Asserting Community and Nature's Rights: A New Legal Framework

Free half day seminar, Byron Bay - Saturday 13 December 2014, 1.30 to 4.30pm Byron Community Centre, 69 Jonson Street, Byron Bay NSW



Join us for a fascinating afternoon of discussions about new legal and community organizing frameworks

Communities around the world are actively resisting unwanted 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 workshop with Michelle Maloney, National Convenor of the Australian Earth Laws Alliance. Michelle will provide 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. We will then discuss how similar strategies might work in New South Wales.

HOW TO BOOK YOUR PLACE:

This seminar is free but bookings are essential. Please book your place by visiting our online system: www.trybooking.com/GOFE

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