

SUMMARY OF CONFERENCES (1980-2011)

The first conference in 1980 has set the pattern for the NRLC's annual three-day summer conference. Since then, more than 12,000 people have attended our public education programs, drawn by the timely topics, diverse speakers, and applicable information and materials.

July 28- August 1, 1980	Federal Lands, Laws and Policies and the Development of Natural Resources
June 8-11, 1981	Water Resources Allocation: <i>Laws and Emerging Issues</i>
June 7-10, 1982	New Sources of Water and Energy Development and Growth: <i>Interbasin Transfers</i>
June 6-9, 1983	Groundwater: <i>Allocation – Development – Pollution</i>
June 6-8, 1984	The Federal Land Policy and Management Act
June 3-5, 1985	Western Water Law in Transition
June 2-4, 1986	Western Water: <i>Expanding Uses/ Finite Supplies</i>
June 1-3, 1987	Water as a Public Resource: <i>Emerging Rights and Obligations</i>
June 1-3, 1988	Water Quality Control: <i>Integrating Beneficial Use and Environmental Protection</i>
June 5-7, 1989	Boundaries and Water: <i>Allocation and Use of a Shared Resource</i>
June 6-8, 1990	Moving the West's Water to New Uses: <i>Winners and Losers</i>
June 5-7, 1991	Innovation in Western Water Law and Management
June 15-17, 1992	Uncovering the Hidden Resource: <i>Groundwater Law, Hydrology and Policy in the 1990s</i>
June 14-16, 1993	Water Organizations in a Changing West
June 13-15, 1994	Regulatory Takings and Resources: <i>What are the Constitutional Limits?</i>
June 12-14, 1995	Sustainable Use of the West's Water
June 9-12, 1996	Biodiversity Protection: <i>Implementation and Reform of the Endangered Species Act</i>
June 2-4, 1997	Dams: <i>Water and Power in the West</i>
June 8-10, 1998	Outdoor Recreation: <i>Promise and Peril in the New West</i>
June 8-11, 1999	Strategies in Western Water Law and Policy: <i>Courts, Coercion and Collaboration</i>
June 7-9, 2000	Water and Growth in the West
June 13-15, 2001	Two Decades of Water Law and Policy Reform: <i>A Retrospective and Agenda for the Future</i>
June 11-14, 2002	Allocating and Managing Water for a Sustainable Future: <i>Lessons from Around the World</i>
June 15-17, 2003	Water, Climate and Uncertainty: <i>Implications for Western Water Law, Policy and Management</i>
June 16-18, 2004	Groundwater in the West
June 8-10, 2005	Hard Times on the Colorado River: <i>Drought, Growth and the Future of the Compact</i>
June 7-9, 2006	Climate Change and the Future of the American West: <i>Exploring the Legal and Policy Dimensions</i>
June 6-8, 2007	The Future of Natural Resources Law and Policy

June 4-6, 2008	Shifting Baselines and New Meridians: Water, Resources and Transition of the American West
June 3-5, 2009	Western Water Law, Policy & Management: <i>Ripples, Currents and New Channels for Inquiry</i>
June 4-6, 2010	The Past, Present, and Future of Our Public Lands: Celebrating the 40th Anniversary of the Public Land Law Review Commissions' Report — <i>One Third of the Nation's Land</i>
June 8-10, 2011	Navigating the Future of the Colorado River

Other Events: Symposia, Workshops, Hot Topics

June 11-13, 1984	The Federal Impact on State Water Rights
June 10-11, 1985	Issues and Directions Leasing: <i>Public Lands Mineral</i>
June 9-10, 1986	Getting a Handle on Hazardous Waste Control
September 14-16, 1986	External Development Affecting the National Parks: Preserving "<i>The Best Idea We Ever Had</i>"
June 8-10, 1987	The Public Lands During the Remainder of the 20th Century: <i>Planning, Law, and Policy in the Federal Land Agencies</i>
March 18, 1988	Workshop on the <i>Federal Onshore Oil and Gas, Leasing Reform Act of 1987</i>
March 31- April 1, 1988	Instream Flow Protection in the Western United States: <i>A Practical Symposium</i>
June 8-10, 1988	Natural Resource Development in Indian Country
September 7, 1988	Workshop on the <i>Regulations Implementing the Amendments to the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920</i>
October 12-13, 1989	New Challenges for Environmental Protection: <i>Second Sino-American Conference on Environmental Law</i>
November 27-28, 1989	Air Quality Protection in the West
May 3-4, 1990	Oil and Gas Joint Operating Agreement
October 18, 1991	The Law of International Watercourses: <i>The United Nations International Law Commission's Draft Rules on the Non-Navigational Uses of International Watercourses</i>
November 19, 1993	Wetland Issues in Resources Development in the Western United States
September 28-30, 1994	Who Governs the Public Lands: Washington? The West? The Community?
January 26-27, 1995	Oil and Natural Gas Pipelines — Wellhead to End User
August 2, 1995	Western State Water Planning Symposium
October 11-13, 1995	Challenging Federal Ownership and Management: <i>Public Lands and Public Benefits</i>
February 1, 1996	Restoring the West's Waters: <i>Opportunities for the Bureau of Reclamation</i>
September 16-18, 1996	The National Forest Management Act in a Changing Society: <i>How well has it worked in the past 20 years? Will it work in the 21st Century?</i>
May 4-5, 1998	Rights-of-Way—<i>How Right is Your Right-of-Way?</i>

April 7-8, 2001	Cartography of Governance— Exploring the Province of Environmental NGO's
October 9, 2001	Native American Sacred Lands Forum (and Film Screening)
November 16, 2001	Public Lands Symposium (FLPMA)
November 27, 2001	Roundtable on <i>Energy & the Environment</i>
April 4-5, 2002	Coalbed Methane Development
April–September 2002	Discussion Series: <i>The Silence of the Lands: Noise and Our National Parks — Endangered Species Act Workshop</i>
August 11-16, 2003	Energy Field Tour 2003
May 12-13, 2004	Workshop on <i>Best Management Practices and Adaptive Management in Oil & Gas Development</i>
August 4-6, 2004	Energy Field Tour 2004
December 1-3, 2004	Workshop on the <i>Introduction to the Legal Foundation of Federal Land Management</i>
June 16-19, 2005	Community Forests: <i>Possibilities, Experiences, and Lessons Learned</i> (held in Missoula, Montana)
October 9, 2006	Celebrating the Centennial of the Antiquities Act
March 16–17, 2007	Symposium on <i>The Climate of Environmental Justice — Taking Stock</i>
May 10, 2007	HOT TOPIC: Wetlands Regulations after Rapanos
March 21, 2008	HOT TOPIC: Securing Environmental Flows on the Colorado River in an Era of Climate Change: Issues, Challenges & Opportunities
December 11, 2008	Workshop on <i>Evolving Regional Frameworks for Ag-to-Urban Water Transfers</i>
December 16, 2008	HOT TOPIC: Managing Oil & Gas Development in Colorado: <i>The New COGCC Rules</i>
February 5, 2010	Symposium on <i>The Promise & Peril of Oil Shale Development</i>
November 12, 2010	Symposium on <i>Shale Plays in the Intermountain West</i>
April 5, 2011	HOT TOPIC: <i>Interbasin Compact Committee (IBCC): Past and Present</i>