The Next Chapter Begins: Announcing Prof. Bram F. Noble, Editor in Chief of *Environmental Management*

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For over four decades, *Environmental Management* has been an important international journal, disseminating manuscripts of relevance to decisions makers, scientists, and environmental assessors. Articles in the journal offer research findings and perspectives on the use and conservation of natural resources, protection of habitats, and control of hazards to ecosystems and human health, spanning the fields contributing to environmental management without regard to disciplinary boundaries. Simply stated, *Environmental Management* provides a unique transdisciplinary platform for advancing the science and the practice to realize more sustainable development, environmental quality and ecosystem integrity.

Five and a half years ago, I was fortunate to begin service to *Environmental Management* and the related disciplines as Editor in Chief. This leadership transition initiated a new chapter for the journal, in which we implemented a more traditional Editorial Board structure and appointed highly competent Associate Editors with diverse disciplinary expertise and geographic representation. All indicators, such as growing submissions, shorter review times, and increasing article usage and journal impact factor, identify a vibrant

international publication venue, which is increasingly positioned to communicate timely and important contributions from multiple disciplines. *Environmental Management* must continue to facilitate transdisciplinary advances toward achieving the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals.

And now the next chapter of *Environmental Management* begins. I am pleased to announce Prof. Bram F. Noble with the Department of Geography and Planning at the University of Saskatchewan in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada, as the new Editor in Chief of *Environmental Management*. Prof. Noble is an excellent scholar who has contributed to *Environmental Management* in many ways for many years—initially as an author, with his first publication in the journal in 2004, and then as an Editorial Board member. Over the past five and a half years, Prof. Noble has served as a stellar Associate Editor for *Environmental Management*. We have worked closely to ensure a seamless transition, which has been aided by Dr Jacob K. Stanley, who continues as Managing Editor. I have full confidence in Prof. Noble's judgment and capacity to lead an excellent editorial team as the next chapter of *Environmental Management* is written.

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