

**Tuesday, August 6, 2019**

12:00 – 5:00 pm State Executives Meeting

**Wednesday, August 7, 2019**

8:00 am NWRA Memorial Golf Tournament / Fundraiser

12:00 – 5:00 pm  
Lobby Registration

1:00 – 2:30 pm Budget and Finance Committee Meeting

2:30 – 3:30 pm Strategic Planning Committee Meeting

2:30 – 3:30 pm Nominations Committee Meeting

3:30 – 4:30 pm Policy Development Committee Meeting

4:30 – 5:30 pm Irrigation Caucus Meeting

4:30 – 5:30 pm Municipal Caucus Meeting

4:30 – 5:30 pm Groundwater Caucus Meeting

5:30 – 6:30 pm Welcome Reception

**Thursday, August 8, 2019**

8:00 am – 3:00 pm  
Lobby Registration

8:00 a.m. Conference Welcome: Cheryl Zittle and Christine Arbogast

8:00 – 8:30 am Keynote: The Honorable Brenda Burman, Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation

8:30 – 9:30 am General Session: Colorado River Drought Contingency Plan, Next Steps  
Jim Broderick, Executive Director, Southeastern Colorado Water Conservancy District  
Peter Nelson, Chairman, Colorado River Board of California  
Rebecca Mitchell, Director, Colorado Water Conservation Board

9:30 – 10:00 am Networking Break

10:00 – 11:00 am	<p><b>General Session: Endangered Species Act:</b> Deschutes Basin Conservation Plan – legal, irrigation, and conservation perspectives. David E. Filippi, Partner, Stoel Rives LLP Mike Britton, General Manager, North Unit Irrigation District (invited)</p>
11:00 – 12:00 pm	<p><b>General Session: Public Affairs – Key Steps to Community Outreach</b> Jenifer Persike, JP &amp; Co. Ashley Metzger, Outreach and Conservation Manager, Desert Water Agency Karry Rathje, Public Information Manager, Washington County Water Conservancy District</p>
12:00 am – 1:30 pm	<p><b>Lunch on Own:</b> Portland is known to have some of the most innovative and delicious resturants in the world. Step outside our conveniently located hotel and explore a wide variety of increadable dining options.</p>
1:30 – 2:30	<p><b>General Session: Wildfire,</b> identifying solutions and protecting watersheds Moderator – Dave Eggerton, Executive Director, Association of California Water Agencies Andy Fecko, Placer County Water Agency Patrick Graham, The Nature Conservancy (Invited) Chris Marklund, Chief of Staff, Office of the Undersecretary for Natural Resources and Environment, USDA</p>
2:30 – 3:30 pm	<p><b>General Session: Columbia River –</b> The Columbia River is one of the world’s mightiest rivers with an annual average flow of approximately 198 million acre-feet. Learn about complex issues surrounding the management of this great resource. <b>Moderator:</b> Paul Arrington, Executive Director, Idaho Water Users Association Kristin Meira, Executive Director, Pacific Northwest Waterways Association Jaime A. Pinkham, Executive Director, Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission</p>
3:30 – 4:00 pm	<p>Networking Break</p>
4:00 – 5:00 pm	<p><b>General Session: Biological Opinions –</b> Overview of some of the major bi-ops affecting western water users Paul S. Simmons, Executive Director, Klamath Water Users Association Federico Barajas, Executive Director, San Luis &amp; Delta-Mendota Water Authority (Invited)</p>
5:00-6:00	<p><b>Women and Water Schlorarship Celebration – Open to All!</b> The Women in Water Scholarship Fund will award its first recepient this year. All are welcome and encouraged to join the Women in Water founding members to celebrate the helping the next generation of water leaders.</p>
6:30 – 10:00 pm	<p><b>NWRA Western Family BBQ &amp; Internship Silent Auction</b> Spend an evening enjoying delicious food and great company. Those interested in participating in some good-natured competition can take advantage of the Internship Silent Action. All proceeds go toward the NWRA Internship Fund and ensure our ability to hire future interns.</p>

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**Please Note:** Western Family BBQ is included with all attendee registrations, all spouses and guests must purchase tickets online prior to event.

Hosted Bar 6:00 – 7:00 pm | Dinner Served at 6:30 pm | Cash Bar 7:00 – 10:00 pm

### Friday, August 9, 2019

7:00 – 8:00      **Federal Affairs Coffee:** Get looped in on all the happenings in DC from with the Federal Affaris Committee policy experts:  
Christine Arbogast, Kogovosek and Associates, NWRA Fed Affaris Chair Moderator  
Shelby Hagenauer, Deputy Commissioner, Bureaur of Reclamation  
Ada Benevdes, Senior Policy Advisor, Army Corps of Engineers  
Jordan Smith, Executive Director, NESARC

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8:00 – 8:30 am      **Keynote Session: BPA Administrator Elliot Mainzer (Invited)**

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8:30 – 10:00 am      **General Session Federal Funding Panel –** Learn about funding opprotunities at the Bureau of Reclamation, Department of Agriculture, and the Army Corps of Engineers

Mark Mazzanti – U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Chief of Programs Southwestern Division

Ron Alvarado – Oregon State Conservationist, USDA Natural Resource Conservation Service

Avra Morgan, Program Analyst Policy and Administraiton, United States Bureau of Reclamation

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9:00 – 10:00 am      **Policy Development Committee Meeting Follow Up**

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10:00 am      **NWRA Board Meeting**

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