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Sommario/riassunto	This ambitious work is the definitive account of Russia's land reform initiatives from the late 1980's to today. In Russia, a country controlling more land than any other nation, land ownership is central to

structures of power, class division, and agricultural production. The aim of Russian land reform for the past thirty years-to undo the collectivization of the Soviet era and encourage public ownership-has been largely unsuccessful. To understand this failure, Stephen Wegren examines contemporary land reform policies in terms of legislation, institutional structure, and human behavior. Using extensive survey data, he analyzes household behaviors in regard to land ownership and usage based on socioeconomic status, family size, demographic distribution, and regional differences. Wegren's study is important and timely, as Russian land reform will have a profound effect on Russia's ability to compete in an era of globalization.
