FIELDS OF POWER, FORESTS OF DISCONTENT (Hardback)

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University of Arizona Press, United States, 2005. Hardback. Condition: New. New. Language: English . Brand New Book. Enduring differences between protected areas and local people have produced few happy compromises, but at the Calakmul Biosphere Reserve in the southern Mexican state of Campeche, government agents and thousands of local people collaborated on an expansive program to alleviate these tensions a conservation-development agenda that aimed to improve local people s standard of living while preserving natural resources. Calakmul is home to numerous endangered species and raises a common question: How can environmental managers and citizens reconcile competing ecological desires? For a brief time in the 1990s, collaborations at Calakmul were heralded as a vital example of melding local management, forest conservation, and economic development. In Fields of Power, Forests of Discontent, Nora Haenn questions the rise and fall of this conservation program to examine conservation at the intersection of national-international agendas and local political-economic interests. While other assessments of such programs have typically focused on why they do or do not succeed, Haenn instead considers conservation s encounter with people s everyday lives and how those experiences affect environmental management. Haenn explores conservation and development from two perspectives: first regionally, to...

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