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Seminar Schedule Inside



Morning 8:00am – 12:00pm

Afternoon 1:15pm – 5:30pm

- 8:00 Registration
- 8:30 **Introduction and Welcome**
*Tom Blickensderfer, Program Co-Chair,
Endangered Species Program Director*
Colorado Department of Natural Resources, Denver
Harriet M. Hageman, Esq., Program Co-Chair
Hageman & Brighton, Cheyenne
- 8:45 **NEPA**
An Overview of the Statute
History, Background and Framework
James W. "Skip" Spensley, Esq.
Spensley & Associates, Denver
- 9:30 **Recent Legislation Involving NEPA**
Current Congressional/Regulatory Developments
Kent Holsinger, Esq.
Hale Hackstaff Friesen, Denver
- 10:15 Morning Break
- 10:30 **Meat and Bones**
Can State Law Be Used to Transform NEPA into a
Substantive Statute?
Charles E. Hansberry, Esq.
Holland & Hart, Billings
- 11:15 **State of Wyoming v. USDA**
Forest Service Roadless Case
Harriet Hageman, Esq., Program Co-Chair
- 12:00 Lunch Break



- 1:15 **An Analysis of the Statute**
From an Environmental Perspective
*Dan Luecke, Ph.D., Environment and Water
Resources Consultant*
Western Resource Advocates, Boulder
- 2:00 **A Federal Voice**
Policy Developments and Thoughts About the Future
Larry Svoboda, NEPA Program Director, Region 8
US Environmental Protection Agency, Denver
- 2:45 Afternoon Break
- 3:00 **NEPA Compliance: When Is the
Statute Triggered?**
Categorical Exclusion, Environmental Assessment and
Environmental Impact Statements
*Connie Young-Dubovsky, NEPA Coordinator,
Region 6*
US Fish & Wildlife Service, Denver
- 3:45 **The Endangered Species Act**
Role of the ESA in NEPA Compliance
Tom Pitts, PE
Water Consult, Engineering and Planning Consultants,
Loveland
- 4:30 **Cumulative Impacts: They Don't Exist,
and You Have to Include Them**
Definitions, Examples and Analysis Tools
Leslie E. Wildesen, Ph.D.
ETCI, Inc., Denver
- 5:15 Q&A Panel
Members of the Faculty
- 5:30 Adjourn

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Program Chairs

Tom Blicksederfer has served as Endangered Species Program Director for the Colorado Department of Natural Resources since 2000. In his capacity, Tom oversees policy direction over a variety of species and habitat issues including Colorado River Endangered Fish Recovery, Prebles Meadow Jumping Mouse Habitat Conservation Planning, and Lynx reintroduction. Tom served in the Colorado General Assembly for ten years as Senate Majority Leader and as a member of the Joint Budget Committee.

Harriet M. Hageman focuses on water and natural resource issues. She has experience working for the State of Wyoming on endangered species issues, National Forest management matters and water resources management. She is a member of the Board of Directors for the Wyoming Water Association. She was counsel for the State of Wyoming in the case against the United States Department of Agriculture where Wyoming challenged the forest-management actions collectively known as the "Roadless Regulations."

Charles E. Hansberry's practice is principally divided between environmental and employment disputes. His environmental practice involves advising clients on permitting and compliance issues. He has represented industrial clients in appeals before the Montana Board of Environmental Review and the Montana Department of Environmental Quality, specializing in air related issues. Additionally, he has worked on litigation, including lawsuits involving Montana's constitutional right to a clean and healthful environment.

Kent Holsinger focuses on water, natural resources, environmental permitting and real estate. He previously worked as the Assistant Director for Water at Colorado's Department of Natural Resources, where he was involved in every major water issue facing Colorado. He has worked in Washington, DC, as a Legislative Assistant to Congressman Bob Schaffer and as a legal intern for US Senator Wayne Allard. He has published articles on business planning, water quality, water rights, and politics and the media.

Dan Luecke has been doing environmental work in Colorado for over 20 years. He is an engineer and former Regional Director for Environmental Defense. He recently received the Trout Conservation Award, which recognized his contributions over a distinguished career in conservation. He has been active in the Colorado River Endangered Fishes Recovery Program.

Tom Pitts has 35 years experience in water resources planning and management, environmental permitting and assessment of water and hydroelectric projects, and in dealing with environmental issues affecting water resources development and management in the western United States. He has produced more than 100 articles and presentations on environmental permitting, ESA, water quality regulation, and water resources management.

James W. "Skip" Spensley has been an environmental attorney for over 25 years, and is a nationally-known expert on NEPA. He is an adjunct professor and has taught at the University of Colorado, the University of Denver Law School and the Graduate Environmental Management and Policy Program. He has also conducted NEPA workshops and has managed the NEPA process for Denver International Airport.

Larry Svoboda is the NEPA Program Director with the Environmental Protection Agency, Region 8. EPA has a unique role in the NEPA process. The Clean Air Act requires EPA to review and publicly comment on all Environmental Impact Statements (EISs) to determine if there are unacceptable levels of environmental impacts from the proposed project. EPA is also required to review the adequacy of public disclosure in the EIS.

Leslie E. Wildesen has over 30 years experience in all aspects of environmental planning and impact assessment, including internal experience in federal and state agencies and the US Congress. She has served as a staff member of the US House of Representatives Subcommittee on Public Lands and National Parks. She has served as an appointee of the President of the United States, the Governors of Oregon and Colorado, and two Secretaries of the Interior. She is the principal developer of ETCI's nationally known "NEPA Toolbox™."

Connie Young-Dubovsky has worked for the federal government in various capacities for 10 years. Prior to her current position she worked on the South Platte Wild and Scenic River Study for the U.S. Forest Service coordinating with diverse stakeholders to develop a cooperative management strategy for the Upper South Platte River corridor. She spent two of her Washington years coordinating the successful development of a coast-wide coastal fisheries statistics program for the Atlantic coast.

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