1. Record Nr. UNINA9910825675803321 Autore **Bednar Charles** Titolo Transforming the dream: ecologism and the shaping of an alternative American vision / / Charles Sokol Bednar Pubbl/distr/stampa Albany: .: State University of New York Press. . 2003 ©2003 **ISBN** 0-7914-8686-9 Edizione [1st ed.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (xii, 218 pages) Disciplina 363.7/0973 Soggetti Green movement - United States Environmental ethics - United States Environmental economics - United States Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Includes bibliographical references (p. 183-213) and index. Nota di bibliografia ""Transforming the Dream""; ""Contents""; ""Preface""; Nota di contenuto ""Acknowledgments""; ""Introduction""; ""1. Ecological Economics""; ""2. Ecological Political Economy""; ""3. Ecological Ethics""; ""4. Ecological Pedagogy""; ""5. Conclusion""; ""Notes""; ""Bibliography""; ""Index"" Sommario/riassunto Transforming the Dream challenges American mainstream culture's obsession with unlimited economic and industrial growth. Drawing on works by Roy Morrison, Murray Bookchin, Daniel C. Maguire, Paul Taylor, C. A. Bowers, and others, Bednar critiques the ideological status quo, offering an alternative ecological economics, political economy, ethics, and pedagogy. This new outlook on humankind's relationship to the environment is, he argues, better positioned to address critical issues of the twenty-first century, including the ecological and social limits of economic growth, the social and economic requisites for authentic democracy, the ethics of human interaction with the natural environment, and the educational curricula and practices required to promote ecological literacy. Bednar's perspective provides the opportunity to develop economic and political institutions that permit a sustainable relationship with the environment and offers a socially

richer and more fulfilling life for the individual than the "American

Dream" promised by the current system.