

Interdisciplinary Water Resources Seminar GRAD592

Fall 2018 Theme:

Topics in Colorado Water Law

Monday, October 22, 2018 4:00 – 5:30 PM,
Wagar Room 132

Instream Flow Law

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Biography:

Linda Bassi is the Chief of the CWCB's Stream and Lake Protection Section and has worked for the Board since September 2004. Bassi is responsible for all program areas of Colorado's Instream Flow and Natural Lake Level Program, which include new instream flow water right appropriations, legal protection, monitoring and enforcement of the Board's instream flow water rights, acquisitions of water for instream flow use by the Board, and development of legislation, policies, and rules related to the Program. Prior to working for the Board, Linda worked in the Colorado Attorney General's Office, representing the Division of Water Resources and the CWCB on various water rights issues. Bassi represented the Board in water court to adjudicate new instream flow water rights, change acquired water rights to instream flow use, and protect existing instream flow water rights. Bassi received her J.D. from IIT-Chicago Kent College of Law in 1994, where she completed a program in Environmental and Energy Law.



Abstract:

Colorado's Legislature created our state's Instream Flow and Natural Lake Level Program in 1973 to address the lack of a legal mechanism to protect water in streams for environmental preservation. Over the years, additional legislation and Colorado Supreme Court decisions have clarified and refined the Program. This lecture will trace the laws and court opinions that have shaped the Program to address policy issues and meet evolving needs related to protecting our valuable natural resources.



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All interested faculty, students, and off-campus guests are encouraged to attend.
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