

PIELC 2022 PROGRAMMING

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Thursday, March 3rd

12:00-1:00 PM

The intersection of Climate Change and Poverty in the Wake of the Mayfield Candle Company Collapse*

Amos Jones, Plaintiff's Lawyer in the Mayfield Candle Company Lawsuit, expounds on the intersections between poverty, civil rights, and climate change.

Amos Jones (Amos Jones Law Firm)

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1:00-2:00 PM

Protecting Vulnerable Populations Under the New Toxic Substances Control Act*

A 2016 amendment to the Toxic Substances Control Act requires consideration of potentially exposed and susceptible subpopulations in risk evaluation and decision making. The EPA has exercised its authority to grant a petition from six North Carolina public health and environmental justice organizations to compel companies to conduct testing of certain PFAS (per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances) and examine their public health effects.

Panelists: Dianne Barton (Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission) & Bob Sussman (Sussman and Associates)

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Re-imagine Recreation*

The rapid expansion of human-powered recreation on public lands has resulted in increasingly adverse impacts to wilderness values, wildlife, visitor experiences, and natural and cultural resources. Yet no federal land management agency has conducted a comprehensive review of these impacts, much less made plans for how to address them. A new report, Outdoor Recreation and Ecological Disturbance, A Review of Research and Implications for Management of the Colorado Plateau Province, by Dr. Christopher Monz, synthesizes over 60 years of published scientific research on recreation ecology to identify the impacts of non-motorized recreation on the Colorado Plateau. This panel will discuss the findings and management recommendations of this recreation report and the available (and needed) legal and policy tools to ensure recreation planning and management are responsive to growing recreation demands while maintaining ecological and cultural integrity.

Panelists: Judi Brawer (Southern Utah Wilderness Alliance) & Dr. Christopher Monz (Utah State University)

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Local Governments Can Regulate Gas Infrastructure in Oregon*

In 2021 and 2022, the Green Energy Institute, Sabin Center for Climate Change Law, and Breach Collective worked together to investigate local authority to regulate "natural"/methane gas in Oregon. The findings of this research will be released in Spring 2022. This panel will discuss the research findings, offer suggestions to advocates, lawyers, and government officials on how they can regulate "natural"/methane gas to protect health, safety, and the climate in their communities, and discuss potential legal obstacles to local regulation.

Panelists: Nick Caleb (Breach Collective), Carra Sahler (Green Energy Institute), Amy Schlusser (Green Energy Institute), & Amy Turner (Sabin Center for Climate Change Law)

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Of Human and Biodiversity

What do efforts to ensure Oregon has abundant, thriving wildlife have to do with advocating for more equitable and inclusive institutions? A lot in fact! Conserving Oregon's wildlife means conserving them for the benefit of all Oregonians, and for the generations to come. Please join our panel as we discuss how diversity and inclusion play a critical role in reflecting conservation values at positions of power, key actions being taken to reform decision-making bodies that oversee wildlife policies in our state, and the importance of accessibility to the outdoors in enhancing conservation values.

Panelists: Danielle Moser (Oregon Wild), Sristi Kamal (Defenders of Wildlife), Quinn Read (Center for Biological Diversity)

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