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## ABSTRACT

The purpose of this research was to study the level of the participation of local people in mangrove conservation: a case study in Laem Ngop District, Trat Province. Specifically, this research was intended to study the level of participation and also their desire to participate in mangrove conservation, of the local people. In addition, this research also included to study the nonparticipate local people of their desire for mangrove conservation participation, and the problems, obstacles, and their suggestion for the mangrove conservation participation. The research methodology was conducted by questionnaire—type which had yield 367 local people as respondents. The results were concluded as follows:

The participations of local people in mangrove conservation of both the stage and type, were in low level. Among the nonparticipated respondents, those who desired to participate were more in number than those who did not. The nonparticipated respondents were identified for their desire to participate in the highest level, of the stage in participation. But the participation of the type was in the higher level. In terms of the problems and obstacles in their participation identified by respondents, there were included of the lock of time, afraiding of life and physical injury, and nonsupporting from government officers. The suggestions were also identified as the local government should have more advertising in terms of the stage and type in participation of local people in the mangrove conservation regard. The government officers should be more honest and law enforcement sincerely to the mangrove conservation.