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POL. MAJ. TOSSAPORN PATHUMYA : THE OPINION REGARDING THE READINESS OF SUB-DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION ORGANIZATION TO THE FORESTRY ADMINISTRATION AND MANAGEMENT : A CASE STUDY OF SAI-YOK DISTRICT, KANCHANABURI PROVINCE. THESIS ADVISORS : JIRAPORN CHUCKPAIWONG, M.A. PRAKAIRAT SUKUMALACHART, M.S. WILASINEE ARNOMASIRI, M.A. 132 p. ISBN 974-664-772-5

The purposes of this research are to study the opinions regarding the readiness of sub-district administration organization in forestry administration and management in Sai-Yok District, Kanchanaburi Province and the factors which affect these opinions. This research also studies the problems, obstacles and the suggestions of the forestry administrators and managers. For quantitative data, questionnaires were used as a tool for data collection. The target group of this study was 166 members of sub-district administration organization in Sai-Yok District, Kanchanaburi Province. The findings of this study were analyzed by using SPSS (Statistical Package for Social Science) computer program and other statistical techniques, particularly the application of percentage, mean, standard deviation, analysis of variance and multiple classification analysis. Indepth interview was used as a tool for collecting the qualitative data.

The study results indicated that the opinions regarding the readiness of the sub-district administration organization for forestry administration and management were at a low level on a three point scale created by the researcher. Information received about forestry management and forestry management participation caused a difference in opinion significantly at 0.001. Placing a high value on forestry resources caused a difference in opinion significantly at 0.01. The results of multiple classification analysis divided sample group into 5 groups :1) those who have no career, 2) graduated with a bachelor degree, 3) chose to be members of sub-district administration organization ,4) participated the most in forestry management and 5) had the best knowledge about forestry management. These groups have stronger opinion that the sub-district administration organization is ready for forestry administration and management than other groups

The sample group rank the priority of problems and obstacles in forestry administration and management are budgeting ; organizing ; staffing and coordinating; planning and directing.