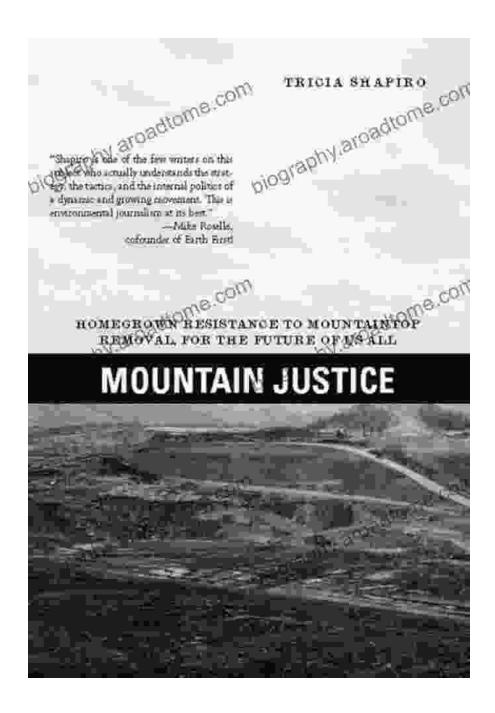
# Homegrown Resistance to Mountaintop Removal: For the Future of Us All



Mountaintop removal mining is a destructive practice that has devastating consequences for the environment and the people who live near it. But there is hope. *Homegrown Resistance to Mountaintop Removal* tells the

inspiring story of how local communities in Appalachia are fighting back against this destructive practice.



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Author Donna Lisenby spent years interviewing residents of Appalachia who are affected by mountaintop removal mining. She tells their stories of heartbreak and loss, but also of resilience and determination. These are people who have lost their homes, their water, and their way of life. But they have not given up. They are fighting back.

Homegrown Resistance to Mountaintop Removal is a powerful and moving book that sheds light on a little-known issue. It is a must-read for anyone who cares about the environment, social justice, or the future of our planet.

#### What is mountaintop removal mining?

Mountaintop removal mining is a form of surface mining in which the tops of mountains are removed to expose coal seams. This process involves using explosives to blast away the rock and soil, and then using heavy machinery to remove the coal. Mountaintop removal mining is a destructive practice

that has devastating consequences for the environment and the people who live near it.

Mountaintop removal mining destroys forests, pollutes water supplies, and creates air pollution. It also disrupts the livelihoods of people who live near mining sites, and it can lead to health problems such as asthma and cancer.

#### The resistance movement in Appalachia

Despite the devastating impacts of mountaintop removal mining, local communities in Appalachia are fighting back. They are organizing protests, lobbying politicians, and filing lawsuits. They are also working to develop alternative sources of income, such as tourism and sustainable agriculture.

The resistance movement in Appalachia is growing stronger every day. And it is having an impact. In recent years, several states have passed laws to restrict mountaintop removal mining. And the Obama administration has taken steps to reduce the practice on federal lands.

The resistance movement in Appalachia is a beacon of hope for all who believe that we can create a more just and sustainable world. It is a reminder that even in the face of adversity, we can never give up hope.

#### How you can help

There are many ways to support the resistance movement in Appalachia. You can donate to organizations that are working to end mountaintop removal mining. You can write letters to your elected officials. You can spread the word about this issue. And you can boycott products that are made by companies that support mountaintop removal mining.

Together, we can create a future where mountaintop removal mining is a thing of the past. We can create a future where all people have access to clean water, clean air, and a healthy environment.



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