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| Region:                 | Guangdon Province, China  |                  |      |
| Country:                | China   |                  |      |
| Ecosystem Type:         | wetlands  |                  |      |
| Social Characteristics: | Coastal community   |                  |      |
| Scale of Study:         | regional  |                  |      |
| Resource Type:          | Wetland resources, mangrove resources, coastal wetland, environmental management, Xinhui  |                  |      |

| Type of Initiative:   | research-driven project  |
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| Summary:              | Using institutional appraisal focused groups (FG) and participatory appraisals with Dillman Total Design<br>Method (TDM), this study examines community interaction with and utilization of wetland resources in<br>Xinhui, Guangdong Province, China. Field results show high commercial activities and corresponding<br>impacts on coastal environment. Other interacting factors identified include: legislation and ecosystem<br>management, stakeholders' participation, international guidelines criteria, and utilization of mangrove<br>resources in the region. Sensitivity index and community-based natural resources management<br>collaboration comparison percentile showed significant differences between cumulative distributions of<br>respondents ( $D = 0.2568$ , $P = 0.078$ ). Likert statement of 11 sensitivity optional indexes in EMS of K–S test<br>at 0.05 level of $P = 0.078$ also show significant differences in interaction between respondent groups and<br>sensitivity factors. This indicates a dysfunction between regional environmental management systems and<br>CBNRM in Xinhui coastal district. Considering the high tourism potential and economic quest of the region,<br>there is the need for coordinated community enlightenment and further studies on the social, ecological<br>and economic value of wetland resources. |