State of the CSU Water Center & Faculty Listening Session

Monday, February 16th, 2015
Natural Resources Bldg. 109
The CSU Water Center catalyzes excellence in water research, teaching, and engagement by fostering interdisciplinary collaboration and creative scholarship.

Photo by Meryem Bingul, student at Colorado State University
The CSU Water Center brings together a network of over 200 faculty and staff from various departments across the CSU campus and seeks to engage students and faculty in interdisciplinary research and to promote current water-related research taking place at CSU.

We seek to inform interested faculty, students, and community members of water related opportunities around the CSU campus and throughout the state of Colorado.

Staff: Research and Outreach Coordinator and two student interns

Faculty led Executive Committee (15 members with representation from 7 colleges)
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Recent Accomplishments

Research Activities
- Funded 8 projects under the FY14 RFP
- Funded 9 projects under the FY15 RFP
- International Water Workgroup

Education Activities
- Water MOOC
- GRAD 592, a one-credit seminar course offered each fall
- Sustainable Water Interdisciplinary Minor (SWIM)

Outreach Activities
- *The Current* e-news
- *Colorado Water* Newsletter
- Spring Water Seminar
- CSU Water Expertise website
- Hosted and co-sponsored several water related events

Student Engagement
- Co-sponsored several different student led events
- Photo Contest
- CSU student club survey
FY16 Request for Proposals

- Targets CSU faculty and researchers whose scholarly contributions to water resources education, research, and outreach will be significantly enhanced by seed funding leading to external grants.

- All faculty and researchers are encouraged to apply, especially those who are new or have not been previously involved in water research, outreach, and education.

- Special consideration will be given to proposals that develop multi-disciplinary teams to write and submit large external grant proposals.
FY16 Request for Proposals

Multi-disciplinary Research/Proposal Team
- Develops teams to work on innovative scholarship and/or respond to federal and other external grants
- $25,000 maximum funding per award
- Inclusion of students is encouraged

Water Faculty Fellow
- Enables individual faculty to engage in water scholarship
- $10,000 maximum funding per award
Request for Proposals

❖ Proposals due 5:00 PM Mountain Time on Monday, **March 23, 2015**

❖ Funding begins July 1, 2015 – May 15, 2016

❖ Faculty will be required to submit a midterm and final project reports.

❖ Funded projects will be required to present results at Water Center seminars, conferences, workshops, and/or in newsletters.

*Photo by Budd Kerr, student at Colorado State University*
Activities Planned for 2015

Research Activities
- Fund research grants under FY16 RFP
- International Water Workgroup
- Water Cluster hire?

Education Activities
- Water MOOC (v. 3.0)
- GRAD 592, a one-credit seminar course offered each fall
- Sustainable Water Interdisciplinary Minor (SWIM)
- CO Water Knowledge website

Outreach Activities
- The Current e-news
- Colorado Water Newsletter
- Spring Water Seminar series
- Host and co-sponsor water related events (Contact us if you would like to partner with us!)

Student Engagement
- Co-sponsor student led events (contact us about sponsoring your event)
- Develop internship clearinghouse
- Photo contest
Upcoming CSU Water Center Sponsored Events

- Spring Water Seminar Series (Mondays at 4:00 PM, NR 109)
- CSU Hydrology Days (March 23-25, 2015)
- Dan Beard, former Commissioner of the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation and author of "Deadbeat Dams: Why we need to abolish the Bureau of Reclamation and tear down Glen Canyon Dam" (March 24 at 6:00 PM at the CSU LSC Theatre)
- "For the Love of Rivers" – book signing by author Dr. Kurt Fausch (April 1 at 4:00 PM, Montreal Room at SoGES)
- Hach Walk for Water Initiative (May 2, 10:00-2:00 PM in Loveland)
Contact Us

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- Stay up-to-date with everything water by signing up for our e-news, The Current
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Questions, Discussion, Feedback?

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