



Call for Papers for the Humboldt Journal of Social Relations special issue: The American West after the Timber Wars

Academics, students, and practitioners are encouraged to submit papers for a special issue of the Humboldt Journal of Social Relations focused on post-timber war dynamics in the American West. We welcome original research papers as well as commentaries, creative writing, and photo essays.

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TOPIC of the SPECIAL ISSUE:

Disputes between the timber industry and environmental groups in the late 20th- and early 21st-century resulted in polarization and distrust across forest communities of the American West. These “timber wars” centered on the conservation of old-growth forests and biodiversity, and the declining socioeconomic status of many timber-dependent communities. A simple narrative declared the war as one of owls versus jobs, though the disputes were in fact much more complex, with questions centered on identity, attachment to place, and environmental governance, among others. For this issue of HJSR, we are interested in exploring the dynamics of the post-timber war American West and how communities and stakeholders (including residents, land managers, landowners and timber industry) have forged ways to diversify their economies and have, often collaboratively, worked to find compromise and face newly emerging challenges on forest land management.

We seek a wide range of perspectives on communities of the American West after the timber wars. Themes could include, but are not limited to:

- Economic strategies and community well-being of formerly timber-dependent communities, including ways that communities have diversified economically and culturally;
- Multi-objective forest management and environmental governance;
- Conservation strategies of different landowner types, including industrial, non-industrial (family), tribal, and public landowners;
- Tribal land acquisition and management;
- Emerging and ongoing collaborative groups that work on public lands or across multi-jurisdictional landscapes; and
- Relationships between evolving rural identities, livelihoods, and land uses.

SUBMISSIONS: Deadline Oct. 30, 2017

Manuscripts should be in 12-point font, double-spaced and generally not exceed 8500 words.

Commentaries and creative writing should not exceed 3000 words.

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