

Water Literate Leaders of Northern Colorado
Class of 2017--2018

September 14—Introductions/Overview/Water Administration/Leadership Stories & Dialogue

- 8:00—8:15 **Why Water Literate Leaders of Northern Colorado?**
Welcome
Ray Caraway, Community Foundation of Northern Colorado
Objectives, Expectations, Desired Outcomes
Reagan Waskom, Colorado Water Institute
- 8:15—9:00 **Who is Here? Where Do You Live/Work?**
What Do You Hope to Gain/Contribute?
Mapping Our Journey: Participatory Mapping Starts NOW!
(Thanks to Scott Bartling, Northern Water, GIS specialist)
MaryLou Smith, Colorado Water Institute
- 9:00—9:45 **River Administration in the Two Watersheds
Presentation**
 - Where does our water come from? Where does it go?
 - Who keeps track?
 - What laws must be adhered to?
David Nettles, Division Engineer, Division 1
Jean Lever, Thompson River Commissioner
Mark Simpson, Poudre River Commissioner
- 9:45—10:15 **River Administration in the Two Watersheds**
Questions/Dialogue—Challenges on the Horizon?
- 10:15—10:30 **Break**
- 10:30—11:30 **Leadership Challenge—Stories from the Field**
Seven selected water leaders will each share a story of water leadership pertinent to our region
 - Sean Cronin, St. Vrain and Left Hand Water Conservancy District
 - John Stulp, Chair of Colorado's Interbasin Compact Committee, Governor's Advisor for Water Policy
 - Sean Conway, Weld County Commissioner, Chair South Platte Basin Roundtable
 - Heather Knight, Center for Collaborative Conservation, formerly The Nature Conservancy

- Robert Ward, Poudre Heritage Alliance
- David Jessup, Big Thompson Watershed Coalition
- Dick Wolfe, retired Colorado State Engineer

11:30—11:45 **Lunch Served, Brought Back to Tables**

11:45—12:45 **Leadership Challenge—Class Digging into the Stories**
An interactive dialogue with our story tellers about what we can learn from these stories to inform and inspire the leadership needed now as we face regional water issues
Reagan Waskom to facilitate

12:45—1:00 **Closing, Post-Session Homework**

Post-Session Homework

Send an email to MaryLou within one week of each session answering the following questions:

- What did you learn today that **encouraged** you?
- What did you learn today that **discouraged** you?
- What did you learn today that **surprised** you?
- What did you learn today that **you want to know more about**?
- Was there anything today that captured your attention to the extent that you could see yourself **engaging in it further**—to study it further, to play a leadership role in bringing it to the attention of others?