

Making River Music

Wednesday, Oct. 19

7:45 Registration and Continental Breakfast

8:15 Welcome - Reagan Waskom, Colorado Water Institute

8:30 Walk the Line (SWSI 2010)

John Stulp, Water Advisor to Governor John Hickenlooper

9:00 Satisfaction (Round Table Update)

Jim Yahn, Chair, South Platte Basin Round Table

9:15 In the Year 2525 (SWSI 2010 Results)

Moderator: Jim Yahn, South Platte Basin Round Table Chair

- Water Supply Development—Blaine Dwyer, AECOM
- SWSI, Identified Projects and Processes, and the M&I Gap—Eric Hecox, Colorado Water Conservation Board
- SWSI Ag Transfer Committee Report—Joe Frank, Lower South Platte Water Conservancy District
- Protecting Non-Consumptive Needs—Melinda Kassen, WaterJamin Legal and Policy Consulting

10:20 Break

10:45 On the Road Again (Water Transfers)

Moderator: Alan Berryman, Northern Water

- Planning and Managing a Farmer-Implemented ATM—Stephen Smith, Regenesys Management Group
- Lower South Platte Water Coop Update—Jim Yahn, North Sterling Irrigation District
- Platte River Recovery Implementation Program—Suzanne Sellers, Colorado Water Conservation Board

12:00 We Can Work it Out (Keynote Luncheon)

- Friends of the South Platte Award Presented to Tom Cech
- The View from around the State: Global Negotiations—Jim Lochhead, Denver Water

1:25 Money Makes the World Go Around (Economics)

Moderator: Sean Cronin, St. Vrain and Left Hand WCD

- Financing Colorado's Future—Dr. Phyllis Resnick, Center for Colorado's Economic Future
- Backseat Budgeter—Chris Adams, Engaged Public
- Legislative Perspective—Mary Hodge, Colorado State Senator
- Results of Nutrient Criteria Cost/Benefits Study—Dave Akers, Water Quality Control Division

3:00 Break

3:15 Friends in Low Places (Lower Basin Groundwater Issues and Management)

Moderator: Don Ament, Brown and Caldwell

- Groundwater Levels in the Lower Basin—Joe Frank, Lower South Platte Water Conservancy District
- Groundwater-Level Monitoring—Suzanne Paschke, U.S. Geological Survey
- High Groundwater: No Magic Bullet—Dave Nettles, Division of Water Resources

4:00 Groundwater Panel Discussion

Moderator: Don Ament, Brown and Caldwell

- Andy Moore, Colorado Water Conservation Board
- Jerry Sonnenburg, Colorado State Representative
- Joe Frank, Lower South Platte WCD
- Dave Nettles, Division of Water Resources
- Suzanne Paschke, U.S. Geological Survey

4:45 Day Ends

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Thursday, Oct. 20

8:00 Registration and Continental Breakfast

8:30 Welcome

8:35 Running on Empty (Water Conservation)

Moderator: Rich Vidmar, City of Aurora

- Conservation's Role in Filling the Gap—Drew Beckwith, Western Resource Advocates
- Cost of New and Conserved Water—Doug Kenney, Western Water Policy Program
- Making Sense of Conservation—Veva Deheza, Colorado Water Conservation Board
- Use What You Can Afford—Greg Fisher, Denver Water

10:10 Break

10:40 The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly (Critters Update)

Moderator: Pete Conovitz, Colorado Division of Parks and Wildlife

- Greenback Cutthroat Trout: Uncertainties and Opportunities—Harry Crockett, Colorado Division of Parks and Wildlife
- Preble's CH, DPS, and SPR: Not an 80s New Wave Band—Craig Hansen, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
- The Mountain Pine Beetle Epidemic—Jeff Witcosky, USDA Forest Service
- Invasive Species in Colorado—Elizabeth Brown, Colorado Division of Parks and Wildlife

12:00 Green River (Keynote Luncheon)

Bill Ritter, Center for the New Energy Economy, Colorado State University

1:20 Good Vibrations (Energy)

Moderator: Marcella Hutchinson, U.S. EPA Region 8

- Energy, Water, and Agriculture in a Drying Southwest—Stacy Tellinghuisen, Western Resource Advocates
- Shale Oil from the Niobrara—Weston Wilson, retired EPA
- Getting the Power Out: Challenges of Small Hydropower Development—Daniel Zimmerle, Colorado State University
- Micro-hydro Potential on the South Platte—Lindsay George, Applegate Group, Inc.

3:00 Forum Ends

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