Call for Special Issue Papers: The EPA at 50 and Environmental Justice: Past, Present, and Future

Deadline for Manuscript Submission: **December 31, 2020**

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The special issue, focusing on the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) at 50, will be devoted to a deep exploration of environmental racism and achieving environmental justice at this pivotal moment in history and national crisis. The EPA has played a major role in helping to advance environmental justice while also acting to undermine the environmental justice movement (i.e., actions of the Trump Administration). It is time to take stock of environmental justice policies and practices and learn from the lessons of history: what has worked to close racial and economic disparities in environmental burden, exposure, and disease outcomes and what are the challenges? And, after 50 years, is it time to chart a new course for the future?

All manuscripts should be submitted online by **December 31, 2020**. All submissions will be subject to a rigorous peer review. We encourage submissions of original research articles, reviews, policy briefs, legal analyses, and perspectives.

Suggested topic areas include, among others:

- EPA and Environmental Justice in the 1980s
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- EPA and Environmental Justice from 2000 until now
- The Legacy of Clinton's Executive Order
- National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA): Promises and perils
- The Office of Environmental Justice: successes, failures, and the future
- National Environmental Justice Advisory Council (NEJAC): Voice of the people?
- Title VI enforcement and EPA's civil rights office
- EPA tools, EJSCREEN, and the future: Federal and state mapping of cumulative impacts
- Cumulative impacts in the age of syndemics
- Risky and racist: Risk assessment at the EPA
- Social determinants of health: Race, language, national origin, and intersectional issues
- Enforcing the Clean Air Act, National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS), and the particulate matter 2.5 standard: A failure affecting the most vulnerable
- Emerging contaminants and environmental justice
- EPA's CARE grant program: The little engine that could and did
- Deregulation, rollbacks, and Environmental Justice
- Lost: EPA during the Bush Administration years
- The erosion of the EPA: The Trump Administration years
- EPA 2015 and EPA 2020: Tracking success and tracking failure
- The Interagency Working Group (IWG) and environmental justice
- Obama, environmental justice, and the EPA
- A turn to the states: Environmental justice at the state level
- Environmental justice at the federal level: Where to go from here

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