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Kingdon's so-called Multiple Streams approach _____ Verb - Base Form one of the most cited theories of policy formation, if also one of its least systematically applied. At the heart of the perspective lies an interest in explaining agenda change--how and why some issues move onto and up the decision agenda of government, while others do not. Through case studies of federal policy making in the areas of transportation and health and an impressive panel design consisting of 247 interviews with policy makers over a 4-year period, Kingdon developed an explanation of policy change that accommodated some elements of rationalism and incrementalism , while rejecting as inadequate the traditional problem-solving and incremental models of policy formation. The federal government, according to MS thinking, can be viewed as an arena through which three "streams" of separate, simultaneous activity surge. The problem stream consists of those conditions which policy makers have chosen to interpret as problems.