## Local communities asserting the right to stop unwanted developments - a new legal framework

Free public seminar - Monday 7th July, 6pm to 7.30pm

City West Lotteries House Conference Room, 2 Delhi Street, West Perth



*"It is horrifying that we have to fight our own government to save the environment" - Ansel Adams* 

Communities around the world are actively resisting unwanted fracking, mining, logging and the destruction of their local waterways and biodiversity. In Australia, State and Federal laws often don't help - in fact, much of the time they permit the environmental destruction that communities are fighting to stop. So can we change the way our legal system works? In the US, more than 150 communities have passed local ordinances that assert community and nature's rights and stop unwanted development. These laws are part of a global Earth democracy and Earth laws movement, where people are combining peaceful civil disobedience with local law making, to protect what they love and change our legal culture.

Can we use this model in Australia?

Join us for a fascinating seminar in which Michelle Maloney, National Convenor of the Australian Earth Laws Alliance, provides an update on the campaigns and local law making in the US that are helping communities take control of the health and future of their bio-region.





## HOW TO BOOK YOUR PLACE:

This seminar is FREE but places are limited - please book your place by visiting: http:// trybooking.com/FFPN

Gold coin donations will be invited at the door

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http://www.earthlaws.org.au/ events/WA-July-2014

