

Review of: "Ecosystem Services Inequality Driven by Agroextractivism in Salamina, Colombia: A Critical Institutional Analysis"

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A really interesting article and case study about the nuances of ecosystem services and capitalism! I found it to be a rich discussion of ecosystem services from a justice and equality perspective, which is something the field needs more of, so well done there.

Personally, I found that Section 2 begins a bit awkwardly. While I appreciated the discussion of critiques, I found it needed a different opening before delving into that aspect of the discussion. I think it might benefit from opening with your definition, followed by a discussion of the tensions within the field of ecosystem services, then the explanation of why you chose the definitions and framework you did.

I found all components of Section 3 particularly rich in context and connection, and appreciated the case study of avocados in Salamina, Colombia as an example to thread the theory through. I was particularly drawn to Table 1, for the way it broke down each player and their role. I think a potential follow-up project to this study would be interviews with the different players, which would add a lot to the development of this discussion of inequality in ecosystem service access. In another potential follow-up, I would love to see a deeper economic analysis which incorporates (perhaps) some non-market valuation methods to begin to tie inequality in with non-market value structures. I think this would add a lot of breadth, though these would all be follow-up projects of their own.

I look forward to there being more discussions of inequality and justice within the field of ecosystem services, thank you for this rich case study and analysis.