



Navigating the Rapids: **Colorado River Governance in the 21st Century** **Thursday, February 15, 2024 | 4:00-6:00 PM** *Reception to follow*

The University of Arizona's [Udall Center for Studies in Public Policy](#), [Water Resources Research Center](#), and [Center for Climate Adaptation Science and Solutions](#) invite you to attend a public symposium at the Environment & Natural Resources (ENR2) Building on campus to hear from and engage with experts to address governance of the Colorado River.

Over the course of two moderated roundtable discussions, panelists will offer diverse perspectives on the river's stakeholders, decision-making processes, and its most complex challenges. The discussions will offer insights on the future of the Colorado River and its viability to support agriculture, ecosystems, and human life. Audience members may engage with the panelists during Q & A sessions following each of the two roundtable discussions.

The program at a glance:

- **Colorado River 101: A Look at the Landscape** with [Gina Gilson](#), Environmental Policy Program Research Scientist, UArizona Udall Center for Studies in Public Policy
- **Roundtable 1: Digging into the Diverse Interests**
 - Facilitator: [Gemma Smith](#), Assistant Professor, UArizona School of Government and Public Policy
 - [Tamee Albrecht](#), Assistant Professor, Department of Ecosystem Science and Sustainability, Colorado State University
 - [Drew Bennett](#), Whitney MacMillan Professor of Practice, University of Wyoming
 - [Tanya Heikkila](#), Co-Director, Center for Policy and Democracy, University of Colorado-Denver
 - [Heather Tanana](#), Visiting Professor of Law, University of California, Irvine
- **Colorado River 101: Modern decision-making in the basin** with [Douglas Kenney](#), Director, Western Water Policy Program, University of Colorado School of Law
- **Roundtable 2: Naming the Elephants in the Room**
 - Facilitator: [Sharon Megdal](#), Director of the UArizona Water Resources Research Center
 - [Dustin Garrick](#), University Research Chair, Water and Development Policy, University of Waterloo
 - [Elizabeth Koebele](#), Associate Professor of Political Science, University of Nevada, Reno
 - [Rhett Larson](#), Richard Morrison Professor of Water Law, Arizona State University
- Including remarks by [Andrea Gerlak](#), Director of the UArizona Udall Center for Studies in Public Policy, [Katharine Jacobs](#), Director of the UArizona Center for Climate Adaptation Science and Solutions, and [Elliott Cheu](#), Interim Senior Vice President, UArizona Office of Research, Innovation and Impact

Please join us for a networking reception in the ENR2 courtyard immediately following the symposium, where refreshments and light appetizers will be served.

You won't want to miss what may be the most comprehensive discussion of the year examining Colorado River governance and policy!

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