

Jaruwan Sripukdee 2007: Opinions on the Readiness of Tambol Administration Organization Members in Community Forest Management, Wapi Pathum District, Maha Sarakham Province. Master of Arts (Social Development), Major Field: Social Development Interdisciplinary Graduate Program. Thesis Advisor: Associate Professor Apichart Pattaratuma, Ph.D. 116 pages.

Objectives of the study were determine the socio-economic condition, opinions level on readiness, and factors relating to the opinions related on readiness of Tambol Administration Organization Members in community forest management in Wapi Pathum District, Maha Sarakham Province. The using data was gathered by employing the designed questionnaires as a tool for interviewing 111 respondents. The using statistical analysis methods were percent, mean and Chi-square.

Results of the study indicated that the most respondents were male, with their average age of 40 years. Their educational level were at pre-university, the average of the duration of the membership being was 3.50 years, the average of the resettled duration was 35 years. Most of them were village committee members. Paddy cultivation was their main occupation, average annual household income was 285,000 baht, the average household member was 3. Most of them used to attended the training course in community forest and received the information about community forest from the village head. They used to utilize the community forest and having comprehension about community forest at a high level.

Factors relating to the opinions on the readiness in community forest management were educational level, duration of Tambol Administration Membership being, community forest training course attendance, community forest information receipt, frequency of the contact with foresters, received the benefits from community forest and, comprehension and understading about community forest, and with the significance level of .05

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