

FLOWS #2: New E-Journal on Land Use and Water Resources Research

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This is to draw your attention to a new E-Journal on Land Use and Water Resources Research edited by Ian Calder. The first issue, now available on-line (at <http://www.luwrr.com>), contains a reassessment of the hydrology of tropical montane cloud forests by L.A. (Sampurno) Bruijnzeel, and a series of articles on various aspects of problems associated with invasive alien species. These include their hydrological impacts and economic costs, integrated approaches to controlling them, and economic instruments and institutional arrangements that could potentially be used to support these efforts. The issue also features South Africa's Working for Water Programme (designed to eradicate invasive alien species to improve water supply while also reducing poverty and unemployment), including an evaluation and a discussion of the inherent social challenges.

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