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## **I. AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION**

Environmental ethics and policy, history and philosophy of conservation/environmentalism, environmental political thought

## **II. AREAS OF COMPETENCE**

Animal ethics, democratic theory, American pragmatism, ethical theory, planning theory and history, natural resource management

## **III. EDUCATION**

Ph.D. Natural Resources (Human Dimensions), University of Vermont, 2000

M.S. Natural Resource Planning, University of Vermont, 1996

B.A. Anthropology, University at Albany, SUNY, 1991

## **IV. POSITIONS HELD**

Assistant Professor, Human Dimensions of Biology Faculty, School of Life Sciences, Arizona State University, 2004 –

Affiliated Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Arizona State University, 2007-

Affiliated Faculty Member, School of Sustainability, Arizona State University, 2006-

Affiliated Faculty Member, Consortium for Science, Policy & Outcomes, Arizona State University, 2004 –

Honors Disciplinary Faculty, Barrett Honors College, Arizona State University, 2005-

Assistant Research Professor, Human Dimensions of Biology faculty, School of Life Sciences, Arizona State University, 2003 – 2004

Associate Research Scientist in Environmental Ethics and Policy, The Earth Institute, Columbia University, 2002 – 2003

Assistant Professor, Environmental Studies Program, Bucknell University, 2001 – 2002

Visiting Assistant Professor, School of Public Policy, Georgia Institute of Technology, 1999 – 2001

## V. SCHOLARSHIP

### A. Books (published and under contract)

**Minteer, Ben A.**, *Tilling the Holy Earth: Liberty Hyde Bailey and the Roots of Agrarian Environmentalism* (MIT Press, under contract and in progress).

**Minteer, Ben A.**, ed., *Nature in Common? Environmental Ethics and the Contested Foundations of Environmental Policy* (Temple University Press, 2009).

**Minteer, Ben A.**, *The Landscape of Reform: Civic Pragmatism and Environmental Thought in America*, (MIT Press, 2006).

**Minteer, Ben A.** and Robert E. Manning, eds., *Reconstructing Conservation: Finding Common Ground* (Island Press, 2003).

**Minteer, Ben A.** and Bob Pepperman Taylor, eds., *Democracy and the Claims of Nature: Critical Perspectives for a New Century* (Rowman & Littlefield, 2002).

### B. Books (in development)

**Minteer Ben A.** and James P. Collins, *Ecological Ethics: Ethical Decision Making in Ecology, Conservation, and Biodiversity Management*. Project solicited by Cambridge University press.

**Minteer, Ben A.**, *Refounding Environmental Ethics: Principle, Politics, and Practice*. Manuscript in progress.

### C. Edited Journal

*Science and Engineering Ethics* (guest editor of special issue on Ecological Ethics, with S. Bird and J. P. Collins), 2008 (in press).

### D. Journal Articles (published and in press)

**Minteer, Ben A.**, “Biocentric Farming? Liberty Hyde Bailey and Environmental Ethics,” *Environmental Ethics* (2008): in press.

**Minteer, Ben A.** “Pragmatism, Piety, and Environmental Ethics,” *Worldviews: Global Religions, Culture, and Ecology* (2008): in press.

**Minteer Ben A.**, Collins, James P., and Stephanie J. Bird, “The Emergence of Ecological Ethics,” *Science and Engineering Ethics* 14 (2008): in press.

**Minteer, Ben A.** and James P. Collins, “From Environmental to Ecological Ethics: Toward a Practical Ethics for Ecologists and Conservationists,” *Science and Engineering Ethics* 14 (2008): in press.

**Minteer, Ben A.**, “The Future of Environmental Philosophy,” *Ethics and the Environment* 12 (2007): 132-133.

**Minteer Ben, A.** and Elizabeth A. Corley, “Conservation or Preservation?: A Qualitative Study of the Foundations of Natural Resource Management,” *Journal of Agricultural and Environmental Ethics* 20 (2007): 307-333

**Minteer, Ben A.** and James P. Collins, “Ecological Ethics: Building a New Tool Kit for Ecologists and Biodiversity Managers” *Conservation Biology* 19 (2005): 1803-1812. Reprinted in *The Animal Ethics Reader*, eds. S. Armstrong and R.G. Botzler (Routledge, 2008)

**Minteer, Ben A.** and James P. Collins, “Why we need an Ecological Ethics,” *Frontiers in Ecology and the Environment* 3 (2005): 332-337.

**Minteer, Ben A.** and Robert E. Manning, “An Appraisal of the Critique of Anthropocentrism and Three Lesser Known Themes in Lynn White's 'The Historical Roots of Our Ecologic Crisis,'” *Organization & Environment* 18 (2005): 163-177.

**Minteer, Ben A.**, “Environmental Philosophy and the Public Interest: A Pragmatic Reconciliation,” *Environmental Values* 14 (2005): 37-60.

**Minteer, Ben A.**, Corley, Elizabeth A., and Robert E. Manning, “Environmental Ethics beyond Principle? The Case for a Pragmatic Contextualism.” *Journal of Agricultural and Environmental Ethics* 17 (2004): 131-156.

**Minteer, Ben A.** and Robert E. Manning, "The Deconstruction and Reconstruction of Conservation." *The George Wright Forum* 20 (2003): 64-77.

Norton, Bryan, and **Ben Minteer**, "From Environmental Ethics to Environmental Public Philosophy: Ethicists and Economists, 1973-Future." *International Yearbook of Environmental and Resource Economics 2002/2003* (eds. Tom Tietenberg and Henk Folmer). Edward Elgar (2002), pp. 373-407.

**Minteer, Ben A.**, "Intrinsic Value for Pragmatists?" *Environmental Ethics* 23 (2001): 57-75.

**Minteer, Ben A.**, "Wilderness and the Wise Province: Benton MacKaye's Pragmatic Vision," *Philosophy and Geography* 4 (2001): 187-204.

**Minteer Ben A.** and Robert E. Manning, "Convergence in Environmental Values: An Empirical and Conceptual Defense." *Ethics, Place, and Environment* 3 (2000): 47-60. Reprinted in *Nature in Common? Environmental Ethics and the Contested Foundations of Environmental Policy*, ed. B. A. Minteer (Temple University Press, 2009).

Manning, Robert E., Valliere, William A., Wang, Benjamin, **Minteer, Ben A.**, and Charles Jacobi, "Crowding in Parks and Outdoor Recreation: A Theoretical, Empirical, and Managerial Analysis." *Journal of Park and Recreation Administration* 18 (2000): 57-72.

**Minteer, Ben A.** and Robert E. Manning, "Pragmatism in Environmental Ethics: Democracy, Pluralism, and the Management of Nature." *Environmental Ethics* 21 (1999): 193-209. Reprinted in *Environmental Ethics: The Big Questions*, eds. Andrew Light and Holmes Rolston, III. (Cambridge, MA: Blackwell Publishers, 2002).

Manning, Robert E., Valliere, William A., and **Ben A. Minteer**, "Values, Ethics, and Attitudes Toward National Forest Management: An Empirical Study." *Society and Natural Resources* 12 (1999): 421-436.

**Minteer, Ben A.**, "No Experience Necessary? Foundationalism and the Retreat from Culture in Environmental Ethics." *Environmental Values* 7 (1998): 333-348.

Manning, Robert E., Valliere, William A., and **Ben A. Minteer**, "Environmental Values and Ethics: An Empirical Study of the Philosophical Foundations for Park Policy." *George Wright Forum* 13 (1996): 20-31.

#### E. Book Chapters

**Minteer, Ben A.**, "Unity among Environmentalists? Debating the Values-Policy Link in Environmental Ethics," in *Nature in Common? Environmental Ethics and the Contested Foundations of Environmental Policy*, ed., Ben A. Minteer (Philadelphia: Temple University Press, 2009), in press.

**Minteer Ben A.** “On Sustainability, Dogmas, and (New) Historical Roots for Environmental Ethics,” in *Sustainable Food Production and Ethics*, eds. Werner Zollitsch, Christoph Winkler, Susanne Waiblinger and Alexander Haslberger (Wageningen, Netherlands: Wageningen Academic Publishers, 2007).

Bozeman, Barry and **Ben A. Minteer** , “Toward a Pragmatic Public Interest Theory,” in B. Bozeman, *Public Values and Public Interest : Counterbalancing Economic Individualism* (Washington, D.C.: Georgetown University Press, 2007).

**Minteer, Ben A.**, “Beyond Considerability: A Deweyan View of the Animal Rights/Environmental Ethics Debate” in *Animal Pragmatism*, eds. Andrew Light and Erin McKenna (Bloomington: Indiana University Press, 2004), pp. 97-118.

**Minteer, Ben A.** and Robert E. Manning, “Conservation from Deconstruction to Reconstruction,” in *Reconstructing Conservation: Our Common Ground*, eds. B.A. Minteer and R.E. Manning (Washington, D.C.: Island Press, 2003), pp. 3-16.

**Minteer, Ben A.** and Robert E. Manning, “Our Common Ground: Emerging Principles for a Reconstructed Conservation,” in *Reconstructing Conservation: Our Common Ground*, eds. B.A. Minteer and R.E. Manning (Washington, D.C.: Island Press, 2003), pp. 335-349.

**Minteer, Ben A.**, “Regional Planning as Pragmatic Conservationism” in *Reconstructing Conservation: Our Common Ground*, eds. B. A. Minteer and R. E. Manning. (Washington, D.C.: Island Press 2003), pp. 93-113.

**Minteer, Ben A.**, “Valuing Nature: Ethical Perspectives on the Loss of Biodiversity,” in *The Loss of Biodiversity*, eds. Sharon L. Spray and Karen L. McGlothlin (Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield, 2003), pp. 75-97.

**Minteer, Ben A.**, “Deweyan Democracy and Environmental Ethics,” in *Democracy and the Claims of Nature: Critical Perspectives for a New Century*, eds. Ben A. Minteer and Bob Pepperman Taylor (Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield, 2002), pp. 33-48.

Pepperman Taylor, Bob and **Ben A. Minteer**, “Introduction,” with Bob Pepperman Taylor, in *Democracy and the Claims of Nature: Critical Perspectives for a New Century*, eds. Ben A. Minteer and Bob Pepperman Taylor (Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield 2002), pp. 1-7.

#### F. Encyclopedia Articles (peer reviewed)

**Minteer, Ben A.** “Anthropocentrism,” *Encyclopedia of Environmental Ethics and Philosophy* (Macmillan Reference/Thomson, in press).

**Minteer, Ben A.** “Environmental Policy,” *Encyclopedia of Environmental Ethics and Philosophy* (Macmillan Reference/Thomson, in press).

**Minteer, Ben A.** “The Convergence Hypothesis,” *Encyclopedia of Environmental Ethics and Philosophy* (Macmillan Reference/Thomson, in press).

**Minteer, Ben A.** “Bryan Norton,” *Encyclopedia of Environmental Ethics and Philosophy* (Macmillan Reference/Thomson, in press).

#### G. Letters and Misc.

**Minteer Ben A.** and James P. Collins, “Reply to Rominger et al. on Bighorn Sheep, Mountain Lions, and the Ethics of Conservation,” *Conservation Biology* 20 (2006): 1341.

#### H. Articles in Development

**Minteer Ben A.** and James P. Collins, “Assisted Migration: A Case Study in Ecological Ethics”

(with others) “Managed Relocation: Evaluating the Use of a New Conservation Strategy”

(with others) “Assessing Ethical Trade Offs for Decisions in Ecology”

Miller, Thad and **Ben A. Minteer**, “The New Conservation Debate: A Descriptive and Normative Analysis.”

**Minteer, Ben A.**, “Weak Anthropocentrism, Natural Piety, and Environmental Pragmatism”

#### I. Professional Presentations, Invited Lectures, and Workshops

“An Outlook to Nature: Recovering Liberty Hyde Bailey’s Agrarian Environmentalism,” invited lecture, Bioethics Program, Iowa State University, Ames, IA, November, 2008.

“The New Conservation Debate: A Descriptive and Normative Analysis” (with Thad Miller), paper presented at The Annual Meeting of the Society for Conservation Biology, Chattanooga, TN, July, 2008.

“Caring for Nature: Animal Welfare, Environmental Ethics, and Conservation,” keynote presentation, Harvard Forest Summer Field Program, Harvard University, June, 2008.

“A Fusion of Interests: Aldo Leopold’s Search for a Public Philosophy of Conservation,” 14<sup>th</sup> Annual International Symposium on Society and Resource Management, University of Vermont, June 2008.

“Evaluating the Impacts of Ecological Research,” invited workshop, Australian Environmental Decision Analysis group, Melbourne, AU, March 2008.

“The Landscape of Pragmatism: Nature and Civic Renewal in the American Environmental Tradition,” invited presentation, Department of Landscape Architecture, ETH Zürich, Zürich Switzerland, November 2007.

“Assisted Migration and Global Climate Change,” invited participant, John Muir Institute, University of California-Davis, October, 2007.

“On Sustainability, Dogmas, and (New) Historical Roots for Environmental Ethics,” keynote presentation, European Society for Food and Agricultural Ethics, Vienna, Austria, September, 2007.

“Civic Agrarianism: New Roots for Environmental Ethics,” invited presentation, University of Montana Ethics Institute, Missoula, MT, July, 2007.

"From Environmental to Ecological Ethics: Toward a Practical Ethics for Ecologists and Biodiversity Managers," keynote presentation, Harvard Forest, Harvard University, June 2007.

“Biocentric Farming? Liberty Hyde Bailey’s Challenge to the Intellectual History of Environmental Ethics.” Annual Meeting of the Agricultural History Society, Ames, IA, June, 2007.

“Ecological Ethics and Scientific Assessments.,” with James P. Collins. Annual Meeting, Ecological Society of America, Memphis, TN, August, 2006.

Co-organizer for workshop on “Ecological ethics: examining the neglected ethical context of ecological decision-making.” Annual Meeting, Ecological Society of America. (with J. Collins, August, 2006.

“The Ethics of Factory Farming” invited presentation, American Philosophical Association, Midwestern Division, April, 2005.

“The Environmental Pragmatism of Liberty Hyde Bailey: Reclaiming a Lost Voice in the History of Conservation Thought,” Annual Meeting of the American Society of Environmental History, Houston, Texas, March, 2005.

“Beyond Considerability: A Deweyan View of the Animal Rights/Environmental Ethics Debate,” invited presentation, 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Conference of the Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy, Birmingham, Alabama, March, 2004.

“History, Philosophy, and Social Studies of Science in the Public Realm,” National Science Foundation workshop at Arizona State University May, 2003.

“Regionalism, Pragmatism, and the Conservation Tradition,” Reconstructing Conservation: History, Values, and Practice, University of Vermont, November, 2001.

“Valuing Nature: American Environmental Ethics, Past and Present,” National Park Service Intake Training Program, Woodstock, Vt, July 2001 (invited presentation).

“Intrinsic Value for Pragmatists? The Restoration Extension,” 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy, Indianapolis, March, 2000.

“Environmental Pragmatism,” Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy Summer Institute, University of Vermont, July 1999 (co-organizer and co-leader of seminar series).

“The Context of Wildness: Toward a Pragmatic Wilderness Philosophy,” Wilderness Science in a Time of Change Conference, University of Montana, May, 1999.

“Pragmatism and Environmental Values: Making Environmental Philosophy Relevant to Natural Resource Policy,” (chair of roundtable). Northeastern Recreation Research Symposium, Bolton Landing, NY, April, 1999.

“Building the Moral Context: Pragmatic Reconstructions in Environmental Philosophy,” 26th Annual Conference of the Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy, University of Oregon, February, 1999.

“Conservation History and Practice,” National Park Service Training Program, University of Vermont, June 1998 (co-organizer and co-instructor).

“Values in Context: A Conceptual Analysis of Moral Justification in Natural Resource Management,” 7th International Symposium on Society and Natural Resource Management, University of Missouri-Columbia, May, 1998.

“Environmental Values, Environmental Ethics, and National Forest Management: An Empirical Study,” Northeastern Recreation Research Symposium, Bolton Landing, NY, April 1996.

“Environmental Ethics and the Management of Nature,” 6th International Symposium on Society and Natural Resource Management, Pennsylvania State University, May, 1996.

#### J. Conference Posters

“An Ecological Ethics For a "Crowded Planet": Assessing the Normative Foundations of an Emerging ESA Vision,” with Thad Miller, Ecological Society of American Annual Meeting, San Jose, CA, August, 2007.

“Parks, People & Posterity: A Normative Analysis of International Conservation,” with Thad Miller, 13th International Symposium on Society and Resource Management, Park City, UT, June, 2007.

#### K. Conference (Co-Organizer)

“Reconstructing Conservation: History, Values, and Practice,” University of Vermont and Woodstock, VT, November, 2001.

#### L. Book Reviews

Review of Lawrence Slobodkin, A CITIZEN’S GUIDE TO ECOLOGY, in *Ecology*, Vol 85 (2004), pp. 2348-2349.

Review of Virginia A. Sharpe, Bryan Norton, and Strachan Donnelley, eds., WOLVES AND HUMAN COMMUNITIES, in *Environmental Ethics*, Vol 25 (2003), pp. 207-210.

Review of Ian Marshall, STORY LINE: EXPLORING THE LITERATURE OF THE APPALACHIAN TRAIL, in *Leisure Sciences*, Vol. 21 (1999), pp. 66-68.

#### M. Proceedings & Research Reports

Manning, Robert E., Valliere, William A., and **Ben A. Minter**, *Social Values, Environmental Ethics, and National Forest Management*, with Robert E. Manning and William A. Valliere (1996). Study Completion Report, USDA Forest Service, North Central Forest Experiment Station.

Manning, Robert E., Valliere, William A., and **Ben A. Minter**, “Environmental Values and Ethics and National Forest Management.” *Proceedings of the 1996 Northeastern Recreation Research Symposium*. USDA Forest Service General Technical Report NE-232 (1997), pp. 216-222.

Manning, Robert E., Treadwell, Jennifer, Valliere, William A., and **Ben A. Minter**, *Forest Values, Environmental Ethics, and Attitudes Toward National Forest Management*. (1998). Study Completion Report, USDA Forest Service, North Central Experiment Station.

#### N. Critical Notice

J. Baird Callicott, “Silencing Philosophers: Minter and the Foundations of Anti-Foundationalism,” *Environmental Values*, Vol. 8 (1999), pp. 499-516.

## **VI. RESEARCH GRANTS**

*Ecological Ethics: Constructing a Professional Ethics for Ecologists and Biodiversity Managers.* National Science Foundation SDEST Program, 9/05-9/06. \$66,000 (Principal Investigator).

*Reconstructing Conservation: History, Values, and Practice,* Woodstock Foundation and National Park Service, September, 2000-September 2002. \$110,000 (Co-Principle Investigator)

## **VII. TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

### A. Graduate Courses Taught (at ASU, Columbia University, and Georgia Tech)

Environmental Ethics and Policy Goals  
Environmental Humanities (Spring 2009)  
Environmental Politics, Policy, and Management  
Environmental Ethics, Values, and Justice  
Advanced Environmental Policy

### B. Undergraduate Courses Taught (at ASU, Bucknell University, Georgia Tech, and University of Vermont)

Environmental Ethics  
Advanced Environmental Ethics  
Conservation in Practice  
Themes in American Conservation  
Bioethics in Film: Wilderness, Wildlife, and Human Values  
Land Use: History, Ethics, and Politics  
Sustainable Resource Management  
Science, Technology, and Human Values  
Ethics and Technical Professions  
Ecological Planning and Restoration  
Environmental Problem Analysis  
Environmental Planning  
Ethical Theories  
Nature and Culture  
Nature and Human Choice  
Environmental Dispute Resolution

### C. Graduate Students Mentored

Thad Miller, Ph.D. program, School of Sustainability (2006 – current): Advisor  
Felicity Snyder, MNS program, School of Life Sciences (Fall 2007- current): Advisor  
Taylor Jackson, BA/MS program, School of Life Sciences, 2006-2007: Committee Member  
Brian Dietz. MPA student, School of Public Affairs (graduated May 2006): Research Mentor  
Jill Wodrich, MS student, School of Community Resources and Development, 2006-2007:  
Committee Member

### D. Undergraduate Students Mentored

Tyler Scott (Chair, Honors Thesis Committee, Fall 2008-)  
Sandra Ray (Co-chair, Honors Thesis Committee, Spring 2008-)  
Kim Buettner (Co-chair, Honors Thesis Committee, Fall 2007-Spring 2008)  
Sarah Washburn (Reader, Honors Thesis Committee, Fall 2007)  
Robin Dougherty (Reader, Honors Thesis Committee, Fall 2007)  
Kayla Graham (Reader, Honors Thesis Committee, Fall 2006-Spring 2007)  
Hayley Ivins (Research mentor, Ecological Ethics project, Fall 2005-Spring 2006)  
Taylor Jackson (Reader, Honors Thesis Committee, Spring 2006)

## **VIII. PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

Member, International Society for Environmental Ethics  
Member, International Association for Society and Natural Resources

## **IX. SERVICE**

### A. University Service

#### *Arizona State University*

Advisory Committee, MA in Applied Ethics Degree Program, CLAS, 2007-  
ASU Faculty Senate, Fall 2006-Spring 2008  
CLAS Faculty Senate, Fall 2006-2007  
SoLS Undergraduate Curriculum Review Committee, 2006-2007  
ASU National Scholarships and Fellowships Committee, Fall 2004-  
SoLS Sustainability Committee, 2006  
SoLS Seminar speaker nomination committee, Human Dimensions Faculty (chair), 2005-2006  
Lincoln Center for Applied Ethics Advisory Council, 2004-2006  
Faculty Advisor, Students for Environmental Action, Spring 2004-2006

*Columbia University*

Curriculum committee, MPA program in Environmental Science and Policy

*Bucknell University*

Curriculum Committee, Environmental Studies Program

University Library Committee

*Georgia Institute of Technology*

Curriculum Committee, Bachelor of Science in Public Policy degree program, School of Public Policy

## B. Professional Service

### i. Proposal Reviewer (ad hoc)

National Science Foundation, SDEST Program

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada

### ii. Book Manuscript Reviewer

Yale University Press, MIT Press, Island Press, Springer, SUNY Press, University Press of Kentucky

### iii. Article Referee

*Environmental Ethics; Conservation Biology; Ecology; Environmental Values; Ethics & International Affairs; Journal of Environment and Development; Philosophy and Geography; Worldviews: Environment, Culture, Religion; Ethics, Place, and Environment; Journal of Agricultural and Environmental Ethics; Social Theory and Practice; Landscape & Urban Planning; Restoration Ecology; Biological Conservation*

### iv. Manuscript Review Board

*Journal of Agricultural and Environmental Ethics*

### v. Consultant

National Park Service, Conservation Study Institute

### vi. Organizer and Chair of Conference

“Reconstructing Conservation: History, Values, and Practice,” University of Vermont and Woodstock, VT, November, 2001. Organized and chaired conference of leading environmental historians, philosophers, social scientists, and conservation practitioners. Conference resulted in the edited volume, *Reconstructing Conservation* (Island Press, 2003).

## **X. HONORS AND AWARDS**

Graduate Student Award for Outstanding Research and Scholarship, School of Natural Resources, University of Vermont, 1997.

Phi Beta Kappa, University at Albany, SUNY, 1991

Summa cum Laude, University at Albany, SUNY, 1991

## **XI. REFERENCES**

Available upon request