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**New HeinOnline Database: Environmental Law and Policy**  
***Documenting the Development of Environmental Law in the  
United States and Beyond***

**February 2026.** HeinOnline, a product of William S. Hein & Co., Inc., is pleased to announce the release of **Environmental Law and Policy**, a comprehensive research database that integrates U.S. and international primary source materials documenting the development of environmental law and policy across time and jurisdictions.

Spanning 8,511 titles, 11,842 volumes, and over 3.5 million pages of content, the database brings together legislative histories, Congressional hearings, committee prints, CRS and GAO reports, agency publications, books, journals, and international agreements within a unified research environment.

The collection explores how societies respond to environmental challenges through law, regulation, and governance. Historical coverage extends from early conservation efforts through modern climate initiatives, enabling researchers to examine environmental policy development within both national and global contexts.

**About the Database**

The **Environmental Law and Policy** database is designed to reflect how environmental research is conducted. Primary law, legislative histories, government documents, and related materials are grouped to allow researchers to move seamlessly between statutory authority, regulatory frameworks, policy development, and historical context within a single collection.

An interactive timeline charts the modern environmental movement from 1958 to the present, linking historical events directly to statutes, court decisions, and policy documents. Through images, multimedia

elements, and links to full-text materials, the timeline places environmental regulation within its broader social and legal context.

The database integrates U.S. and international sources to support comparative environmental research, including multinational agreements and global frameworks shaping environmental governance.

### Key Features of the Database

- **Editorial Subject Coding:** Every title in the collection is reviewed by HeinOnline editors and assigned one or more of 24 environmental law and policy subject categories, supporting focused and interdisciplinary research.
- **Integrated Primary Source Materials:** Core environmental law materials are brought together in a single research environment, including books and historical treatises; Congressional hearings and committee prints; CRS and GAO reports; legislative histories; serials and periodicals; and integrated access to the U.S. Code and the Code of Federal Regulations.
- **International Materials:** Global conferences and multinational agreements—from the 1972 Stockholm Conference to the Montreal Protocol, Kyoto Protocol, and Paris Agreement—are incorporated to support research into international environmental governance.
- **Curated Scholarship and Research Guides:** Selected scholarly articles and bibliographic materials are integrated alongside primary sources, helping researchers move efficiently from historical documentation to scholarly interpretation.
- **Featured Publications from UNC Press:** Selected titles from the University of North Carolina Press provide historical, legal, political, and global perspectives that complement government documents and legislative materials.

### Supporting Research and Teaching

- The [Environmental Law and Policy](#) database supports academic researchers, law students, policy analysts, government professionals, and interdisciplinary institutes seeking authoritative primary source materials for research, teaching, and analysis.



### **Pricing**

Access to the [Environmental Law and Policy](#) database includes digital access within HeinOnline.

Institutions may purchase the database through a one-time perpetual access license with no recurring fees.

**Special Offer:** Institutions may be eligible for a one-time 10% discount, including for bundled purchases with HeinOnline's [Water Rights and Resources](#) database. Discount eligibility may vary.

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