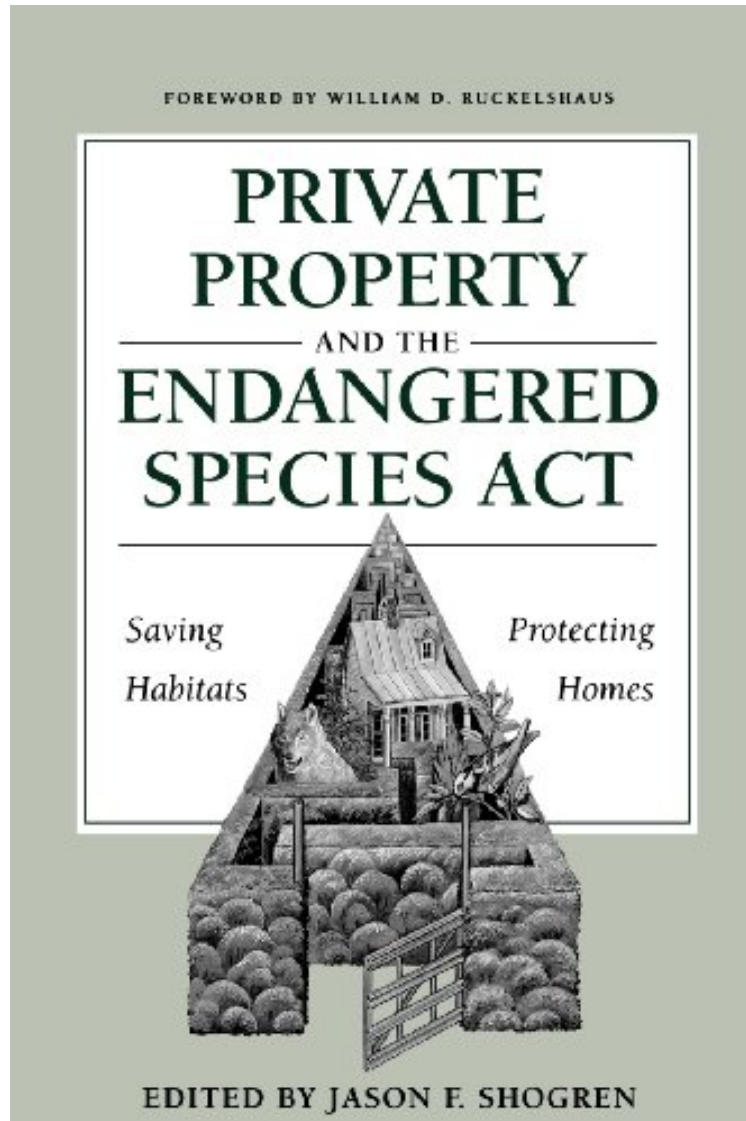


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review helpful. What the title suggests, more or less By ((Marco Buendia)) This short book (144 pages) contains an introduction by the editor and six essays by various contributors. These essays cover: 1) the origin and development of the Act, 2) judicial actions on cases and the development of the notion of "takings" arising from the Act, 3) the biological effectiveness of the Act, 4) a (very) theoretical discussion of the scope and reach of the Act and its effect on private property, 5) "integrating" private property and biodiversity protection, 6) the "reauthorization debate" Some of these essays are very readable, some not so much Most of the authors are academics, mostly in domains other than law. Two lawyers, if I remember rightly. One is a Wyoming rancher. This book was published in 1998. I don't have the knowledge necessary to assess how useful these essays are at this point.

Our whole nation benefits from the preservation of natural habitats and their diversity of animal and plant species yet small groups of private landowners often bear most of the costs of setting land aside for conservation purposes. This imbalance has generated many conflicts since the passage of the Endangered Species Act in 1973 and remains one of the most controversial issues to be resolved as the ESA makes its way through Congress for reauthorization. To provide policy makers, landowners, and other stakeholders in the ESA debates with impartial baseline information, this book offers multidisciplinary perspectives on the role that private property plays in protecting endangered species in the United States. The opening chapter traces the evolution of the ESA and set forth the parameters of the debate over regulation of private property. Four subsequent chapters explore the judicial and economic implications of ESA and suggest how issues of scale and diversity affect the implementation of the ESA on private property. The volume concludes with eight principles to help frame the ongoing ESA reauthorization debate, developed by the University of Wyoming's Institute for Environment and Natural Resources Policy Board, the sponsor of the research presented in this book.

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