Living As If Nature Mattered

Thursday, March 3 through Sunday, March 6, 2005

Welcome to the Public Interest Environmental Law Conference, the premier annual gathering for environmentalists in the world. Now in its 23rd year, the Conference unites activists, attorneys, students, scientists, and concerned citizens to share their expertise, experience, and insights. With 120 panels, keynote addresses, workshops, films, and celebrations, the Conference is world-renowned for its energy, innovation, and inspiration for all who participate.

Registration for the Conference will be in the lobby of the University of Oregon School of Law, on the corner of 15th Avenue and Agate Street. All Keynote Addresses will be at the EMU Ballroom. Free tickets will be distributed for keynote addresses on a first-come, first-served basis one hour before each address. Space for meals and workshops is limited -- please pre-purchase tickets for meals and workshops through the Registration table in the Law School lobby.

For changes to the schedule or questions about the conference, please visit our website, www.pielc.org, from the internet terminals in the Law School’s Commons, or visit the Registration area in the Law School lobby.
Jane Akre and Steve Wilson, former Fox Television news reporters, were the first journalists to use the Whistleblowers Act after being fired for refusing to distort the news. In 1996 Jane Akre and Steve Wilson began investigating rBGH, the genetically modified growth hormone American dairies have been injecting into cows. In 2000, a Florida jury unanimously determined that Fox ordered them to falsify their reporting about health risks associated with growth hormones found in milk, and that Akre’s threat to inform the FCC of Fox’s misconduct was the sole reason for their termination. Later an appeals court overturned that ruling on the grounds that it is not against the law for news organizations to lie or distort the truth. Akre and Wilson’s story has recently been featured in the documentary, “The Corporation” and the book, “Into the Buzzsaw.”

Leslie Carothers is the president of the Environmental Law Institute, an organization that studies environmental policy and helps promote sustainable practices in business and government through education. She started her environmental career thirty years ago with the Environmental Protection Agency and was instrumental in defending some of the Agency’s first regulations in court.

Rod Coronado is a Pascua Yaqui warrior who has spent the last 18 years fighting for environmental justice. In 1985, at the age of 19, he joined the crew of the indomitable Sea Shepherd. The next year, Coronado and fellow crew member David Howitt sunk two illegal whaling ships off the coast of Iceland. Later that year, from the bow of the Sea Shepherd he began writing about his direct action experiences for the Earth First! Journal. Coronado is also an experienced hunt saboteur on land, defending bighorn sheep, desert pronghorn and other threatened species. Coronado has utilized his skills to infiltrate fur farms and document their abuses. He fully embodies direct action, highlighting everyone’s potential for empowered action.

Bill Devall inspired the theme for this year’s conference with his book “Deep Ecology, Living as if Nature Mattered”. In the book Devall and his co-author George Sessions explore the intellectual basis for the environmental movement and provide a foundation for modern environmental philosophy. Devall is professor emeritus in the Sociology Department at Humboldt State University in Arcata, California.

Fernando Dougnac is the founder of Fiscalía del Medio Ambiente (FIMA), Chile’s premier public interest environmental law organization. In 1985, Fernando won the country’s first environmental lawsuit, protecting a Biosphere Reserve from destruction by Chile’s military government. Among Fernando’s many other legal victories are a case against industries polluting the air in northern Chile, protection of a local community’s water rights, and prevention of illegal dumping of toxic copper mining waste. Fernando was the first environmental lawyer to use Chile’s constitutional right to a healthy environment to protect the ancient forests in Tierro del Fuego. He also developed indigenous rights laws in Chile. He used these laws to defend several communities, most notably the Mapuche Indians, whose land would have been flooded by a series of hydro-electric dams.

Dr. Samuel Epstein is a leading cancer researcher who focuses on avoidable causes of cancer. His research focuses on the many cancer-causing substances that consumers are exposed to through cosmetics, food, prescription drugs and other products. Dr. Epstein has testified on senate committees and has spoken on numerous television programs about his research. Dr. Epstein is professor emeritus of Environmental and Occupational Medicine at the University of Illinois School of Public Health, and also serves as the Chairman of the Cancer Prevention Coalition.

Dune Lankard is the co-founder of the Eyak Preservation Council and Redzone, an organization whose mission is to “protect the inherent rights of culture, heritage, language and ancestral lands of native people in Alaska.” Mr. Lankard is an Eyak fisherman from the Copper River Delta in Alaska, whose livelihood was devastated by the Exxon Valdez oil spill. After the Exxon Valdez spill, Lankard decided he would make it his life’s mission to prevent the destruction of life and livelihood. He was selected by Time magazine as one of its “Heroes of the Planet” for his environmental and cultural activism work. Mr. Lankard now sits on the board of several action-oriented nature and culture preservation organizations including the Ruckus Society, Circle of Life, Seva Foundation and others.
Zygmunt Plater, professor of law at the Boston College Law School, brought the snail darter to the nation’s attention. He was instrumental in spearheading the Endangered Species Act litigation that closed the Tellico dam and established the Endangered Species Act as an important tool for protecting biological diversity. Over the past 25 years he has been involved with a number of issues of environmental protection and land use regulation. Professor Plater has published articles on topics in environmental law, private and public rights in land and resources, equitable discretion, administrative law, and related fields.

Gail Small is the founding director of Native Action. Native Action is one of the first Native American not-for-profit organizations dedicated to Native environmental protection, educational equality, and political reform. Under her leadership, Native Action has established national precedents in federal banking law, environmental policy, Indian voter discrimination, and youth law. Ms. Small is a member of the Northern Cheyenne Indian Tribe. She has served as an elected member of the Northern Cheyenne Tribal Council and remains active in national Indian policy issues, as well as international indigenous issues. At the Fourth United Nations World Conference on Women and N.G.O. Forum, Ms. Small was a speaker on indigenous human rights. Ms. Small has a law degree from The University of Oregon School of Law.

Beverly Wright is the founder and director of the Deep South Center for Environmental Justice at Xavier University in New Orleans, Louisiana. For more than a decade she has been a leading scholar, advocate, and activist in the environmental justice arena. She has directed numerous grassroots community-initiated health surveys, evaluated community buy-outs, and supervised community development initiatives around contaminated sites. Beverly has given expert testimony on environmental justice issues and was named to the Environmental Protection Agency’s National Environmental Justice Advisory Council (NEJAC).

Carla Garcia Zendejas, a Mexican attorney, works independently with U.S. and Mexican NGOs on cross border issues such as water monitoring, sustainable power plants, law reform and other issues. During the past three years, Baja California has been inundated with projects from multinational oil and gas corporations looking to install power plants and liquefied natural gas (LNG) terminals on the coast. For the first time in history, electricity produced in Mexico could be transmitted entirely into California. None of the electricity would benefit Mexican households and, the plants raised concerns over safety and environmental devastation. Ms. Garcia Zendejas continues to work with communities to fight these proposals and support the use of renewable energy.

Audio Recording: Jeffrey “Free” Luers is currently serving a twenty-two and a half year prison sentence in Oregon State Penetentiary for starting a fire at an SUV dealership to protest global warming. The fire, which caused approximately forty-thousand dollars worth of damage, was considered an act of “eco-terrorism” by the court.
Schedule of Lunch and Evening Keynote Addresses

THURSDAY, MARCH 3,
7:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M.
Invocation by Corbin Harney
Bill Devall
Fernando Dougnac

FRIDAY, MARCH 4
12:00 P.M. - 2:00 P.M.
Leslie Carothers
Zygmunt Plater
Gail Small

FRIDAY, MARCH 4
7:00 P.M. - 9:15 P.M.
Dr. Samuel Epstein
Jane Akre
Steve Wilson

SATURDAY, MARCH 5
12:00 P.M. - 2:00 P.M.
Carla Garcia Zendejas
Dune Lankard

SATURDAY, MARCH 5
7:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M.
Beverly Wright

SUNDAY, MARCH 6
12:00 P.M. - 2:00 P.M.
Rod Coronado
Audio Recording: Jeffrey “Free” Luers
Closing Address

Meal Schedule

LUNCHES/SUNDAY BRUNCH

FRIDAY, MARCH 4 — 12:00 - 2:00
Minestrone soup, baked herb polenta, chickpea and
tomato salad, olive oil, garlic bread, fruit salad, vegan
cookies. Price: $12

SATURDAY, MARCH 5 — 12:00 - 2:00
Spicy Thai noodles sauteed with vegetables and tofu, vegan
cookies. Price: $10

SUNDAY BRUNCH, MARCH 6 — 12:00 - 2:00
Southwestern breakfast torte, bakery basket, whole fruit,
coffee and juice. Price: $11

DINNERS

FRIDAY, MARCH 4 — 5:00 - 7:00
Thai Wrap: Tofu in spicy peanut sauce served with
tomatoes, sprouts, curry rice, sunflower seeds, and
shredded lettuce. Mixed berry cobbler for dessert.
Price $13

SATURDAY, MARCH 5 — 5:00 - 7:00
Asian stir-fry buffet: Tofu stir fried with fresh vegetables
and served with vegetable egg roll over white rice. Apple
crisp for dessert. Price: $13

All dinners are vegan. Dinners will be served from a buffet
in the Fir Room of the EMU, with seating available inside
the Fir Room. Dinners will end just before the evening
keynote speakers begin in the EMU Ballroom. Tickets are
available at the Registration Table in the lobby of the law
school. Seating is limited in the Fir room. Please be aware
that the Fir Room is also housing special events this year;
so please help us keep the room clean.

All lunches are vegan. Lunch will be served from a buffet
in the Oak Room of the EMU, across from the Ballroom,
with seating provided in the Ballroom during the lunch
speeches. Table seating is limited, but food is welcome in
the regular seating as well. Tickets available at registration.
corps of skilled, committed advocates working to defend the environment and build a sustainable future. From around the world will call on E-LAW for help protecting the environment through law. In each of these projects, E-LAW will use its legal and scientific resources, E-LAW strengthens these advocates to challenge environmental abuses and pursue environmental justice. E-LAW has proven itself a powerful force in protecting the global environment. In 2005, leading environmental defenders from 10 countries founded E-LAW in 1989. Now, more than 300 grassroots lawyers and scientists in 60 countries call on the E-LAW network for critical legal and scientific tools. E-LAW advocates serve low-income communities around the world, helping citizens strengthen and enforce laws to protect themselves and their communities from toxic pollution and environmental degradation. E-LAW advocates are building a sustainable future by helping citizens participate in decisions about the environment. By giving grassroots advocates access to critical legal and scientific resources, E-LAW strengthens these advocates to challenge environmental abuses and pursue environmental justice. E-LAW has proven itself a powerful force in protecting the global environment. In 2005, leading environmental defenders from around the world will call on E-LAW for help protecting the environment through law. In each of these projects, E-LAW will help local advocates strengthen environmental laws and enforce existing laws. In the process, E-LAW will help build a worldwide corps of skilled, committed advocates working to defend the environment and build a sustainable future.

Thursday, March 3 - 4:00 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.

Toxic Torts for Tenants
(Umpqua EMU)
Renters are often vulnerable to exploitation from unscrupulous landlords who neglect their duty to provide a safe and healthy living environment. This panel will address the risks posed by toxic substances in indoor environments and the rights and remedies for tenants when landlords conceal or refuse to fix the problem.

David Sugerman, Paul and Sugerman PC
Ken Dobson, Dobson Law Firm

Warner Creek and the Salvage Rider - 10 Years After (Maple EMU)
Four of the Warner Creek activists revisit the story of one of the most successful direct action campaigns in the history of Earth First! The panel will offer analysis and critique from a bit of distance - what worked, what didn't, what it meant, and what is there for us now.

James Johnston, Cascadia Wildlands Project
Timothy Ingalsbee, Firefighters United for Safety, Ethics, and Ecology (FUSEE)
Kim Marks, ForestEthics
Jim Flynn, McKenzie Printers Guild

U.S. Forest Caselaw in 2004 (Walnut EMU)
Important forest case law and other developments occurred in 2004. Attorneys will discuss strategies, tactics, and implications of past and pending litigation related to the Bush Administration's new forest laws and regulations.

Brett Paben, Wildlaw
Chris Winter, Cascade Resource Advocacy Group
Brenna Bell, Attorney at Law
Tom Woodbury, Attorney at Law

Environmental Scenarios
(Rogue EMU)
Forecasting techniques are used in many environmental lawsuits to predict future environmental conditions. The use of scenarios can help raise public awareness about the condition of the future if no action is taken.

Alfredo Lascoutx, Director, Venezuela 2058 Project
Dr. Ernie Niemi, Vice-President, ECONorthwest

International Wildlife Issues
(Ben Linder EMU)
Lawyers from Costa Rica, Chile, and Tanzania will address issues affecting wildlife in their respective countries including the cutting of sharks' fins and threats to endangered species. The panel will also discuss issues related to international wildlife trade.

Maria Virginia Cajiao, MarViva Association (Costa Rica), E-LAW
Rugemeleza Nshala, LEAT (Tanzania), E-LAW
Chris Wold, Lewis & Clark Law School, E-LAW
Pamela Meunier, FIMA (Chile), E-LAW

Environmental Law Around the World: Bangladesh, Indonesia, and Israel
(Metolius-Owyhee EMU)
Public interest lawyers from several countries will discuss environmental legal issues and struggles. This panel will place particular emphasis on environmental justice issues in the panelists' home countries.

Iqbal Kabir, BELA (Bangladesh), E-LAW
Taflima Islam, BELA (Bangladesh), E-LAW
Tamar Ganot, Israel Union for Environmental Defense, E-LAW
Winda Kisuwo, ICEL (Indonesia), E-LAW

Biopharming, Biotech Bentgrass, and Emerging Genetic Threats to the Pacific Northwest (Gumwood EMU)
Over three hundred field tests of genetically engineered vegetable, ornamental, and pharmaceutical plants are taking place in Oregon. GE Roundup-resistant bentgrass is scheduled for release, though EPA tests show that GE pollen can flow 13 miles. Is Pandora's box already open and what does it portend for the future: reduced pesticide waste and clean water, or super weeds and pharmaceutical allergies?

Craig Winters, The Campaign to Label Genetically Engineered Foods
Rick North, Oregon Physicians for Social Responsibility
Dr. Carol Mallory Smith, Dept. of Crop and Soil Sciences, Oregon State University

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9:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.

New England Wildlands (Law 242)
The Northeast United States is one of the oldest settled areas of the country, yet surprisingly it is now more wild than it was a hundred years ago. This panel will discuss three major areas: the Adirondacks, which at 6 million acres is the biggest wild area in the East, the proposed 3.2 million acre Maine Woods National Park, and current efforts to designate more wilderness in Vermont.
George Wuertbner, Foundation for Deep Ecology
Mollie Matteson, Forest Watch
Michael J. Kellett, RESTORE The North Woods

Recent Trends in Critical Habitat Litigation (Maple EMU)
This panel will discuss recent cases and trends in critical habitat designation and enforcement. It will include case studies involving bull trout, the recent Gifford Pinchot 9th Circuit decision, and on-going litigation concerning vernal pools in California.
Jack Taborske, Attorney-at-Law
Stephanie Parent, Pacific Environmental Advocacy Center
Neil Levine, Earthjustice
Michael Mayer, Earthjustice

NFMA Viability Under Attack: Current Litigation to Preserve this Fundamental Wildlife Protection on National Forests (Gumwood EMU)
Since 1982, the Forest Service regulations under the National Forest Management Act (NFMA) required the agency to insure the viability of fish and wildlife species on National Forests. This panel will focus on the Service’s failure to comply with this requirement, the effort to eliminate the standard and the litigation to force the Service to maintain and comply with this critical requirement.
Marc Fink, Western Environmental Law Center
Tom Woodbury, Forest Defense
Scott Greacen, Environmental Protection Information Center

Whither Wilderness? Addressing BLM’s No More Wilderness Settlement (Metolius-Owyhee EMU)
In April 2003, the Dept. of Interior signed a settlement prohibiting the BLM from looking for or protecting wilderness character lands on 150+ million acres of public lands. Panelists will discuss the legal challenge to the settlement, how the DOI is implementing the settlement, and how conservationists are challenging the BLM’s failure to plan for or protect wilderness character lands.
Jim Angell, Earthjustice
Mac Lacy, Oregon Natural Desert Association
Erik Schlenker-Goodrich, Western Environmental Law Center
Nada Culver, The Wilderness Society

Bridging the Gap Between the Fields of Environmental and Animal Law (Walnut Room EMU)
The fields of Environmental and Animal Law are both fast-growing areas of law. However, despite being extremely closely-related, these two fields often travel parallel without meeting. Especially in light of the recent and upcoming attacks on environmental and animal protection laws, it is becoming increasingly important to join the forces of environmentalists and animalists.
Stephanie Engelsman, Center for Environmental and Animal Law
Leah Koss, Center for Environmental and Animal Law
Christine Garcia, The Animal Law Office

Genetically Engineered Trees (Law 282)
2005 will be the make or break year for the campaign to stop genetically engineered trees. China has admitted to planting GE trees in commercial plantations - the first country to do so. More plans are being developed. Get involved in the campaign to stop these deadly franken-trees.
Karen Gainey, Northwest Forest Activist
Anne Petermann, Global Justice Ecology Project
Dr. Neil Carmon, Sierra Club
Orin Langelle, Global Justice Ecology Project

Cosmetics and Cancer (Ben Linder Room EMU)
Cosmetics and personal care products contain a wide range of cancer-causing ingredients, reproductive toxins, and allergens. This panel will discuss the FDA’s failure to properly regulate or label these products, and the role of other organizations in increasing the public’s right to know.
Darryl Roberts, President, Sensory Overload Productions
Dr. Samuel Epstein, University of Illinois School of Public Health

This panel will focus on current issues in Alaska. Our varied speakers provide a broad depth to the discussion, which will cover issues ranging from oil and gas, forestry, ocean conservation, environmental litigation, and indigenous rights.
Co-Sponsored by NALSA
Dan Ritzman, Alaska Coalition
Beccy Bernard, Trustees for Alaska
Brian Moore, Alaska Wilderness League
Whit Sheard, Ocean Conservancy

Defending the Flow - Water Management Issues Around the World (Law 241)
A panel of international attorneys will discuss corruption and irregularities in water management in Spain, Costa Rica, and Australia.
Gines Ruiz Macia, Aja (Environmental Justice Association) (Spain), E-LAW
Pepe Clarke, Environmental Defender’s Office (NSW, Australia), E-LAW
Emily Yozell, (Costa Rica), E-LAW

The Wilderness Act: History, Case Studies, and Litigation (Law 110)
The Wilderness Act is now 40 years old. This panel will explore the Act’s history and major court decisions and will discuss current litigation involving commercial uses within wilderness areas, recreational uses that harm wilderness values, and the legality of any structures in wilderness areas.
Pete Frost, Western Environmental Law Center
Beccy Bernard, Trustees for Alaska
George Nickas, Wilderness Watch
10:30 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.

Ending Public Lands Grazing Equitably (Maple EMU)
Legislation is pending that would allow federal public lands grazing permits to voluntarily waive their grazing permit or lease in exchange for generous compensation. Voluntary grazing permit buyout is an ecologically imperative, economically rational, socially just and politically pragmatic way to remove domestic livestock from public lands.
Andy Kerr, National Public Lands Grazing Campaign
Lisa Force, Grand Canyon Trust
Mark Salvo, Sagebrush Sea Campaign

Greens, Blues and Coalition Building (Metolius-Owyhee EMU)
Since the 1960s, national and international labor, environmental, and peace groups have sometimes clashed over jobs, defense contracts, and environmental preservation. Are these groups to remain divided, or do they possess elements that could lead to new and powerful political coalitions?
Blair Bobier, Cobb-LaMarche 2004 Green Party presidential campaign
Pat Riggs-Henson, Lane County Central Labor Council
Alfredo Lascouty, La Era Agricola

Evolving Pesticide Regulations (Rogue EMU)
Panelists will discuss the challenges they faced and the victories they achieved as they fought for innovative and broad-sweeping changes to California’s pesticide regulations. Discussion items include regulations for agricultural runoff, challenging agencies’ rubber-stamped approval process for toxic chemicals, permitting aerial spraying of pesticides near or on waterways, and endangered species and pesticide drift.
Sejal Choksi, SF Baykeeper, Waterkeepers Northern California
Shana Lazerow, Earthjustice
Environmental Law Clinic at Stanford University
Janette Brimmer, Minnesota Center for Environmental Advocacy
Brian Litmans, Attorney

The Economy of Measure 37 (Ben Linder EMU)
The uncertainty surrounding the implementation of Measure 37 is pervasive. One of the biggest questions is how the changes in Oregon’s land use system will affect the economy. This panel will discuss Measure 37’s economic impacts upon property values, local communities, and the state and problems with determining the value of claims under Measure 37.
Jim Just, Goal One Coalition
Ed Sullivan, Attorney
Andrew J. Plantinga, Oregon State University

National Forest Management for the Next 100 Years (Law 110)
As the Forest Service celebrates its 100th anniversary in 2005, forest protection groups, community groups and restoration practitioners are promoting a new vision for the agency centered on restoration. Learn why our national forests are in need of ecological restoration, funding obstacles, and current restoration projects.
George McKenney, Jefferson Sustainable Development Initiative
Anne Martin, American Lands Alliance
Alan Vandiver, U.S. Forest Service
Jake Kreilick, National Forest Protection Alliance

Judging NEPA: Judicial Decisionmaking in Environmental Impact Assessment Cases (Law 241)
Litigators have long suspected that rulings in environmental cases depend on judges’ political leanings. A new study by the Environmental Law Institute reveals dramatic differences between NEPA rulings issued by Republican and Democrat-appointed judges. Panelists will discuss these trends in light of their own experiences, draw comparisons between the Ninth Circuit and other jurisdictions, and offer insights into the role that politics may play in environmental jurisprudence.
Lisa Goldman, Environmental Law Institute
Marianne Dugan, Facaros & Dugan
Susan Jane Brown, Pacific Environmental Advocacy Center

Climate Change Litigation (Walnut EMU)
This panel will discuss the recent phenomenon of climate change litigation taking place around the world in response to inadequate governmental and corporate action. The speakers have worked on several of the legal initiatives announced so far, and will discuss the broadening range of legal theories involved.
Peter Roderick, Climate Justice Programme (UK), E-LAW
Prakash Mani Sharma, Pro Public (Nepal), E-LAW
Lalanath de Silva, International Public Interest Defenders (Sri Lanka), E-LAW

The State of Environmental Justice Litigation (Many Nations Longhouse)
The panel will focus on how environmental justice attorneys use litigation in their field. Specifically, the panel will address the holding in Alexander v. Sandoval (that there is no private cause of action under Title VI), and how changes in other legal doctrines have changed the nature of how attorneys practice EJ. Co-Sponsored by NALSA.
Jeanne Zokovitch, WildLaw
Amy S. Cohen, Environmental Law and Justice Clinic
Caroline Farrell, The Center on Race, Poverty & the Environment

Defending Animals and Animal Defenders (Law 282)
This panel will discuss legal strategy on two fronts: How to use the law to protect animals from exploitation and how to defend animal rights activists in the criminal system.
Christine Garcia, Animal Law Office
Laura Ireland Moore, National Center for Animal Law

Retraining Smokey the Bear (Law 242)
Every summer the Forest Service spends millions in an attempt to put out fires on federal lands. Fire, for the most part, is good for forests. The federal fire program is not.
Andy Stahl, Forest Service Employees for Environmental Ethics
George Wuerthner, Foundation for Deep Ecology
Randi Spivak, American Lands Alliance
Fate of the Roadless Area Conservation Rule Under the Bush Administration (Walnut EMU)

In 2004, the Bush Administration announced it plans to repeal the Roadless Area Conservation Rule. This panel will discuss the history and development of the rule, litigation challenging the validity of the rule, the Bush Administration’s planned changes, and what activists and the public can do to protect roadless areas.

Matthew Jacobson, Heritage Forests Campaign
Ken Rait, Campaign for America’s Wilderness
Abigail Dillen, Earthjustice

Protecting Tribal Water Resources (Many Nations Longhouse)

Because of their unique history as the original sovereign nations of North America, tribes have unique rights to water and related resources. This panel will discuss ways in which tribes can protect their water resources through treaties, common law legal doctrines, co-management, and statutes.

Co-sponsored by NALSA
Greg Loarie, Earthjustice
Patti Goldman, Earthjustice
Pete Frost, Western Environmental Law Center

Environmental Law in Countries in Transition (Ben Linder EMU)

This panel is a discussion of the development of environmental law in post-communist countries. Presenters from the Ukraine, Slovakia, Czech Republic, and Hungary will speak on progressive developments in their countries.

Dmytro Skrylnyko, Ecopravo-Lviv (Ukraine), E-LAW
Pavel Zilincik, CEPA (Slovakia), E-LAW
Martin Fadrny, Environmental Law Service (Czech Republic), E-LAW
Csilla Szente, Environmental Management and Law Association (Hungary), E-LAW

Clean Water Act Year in Review (Law 241)

The Clean Water Act is the premier law protecting our nations waterways and water bodies. This panel will discuss important judicial decisions interpreting and involving the Clean Water Act over the past two years.

Melissa Powers, Pacific Environmental Advocacy Center
Richard Smith, Smith & Lowney, PLLC
William Carpenter, Attorney at Law

Kicking Corporations Out of the Forest (Law 141)

Find out how the global timber industry functions and ways the public can organize to change it throughout the Americas. This panel will analyze new tactics, such as the campaign against lingerie giant Victoria’s Secret.

Liz Butler, ForestEthics
Jessica Bell, Rainforest Action Network
Fernando Downey, FIMA (Chile), E-LAW

Effective Green Media: Framing our Communications (Law 175)

Learn how to best frame and create effective messages for your issue. The panel will discuss message development for forest conservation organizations based on focus groups, polling, and media content.

Steve Holmer, United Forest Defense Campaign
Alfredo Lascourey, La Era Ecologica
Mike Roselle, co-founder of Earth First!
Matthew Koocher, Native Forest Network

Defending Local Governments When They Do the Right Thing (Metolius-Owyhee EMU)

When local governments pass environmentally responsible laws they are often attacked from industry. Citizen groups and public interest lawyers can help defend them. Learn how this works and how the availability of public interest defense might encourage more responsible local regulation.

Courtney Brown, Attorney
Roger Flynn, Western Mining Action Project

Global Warming, the World Bank, and Genetically Engineered Trees (Law 282)

The UN and World Bank promote genetically engineered trees as a “solution” to global warming, and ignore the real impacts these trees will have on forests and communities, and how they may worsen global warming.

Anne Petermann, Global Justice Ecology Project
Orin Langelle, Global Justice Ecology Project

La Oroya Mining Smelter - Peru: Violation of Human and Environmental Rights (Law 141)

Peruvian advocates will tell us about the impacts of a U.S. corporation on human rights and the environment in their home country.

Elizan S. Ames, Asociacion Civic Labor (Peru), E-LAW
Meerk L. Juan, Scientist, E-LAW U.S. (Peru), E-LAW

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Friday, March 4 - Afternoon Schedule

Welcoming Back a Friend: the Gray Wolf Returns to Oregon (Many Nations Longhouse)
Victim to bounty hunters and settlers, the gray wolf was systematically eradicated from Oregon’s landscape nearly 50 years ago. Less than ten years after a federal reintroduction program in Idaho’s Rocky Mountains, wolves have moved west and are currently knocking on our door. This panel will focus on Oregon’s management plan to protect these newcomers and restore the species across its former range. Co-Sponsored by NALSA.
Josh Laughlin, Cascadia Wildlands Project
George Waerther, Foundation for Deep Ecology
Amaroa Weiss, Oregon Wolf Advisory Committee, Defenders of Wildlife

Post-fire Logging in America’s National Forests (Law 175)
Post-fire logging, one of the most destructive types of logging, is increasing in National Forests across the country. This panel will address the ecological impacts of post-fire logging, legislative threats, legal issues pertaining to post-fire logging, and efforts to change public perception of burned forests. The Biscuit project, and other post-fire logging projects in Oregon and the Northern Rocky Mountains will be profiled.

Mathew Kozier, Native Forest Network
Susan Jane Brown, Pacific Environmental Advocacy Center
Rolf Skar, Siskiyou Project

Choosing a Career in Public Interest Environmental Law (Maple EMU)
This panel will present career counselors and public interest environmental attorneys to discuss various aspects of public interest employment. Topics will include employment opportunities, what employees do, how to obtain public interest employment, and tips for living on a public interest salary.

L.D. Brown, Cascade Resources Advocacy Group
Janice Weis, Lewis and Clark Law School
Matt Kenna, Kenna & Hickcox, P.C.
Jane Steckbeck, Univ. of Oregon School of Law

Direct Action: Legal Developments (Gumwood)
In the past year, several laws frequently used against activists have been found to be unconstitutional. This panel will address legal developments in the direct action world over the last year, and apply these dramatic developments to a vision for the future.

Stu Sugarman, Portland National Lawyers Guild
Craig Rosebrugh, ARISSA
Sophia Suh, General Defense Committee
Catherine Stauffer, General Defense Committee

Using RICO to SLAPP Federal Employees & Environmentalists (Law 142)
Forest Service employees and local environmentalists were recently sued under RICO, an anti-racketeering law, for conspiring to stop a development project in southern California. Using RICO against environmentalists in this manner raises a number of issues that this panel will explore.
Andy Stahl, Forest Service Employees for Environmental Ethics
Adam Keats, Center for Biological Diversity

Customary Law and Natural Resource Management (Metolius-Owyhee EMU)
This panel will address customary law’s role in management of natural resources and the evolution of customary law to include modern forms of law in an environmental context.

Lalaina Rakotonon, Golden Gate University School of Law
Diane Henkels, Law Office of Diane Henkels
Robert Kentta, Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians

A Prehistorical Perspective on Preserving Animal Species (Law 241)
The panel will take a broad look at animal diversity in North America, comparing what used to be with what currently is in order to determine the causes of extinction and preservation. It will also examine the various routes to preservation, including underutilized statutes such as the Antiquities Act.
Geordie Duckler, The Animal Law Practice
Laura Ireland Moore, National Center for Animal Law

Youth Power: Empowering the Student Renewable Energy Movement (Law 243)
Northwest students power the renewable energy movement. This panel will discuss Kyoto compliance, student fees, on campus demonstration projects, and campus coordination projects in renewable energy.

Chris Cottrell, Univ. of Oregon
Tierney Creech, Western Washington Univ.
Crystal Leaver, EnviroCitizen

Escaping “Warranted but Precluded” Purgatory of the ESA (Law 184)
The Bush Administration has increasingly relied on the “warranted but precluded” finding to avoid immediate listing. This panel will discuss ways in which attorneys litigating this issue have tried to overcome this obstacle.

Amy Atwood, Western Environmental Law Center
Judi Brauer, Advocates for the West
Noah Greenwald, Center for Biological Diversity

Implementing the 2003 CAFO Rules (Law 282)
This panel will discuss implementation issues surrounding EPA’s 2003 CAFO rules. The panel will provide an analysis of trends in state implementation, including specific challenges to state general permits based on the new rules.
Scott Jerger, Law Office of Scott Jerger
Jeff Odeley, Waterkeeper Alliance
Andrea Rogers, Western Environmental Law Center

Restricting ORV use after SUWA v. Norton (Walnut EMU)
When environmental groups sued to require the BLM to act on their mandate to manage Wilderness Study Areas, the Supreme Court handed down a decision seriously limiting the ability of citizen groups to hold agencies accountable for failure to enforce laws. This panel discusses the potential impact of the SUWA v. Norton decision on off road vehicle management and administrative law generally.

Eric Biber, Earth Justice
Jack Tubolske, Tubolske Associates
Jim Angell, Earth Justice

Westside Forest Plantations: To Thin or Not to Thin! (Law 110)
Hardly anyone but a few remaining “timber beasts” still want to log remaining old growth forests. But what about those millions of acres of monoculture tree plantations that have replaced native forests? Are there ecological benefits to judiciously thinning these plantations? Can this thinning occur only in the context of a industrial timber sale, or are there ways to thin these forests that are entirely for ecological purposes?

Jeremy Hall, Oregon Natural Resources Council
Jasmine Minbashian, Cascadia Wildlands Project
Chris Fissell, Pacific Rivers Council

Know Your Rights: Search, Seizure, and Arrest Law for Environmental Activists (Ben Linder EMU)
This panel will provide a “know your rights” training and discussion for environmental activists by exploring particular issues that arise in activists’ dealings with the police and other law enforcement and government officials, all in the context of the First and Fourth Amendments.

Lauren Regan, Civil Liberties Defence Center
Ben Rosenfeld, San Francisco Civil Rights Attorney
9:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.

Cows and Clearcuts versus Condos (Gumwood EMU)
Logging and cattle grazing are two of some of the most heavily subsidized industries in the West. This panel will examine the claim that the public must subsidize or otherwise tolerate destructive logging and grazing on both public and private lands in order to prevent urban and rural sprawl.

**Andrea Kerr**, National Public Lands Grazing Campaign

**George Wuerthner**, Foundation for Deep Ecology

**Victoria Kellett**, RESTORE: The North Woods

Factory Farming and the Environment (Maple EMU)
Factory farming causes institutionalized animal cruelty, environmental destruction and resource depletion, and animal and human health risks. The panel will discuss these issues, how they affect the environment we live in, and what lawyers and activists can do about factory farms.

**Laura Krebsbach**, Sierra Club

**Karen Davis**, United Poultry Concerns

**Paul Atkinson**, Laughingstock Farms

Undergraduate College Students as Legal Advocates: Service Learning for the Environment (Law 243)
Undergraduate college students have had an important role in working to protect the environment since the beginning of the movement. Often these efforts do not earn college credit, nor are students supported as a recognized student group. This panel will explore ways to support and energize student groups, and to help them become increasingly effective and professional.

**Paul T. Persons**, Environmental Advocates

**Teodora DeLorenzo**, Legal Studies Program, Chico State University

**Paul Atkinson**, Laughingstock Farms

The Blue Revolution: The New Wave of Offshore Aquaculture (Law 142)
Marine aquaculture has rapidly emerged as a technologically motivated food production system with ecological, social, and legal implications for the world’s oceans. This panel will provide a general overview of the aquaculture industry, as well as discuss the likely threats and risks to marine ecosystems and fishing communities in the U.S. from the explosion of offshore aquaculture projects.

**Robby Clausen**, University of Oregon

**Mike Skladarny**, Institute for Agriculture and Trade Policy

**Mitchell Skapston**, The Institute for Fisheries Resources

Multinational Oil Development: The Human and Environmental Costs (Law 175)
This panel will examine the effects of oil development on humans and the environment. Panelists from Peru, Russia, and Nigeria will speak on current and past human health and environmental degradation.

**Lily La Torre**, Grupo de Trabajo Racimos de Ungurahui (Peru), E-LAW

**Yulia Yekel**, Rodnix Legal Center in Moscow (Russia), E-LAW

**Simon Amadiubokoh**, Community Defence Law Foundation (Nigeria), E-LAW

Market Campaigns to Protect the Boreal Forest (Ben Linder EMU)
The Canadian boreal forests stretch across Canada from Ontario to the Rocky Mountains of British Columbia, making up 25 percent of the world’s last intact, original forests. Although mining for metals and the damming of rivers threaten large areas of the boreal, the logging industry is the single largest contributor to boreal forest degradation and destruction. A number of campaigns have begun in recent years to challenge the transformation of boreal wood products into catalogs, paper, 2 x 4s and other marketplace products - including the Victoria’s Dirty Secret, “Kleercut” Kimberly-Clark, and Wake up Weyerhaeuser campaigns.

**Candace Baizyki**, ForestEthics

**Leah Hendron**, Boreal Action

**Jessica Bell**, Rainforest Action Network

Yellowstone to Yukon: The Vision and the Challenges (Law 141)
A look at the challenges and opportunities involved in doing large-scale, long-term conservation in the Yellowstone to Yukon Region. The panel will focus on funding, capacity building and on-the-ground efforts aimed at ensuring that the world-renowned wilderness of this area continues to function.

**Penelope Foster**, Yellowstone to Yukon Conservation Initiative

**Elizabeth White**, Yellowstone to Yukon Conservation Initiative

**Jennifer Miller Goethals**, Willburforce Foundation

Beyond the Usual Suspects (Metolius-Owyhee EMU)
Feel like you’re always speaking to the choir? This panel will encourage conservationists to work with important interest groups that we tend to overlook. Working with diverse groups will be critical to successful environmental campaigns over the next four years.

**Sandi Scheinberg**, Bark

**Michael Georgebein**, Alliance for Sustainable Jobs in the Environment

**Craig Lynch**, Clark Skamania Fly Fishers

**Emily Platt**, Gifford Pinchot Task Force

Community Collaboration on our National Forests (Law 241)
This panel will explore the range of community collaboration projects occurring on public lands. There will be a focus on forest restoration projects that are occurring in the Northwest. Panelists offer perspectives from environmental activists, rural communities, and forest workers.

**Mike Petersen**, The Lands Council

**Mary Vasey**, National Forest Foundation

**Cassandra Mosley**, University of Oregon

**Brett Bronscombre**, Hells Canyon Preservation Council

Klamath River Dams, Salmon, and Environmental Justice (Many Nations Longhouse)
The Klamath Basin has long been a place of conflict over water and endangered species, and a series of dams on the Klamath River has contributed to the region’s environmental woes. Several speakers will explain why these dams are both an environmental and a human rights issue, and will discuss the campaign to remove them. Co-sponsored by NALSA

**Andy Kerr**, The Larch Company

**Leaf Hillman**, Karuk Tribe

**Ron Reed**, Karuk Tribe

**Kari Norrgard**, UC Davis

**Kelly Catlett**, Friends of the River

**Jeff Mitchell**, Klamath River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission

Decommissioning Dams (Law 110)
For the first time in U.S. history, the rate of dam removal exceeds that of dam construction, although the dams removed have been mostly small and obsolete. This panel explores the prospects for removing more dams, especially large, functioning (and controversial) dams.

**Bob Hunter**, WaterWatch of Oregon


**Nicole Cordain**, Save Our Wild Salmon

**Zygmunt Plater**, Boston College Law School

Ignorance is Toxic: The Saga of Eugene’s Toxic Right-To-Know Program (Walnut EMU)
Exposure to toxic chemicals can damage human health and the shared environment. Eugene’s Toxic Right-To-Know program has endured legal challenges and legislative restrictions of all types and yet continues to provide the public with valuable information. Come find out how Eugene could have the most comprehensive toxics reporting program in the United States, and how to start one in your community.

**Mary O’Brien**, chief petitioner for Eugene’s Right-To-Know Charter Amendment

**Steve Johnson**, Eugene Toxics Right-To-Know Program

**Mary O’Brien**, chief petitioner for Eugene’s Right-To-Know Program

**David Monk**, Oregon Toxics Alliance
Human Rights and the Environment in Latin America and the Caribbean (Law 184)

Human rights, social justice, and the environment are inextricably linked. Lawyers from Jamaica, Nicaragua, and Mexico will discuss issues related to human rights and the environment in their home countries.

Candis M. Hamilton, Jamaica Environmental Trust (Jamaica), E-LAW
Brenda Rocha, Centro por la justicia y derechos humanos de la costa Atlantica de Nicaragua (Nicaragua), E-LAW
Raquel Gutierrez Nazera, Instituto de Derecho Ambiental (Mexico), E-LAW

10:30 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.

The Data Quality Act (Law 243)

Enacted as a legislative rider in 2001, the Data Quality Act is quickly becoming a favorite tool of industry to stymie federal agency decision making and dissemination of scientific information. This panel will explore the Data Quality Act, its increasing use by industry to oppose public-interest decision making, and whether public interest attorneys should use the DQA to further their own clients’ goals.

Dr. Barry Castleman, Environmental Consultant
Amy Aspegard, Western Environmental Law Center
Mark Salvo, Sagebrush Sea Campaign

Sound Truth & Corporate Myth$: Legacy of the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill (Ben Linder EMU)

The Exxon Valdez oil spill is one of the most publicized and most studied disasters in American history. This panel will discuss the truth, lies, and lasting effects of the nation’s worst oil disaster, 15 years later.

Dr. Riki Oq, Author
Peter van Tiegh, Attorney

Industrial Hemp: A Sustainable Solution (Law 142)

Hemp grown for industrial purposes offers opportunity for economic growth and environmental restoration. This panel will explore the facts, myths, economic benefits of farming industrial hemp, as well as the recently proposed legislation that would allow Oregon farmers to grow industrial hemp.

Andy Kerr, The Larch Company
Sen. Floyd Prozanski, Oregon State Senate
Carolyn Moran, Living Tree Paper Company

Applying the Clean Air Act and Toxics Laws to CAFOs (Maple EMU)

CAFOs, Confined Animal Feeding Operations, are often substantial sources of pollution. But due to their quasi-recognition as agricultural organizations they are sometimes exempt from the pollution laws that govern other industries. This panel will discuss recent efforts to apply the Clean Air Act and toxics laws such as CERCLA and EPCRA to CAFOs.

William Eddie, Advocates for the West
Lauren McLean, Idaho Conservation League
Brent Newell, Center for Race, Poverty, and the Environment

Impacts to the Mesoamerican Reef (Law 241)

Lawyers from the region will discuss the human causes of the Mesoamerican Reef and what local lawyers, communities, and organizations can do to protect it. The reef is the second longest barrier reef in the world, stretching from Mexico to Honduras.

Patricio Martin Sanchez, CEMDA (Mexico), E-LAW
Jeanette de Noaek, Centro de Accion Legal (Guatemala), E-LAW
Sharon Pitts, BELPO (Belize), E-LAW
Clarisa Vega Molina, Environmental Lawyer (Honduras), E-LAW

Endless Pressure - Creative Tactics and Organizing (Law 282)

The golden rule for environmental campaigns is endless pressure. This panel will discuss creative tactics and models of organizing in a campaign context.

Ginger Cassidy, Greenpeace
David Taylor, Radical Designs
Matt Jacobson, National Forest Protection Alliance
Gideon Rosenblatt, ONE/Northwest

Direct Forest Defense (Law 184)

Learn about effective organizing strategies of small grassroots organizations from Alaska to the Southeast. The presenters will discuss coalition building, tactics, programs, and framing that work in both urban and rural areas.

Salmon Stroick, Klamath Forest Alliance
Kenyon Fields, Sitka Conservation Society
Sands Scheinberg, Bark
Tracy Davids, Southern Appalachian Biodiversity Project

Climate Change and Indigenous Peoples: Responses and Actions (Law 110)

Indigenous groups will likely be the people affected most immediately and severely by climate change. This panel will discuss ways to increase public awareness and participation in policy making, as well as the role of legal actions.

Rosalie Little Thunder, Seventh Generation Fund
Ilan Ben Gare, Environmental Justice and Climate Change Initiative
Tero Mustonen, Snowchange

Forest Practices on Non-Federal Lands: (Metolius-Owyhee EMU)

The federal forest system receives considerable attention from activists while forest practices on state and private forest lands frequently get overlooked. This panel will explore the current situation of non-Federal forestry across the U.S.

Nancy Gilliam, Model Forestry Policy Program
Sharon Duggan, Attorney
Toby Thaler, Washington Forest Law Center
Clint Trammel, Pioneer Forest

Public Interest Plaintiff’s Law (Law 141)

This panel focuses on the potential role of plaintiffs’ attorneys in the field of public interest law, exploring ways to enhance communication and cooperation between them and public interest attorneys.

Alan Graf, Northwest Constitutional Right Center
Steven Sherlag, Criminal Defense Attorney
Don Corson, Attorney

Forests Around the World and the Communities That Depend on Them (Many Nations Longhouse)

Communities often struggle for the right to participate in management of local natural resources. This panel will discuss how communities in several countries have become involved in the management of local forests.

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Manolo Morales, ECOLEX (Ecuador), E-LAW
Diego Gutierrez Gronemann, SBDA (Bolivia), E-LAW
Alfred Lahai Brownell, Association of Environmental Lawyers of Liberia, E-LAW

Sustainable Land Use in Oregon (Law 175)

Land use planning in Oregon has been the “model” for growth over the past thirty years. The passage of Measure 37 has changed that land use planning dramatically. In light of reduction in land use restrictions, and increased property compensation, how can Oregon plan for sustainable growth over the next thirty years?

Brenda Brown, The Nature Conservancy
Don Corson, Attorney

How to Research Corporations (Walnut EMU)

Corporations are responsible for the destruction of the earth. It is therefore essential that we learn how they work, who they are, and what they demand on so that we can do our best to protect the ecosystems that we know and love.

Amy Callner, AFL-CIO
E-Cop, ForestEthics
Kim Marks, ForestEthics
Hayden Llewellyn, Greenpeace
Forgotten Forests of the Eastside (Law 282)
The drier ponderosa pine and mixed conifer forests from the Cascade Range to the Rocky Mountains have received a fraction of the attention that wet, westside (northern spotted owl) forests have garnered. High-grade logging, fire suppression and livestock grazing have left these forests in need of protection and restoration. Which areas should be designated as Wilderness and Old Growth Preserves? How do we manage the ecological irritants of fire suppression and livestock grazing? What forms of restoration are appropriate?  
Tim Lillebo, Oregon Natural Resources Council  
Greg Dyson, Hells Canyon Preservation Council  
Susan Jane Brown, Pacific Environmental Advocacy Center

Firefighters Speak Out for Healthy Forests and Communities (Law 184)
Firefighters United for Safety, Ethics, and Ecology (FUSEE) is a new public interest organization dedicated to uniting wildland firefighters, frontline property owners, and citizen supporters to promote safe, ethical, and ecological fire management. Often times environmentally questionable methods, or even outright toxic substances are used in the name of “fuels reduction” or “firefighter or home owner safety.”  This panel explores how firefighters and home owners can unite to oppose unethical or environmentally harmful methods.  
Timothy Ingalsbee, FUSEE  
Stephen Clarke, FUSEE  
Rich Fairbanks, FUSEE  
Mary Kwart, FUSEE

Whistleblowers to the Rescue (Law 142)
Whistleblower federal scientists are critical in holding agencies and industry accountable and they need the protections afforded by federal law and confidentiality. Panelists will present on several topics relating to industry influence on political and administrative decision making, and the process of courting and protecting potential whistleblowers.  
David Wright, Conservation Biologist  
Lea Mitchell, Washington Public Employees for Environmental Responsibility  
Andy Stahl, Forest Service Employees for Environmental Ethics

Congressional Attempts to Gut the Citizen Suit Provision of the Clean Water Act (Gumwood EMU)
This panel will discuss proposed changes to the citizen suit provision of the CWA as well as the current law. The proponents of these changes blame “greedy lawyers” for exploiting “loopholes” which allow the filing of “frivolous” lawsuits by citizens. The real agenda is crippling citizen enforcement. At a minimum proponents urge the Supreme Court to adopt the anti-citizen suit, policy-based ruling of the 1st Circuit.  
Jack Silver, Law Office of Jack Silver  
Marylyn Obang, Northern California River Watch  
Jerry Bernhardt, Northern California Environmental Center

More Highway Robbery: The RS 2477 Threat (Law 243)
Public lands are in the cross hairs of plans to bulldoze and pave thousands of miles of new roads and to open these lands to development and off-road vehicle interests.  R.S. 2477, a loophole in an obscure, repealed, Civil War-era law, is the tool of choice. Discussion will occur on recent legal decisions; what the Bush Administration, states, and Congress are up to (including disturbing draft Forest Service regulations); and how conservationists are responding.  
Ted Zukowski, Earthjustice  
Dave Baby, Western Environmental Law Center  
Kristen Brengel, The Wilderness Society  
Becca Bernard, Trustees for Alaska

Defending Endangered Species and the Endangered Species Act (Law 110)
Will endangered wildlife and ecosystems be driven closer to the brink by logging, grazing, and development? Will the ESA survive as one of the nation’s landmark environmental laws? Leading conservationists discuss legislative and administrative policy threats to the ESA, campaigns to counter these threats, and opportunities to reset the agenda for ecosystem conservation.  
Kim Delfino, Defenders of Wildlife  
Brock Evans, Endangered Species Coalition  
Nicole Rossmanino, Forest Guardians  
Victoria Kaplan, Green Corps and Defenders of Wildlife

Property Rights and Corporate Rule: Challenging the Privatization of Life Forms, Social Culture, and Ecological Systems (Law 141)
This panel will explore the history of changing conceptions of property in the U.S. and how these changes have fostered the development of destructive technology and escalation of corporate domination of public policy from social welfare and environmental protection to private ownership of plant seeds and human gene lines.  
Karen Coofer, Program on Corporations, Law and Democracy  
George Draffan, Author, “Welcome to the Machine”

Lobbying for Environmental Justice (Many Nations Longhouse)
Panelists will describe their experience in lobbying state legislatures to achieve environmental justice in communities overburdened by environmental degradation. Learn what tools and resources they have found most successful and what tactics they recommend to avoid. Co-sponsored by NALSA  
Alisha Dean, Environmental Justice Coalition for Water  
Jeane Zokovitch, Wildlaw  
Brent Newell, Center on Race, Poverty & the Environment

Holding American Companies Accountable for Torts Committed Outside the U.S. (Ben Linder EMU)
This panel will discuss a lawsuit brought by workers on Central American banana plantations who were harmed as a result of exposure to pesticides. This groundbreaking transnational case may shed light on ways to hold U.S. corporations accountable for torts they commit outside the United States.  
Charles Siegel, Siegel, Waters & Kraus  
Duane Miller, Miller Axline Sawyer  
Juan Dominguez, Dominguez law firm

Reconstruction after the Tsunami (Law 175)
Much of the destruction caused by the recent tsunami in the Indain Ocean could have been avoided or mitigated had the costal management laws in those areas been enforced. This panel will present lawyers from Sri Lanka and India to talk about the terrible destruction of the tsunami and their continuing efforts to enforce costal management acts in the reconstruction.  
Hemantha Withanage, Centre for Environmental Justice (Sri Lanka), E-LAW  
P.B. Sahasranaman, Environmental Lawyer (India), E-LAW

BLM at a Crossroads: Different Interpretations of the O&C Act Offer New Horizons (Law 241)
Oregon BLM districts manage approximately 2.4 million acres of land under the 1937 O&C Act. With little legal interpretation or guidance, the BLM maintains that O&C lands are predominantly for timber extraction. This panel discusses the fate of O&C lands particularly after a 2003 court settlement agreement between the Federal government and the timber industry.  
Frances Eatherington, Umpqua Watershed  
Brenna Bell, Klamath-Siskiyou Wildlands Center  
Pei Reagan, Conservation Leaders Network  
Lesley Adams, Klamath-Siskiyou Wildlands Center
Land Trusts in the Pacific Northwest (Maple EMU)
This panel will have representatives from national, regional, and local land trusts in the PNW. The panelists will speak on the roles they play in land conservation.

Brenda Brown, The Nature Conservancy
Glenn Lamb, Columbia Land Trust
Joe Moll, McKenzie River Trust

Ecofeminism: Theory, Politics, and Action (Walnut EMU)
Ecofeminism brings together the tools and techniques developed from various radical movements to end the entangled oppressions of women and nature. The panel will explore the idea that ending environmental destruction is bound with the liberation of other subordinated groups, and will discuss gendered aspects of environmental discourse, politics, and activism.

Dana Berthold, Univ. of Oregon
Chaone Mallory, Univ. of Oregon

4:00 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.

Current Issues in Listing Salmon (Law 110)
Learn about current salmon issues including NOAA Fisheries’ response to the de-listing of Oregon coastal coho salmon, new hatchery fish listing policy, and the agency’s response to the various petitions to de-list salmon species.

Michael Mayer, Earthjustice
Hank Lacey, Lawyer/Journalist
Eric Redman, Heller, Ehrman, White & McAuliffe

Abandoned Mine Litigation: Plugging Unpermitted Pollution (Maple EMU)
Abandoned mines are discharging pollution into our waters at thousands of locations throughout the country. Almost none of these mines have discharge permits. This panel will discuss the hurdles which must be surmounted to prevent discharge under the Clean Water Act.

Dave Bahr, Western Environmental Law Center
Jabsha Berger, Environmental Law Foundation
Jeff Parsons, Western Mining Action Project
Danielle Fugere, Environmental Advocates

Liquefied Natural Gas: Dispelling Myths and Exploring Alternatives (Law 142)
There are currently dozens of liquefied natural gas (LNG) projects proposed in U.S. This panel will explore the statutory and regulatory frameworks that govern LNG projects, provide an overview of potential impacts and risks, and identify alternative strategies.

Linda Krop, Environmental Defense Center
Carla Garcia Zendegar, Border Power Plant Working Group (Mexico), E-LAW
Rory Cox, Pacific Environment
Tom Bender, RiverVision

Advances in Sustainable Ranching (Law 243)
According to Stacy Davies, the notion that ecology and economy are at odds with each other on a healthy cattle ranch is short sighted. Rather, he says they are inherent in each other. Stacy manages one of the largest ranches in Eastern Oregon. This panel will explore methods he uses to increase riparian health and biodiversity on his ranch.

Stacy Davies, Roaring Springs Ranch
George Waerthner, Foundation for Deep Ecology

Clean Air Act Planning for this Decade and Beyond: the New Ozone and Particulate Matter Standards (Metolius-OwyheeEMU)
This panel will present an overview of the new National Ambient Air Quality Standards. It will discuss the health effects associated with these pollutants, public participation in the implementation of these standards, and legal strategies to ensure compliance with these new standards.

Brent Newell, Center on Race Poverty & the Environment
Dr. David Pepper, University of California San Francisco
Susan Britton, Earthjustice

The McKenzie River: Recreating or Wreckreating? (Law 282)
Known for its great recreational opportunities and natural beauty, the McKenzie River also provides drinking water for many Oregonians and ancient forest habitat for a host of wildlife species. So why is there still ancient forest logging on our public lands in this treasured place?

Josh Laughlin, Cascadia Wildlands Project
Jeremy Hall, Oregon Natural Resources Council
Kate Riley, Oregon Student Public Interest Research Group
Kelly Townsend, Guardians of the McKenzie Watershed

The Healthy Forests Initiative: Legal Developments, Field Tactics and What More We Can Expect from the Bush Administration (Walnut EMU)
Bush’s “Healthy Forests Initiative” (HFI), and the so-called “Healthy Forest Restoration Act” (HFRA) have changed the framework of forest policy. This panel will cover the litigation and legal strategies of HFI projects, how they are implemented on the ground, engaging with HFRA projects, and the implications of the Bush administration’s 2006 Forest Service budget.

Susan Jane Brown, Pacific Environmental Advocacy Center
Randi Spevak, American Lands Alliance
Bryan Bird, Forest Guardians

War, Corporate Globalization and the Environment (Ben Linder EMU)
This panel will discuss how social movements can increase their effectiveness by linking together to create a movement for change that addresses the roots of our issues.

Orin Langelle, Global Justice Ecology Project
Anne Petermann, Global Justice Ecology Project
Karen Pickett, Alliance for Sustainable Jobs and the Environment
Leslie Adams, Forest Defense Activist

Environment Law in Madagascar (Law 141)
This panel will give a multimedia presentation and summary of the development of environmental law and policy in Madagascar.

Laaina Rakotoson, Golden Gate University School of Law, San Francisco
Diane Henkel, Law Office of Diane Henkels

Administrative Appeals of NPDES Permits (Law 241)
Appealing inadequate NPDES permits is essential to advancing the goals of the Act. Panelists will discuss tactics, strategies, and recent appeals.

Rick Poulin, Smith & Lowney PLLC
Melanie Shepardson, Natural Resources Defense Council
Janette Brimmer, Minnesota Center for Environmental Advocacy
Richard Smith, Smith & Lowney, PLLC

America’s Last Wild Buffalo (Many Nations Longhouse)
Over 30 million buffalo once roamed across North America, from Canada to Mexico. This panel will discuss the last wild buffalo and their significance for our ecological, social and spiritual future.

Co-sponsored by NALSA
Rosalie Little Thunder, Traditional Lokota Elder
Mike Mease, Buffalo Field Campaign
Ernest Callinbach, Author

Sea Turtles and Threats from Global Industrial Fishing (Gunwood EMU)
Unless there is a concerted effort by all people and nations, the Pacific Leatherback Sea Turtle is almost certainly doomed to extinction. This panel will discuss efforts to avoid a catastrophe: that future generations will only know of sea turtles from photographs and films.

Robert Ogger, Ph.D., Sea Turtle Restoration Project
Brendan Cummings, Center for Biological Diversity

Developments in Toxic Torts (Law 175)
This panel will present some of the leading toxic torts attorneys in the country who will discuss recent developments in their field.

Mike Axline, Miller, Axline & Sawyer
Duane Miller, Miller, Axline & Sawyer
Charles Siegal, Siegel, Waters & Kraus
Sunday, March 6 - Morning Schedule

9:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.

Polluter Pays: Making Foreign Companies Clean Up Transboundary Contamination (Law 184)

In November 2004, a federal district court judge held, for the first time ever, that Superfund’s liability provisions could apply to a company that discharged its pollution outside of U.S. territory. This panel will discuss how this decision may change the way we deal with transboundary contamination.

Mo McBroom, WashPIRG
Jessyn Schore, WashPIRG

Impacts of Oil and Gas Development in the West (Law 110)

This panel will discuss the impact of oil and gas exploration on endangered species, wild and sacred places, and air and water quality.

Mark Reiner, Northern Plains Resource Council
Nicolle Roeninger, Forest Guardians
Erik Schlenker-Goodrich, Western Environmental Law Center

Challenging Corporate Power and Big Money (Law 175)

Discussion of strategies to strike at the heart of corporate influence over environmental laws and policies. With the re-election of George Bush, it is more important than ever to focus on directly impacting corporations and their profits.

Brent Foster, Attorney
Randy Knop, Plumbers and Pipefitters Union
Enrique Santos, Oregon Law Center
Kim Marks, ForestEthics

Disposing of Weapons of Mass Destruction in Oregon (Gumwood EMU)

Citizens from Hermiston, Oregon have worked to defeat incineration of chemical weapons in favor of safe, non-incineration methods, and to ensure participation in Department of Defense decisions. Panelists would discuss the successful implementation of innovative, non-incineration technologies for chemical weapons and hazardous wastes.

J.R. Wilkinson, Gasp
Stu Sugarman, Oregon Wildlife Federation
Mary O’Brien, Oregon Toxics Alliance
Karyn Jones, Gasp

A Line in the Sand: Zero Cut, Forever Wild, and Wild Forest Sanctuary (Law 141)

Past and present management of our public lands has lead to the near-complete destruction of native forests. Less than five percent of old-growth remains, yet the Forest Service continues to plan timber sales in our National Forests. The Wild Sanctuary movement has an answer—stop all resource extraction from all of our public lands and waterways.

Tom Hermack, Native Forest Council
Karen Coulter, Blue Mountains Biodiversity Project

10:30 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.

The Sagebrush Sea in Peril (Law 142)

This panel will discuss the least known and least protected landscape in North America, the Sagebrush Sea. Already more than 100 million acres has been lost and what remains suffers from livestock, miners, developers, and ORVs.

Katie Fite, Western Watersheds Project
Mark Swep, Sagebrush Sea Campaign
Amy Atwood, Western Environmental Law Center

Making Small Woodlands Prosper Ecologically and Economically (Maple EMU)

Small woodlands can improve and restore habitat while providing income for owners if managed with care. Finding markets and developing products for small, sustainably harvested timber from understory thinning supports healthy ecosystems and economies in Oregon and beyond.

Ellen Morris Bishop, Small timber land owner
Mike Gaudern, Oregon Small Woodlands Association
Scott Levenson, Oregon State University

Human Rights and the Environment: an International Perspective (Law 175)

This panel will discuss several current environmental human rights issues from around the world. A panel of international environmental attorneys active in human rights law will focus on a case currently pending in the Liberian Supreme Court.

Jerome I. Verdier, Sr., Association of Environmental Lawyers (Libera), E-LAW
Lalasingh de Silva, International Public Interest Defenders (IPID) (Sri Lanka), E-LAW
Srilalana Krasibakne, Univ. of Oregon School of Law, E-LAW

Vegetarianism: Why It’s Essential To Save The Environment (Law 184)

This panel will discuss the need for environmentalists to adopt a vegetarian diet by showing the effects of the agricultural industry on soil, water, air, wildlife, domestic animals, and human rights in both the U.S. and around the world.

Christine Garcia, The Animal Law Office
Stephanie Engelsman, Center for Environmental and Animal Law
Leah Koss, Center for Environmental and Animal Law

International Whaling: The Future of the Whaling Moratorium (Law 110)

This panel will focus on the apparent change in U.S. policy regarding the resumption of commercial whaling and the complexities of international negotiations.

Tami Drake, Ocean Defense International
Jonathan Paul, Ocean Defense International

Developing an Agenda for Action (Law 241)

The World Summit of Attorneys General reconvenes in Qatar in November. “A Citizens Agenda for Human and Environmental Protection” will be discussed for presentation at the summit. The 2004 Summit laid the groundwork for progress, and it is up to us to follow through.

Charlie Tebbutt, Western Environmental Law Center


**Friday**

**Creating and Expanding Non-Profit Organizations**
Gerlinger Lounge, 8:30 - 11:30
David Atkin - Non-Profit Support Services
Susan Curry - National Forest Protection Alliance
Jeff Gersh - Narrative Lab Communications

This workshop will provide a comprehensive look at founding and running non-profit organizations. David Atkin will cover the IRS regulations that limit lobbying, prohibit or limit involvement in electoral politics, and differentiate between allowable public education and prohibited advocacy. Susan Curry will address fundraising and grantwriting. Jeff Gersh will discuss applying private-sector marketing techniques to non-profit messaging.

**Using Hazardous Waste Law for the Public Interest**
LAW 243, 9:30 - 11:30
Professor Craig Johnston - Lewis and Clark School of Law
Ted Yackulic - United States E.P.A.

Both RCRA and CERCLA provide powerful tools for public interest environmental lawyers to use in their everyday practice. This workshop will explore the citizen-suit provisions and other relevant sections of both RCRA and CERCLA with an eye towards expanding the public interest use of these laws.

**National Forest Management Act, and Federal Land Policy Management Act**
Gerlinger Lounge, 2:00 - 4:00
Marc Fink - Western Environmental Law Center
Erik Schlenker-Goodrich - Western Environmental Law Center

This workshop will provide an overview of the Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management’s key statutes, the National Forest Management Act and the Federal Land Policy and Management Act, and recent caselaw, regulatory, and policy events that are essential to knowing how these lands are intended to be managed and protected.

**Clean Air Act Basics and Year in Review**
LAW 184, 2:00 - 4:00
Robert Ukeiley - Attorney at Law
Marcie Keefer - Our Children’s Earth

This workshop will provide a general overview of the various parts of the Clean Air Act and then discuss opportunities for public involvement in permitting and enforcement actions under the CAA. The workshop will also provide a discussion of recent developments in CAA case law.

**Freedom of Information Act**
Gerlinger Lounge, 4:00 - 6:00
Dave Babr - Western Environmental Law Center
Dan Stotter - FOIAdvocates

This workshop will discuss how citizens can obtain governmental information, access records, and will provide an outline of administrative and judicial mechanisms pertaining to use of state and federal public records laws.

**Saturday**

**Ethics in Environmental Litigation**
Gerlinger Lounge, 8:15 - 10:15
Larry Sanders - Turner Environmental Law Clinic (Emory University)
Rick Poulin - Smith & Lowney, PLLC

This workshop will provide a primer to activists and lawyers interested in using the Endangered Species Act more effectively to protect and restore imperiled species.

**Speaking Truth to Power – Public Interest Media in an Age of Societal Corruption and Deceit**
Gerlinger Lounge, 10:15 - 11:45; 2:15 - 3:45
Paul Richards - PR Media Consultants ®

Media conglomerates peddle fear, violence, disempowerment, hopelessness, and superficiality and call it “news.” Learn alternatives from professional media consultant Paul Richards. Richards is a former AP newspaper, newspaper editor, syndicated columnist, radio news service manager, and television journalist. Richards’ “How Media Really Work and How to Work Media” workshops have reached thousands of public interest advocates from every state.

**Citizen’s Guide to the Endangered Species Act**
LAW 184, 4:00 - 6:00
Chris Winter - Cascade Resource Advocacy Group
Noah Greenwald - Center For Biological Diversity
Stephanie Parent - Pacific Environmental Advocacy Center
Brian Litmans - Center For Biological Diversity

This workshop will provide a primer to activists and lawyers interested in using the Endangered Species Act more effectively to protect and restore imperiled species.

**Clean Water Act**
Gerlinger Lounge, 4:00 - 6:00
Charlie Tebbutt - Western Environmental Law Center
Melissa Powers - Pacific Environmental Advocacy Center

This workshop will cover the basics of enforcing the Clean Water Act: from notice letters, pre-complaint evidence gathering and responses to defense tactics, discovery, summary judgment, trial requirements, and fee petitions. It will also discuss recent enforcement trends and administration tactics that attempt to make citizen enforcement more difficult, such as redefining jurisdiction over waters of the U.S.

**Sunday**

**Developing and Handling Cases Under the National Environmental Policy Act**
Gerlinger Lounge, 8:30 - 10:30
Marianne Dugan, Facaros & Dugan
Erik Ryberg, Center for Biological Diversity

This workshop will focus on building cases under the National Environmental Policy Act. Focus will be on developing the case and building the record at the agency level, handling agency appeals, and taking the case though summary judgment and the appellate process.
**Special Events**

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**Friday**

**UO Environmental and Natural Resources Law Program Open House**
9:00 AM - 5:00 PM (Law 225)
Stop by the Bowerman Center for Environmental and Natural Resources Law to meet the staff and faculty of the University of Oregon’s ENR program, to find out what is happening in the ENR Program, or to touch base about resources available for students and the community through the ENR program.

**Litigating Disaster (Film)**
9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (Ballroom EMU)
In 1984, huge amounts of toxic gas leaked from the Union Carbide pesticide factory in Bhopal, India, poisoning and killing hundreds of thousands of people. Today, hundreds of thousands of people still suffer from severely polluted drinking water, and to date, no court of law anywhere in the world has ever held Union Carbide or any of its officers responsible for what happened. The film explores how Union Carbide successfully manipulated both the US and the Indian legal systems against each other to avoid having to defend its record in court.

**Last Journey of the Leatherbacks (Film)**
10:00 AM - 10:30 AM (Rogue EMU)
This film documents the incredible life of the Leatherbacks - the largest species of sea turtle - through incredible footage and interviews with leading marine scientists. The film also details the threat industrial fishing poses to their survival.

**Brett Matthews (Photography Display)**
10:30 AM-12:00 PM (Fir EMU)
This photography display features abstract and striking photographs of Oregon’s landscapes and seascapes.

**Nuclear Northwest (Film)**
10:30 AM-11:30 AM (Ballroom EMU)
This movie examines the social, ecological and health dangers of all things nuclear in 2005. It encourages citizens to be active and empowered to prevent any new nuclear power plants or bombs.

**Protecting Caribou Coast to Coast to Coast (Slideshow)**
2:30 PM - 3:00 PM (Umpqua EMU)
Presented by Candice Batycki of Caribou Nation, this slideshow will take you into the heart of Caribou Nation, old growth forests in steep mountain ranges where caribou roam, with stunning photos and inspiring activism.

**The Corporation (Film)**
2:00 PM - 4:30 PM (Ballroom EMU)
150 years ago, the corporation was a relatively insignificant entity. Today, it is a vivid, dramatic and pervasive presence in all our lives. In this complex, exhaustive and highly entertaining documentary, Mark Achbar, co-director Jennifer Abbott and writer Joel Bakan to examine the far-reaching repercussions of the corporation’s increasing preeminence. Based on Bakan’s book *The Corporation: The Pathological Pursuit of Profit and Power*, the film is a timely, critical inquiry that invites CEOs, whistle-blowers, brokers, gurus, spies, players, paupers and punsters on a graphic and engaging quest to reveal the corporation’s inner workings, curious history, controversial impacts and possible futures. Featuring keynote speakers Jane Akre, Samuel Epstein, and Steve Wilson as well as Noam Chomsky, Michael Moore, Howard Zinn and many others

**Black Mountain Films (2 Films)**
2:00 PM - 3:30 PM (Rogue EMU)
*Black Mountain, A Living Legacy in the Siskiyous*: This movie shows incredible footage from the 20,000-acre Condrey Mountain Roadless Area which is threatened by plans to clearcut a 240-acre private inholding. Klamath-Siskiyou Wildlands Center attorney Erin Madden will be available for questions regarding KS Wild’s lawsuit on the proposed use of adjacent public lands to facilitate logging.

*Salmon on the Backs of Buffalo*: This movie looks at the historic 2002 Klamath River fish die-off and related water-use issues. Filmmaker Salm Stroich and Ron Reed, Traditional Dipnet Fisher and Cultural Biologist with the Karuk Tribe, will be available to answer questions.

**Siskiyou Wild Rivers (Slide show)**
2:30 PM - 4:00 PM (Law 242)
Rolf Skar of the Siskiyou Wild Rivers Campaign presents a slide show and discussion of the Siskiyou region and the threats posed by the Biscuit Logging Project. The Biscuit post-fire logging project is the largest logging sale in modern history. It challenges the Forest Service Roadless Rule while threatening the incredible biodiversity of the Siskiyou Wild Rivers. Rolf explores the amazing landscape with brilliant photography and detailed descriptions.

**The Klamath Tribes: A Land Claim and Water Rights (Film)**
2:30 PM - 3:00 PM (Fir EMU)
This is a movie about the Klamath Tribes’ land claim. The Tribes lost their reservation in the 1950’s due to the federal government’s policy of termination. They now seek to get approximately 700,000 acres of that reservation returned.

**Arctic Refuge (Slideshow)**
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (Fir EMU)
The slideshow looks at the history of the Arctic Refuge, highlights the importance of this special place and argues against opening the Refuge to oil development.

**Student Reception**
5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (1236 Kinkaid St)
We encourage all youthful activists and students from any school to attend this reception for dinner and the opportunity to network with your peers. It is just off the west side of campus on the corner of 13th Ave. and Kincaid St. (next to Rennie’s Landing).

**Indigenous Peoples Reception**
5:30 PM - 7:00 PM (Many Nations Longhouse)
The Native peoples at the University of Oregon wish to welcome all indigenous conference presenters and attendees to this reception. Co-Sponsored by NALSA, the Native American Student Union, and the ENR Center.

**Celebration!**
9:30 PM - 12:00 AM (Agate Hall)
Unwind with conference attendees and enjoy live music from The Over the Counter Jug Band and The Garden Weasels. Beer and food will be provided.

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**Saturday**

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**Mount Shasta (Film)**
9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (Ballroom)
The Wintu struggle to protect Panther Meadows, the site of a thousand year old religious ceremony, from the encroachment of a proposed multi-million dollar ski resort and the practices of New Age Groups.

**The Forest for the Trees (Film)**
10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (Ballroom EMU)
In 1990, environmentalist and union organizer Judi Bari’s car was bombed and within hours she was accused of transporting the explosives that had nearly killed her.
While still in the hospital, she was arrested and labeled a terrorist in the national media. Follow her story, culminating in her First Amendment case against the FBI and the legal battle few thought she could win.

**Billionaires for Bush** (Theater Troupe)  
10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (Fir Room EMU)  
Billionaires for Bush is a do-it-yourself street theater and media campaign using humor to show how the Bush Administration has favored the corporate elite at the expense of everyday Americans. The Billionaires will auction Social Security to the highest bidder in a celebration of the President’s plan to add the element of surprise to Social Security payments. Also on the auction block are the drilling rights to the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge. Following the auction, the Billionaires For Bush Follies will be singing four fabulous songs.

**Public Lands: Ranching in the West** (Slideshow)  
10:30 AM - 12:00 PM (Law 242)  
A slide show and discussion of the ecological impacts of ranching on public lands in the arid western landscapes. George Wuerthner is a freelance writer and photographer with 28 books under his belt and numerous awards for his brilliant photography.

**The Jeffery “Free” Luers Story** (Film)  
11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (Ballroom EMU)  
Jeff Luers took part in the burning of three SUVs in a statement against the planetary consequences of the auto industry. He was sentenced to 22 years and 8 months in prison. This film examines the corporate American military machine that is rapidly criminalizing political dissent. After the video, there will be a discussion about Jeff’s case hosted by members of Break the Chains.

**Temperate Rainforests** (Slideshow)  
2:00 PM - 3:30 PM (Fir Room EMU)  
A slideshow about stopping transnational timber corporations from destroying southern forests. Pat Rasmussen organized World Temperate Rainforest Conference in Victoria, British Columbia bringing together activists, scientists and First Nations from Chile, BC, Alaska, the Pacific Northwest, Argentina and Australia to launch the World Temperate Rainforest Network, for which she is now coordinator.

**Siobhan** (Singer-songwriter and dancer)  
2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (Ballroom EMU)  
Siobhan plays original love songs for animals and nature and also performs dances of compassion.

**Silent Forest: The Growing Threat of Genetically Engineered Trees** (Film)  
3:00 PM - 3:30 PM (Law 242)  
This movie is a documentary on the dangers of genetically engineered trees. It is narrated by world-renowned scientist/geneticist Dr. David Suzuki.

**Spencer’s Butte Hike**  
2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (Meet in front of Law building lobby - corner of 15th and Agate)  
With Roy Keene as your guide, hike Eugene’s old growth forest as you climb Spencer’s Butte for incredible views of Eugene and its pristine surrounding areas.

**Let the River Run** (Film)  
3:30 PM - 4:00 PM (Fir Room EMU)  
This movie, created by the Glen Canyon Institute, takes you on a cinematic tour through the amazing Glen Canyon. In 1963, Glen Canyon Dam was completed, flooding 186 miles of the Colorado River and a spectacular region that had been proposed as a National Park before WWII. The 125 major side canyons of Glen Canyon, comprising the biological heart of the Colorado River, was flooded as Powell Reservoir backed up over the next 17 years.

**Razing Appalachia** (Film)  
3:30 PM - 4:30 PM (Law 242)  
In May 1998, Arch Coal, Inc. announced that it would expand its Dal-Tex strip mine just above the small town of Blair, West Virginia. But lifetime residents said too many of them had already been bought out or chased away by the giant mine, and that Arch Coal’s planned expansion was the final threat to their once-tranquil way of life. Forty families—where there were once 300—stayed in Blair. This film is the story of their remarkable fight against the second-largest coal company in America, against the state’s political leaders and, unhappy, against the 400 union miners whose jobs were on the line.

**Ronna Hinklin** (Poet)  
4:00 PM - 4:30 PM (Fir Room EMU)  
Moved by witnessing a clear cut near her property, Hinklin wrote a poem that she will perform to stir people into action about the detrimental impact clear cutting has on the animals that make their home in our forests.

**Cull of the Wild** (Film)  
4:30 PM - 5:00 PM (Law 242)  
This film examines the history and the legacy of the trapping industry in America today, explaining and demonstrating different types of traps and filming from the point of view of the trapper as well as the animals. Interviews with wildlife biologists, veterinarians, and other experts detail the dangers to “nontarget” wildlife and household pets as trappers move away from commercial trapping and begin killing “nuisance” animals.

**Common Ground** (Film)  
9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (Fir Room EMU)  
This movie charts a new course to protect Oregon’s ocean ecosystems, discussing the need to establish a network of marine reserves to facilitate the restoration and conservation of Oregon’s invaluable marine habitats.

**Campus Tree Walk**  
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (Meeting on the corner of 15th and Agate)  
With Roy Keene as your guide, visit unique trees on the University of Oregon campus. Hear about their conservation history and current issues from a local forester and activist.

**Cascades Raptor Center**  
10:00 AM - 1:00 PM (Meet in Front of Law building lobby - corner of 15th and Agate)  
Take an excursion to the Cascades Raptor Center, a nature center and wildlife hospital for birds of prey, and visit its fascinating residents including Bald Eagles and Northern Spotted Owls.

**Oil on Ice** (Film)  
10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (Fir Room EMU)  
A visually stunning journey through a pristine land that is teeming with wildlife, enriched by centuries of Native Alaskan culture, and at risk of being destroyed by the invasive oil industry. Interviews with esteemed arctic biologists, environmental experts and native Inupiat Eskimos and Gwich’in Indian activists reveal how the culture and sustenance of native people and the survival of migratory wildlife depend on the decisions we make about energy policy.
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RESPECT & PROTOCOL
For Speaking and Interacting with Indigenous People
Provided by members of the Native American Student Union

There will be a large number of Indigenous people from communities around the world at this conference. For some, this will be the first time they will interact with people from “First Nations.” This section has been created to make this interaction as smooth and rewarding as possible. Non-native people have a poor record for developing relations with First Nation Communities. There may be many specific reasons for this, but one of the most common and easiest to overcome is a lack of understanding. If you want to work with Indigenous People, you should make an honest effort to observe and understand their protocol. As we learn to respect others’ ways, it helps teach us to respect our own ways more. Native protocol is not difficult or complicated, it requires only common sense and respect. Knowing that it exists is the way to begin the process. However, there are not just “Indian” people in this world; there are many Indigenous Nations. Each has a different language, different environment, and a different culture. As such they all have different protocol, but there are commonalities which exist in all.

The following is a list of basic protocol

- Do NOT touch an Indigenous person’s clothing, possessions or hair without their permission.
- Do not take photographs without permission.
- Do not allow alcohol or mind-altering substances, or yourself if under the influence, around sacred objects or elders.
- In order to speak to an Indigenous person, whether elder or not, approach them and wait. They will acknowledge you as long as they know you are waiting. Respect is gained by not just rushing up and “thrusting yourself upon them.”
- Prayer is very important and there are many ways people pray. If someone seems to be deeply focused, it would be best to wait for them to give you their attention.
- Many Indigenous people do not do the “firm business handshake.” Try a gentle but firm handshake.
- Speak softly, clearly, and slowly. English is not everyone’s first language.
- Avoid stereotypes.
- Some Indigenous people feel it is impolite to stare someone in the eyes. If they do not look at you when you or they are speaking, take it as a sign that perhaps you should do the same.
- Indigenous people have titles and national identities. Ask the proper way to address them and their people.
- Do not eat, talk, or walk around when a First Nations person is talking. If you must, try to do it between speakers or as discreetly as possible.
- Most indigenous names are considered sacred and are not to be joked about or made fun of.
- Show respect for the beliefs and traditions of those to and about whom you are speaking.
- Be truthful at all times and avoid figures of speech. Indigenous people take what you say literally.
- Many Indigenous people open a talk with a prayer or song. It is a sign of respect to stand, take off hats of all types, and not take pictures at these times.
- Among Indigenous people, women generally don’t touch sacred objects during “their moon” each month,
- Avoid whistling at night. Many Indigenous people from North America and other areas believe this draws spirits, including bad ones.
- Never walk between two people who are speaking or interrupt them,
- In general, try to show respect at all times in front of Indigenous people, especially elders. Act as you would in front of your own leaders, spiritual people, and role models.

This is not a complete list, just guidelines, for Indigenous people are all different. As Indigenous people, they have already had to learn to work through these differences. Do not let this list intimidate you. Take this opportunity to talk to them respectfully, find similarities and learn from the differences.

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