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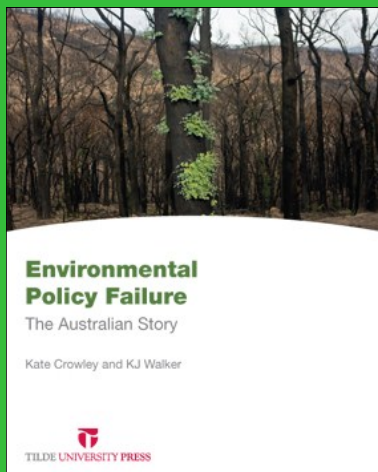
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#### Synopsis

*Environmental Policy Failure: The Australian Story* reviews some of Australia's most critically challenging environmental issues of our time and assesses the capacity of contemporary policies to solve them. It reveals, case by case, the endemic failure of environmental policy under both Labor and conservative governments across many generations, and assesses the prospects for a more ecologically sustainable future.

"It should be no surprise that the best scholars in Australia conclude that environmental policy has failed. After reading this book you will be much better informed about the failure of environmental policy. I hope you will also be determined to attack the root cause of that failure, our dominant political culture and the values it embodies."

*Ian Lowe, President Australian Conservation Foundation*



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