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This research aims to study and analyse laws and regulations, roles, authorities and duties of governmental and private organizations concerning the management and conservation of natural wetlands in Thailand. An appropriate legal measures for the management and conservation of natural wetlands as well as the structure of related organizations which comply with Ramsar Convention, these are the main objective of this research.

The research result finds that the existing laws and regulations are limit, obscure and ineffective to enforce for the management of wetlands in Thailand i.e., most of the laws and regulations have both utilization and conservation as the main objective but still lack of distinctiveness and adequate efficiency in solving the problems of natural wetlands. Moreover, some laws and regulations emphasize to exploit only without any conserve to wetlands. Besides, among the government organizations still have the overlapping in their roles, authorities, and duties in the management and conservation of wetlands. These are the implication of ineffective and unsuccessful of Thai laws and regulations for the wetlands management.

The abovementioned problems, therefore, the researcher recommends to amend laws and regulations concerned in order to manage wetlands for the utilization and conservation suitable for the nature of them. A National Committee for the National Policy on wetlands management and conservation; and a Regional Committee for the Regional Policy and Action Plan in accordance with national policy and Ramsar Convention as to the principle of wise use, are also the additional recommendation.

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