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The purpose of this research was to study the level of Ban Khrua people's participation in community environmental development, and the factors related to people's participation, and its causes or reasons. The instrument used for data collection was a structured questionnaire and the interview schedule of the key informants in the community.

The analysis of data indicated that people in Ban Khrua community had moderate level of participation in community environmental development. People's participation did not depend on their age, educational level, occupation, the period living in community, home ownership or their status in the community. The hypotheses were therefore rejected. The reasons of people's participation were their love and commitment to their community and their desire to develop their community to create a better living condition. People's reasons for not participating were their views of no benefit from participation and the lack of time available.

As a consequence of results from this research, it was suggested that the government authorities should provide environmental education and training courses to help people understand and foresee the benefit of participation. Coordination between the community committee and people should take place so meetings can be scheduled in such a way as to allow more people to participate.