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WATER RIGHTS SEMINAR

For Utilities and Municipalities

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Tuesday, September 15, 2009
Tonopah Convention Center
301 W. Brougner Ave.
Tonopah, NV

Wednesday, September 16, 2009
Bristlecone Convention Center
150 6th Street
Ely, NV

1:00 PM - 4:30 PM



CURRICULUM

- I. History of Water Use
 - A. Ancient Times
 - B. Prior Appropriation
 - C. State Water Codes
- II. Local, State & Federal Agencies Affecting Water Use Administration
 - A. Local: Public & Private
 - B. State
 - C. Federal
- III. Dissecting a Water Right
 - A. Source/Type
 - a. Surface water
 - b. Ground water
 - c. Hydrologic Connection
 - B. Priority
 - C. Beneficial Use/Purpose
 - D. Place of Use
 - E. Point of Diversion/Appropriation
 - F. Rate/Volume/Duty
 - G. Season of Use
 - H. Conditions
- IV. Rights: Pre-Water Code
 - A. Adjudication
 - B. Adjudication Process
 - C. Decreed Water Right
- V. Rights: Post-Water Code
 - A. Exemptions
 - B. Application
 - C. Permits
 - D. Extensions
 - E. Certificated Water Right

- VI. Transfers
- VII. Maintaining a Water Use or Right
 - A. Surface Rights
 - B. Groundwater Rights
 - C. Extensions to Avoid Forfeiture
 - D. Initiating Forfeiture
- VIII. Appraising A Water Right
 - A. Due Diligence Review
 - B. Location
 - C. Priority Date
 - D. Purpose
 - E. Quality and Quantity
 - F. Forfeiture and Abandonment
 - G. Relative Abundance of Water in Basin
- IX. Development Pressure
 - A. Extending Service Areas
 - B. Development Encroachment
- X. Future Trends
 - A. Groundwater Exemptions
 - B. Municipal Extension Law

PRESENTERS

Laura A. Schroeder

Laura A. Schroeder practices law and litigates in both administrative and judicial forums at the state and federal levels in Oregon, Idaho, Nevada and Washington. For 20 years, Ms. Schroeder has successfully advised clients concerning the use of surface, groundwater and storage water for both private and public use; competing ownership interests; development, maintenance and operation of facilities and utility development

within private and public ownerships; transfer of property interests while maintaining access; obtaining and securing easements for water conveyance and use; negotiating contracts and amendments with the Bureau of Reclamation; obtaining damages for water and aquifer depletions; and negotiating water quality permits and agreements. Ms. Schroeder is a published author and recognized speaker on specific legal issues involving water resources, including water use, transfer and development of water resources. After more than 10 years as a partner in a family farm row crop operation in Eastern Oregon, Ms. Schroeder obtained her J.D. degree from Northwestern School of Law in 1987.

Colm Moore

Colm Moore focuses on advising municipalities, domestic water organizations, and public and private entities on issues related to public records and meeting laws, real property and land use issues, and issues related to water rights and water related litigation. He also assists clients with water rights transactions in Oregon and Nevada, including the transfer, sale, and lease of water rights, and handles appellate matters for the firm.

Mr. Moore has served as lead attorney to the firm's municipal clients, working closely with the respective City Managers, and appearing before City Councils and governing Boards when necessary. He has developed expertise in the area of municipal water law, and a particular interest in small to medium sized municipalities facing water supply challenges. Mr. Moore received his J.D., *cum laude*, from Lewis and Clark Law School in 2002. He then worked three years for the Nevada Supreme Court as a staff attorney in the court's Civil Division. Colm joined Schroeder Law Offices, PC, in early 2006.

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