

Version 1 (Primarily SOC5640)

Conflict Situation Assessment Paper

Goal

Provide a *thorough* assessment of the conflict management potential in an on-going resource conflict situation, most likely from the organizational/community/natural resources spheres.

The objective is to develop a conclusion as to how amenable the situation is for a conflict resolution or collaborative approach, by clearly identifying the escalating and mitigating factors.

Your paper can come to one of three basic conclusions:

- 1) The situation is not suitable for conflict management, and here is why...
- 2) The situation *could* be suitable for conflict management if the following changes/events occurred...
- 3) The situation is suitable for conflict management, and the conflict management strategy I would employ would be...

Maximum length

15 pages, double spaced 11 pt, exclusive of graphics and references list. Doing an adequate job in this limited length will be a challenge. (As Mark Twain once wrote "I would have written a shorter letter, but I didn't have the time.")