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Collaborative environmental professional currently seeking projects to investigate problems, advance solutions, build knowledge, and spark change. More than 25 years of experience in policy analysis and advocacy, research, writing, and communications related to the energy industry, land and wildlife protection, and climate change.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Policy and research consultant, Willow, New York, 2021-present. Conduct investigative research, develop regulatory and policy comments, and write informational materials and reports. Current projects on reducing industrial climate and pollution impacts and advancing land and wildlife protection.

Earthworks (remote workplace)

Senior Policy Analyst and Research Manager, 2020-2021. Tracked and advanced state-level policies and regulations on oil and gas development.

- Worked with field, policy, and communications staff to document and publicize climate, air and water quality, and health impacts.
- Developed technical comments and testimony during rulemakings and legislative sessions.
- Crafted and conducted data-driven research.
- Wrote blog posts, papers, and other materials to engage the media, public, and policymakers.

Manager, Community Empowerment Project, 2017-2020. Developed and oversaw a national project to document and publicize health and environmental impacts of the oil and gas industry.

- Crafted and helped implement field plans in six states to document pollution.
- Supervised field advocates in engaging communities, regulators, and policymakers.
- Researched and wrote reports, outreach materials, and technical comments.

Eastern Program Coordinator, 2010-2017.

Investigated and exposed the environmental, health, and community impacts of the oil and gas industry in PA, NY, and other states.

- Conducted field research and wrote reports, papers, and outreach materials.
- Developed comments on oil and gas permits and regulations.
- Presented research and policy information at public hearings, events, and conferences.
- Worked with researchers, advocates, and residents on air and water sampling projects.

Mohonk Preserve, Gardiner, New York. Director of Communications, 2007-2010. Led information and public engagement efforts for a 7,000-acre nature preserve and land trust.

- Wrote press releases, newsletters, and articles on programs, services, and land conservation.
- Participated in organizational strategic and programmatic development.
- Provided program support to research, education, land management, and fundraising staff.

Coalition to Restore the Eastern Wolf.

Coordinator, 2005-2007. Led efforts of regional conservation and wildlife organizations to promote wolf recovery and habitat protection.

- Developed outreach strategies and materials.
- Conducted public and coalition meetings and presentations.
- Collaborated with researchers and advocates.

Communications and publications consultant, Washington, DC, and Willow, New York, 1997-2002; 2004-2007. Clients included the Association of American Colleges and Universities, Center for Environment and Population, Humane Society of the US, International Center for Research on Women, Open Space Institute, Sierra Club, and World Wildlife Fund.

- Edited and adapted scientific and technical reports.
- Wrote, edited, and oversaw the production of reports, newsletters, op-eds, articles, educational materials, and press releases.
- Conducted media campaigns and events.

Zero Population Growth, Washington, DC.

Communications Manager and Communications Associate, 1993-1996. Oversaw communications activities on the environmental, social, and economic impacts of human population trends.

- Researched and wrote public information materials.
- Supported advocacy efforts to advance access to reproductive health and family planning nationally and internationally.

EDUCATION

M.S., Environmental Policy, 2002–2004.

Bard Center for Environmental Policy, Annandale-on-Hudson, New York.

- Coursework on the policy, economic, and scientific factors underpinning energy systems; air and water quality; land use; biodiversity; and climate change.
- Research and communications internship for Two Countries, One Forest, a U.S.-Canadian coalition to advance regional land and wildlife protection.
- Masters project on effective messaging to advance large-scale land conservation and wolf protection.

M.A., Peace and Development Studies, 1988–1991.

Peace and Development Research Institute, University of Gothenburg, Sweden. Coursework on global security, conflict resolution, and economic development. Thesis on legal rights of North American indigenous peoples.

B.A., International Relations, 1984–1987.

University of Gothenburg, Sweden. Coursework on geopolitical strategies, development trends, economic geography, and social movements. Thesis on the political organization of Mexican Americans.

Natural History Field Studies certificate program,

1997–2001. Audubon Naturalist Society and the United States Department of Agriculture Graduate School. Coursework on ecology, nature interpretation, wildlife policy, and environmental ethics.

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

Southwest PA Environmental Health Project

(2021–present). Chair, Board of Directors. Engage in and approve organizational procedures and policies, support executive director and staff.

Ulster County Animal Response Team (2019–

present). Co-lead a County-volunteer corps for animal sheltering during emergencies. Certification in incident command and disaster response procedures.

Woodstock Land Conservancy (2005–2014).

Member and Vice President of the Board of Directors. Developed and implemented strategies to achieve land protection in the Eastern Catskills of New York State.

PUBLICATIONS

Dirty Steel, Dangerous Air: The Health Harms of Coal-Based Steelmaking. Industrious Labs, 2024.

The Long Shadow of Oil Refinery Waste: Petroleum Coke's Polluting Role in U.S. Industry. Environmental Integrity Project, 2024.

The Aluminum Paradox: Vital for Clean Energy, but Also a Major Source of Greenhouse Gases, Air and Water Pollution. Environmental Integrity Project, 2023.

Loud and Clear: What public complaints reveal about oil and gas oversight and whom it serves. Six state-specific reports. Earthworks, 2020 (with staff contributions).

Undeserved Credit: Why Emissions Banking in California's San Joaquin Valley Puts Air Quality at Risk. Earthworks, 2018.

New York's Energy Crossroads: How the state's climate goals clash with natural gas infrastructure. (With Aaron Mintzes.) Earthworks, 2018.

Permitted to Pollute: How oil and gas operators and regulators exploit Clean Air Act protections and put the public at risk. Earthworks, 2017.

Community air monitoring of oil and gas pollution: A survey of issues and technologies. Earthworks, 2016.

Wasting Away: Four states' failure to manage oil and gas waste in the Marcellus and Utica Shale. Earthworks, 2015.

Blackout in the Gas Patch: How Pennsylvania Residents are Left in the Dark on Health and Enforcement. Earthworks, 2014.

"Investigating Links Between Shale Gas Development and Health Impacts through a Community Survey Project in Pennsylvania." (With Wilma Subra and Lisa Sumi.) *NEW SOLUTIONS*, Vol. 23(1), 2013.

Gas Patch Roulette: How shale gas development risks public health in Pennsylvania. (With Lisa Sumi.) Earthworks, 2012.