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CONSERVATION: A CASE STUDY OF BUNG BORAPED NAKHONSAWAN
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The objectives of this study were to determine the levels of participation and other factors affecting participation of subdistrict administrative organization members on environmental conservation in Bung Boraped. Additionally, problems, obstructions and approaches to environmental conservation were studied. Data were collected by questionnaires. The study population was 190 subdistrict administrative organization members in Muang amphur, Chumsaeng amphur and Thatago amphur Nakhonsawan province. Statistics used for data analysis were percentage, mean, standard deviation, T-test, one way analysis of variance, analysis of variance and multiple classification analysis.

The result of this study showed that the participation of subdistrict administrative organization members on environmental conservation in Bung Boraped was at a low level. Factors affecting participation of subdistrict administrative organization members on environmental conservation are: education, occupations, training received, information availability, and status in subdistrict administrative organization showing a statistical significance ($P\text{-value}<0.001$). The utilization of Bung Boraped, also showed a statistical significance ($P\text{-value}<0.01$), as well as knowledge about environmental conservation ($P\text{-value}<0.05$).

Whereas age showed a negative correlation in participation on environmental conservation in Bung Boraped, duration of the residence in community proved to be a positive correlation.

Recommendations: 1. There should be development planning and recovery of the environment of Bung Boraped, naturally, especially the boundary of Bung Boraped, and environmental sanitation of Bung Boraped should be clearly maintained. 2. There should be coordination and cooperation between government organizations, NGOs and people on environmental conservation in Bung Boraped. 3. There should be public relations about information and implementation of environmental programs, on a continuous basis in Bung Boraped.