University

Summing Up: Recommended. All readers.