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2012 Environmental Law Conference at Yosemite®

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Chris Lehnertz, Pacific West Regional Director of the National Park Service
Rick Ridgeway, Vice President of Environmental Initiatives at Patagonia
Matt Rodriquez, California Secretary for Environmental Protection

September 7
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October 18
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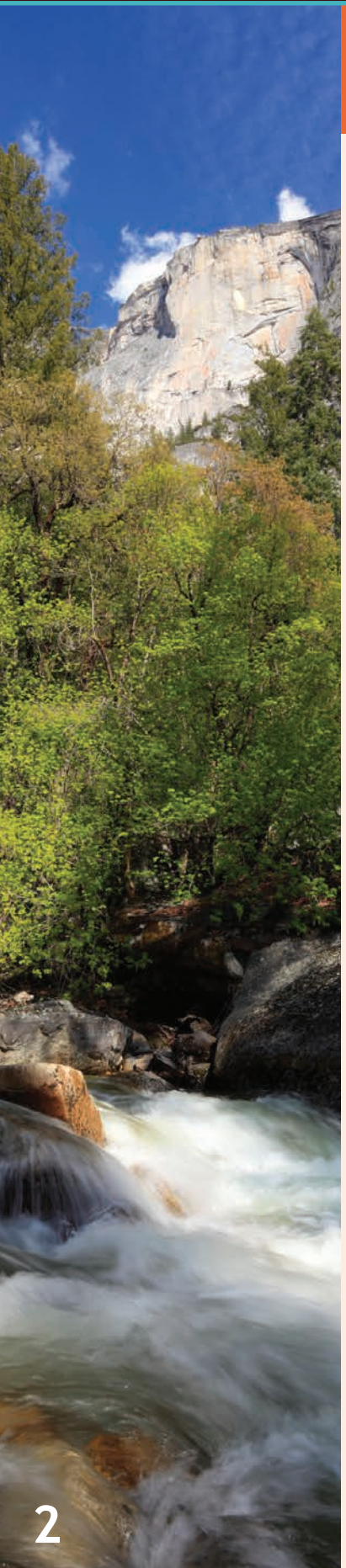

The Environmental Law Conference at Yosemite® is nationally recognized as the largest and most prestigious gathering in California of leaders in environmental, land use, and natural resources law.
We hope you will join us and many of our nation's top environmental officials, lawyers, and other professionals in the spectacular setting of Yosemite.

Conference Planning Committee

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Conference Green Initiatives

"As an organization of environmental professionals, the Environmental Law Section of the State Bar will strive to conserve natural resources and to support their sustainable use."

Each year we strive to reduce the Yosemite Conference's carbon footprint. Help us add to our efforts by forming carpools or driving in an energy efficient vehicle when you travel to Yosemite. Don't forget to sign the State Bar Eco Pledge, and review the Model Law Office Sustainability Guidelines and share them with your colleagues. Both documents are found on the Section's website at http://environmental.calbar.ca.gov/EnvironmentalLaw/Sustainability.aspx.

Conference Program Materials and Merchandise

At the Conference registrants will receive a USB storage device with an electronic version of all program materials, compliments of **West, a Thomson Reuters business**, AND, before the Conference attendees will receive a link with information on how to peruse and download the program materials from the Internet. It may be helpful to review a program's reference material before the class, so please take a moment to check the materials for classes you plan to attend. This website is not available to the public, and access only is given to Conference registrants. Late-breaking supplemental materials not available before the Conference will be added to this site at a later date.

This year attendees receive a signature tote bag sponsored by **GIBSON DUNN**, and a portable Conference water bottle sponsored by **Cox Castle & Nicholson LLP**. These products are environment-friendly and available while supplies last. A limited quantity of commemorative Conference t-shirts will be available for purchase this year. Pre-order your t-shirt on the Registration Form.

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Scholarships

The Environmental Law Section of The State Bar of California is pleased to offer five (5) Michael H. Remy Scholarships which include tuition, transportation and room, courtesy of **Remy Moose Manley LLP**, AND at least 20 tuition scholarships. The Scholarship Application with detailed filing information can be found on our website at http://environmental calbar.ca.gov. See page 13 for general scholarship information.

Yosemite Conference Honored

The Environmental Law Conference at Yosemite® is proud to be named an **ABA Section of Environment, Energy and Resources State or Local Program of the Year!**

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

(Topics, speakers, and schedules are subject to change.)

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THURSDAY OCTOBER 25, 2012

Thursday, October 25, 2012 4:00 PM-7:00 PM
Registration

Thursday, October 25, 2012 5:00 PM-7:00 PM
Environmental Law Section Executive Committee Meeting

Thursday, October 25, 2012 6:00 PM-8:00 PM
Opening Night Reception (RSVP requested)

Welcome to the 21st annual Environmental Law Conference at Yosemite®. Enjoy an array of appetizers and libations at this year's opening night reception. Sponsored by **Burke, Williams & Sorensen, LLP, Kronick Moskovitz Tiedemann & Girard,** and **Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP**.

FRIDAY OCTOBER 26, 2012

Friday, October 26, 2012 7:15 AM-12:15 PM
Registration and MCLE Sign-In (Sign in for MCLE Credit Once Daily)

Friday, October 26, 2012 7:30 AM-8:00 AM
Continental Breakfast (RSVP requested)

Sponsored by **Farella Braun + Martel LLP**, and **Gresham Savage Nolan & Tilden, PC**.

Friday, October 26, 2012 8:00 AM-9:00 AM
1 Hour MCLE Credit **Session 1**
Friday Morning Plenary Session

Welcome and introductions by **Janill L. Richards**, California Attorney General's Office, Oakland. Keynote remarks by **Matt Rodriquez,** California Secretary for Environmental Protection, Sacramento.

Matt Rodriquez was appointed California Secretary for Environmental Protection by Governor Edmund G. Brown Jr. in July 2011. As Secretary, Rodriquez oversees the activities of the California Air Resources Board, the Department of Toxic Substances Control, the Department of Pesticide Regulation, the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment and the State Water Resources Control Board. As a member of the Governor's cabinet, he advises the Governor on environmental policy. He came to CalEPA with more than 24 years of environmental experience with the California Department of Justice, where he served as a Deputy Attorney General from 1987 to 1999. While Jerry Brown was Attorney General, he selected Rodriquez to be the Chief Assistant Attorney General for the Public Rights Division, where Rodriquez supervised the work of the Land Law, Environment Law, Natural Resources Law, Consumer Law, Civil Rights Enforcement, Antitrust and Corporate Fraud Sections. Under Rodriquez' supervision, the Attorney General's Office worked to enforce hazardous waste disposal laws and regulations protecting groundwater from leaking underground storage tanks. Rodriquez also worked collaboratively with the attorneys in the Environment Section to represent OEHHA in cases brought under Proposition 65, and he was responsible for the legal team that defended California's vehicular greenhouse gas rules against challenges from the auto industry. In addition to numerous speaking engagements, he has taught classes on environmental law and resources management for graduate students in regional and environmental planning at U.C. Berkeley, where he graduated with a degree in History before going on to receive his JD from Hasting College of the Law in 1980.

Friday, October 26, 2012 9:15 AM-10:45 AM
1.5 Hours MCLE Credit **Session 2**
CEQA Update: A Perennial Favorite

Panelists will discuss in detail key CEQA cases from the past year, summarize the recent case law, and provide an update on recent legislative developments.

Moderator
Robert "Perl" Perlmutter, Shute, Mihaly & Weinberger LLP, San Francisco
Panelists
Douglas P. Carstens, Chatten-Brown & Carstens, Santa Monica
James G. Moose, Remy Moose Manley, LLP, Sacramento
Elaine C. Warren, Office of the City Attorney, City and County of San Francisco

Friday, October 26, 2012 **9:15 AM-10:45 AM**
1.5 Hours MCLE Credit **Session 3**

A.B. 32: Climate, Commerce and the Constitution

Two years after California voters declined to suspend the state's Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 – A.B. 32 – the battle over the law continues to heat up. Critics, including some within the oil and ethanol industries, cite the dormant federal Commerce Clause and question the state's authority to consider lifecycle greenhouse gas emissions from out-of-state producers when regulating use of fuels in California. They also question California's ability to affect the feedstocks of out-of-state power generators. Meanwhile, as the California Air Resources Board commences auctions for greenhouse gas allowances, it faces controversy over its authority and questions over how to spend revenue from the auctions. Learn about the many legal hurdles A.B. 32 faces as it moves from theory to practice.

Moderator
Cara Horowitz, U.C.L.A. School of Law, Los Angeles
Panelists
Mark Poole, California Attorney General's Office, San Francisco
Jocelyn Thompson, Alston & Bird LLP, Los Angeles

Friday, October 26, 2012 **9:15 AM-10:45 AM**
1.5 Hours MCLE Credit **Session 4**

Green Chemistry Hits the Streets

California's "Green Chemistry Initiative" places our state at the forefront of U.S. efforts to reduce the use of toxic substances in consumer products. In 2011, the state's Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment issued final regulations defining the "hazard traits" against which consumer product chemicals may in the future be evaluated. This year, the Department of Toxic Substances Control has worked to craft regulations governing how the state will identify "Chemicals of Concern" and prioritize the regulation of consumer products that contain them. This panel will provide insights into green chemistry from one of California's key decision makers, and from stakeholders actively involved in the regulatory process. The panel will also explore how the marketplace may respond in California and beyond.

Moderator
Prof. Joseph H. Guth, U.C. Berkeley, Berkeley
Panelists
Helen Holder, Hewlett-Packard Company, Palo Alto
Debbie Rafael, Department of Toxic Substances Control, Sacramento

Friday, October 26, 2012 **9:15 AM-10:45 AM**
1.5 Hours MCLE Credit **Session 5**

The Clean Water Act at 40: Maturity or Midlife Crisis?

The federal Clean Water Act, one of the nation's most important environmental statutes, celebrates its 40th anniversary this year. Over the past four decades the Act has had a profound effect on the environment and economy of the United States. It has dramatically abated water pollution from a variety of industrial and municipal sources in U.S. waterways; authorized the country's largest public works system since the interstate highway system; and substantially limited the dredging and filling of our nation's wetlands. Focusing on key challenges, the panelists will provide their perspectives on the effect and effectiveness of the Clean Water Act and its implementation by state agencies. They will identify what has worked and what hasn't, and provide suggestions for the future.

Moderator
Prof. Alice Kaswan, University of San Francisco School of Law, San Francisco
Panelists
David Beckman, Pisces Foundation, San Francisco
Felicia Marcus, State Water Resources Control Board, Sacramento
Greg Newmark, Meyers Nave Riback Silver & Wilson, Los Angeles

Friday, October 26, 2012 **11:00 AM-12:30 PM**
1.5 Hours MCLE Credit **Session 6**

Life After Redevelopment – New Challenges and Opportunities

Until the California Supreme Court decision in *California Redevelopment Association v. Matosantos*, redevelopment agencies played a key role in community revitalization, brownfields redevelopment, urban infill projects, implementation of S.B. 375, and the building of affordable housing. In Matosantos, the Supreme Court upheld A.B. X1 26, which dissolved redevelopment agencies. This new reality poses new challenges, but also creates new opportunities for strategic combinations of development tools. Panelists will discuss subsequent legislation; the role of successor agencies in fulfilling enforceable obligations; available alternative financing tools; opportunities that may arise with the sale of former redevelopment agency assets; brownfields redevelopment and the Polanco Act; S.B. 375 implementation and the ability to finance and plan for infill development; existing financing alternatives; and related topics.

Moderator
JoAnne L. Dunec, Miller Starr Regalia, Walnut Creek
Panelists
Stuart I. Block, Cox, Castle & Nicholson LLP, San Francisco
June Catalano, City of Pleasant Hill, Pleasant Hill
Christopher K. Lynch, Jones Hall, San Francisco

Friday, October 26, 2012 **11:00 AM-12:30 PM**
1.5 Hours MCLE Credit **Session 7**

Energy Development on Tribal Lands

The Bureau of Indian Affairs estimates that while recognized Native American tribal land comprises only five percent of the land area of the United States, it contains an estimated ten percent of all of the nation's energy resources. Federally-recognized Native American communities in California increasingly are exploring the benefits of modern renewable energy development on tribal lands. Tribal energy projects can potentially increase self-sufficiency, foster economic development, provide employment, and contribute to a low-carbon future for the entire state. This panel will explore the opportunities for renewable energy projects on tribal lands, discuss their potential environmental benefits and impacts, and summarize the various applicable laws and regulations.

Moderator
Antonette Cordero, California Attorney General's Office, Los Angeles
Panelists
Thomas Davis, Chief Planning and Development Officer Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians, Rancho Mirage
Darcie Houck, Fredericks Peebles & Morgan LLP, Sacramento
Johanna Wald, Natural Resources Defense Council, San Francisco

Friday, October 26, 2012 **11:00 AM-12:30 PM**
1.5 Hours MCLE Credit **Session 8**

The Emergence of Multi-party Complex Toxic Tort Litigation

With the recent decline of large CERCLA actions, California has seen the emergence of complex multi-party toxic tort and property damage cases filed in its state courts. These cases often involve hundreds of plaintiffs who reside in neighborhoods impacted by industrial legacy contamination and who seek damages based on a variety of legal theories under both traditional common law and statute. This panel will explore and discuss the distinct procedural, substantive, community outreach and environmental justice issues and challenges involved in litigating, defending, and presiding over such matters. The panelists will also discuss the court's implementation of creative, non-traditional procedures to better manage these cases. Learn whether and to what extent these cases constitute a sustainable new practice area, or whether they are simply part of a legal fad that will fade once these cases prove easy to plead, but difficult to win.

Moderator
Gary A. Meyer, Parker, Milliken, Clark, O'Hara & Samuelian, Los Angeles
Panelists
Thomas V. Girardi, Girardi | Kees, Los Angeles
Peter L. Haviland, Kaye Scholer, Los Angeles
Hon. Carl J. West (Ret.), JAMS, Los Angeles

Friday, October 26, 2012 **11:00 AM-12:30 PM**
1.5 Hours MCLE Credit **Session 9**

Food Law: How Will Food and Law Evolve to Feed 9 Billion People?

World population is expected to reach 9 billion by 2050. As human numbers grow, in many parts of the world, including California, farm land is giving way to development or is being converted to fuel crops. With climate change, we can also expect that water will become an increasingly scarce resource. Experts say that feeding the planet will require substantial changes to current agricultural practices so that we can create more food with fewer resources. This panel will explore how our food system may change to meet this need and what environmental impacts may result from yield-increasing practices and genetically modified crops; set out how the law currently regulates food; and discuss how food law and policy may need to change to meet the challenges of the coming decades.

Moderator
Beth Collins-Burgard, Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP, Santa Barbara
Panelists
Prof. Lisa Heinzerling, Georgetown Law, Washington, D.C.
Prof. Peggy Lemaux, U.C. Cooperative Extension, Berkeley
Prof. Thomas Tomich, U.C. Davis, Davis

Friday, October 26, 2012 **1:00 PM-5:00 PM**
No MCLE Credit Given

Friday Afternoon Activities Led by Environmental Law Section Members

Register on-site ONLY. Space is limited.

Conference attendees and their guests may choose to participate in offsite activities planned and led by members of the Environmental Law Section. Sign-up sheets will be located at the Executive Committee table in the registration foyer. All participants will be required to sign a liability release form. *The activities planned for 2012 include hikes in Yosemite National Park and a mountain bike ride that will start at the Tenaya Lodge. Bring your mountain bike to the Conference!*

Evening on Your Own
Enjoy time with your family, friends and colleagues.

There are no planned evening events on Friday, but we will set out board games and serve hot cocoa and cider (after dinner) in the lobby.

SATURDAY OCTOBER 27, 2012

Saturday, October 27, 2012 7:15 AM-12:15 PM

Registration and MCLE Sign-In (Sign in for MCLE Credit Once Daily)

Saturday, October 27, 2012 7:30 AM-8:00 AM

Continental Breakfast (RSVP requested)

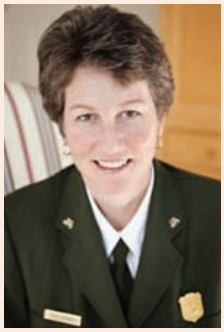
Sponsored by **Alston & Bird LLP**, and **Barg Coffin Lewis & Trapp, LLP.**

Saturday, October 27, 2012 8:00 AM-9:00 AM

1 Hour MCLE Credit **Session 10**

Saturday Morning Plenary Session

Welcome and introductions by **Beth Collins-Burgard**, 2011-12 Chair, Environmental Law Section Executive Committee, Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP, Santa Barbara. Keynote remarks by **Christine S. Lehnertz**, Pacific West Regional Director, National Park Service, San Francisco.



Chris Lehnertz brings diverse experience to her position as Regional Director of the National Park Service's Pacific West Region. A career civil servant, Lehnertz oversees the Pacific West Region. Lehnertz grew up in Colorado, and has a degree in environmental biology from the University of Colorado at Boulder. She has experience in field, regional, and national level staff and supervisory positions, working in public lands management and environmental protection positions. Before serving as Regional Director, Lehnertz was Deputy Superintendent at Yellowstone National Park. She has also served as acting Associate Director for Cultural Resources in the National Park Service's office in Washington DC. Before arriving at the National Park Service, she spent 16 years working for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. Primarily working under the Clean Water Act, she also served in other program areas including Corrective Action under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, the Safe Drinking Water Act, multiple compliance and enforcement program areas, tribal assistance grants, and global climate change. She started her conservation career as a seasonal fisheries technician with the State of Colorado.

Saturday, October 27, 2012 9:15 AM-10:45 AM

1.5 Hours MCLE Credit **Session 11**

The S.B. 375 Roll-Out: Will It Actually Bring California Smarter Growth?

When S.B. 375 was passed in 2008, proponents hailed it as a comprehensive means to curb sprawl and encourage more compact, transit-oriented development. S.B. 375 requires the development of regional "Sustainable Communities Strategies" (SCSs) that integrate land use and transportation planning to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from driving. Now that regional entities around the state are beginning to develop these SCSs, is S.B. 375 meeting its promises? Will the law be able to alter business-as-usual development practices? What are the key issues and the status of litigation over the adequacy of environmental review of the first SCS to be finalized? This panel will provide an update on S.B. 375 implementation and identify the likely trends that Californians can expect from these efforts.

Moderator
Matt Vespa, Sierra Club, San Francisco
Panelists
Eliot Rose, Center for Resource Efficient Communities, U.C. Berkeley, Berkeley
Margaret M. Sohagi, The Sohagi Law Group, Los Angeles
Kirk Trost, Sacramento Area Council of Governments, Sacramento

Saturday, October 27, 2012 9:15 AM-10:45 AM

1.5 Hours MCLE Credit **Session 12**

Hydraulic Fracturing: The Fears, the Facts, and the Law

Public concern over hydraulic fracturing ("fracking") of oil and gas-bearing formations is high. Other nations, jurisdictions across the United States, environmental activists, landowners, government entities, and the media are all looking at the practice and asking important questions about its use. Some claim that fracking is essential to jobs and domestic hydrocarbon production, but others raise concerns about our drinking water, our air quality, and possibly our seismic stability. In California, questions loom as to how and where hydraulic fracturing takes place. Does fracking occur differently in different areas? What is the status of California's existing and proposed new laws about fracking, and how do these laws interface with federal law? Should energy companies have a greater obligation to disclose information about their use of the practice? All this and more will be addressed by the panel.

Moderator
James Pierce, Division of Oil, Gas, and Geothermal Resources, Sacramento
Panelists
David Hobstetter, Center for Biological Diversity, San Francisco
Prof. Franklin M. Orr, Jr., Stanford University, Stanford
Rock Zierman, California Independent Petroleum Association, Sacramento

Saturday, October 27, 2012 **9:15 AM-10:45 AM**
1.5 Hours MCLE Credit **Session 13**

Recent Environmental Law Developments in the U.S. Supreme Court, Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals and California Supreme Court

2012 has again been an active year for environmental law in the nation's most important courts. The U.S. Supreme Court has decided three major environment cases this year; the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals continues its steady stream of key natural resources and environmental opinions; and the California Supreme Court has this year decided cases with a profound effect on state land use policy. Join a panel of environmental scholars for a lively review of the key 2012 decisions from each of these courts.

Moderator
Prof. Richard M. Frank, U.C. Davis School of Law, Davis
Panelists
Prof. Alice Kaswan, University of San Francisco School of Law, San Francisco
Prof. John D. Leshy, U.C. Hastings College of the Law, San Francisco

Saturday, October 27, 2012 **9:15 AM-10:45 AM**
1.5 Hours MCLE Credit **Session 14**

Will Delta Decision-Making Go With the Flow?

The Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta (Delta) provides a portion of the drinking water for nearly two-thirds of California's population, irrigates more than 3 million acres of agricultural land, and provides habitat and important ecological services. By law, the State Water Resources Control Board is required to establish flow criteria for the Delta necessary to protect public trust resources, in order to inform planning decisions for the Delta Plan and the Bay Delta Conservation Plan. Two years ago the State Board approved Delta flow criteria. Now, we must take these criteria and transform them into water policy. California is in the process of devising the basic elements of the Bay Delta Conservation Plan, revising the Delta Water Quality Control Plan, setting outflow requirements, and issuing a final version of the Delta Plan. This panel will focus on two pivotal issues: selection of flow requirements, and the method of water conveyance.

Moderator
Ellen Hanak, Public Policy Institute of California, San Francisco
Panelists
Hal Candee, Altshuler Berzon LLP, San Francisco
Tam M. Doduc, State Water Resources Control Board, Sacramento
Clifford W. Schulz, Kronick Moskovitz Tiedemann & Gerard, Sacramento

Saturday, October 27, 2012 **11:00 AM-12:30 PM**
1.5 Hours MCLE Credit **Session 15**

Can the Tahoe Regional Compact Be Saved?

The Tahoe Regional Planning Compact was first adopted in 1968, when the California and Nevada legislatures agreed to create the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency in order to protect the environment and regulate development on a regional basis. Over the ensuing years, the governing bi-state Compact was strengthened, and a comprehensive Regional Plan was adopted. Key provisions of the Regional Plan have now expired. The update process, now underway, has proven to be extremely controversial, and Nevada has enacted legislation requiring it to withdraw unless California agrees to loosen restrictions on development. The panel will provide a brief history of the Tahoe Compact, followed by a discussion of the key issues in the Regional Plan update, including environmental and redevelopment strategies. Finally, the panel will discuss whether a balance between environmental protection and development can be reached to avoid Nevada's withdrawal.

Moderator
Howard "Chip" Wilkins, Remy Moose Manley, LLP, Sacramento
Panelists
Lewis S. Feldman, Feldman McLaughlin Thiel LLP, Los Angeles
Darcie Goodman Collins, League to Save Lake Tahoe, South Lake Tahoe
Joanne Marchetta, Tahoe Regional Planning Agency, Stateline, Nevada

Saturday, October 27, 2012 **11:00 AM-12:30 PM**
1.5 Hours MCLE Credit **Session 16**

33 Percent and Beyond: An Introduction to the Law, Economics, and Technological Implications of Relying on Intermittent Renewable Energy

California law requires that by 2020 electric utilities provide 33 percent of their energy from renewable sources. Most of this 33 percent will come from intermittent resources, like wind and solar energy. What does achieving this goal, and even higher levels of renewable energy, mean in terms of environmental regulations, grid reliability, and the potential need for back-up natural gas generation to compensate for the intermittency of some of these resources? What are the prospects for other technological solutions to the intermittency concerns, such as energy storage and demand response, and what regulatory changes are needed to facilitate their deployment? This panel will discuss these issues and also provide an overview of California's electricity regulation and Independent System Operator.

Moderator
Ethan Elkind, U.C. Berkeley School of Law, Berkeley
Panelists
Kelly Foley, Vote Solar, Sacramento
Mark Rothleder, California Independent System Operator, Folsom
Prof. Michael Wara, Stanford University School of Law, Stanford

Saturday, October 27, 2012 **11:00 AM-12:30 PM**
1.5 Hours MCLE Credit **Session 17**

Hazardous Waste [101]

This panel will provide an introduction to – and discussion of – the key legal issues related to the management of hazardous waste in California, including: division of responsibility among the Department of Toxic Substances Control, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Certified Unified Program Agencies, and other agencies; waste characterization; generator obligations; recycling exemptions; manifesting; permitting, site cleanups, enforcement and a variety of other issues. The course will also provide an overview of some of the current regulation packages and other issues the agencies are addressing. This program is designed for beginning practitioners eager to understand the basic regulatory and legal structure, as well as mid-level practitioners who wish to brush up on hazardous waste issues.

Instructors
Marilee Hanson, California Department of Toxic Substances Control, Sacramento
Michael Hingerty, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9, San Francisco
Thomas J.P. McHenry, Gibson Dunn & Crutcher, Los Angeles

Saturday, October 27, 2012 **11:00 AM-12:30 PM**
1.5 Hours MCLE Credit **Session 18**

Is the Problem of Nitrates in Groundwater Insoluble?

The chemical nitrate can be explosive. The issue of nitrate contamination in California's groundwater has proven to be just that. The largest contributor to nitrate contamination is agriculture — one of California's most important industries, delivering affordable, quality food to the entire state and much of the nation. At the same time, nitrates in drinking water can cause serious health effects, often in low-income and minority communities, and options for remediation are expensive and not always effective. Senate Bill 1 (Perata), from the 2008 Second Extraordinary Session, required the State Water Resources Control Board to develop pilot projects in the Tulare Lake Basin and Salinas Valley, identify remedial solutions, devise funding options, and report to the Legislature within two years. The initial study was released this past March, and State Board workshops started in May. What legal challenges will the state face in formulating solutions and balancing the benefits and detriments of nitrogen products?

Moderator
Tina Cannon Leahy, Assembly Water, Parks and Wildlife Comittee, Sacramento
Panelists
Laurel Firestone, Community Water Center, Visalia
Lori Okun, Office of Chief Counsel, State Water Resources Control Board, Sacramento
William J. Thomas, Best Best & Krieger, LLP, Sacramento

Saturday, October 27, 2012 **1:00 PM-5:00 PM**
No MCLE Credit Given

Saturday Afternoon Outdoor Presentations

Register on-site ONLY. Space is limited.

Sign up for outdoor presentations. Some presentations may involve a short hike, and some programs may not be appropriate for children. Registration is on-site only, and all presentations have limited space. Descriptions and signup sheets are available at the Executive Committee table in the registration foyer. All participants will be required to sign a liability release form. The following presentations are planned for 2012. Advance sign-ups not taken.

Rockfall in Yosemite Valley

Rockfall is a major hazard in Yosemite Valley. Recent rockfalls have resulted in visitor fatalities, and rockfall hazards have resulted in the permanent closure of over 200 visitor accommodations. A 1996 rockfall created an airblast that toppled over 1000 trees. Learn about the causes of rockfall, the Park Service's approach to dealing with rockfall hazards, and the result of recent litigation involving Yosemite rockfalls.

Moderator
Andy Sawyer, State Water Resources Control Board, Sacramento
Speaker
Greg Stock, Yosemite National Park Geologist, Yosemite

Mariposa Grove Restoration

In anticipation of the 100th anniversary of the legislation setting aside the Mariposa Grove and Yosemite Valley as park land, Yosemite National Park is undertaking a restoration project that will include restoring the natural hydrology within the grove, removing unnecessary infrastructure, and relocating roads, trails and parking areas to reduce impacts on the grove. Walk through the grove and learn more about giant sequoias and the restoration program.

Moderator
Michael Hingerty, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9, San Francisco
Speaker
Linda C. Mazzu, Chief, Resources Management and Science, Yosemite National Park

Saturday, October 27, 2012 **6:30 PM-7:00 PM**

Saturday Evening Pre-Dinner Gathering

Get together before dinner in the hotel lobby. Wine and light refreshments hosted by **Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP**.

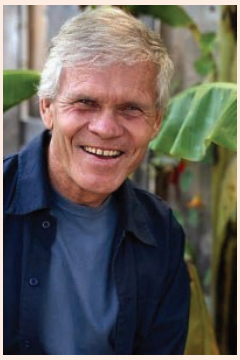
Saturday, October 27, 2012 **7:00 PM-9:00 PM**
No MCLE Credit Given **Session 32**

Saturday Night Dinner Program (Ticketed Event #32)

Purchase a ticket for this event and pre-select your entrée choice on the registration form.
Adults: $58 Children (3-11 years of age): $38

Welcome and introductions by **Robert M. Sawyer**, Best Best & Krieger LLP, Sacramento. Keynote remarks by **Rick Ridgeway**, Vice President of Environmental Initiatives, Patagonia, Ventura, CA.

Dinner sponsored by **Allen Matkins Leck Gamble Mallory & Natsis LLP**, **AMEC Earth & Environmental**, **Federal Bar Association Environment, Energy & Natural Resources Section**, and **Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP**. Wine Hosted by **Honig Vineyard & Winery** and **Fitzgerald Abbott & Beardsley LLP**. Attendees will receive Rick Ridgeway's book "*The Shadow of Kilimanjaro"* sponsored by **Rossmann and Moore, LLP**.



Rolling Stone Magazine once called ***Rick Ridgeway*** "the real Indiana Jones." A renowned adventurer, mountaineer, explorer and environmentalist, Rick Ridgeway is known worldwide through his writing, filmmaking and photography. He has produced over 30 adventure shows for television, and his articles have appeared in *National Geographic*, *Outside* and *Readers Digest*.

Ridgeway was on the American team that summited K2 in 1978, and two years earlier was a member of the United States Bicentennial team that summited Mt. Everest. His adventures have taken him to the highest and wildest places in the world. Currently Vice President of Environmental Initiatives and Special Media Projects at Patagonia™, Ridgeway is active in many environmental issues and sustainability programs, including the "Freedom to Roam" initiative, which he started as an effort to create wildlife corridors in the United States and Canada, and where he now deals with coordinating farmers, ranchers, environmental organizations and government agencies in efforts to create corridors for threatened mammals. He and his wife Jennifer live in Ojai, California, where they've raised three children. Ridgeway will talk about some of his adventures, and about the challenges — and successes — he sees for "Freedom to Roam."

Saturday, October 27, 2012 **9:00 PM-11:00 PM**

Saturday Night Dessert Event (RSVP Requested)

Join us after dinner for our annual dessert extravaganza. While the theme is under wraps, you will be able to dance to all-time Conference favorite *The James Pierce Collective* coupled with our own Conference DJ. The evening's fare is generously sponsored by **Paul Hastings LLP**, and **Treadwell + Rollo | A Langan Company**.

SUNDAY OCTOBER 28, 2012

Sunday, October 28, 2012 **7:15 AM-12:15 PM**

Registration and MCLE Sign-In (Sign in for MCLE Credit Once Daily)

Sunday, October 28, 2012 **7:30 AM-8:00 AM**

Continental Breakfast (RSVP requested)

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Sunday, October 28, 2012 **8:00 AM-9:00 AM**
1 Hour MCLE Credit **Session 19**

Sunday Morning Plenary Session

Welcome and introductions by **Robert "Perl" Perlmutter**, Shute, Mihaly & Weinberger LLP, San Francisco, 2011-12 Chair, Environmental Law Section Executive Committee. Keynote remarks by **John Laird**, California Secretary for Natural Resources, Santa Cruz, CA.

John Laird was appointed California's Secretary for Natural Resources on January 5, 2011, by Governor Jerry Brown. He has spent more than 35 years in public service, including 23 years as an elected official, starting with the Santa Cruz City Council in 1981, where he served nine years until term-limited out, including two terms as Santa Cruz's Mayor. He served eight years on the Cabrillo College Board of Trustees, and in 2002 was elected to represent the 27th Assembly District (which includes portions of Santa Cruz, Monterey and Santa Clara Counties). He was re-elected in 2004 and again in 2006, when he received more than 70 percent of the vote. At the beginning of his second term, Laird joined the Assembly leadership team when Assembly Speaker Fabian Núñez named him chair of the Budget Committee, a position to which he was reappointed by Assembly Speaker Karen Bass in 2008. Laird also served as a member of the state Integrated Waste Management Board from 2008 to 2009. A respected environmentalist, education advocate, and civil rights activist, Laird was a founding board member of the Santa Cruz AIDS Project in 1985, served as the agency's Executive Director for three years, and rejoined the AIDS Project Board in 1996. He successfully fought for open space preservation and the creation of the largest national marine sanctuary in the Monterey Bay region. He has been an outspoken advocate for living wage. Also active on water issues, he served as chair of the Santa Cruz area's local Sierra Club Water Resources Committee. Laird graduated from U.C. Santa Cruz in 1972 with a BA in Politics, earning honors in politics, general college honors, and honors for his thesis, and he and his spouse John Flores continue to call Santa Cruz home.

Sunday, October 28, 2012 **9:15 AM-10:45 AM**
1.5 Hours MCLE Credit **Session 20**

Checking up on California's Innovative Marine Life Protected Areas

The Marine Life Protection Act directed the state to redesign California's system of marine protected areas (MPAs) to function as a network in order to increase coherence and effectiveness in protecting the state's marine life and habitats, marine ecosystems, and marine natural heritage, as well as to improve recreational, educational, and study opportunities provided by marine ecosystems. More than a decade after the law was adopted, innovative regulations are now in place for many areas along the California coast. This panel will discuss the processes employed in the four regional study areas and summarize the substantive regulations and regulatory distinctions between them. The panel will assess whether the goals of the Act are being met, paying special attention to how the North Coast Study Region will address tribal fishing in areas where tribal members have engaged in harvesting and gathering for countless generations. The panel will also preview what the future holds for the San Francisco Bay Study Region.

Moderator
Thomas Gibson, Department of Fish and Game, Sacramento
Panelists
Cindy Gustafson, MLPA Blue Ribbon Task Force for the North Coast, Truckee
Hawk Rosales, Executive Director, InterTribal Sinkyone Wilderness Council, Ukiah
Sarah Abramson Sikich, Heal the Bay, Santa Monica

Sunday, October 28, 2012 **9:15 AM-10:45 AM**
1.5 Hours MCLE Credit **Session 21**

California Public Utilities Commission: An Introduction to Navigating the Agency [101]

The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) plays a key role in the transformation of California's energy economy. It determines the prices Californians will pay for renewable electricity; the quantities and characteristics of renewable energy products; the use of utility-generated cap-and-trade auction revenue; and how billions of dollars will be invested in the electric system. What role do legal practitioners play before the CPUC, and what sets the CPUC apart as a regulatory practice? What are successful formal and informal tactics? This panel brings together a former CPUC Administrative Law Judge, an attorney in the fast-evolving field of distributed generation law, and an attorney from one of California's top non-profit utility consumer protection groups. This panel will provide an introduction to practice before the CPUC and insight into effective advocacy.

Moderator
Rachel Peterson, California Public Utilities Commission, San Francisco
Panelists
Kevin Fox, Keyes, Fox & Weidman, Oakland
Marcel Hawiger, The Utility Reform Network, San Francisco
Edward W. O'Neill, Davis Wright Tremaine LLP, San Francisco

Sunday, October 28, 2012 **9:15 AM-10:45 AM**
1.5 Hours MCLE Credit **Session 22**

Clean Air in California: What's It Going To Take?

This panel will address impediments to attaining the National Ambient Air Quality Standards in California. Is California's perpetual ranking as the most polluted region in the country a technological problem, a political problem, a legal problem, or something else? What must the California Air Resources Board (CARB) and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency do, in addition to the local air districts and transportation planning agencies? Are amendments to the Clean Air Act necessary? Will behavioral changes (e.g., trip reduction, consumer choice programs) be required to attain the ozone standard? Recent developments will be discussed, including the CARB Path to Clean Air report (June 2012) and the draft Air Quality Management Plan for the South Coast Air Quality Management District.

Moderator
Richard T. Drury, Lozeau|Drury LLP, Oakland
Panelists
Adrian Martinez, Natural Resources Defense Council, Santa Monica
Lynn Terry, California Air Resources Board, Sacramento
Robert A. Wyman, Jr., Latham & Watkins LLP, Los Angeles

Sunday, October 28, 2012 **9:15 AM-10:45 AM**
1.5 Hours MCLE Credit **Session 23**

Cry Me a Reservoir: Water Management and Climate Change Adaptation

Adapting California's water management and delivery systems to account for anticipated climate change ranks among this century's foremost challenges. As recognized in recent reports from the Department of Water Resources, among others, climate change is likely to produce major changes in the supply and timing of water flowing through rivers and reservoirs, while compounding risks of flooding, declining water quality, and damage to protected species. Incorporating this information in environmental review, watershed management and hydropower licensing will test the resilience of California's infrastructure and its political institutions.

Moderator
Roger B. Moore, Rossmann and Moore, LLP, San Francisco
Panelists
Paul Kibel, Golden Gate School of Law, San Francisco
Katherine Spanos, Department of Water Resources, Sacramento
Robert Wilkinson, Bren School of Environmental Management, U.C. Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara

Sunday, October 28, 2012 **11:00 AM-12:30 PM**
1.5 Hours MCLE Credit **Session 24**

The Future of the California Environmental Quality Act

Increasingly, the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) faces tough questions about its future. Supporters praise it for promoting informed decision-making and protecting the environment and public health for more than 40 years. Critics charge it with causing project delays, imposing economic costs, and blocking progress. Late-2011 changes to CEQA, expediting review for a proposed Los Angeles football stadium (S.B. 292) and Governor-approved "environmental leadership" projects (A.B. 900), were characterized both as badly needed streamlining and as procedurally suspect horse-trading. Struggles over CEQA's direction are also evident in recent decisions addressing requirements for environmental baselines, categorical exemptions, and project siting in areas susceptible to hazards. This diverse roundtable will diagnose CEQA's ailments and discuss possible changes, including newly proposed performance standards for infill development. Pre-registration is limited to 60 people.

Discussion Leaders
Christopher H. Calfee, Governor's Office of Planning and Research, Sacramento
Jennifer L. Hernandez, Holland & Knight, San Francisco
Angela T. Howe, Surfrider Foundation, Laguna Beach
Keith G. Wagner, Lippe Gaffney Wagner, LLP, Sacramento

Sunday, October 28, 2012 **11:00 AM-12:30 PM**
1.5 Hours MCLE Credit **Session 25**

The Art of the Deal: Strategies for Successful Negotiation and Settlement in Complex Environmental Cases

What does it take to be a successful environmental lawyer? An orotund voice? A way with words and a quick wit? A well-cut suit and a hardworking associate? These things can't hurt, of course, but given that the vast majority of cases settle before trial, perhaps the most important skill a lawyer can possess is the art of the deal – knowing how to negotiate and settle disputed matters. This expert panel will walk step-by-step though the elements of successful negotiation, including: how to communicate with your client about settlement; making offers and counteroffers (timing and content); managing expectations (your client's and the opposition's); and forms of settlements.

Moderator
Danielle Teeters, Kronick Moskovitz Tiedemann & Gerard, Sacramento
Panelists
Thomas M. Donnolly, Jones Day, San Francisco
Hon. Joseph Hilberman (Ret.), ADR Services, Inc., Los Angeles
Letitia Moore, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, San Francisco

Sunday, October 28, 2012 **11:00 AM-12:30 PM**
1.5 Hours Legal Ethics MCLE Credit **Session 26**

Talking with the Government

This panel will survey a range of issues that arise when communicating with the government. The panelists will examine the professional, ethical and practical implications of questions such as: When can an attorney deal directly with non-legal government employees? What is an improper ex parte contact? What can a government attorney or official communicate to outside parties? What is the protection accorded settlement communications?

Moderator
Deborah J. Schmall, Paul Hastings, San Francisco
Panelists
Stacey P. Geis, U.S. Department of Justice, San Francisco
Robert A. Hawley, The State Bar of California, San Francisco
Stanley W. Lamport, Cox, Castle & Nicholson, LLP, Los Angeles

Sunday, October 28, 2012 **11:00 AM-12:30 PM**
1.5 Hours MCLE Credit **Session 27**

The Central Valley Flood Protection Plan

Seven years after Hurricane Katrina, California still relies on deteriorating levees — some more than a century old — to protect farm land and communities. At the same time, without water, flood plains continue to endure major habitat losses. To address these issues, late in 2011, the Department of Water Resources submitted its draft Central Valley Flood Protection Plan (CVFPP) to the Valley's Flood Protection Board. Among other things, the plan proposes additional buffers to help restore flood-plain habitat. But some agricultural interests have questioned aspects of the plan, including its cost, its use of agricultural land, and its expansion of the Yolo Bypass. Can California agree on a way forward that satisfies all interests?

Moderator
Prof. Jeffrey F. Mount, U.C. Davis, Davis
Panelists
Scott L. Shapiro, Downey Brand, LLP, Sacramento
Susan Tatayon, The Nature Conservancy, Sacramento
Alan C. Waltner, Law Offices of Alan Waltner, San Francisco

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2012 Registration Information

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The Environmental Law Section plans to offer at least 20 tuition-only scholarships to attend the 2012 Environmental Law Conference at Yosemite®.

Scholarship Criteria

The Scholarship Committee will review all applications received by the deadline of September 7, 2012. Scholarships will be awarded based on the following considerations: Financial Need; Environmental Law Interest (for Students); Environmental Law Practice (for practitioners and other environmental law professionals); and Environmental Law Section Membership & Support (for practitioners and other environmental law professionals).

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Email to **EnviroYosemite@calbar.ca.gov** OR mail to

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For additional information contact Carol Zlongst, Meeting & Event Administrator, at (415) 538-2585.

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❒ [28] Thursday Welcome Reception # Attending ____ FREE

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8:00 AM-9:00 AM

❒ Session 1 FRIDAY MORNING PLENARY SESSION

9:15 AM-10:45 AM

❒ Session 2 CEQA Update: A Perennial Favorite

❒ Session 3 A.B. 32: Climate, Commerce and the Constitution

❒ Session 4 Green Chemistry Hits the Streets

❒ Session 5 The Clean Water Act at 40: Maturity or Midlife Crisis?

11:00 AM-12:30 PM

❒ Session 6 Life After Redevelopment – New Challenges and Opportunities

❒ Session 7 Energy Development on Tribal Lands

❒ Session 8 The Emergence of Multi-party Complex Toxic Tort Litigation

❒ Session 9 Food Law: How Will Food and Law Evolve to Feed 9 Billion People?

SATURDAY OCTOBER 27, 2012

8:00 AM-9:00 AM

❒ Session 10 Saturday Morning Plenary Session

9:15 AM-10:45 AM

❒ Session 11 The S.B. 375 Roll-Out: Will It Actually Bring California Smarter Growth?

❒ Session 12 Hydraulic Fracturing: The Fears, the Facts, and the Law

❒ Session 13 Recent Environmental Law Developments in the U.S. Supreme Court, Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals and California Supreme Court

❒ Session 14 Will Delta Decision-Making Go With the Flow?

11:00 AM-12:30 PM

❒ Session 15 Can the Tahoe Regional Compact Be Saved?

❒ Session 16 33 Percent and Beyond: An Introduction to the Law, Economics, and Technological Implications of Relying on Intermittent Renewable Energy

❒ Session 17 Hazardous Waste [101]

❒ Session 18 Is the Problem of Nitrates in Groundwater Insoluble?

SUNDAY OCTOBER 28, 2012

8:00 AM-9:00 AM

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