

# THE DISCOURSE-BASED APPROACH TO NATURAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT AND POLICY

A Seminar By  
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Wednesday, November 4 at 2:00 p.m.  
Rm. 203 [Brickhaven Bldg., NC State University](#)

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This seminar will introduce the Discourse Based Approach (DBA) Framework, a recently developed theoretical construct guiding the design and implementation of public decision processes. The DBA Framework was initially developed at the University of Copenhagen as the basis for graduate training in natural resource negotiation/mediation.

The Framework has been applied to cases ranging from Australia (aboriginal rights) to Greenland (sustainable shorebird harvesting) to China (forest land tenure reform).

The DBA Framework provides a comprehensive structure for considering a range of social scales and contextual factors that serve as the basis for designing situationally responsive decision making processes. It comes closer to being a globally applicable unifying theory of public decision process than anything available to date.

**Dr. Steven Daniels** is co-author of *Working Through Environmental Conflict: The Collaborative Learning Approach*. He is the program leader for Community Development in University Extension, and Professor in the Department of Sociology, Social Work, and Anthropology and the Department of Environment and Society at Utah State University. Much of Dr. Daniels professional interests focus on community linkages to natural resources and in collaborative processes in natural resource management. He has been involved in a number of community-level collaborations, primarily in the Pacific Northwest.

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