

# Interdisciplinary Water Resources Seminar GRAD592

Fall 2017 Theme:

*Water Management in Colorado*

Monday, November 13, 2017 4:00 – 5:00 PM,  
Behavioral Sciences Room 103

## Compacts and Downstream States Political Process in Water Management

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### Biography:



Jennifer Gimbel is a Senior Water Policy Scholar at the Colorado Water Institute (CWI). Her work and research is currently focused on Colorado River issues, with an emphasis on the Upper Colorado River Basin. She spent three years in Washington D.C., where she was the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Water & Science at the Department of the Interior, overseeing the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) and the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation. She also was Deputy Commissioner for the Bureau of Reclamation and Counselor to the Assistant Secretary. Before going to Washington D.C., Gimbel was the Director of the Colorado Water Conservation Board (CWCB). She has over 30 years of experience on water issues.



Stulp served as Colorado's Commissioner of Agriculture from 2007-2011. For thirteen years, he served as the Prowers County Commissioner and also served on numerous other state boards and commissions including the following: State Board of Agriculture, State Wildlife Commission, the Connect Colorado Technology Committee, the State Land Board, and the Colorado Ag Development Authority & Value Added Board. He has been a leading proponent of building wind farms in rural Colorado to help develop new economic opportunities and jobs. Stulp has a Bachelor of Veterinary Science and a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine. As Director for the Interbasin Compact Committee and Water Advisor to Governor Hickenlooper, Stulp is charged with bringing together a mixture of ideas and pathways for a water plan that will balance Colorado's future water needs.

### Abstract:

Water management is more than moving water from one place to another and the law of prior appropriation should not be static. Many policy discussions revolve around the Colorado Water Plan and Stulp will present how this was done from the ground-up, relying on various basin roundtables. Colorado is a headwaters state and most of its water goes beyond its borders to other states. Gimbel will talk about interstate water management, including interstate compacts and U.S. Supreme Court decrees.



All interested faculty, students, and off-campus guests are encouraged to attend.  
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