

# BLM 2016 ALASKA Water Rights Course References

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These supplemental references and links are provided to complement other course references and materials included with each of the individual daily class presentations and versions provided after: <https://www.arlis.org/docs/vol1/L/AlaskaWaterRights/index.html> (use a combination to see/access all references discussed). The following is divided into 3 sections:

- **Alaska References** (with links\* to references from various State Departments below)
- **Federal References** (with links\* to references from various Federal Agencies)
- **Other Water Related References** (with links\* to supplemental Alaska and other water rights related references)

**Note: Check class materials from each day of the course presentations for additional references and links covering these same categories.**

\*Copy the links below and paste into search engine -- if you encounter errors while using direct links and you still cannot access, please contact the ARLIS Librarian for assistance or the BLM AK State Office's Soil, Water and Air Program Lead.

## ALASKA REFERENCES

- **Alaska Department of Natural Resources (DNR) –**  
<https://www.dnr.alaska.gov/mlw/water> - This website is the homepage for the Water Resources Section of the Alaska Department of Natural Resources, Division of Mining, Land and Water.

The Water Resources Program of the Department of Natural Resources is charged with administering the state's water resources. All surface and subsurface waters on all lands in Alaska are subject to appropriation in accordance with the Alaska Water Use Act. The Water Resources Section adjudicates water rights, provides technical hydrologic support, and assures dam safety.

Direct links to selective DNR services:

- DNR Water Resources Program webpage providing Alaska Section 41.08 with links to other informational sources (*note: Internet Archive website*)  
<https://web.archive.org/web/20190330161201/http://dnr.alaska.gov/mlw/water/hydro/statute.cfm>
- Alaska Water Resources Board Meeting Notes  
<https://www.arlis.org/docs/vol1/F/WaterResourcesBoard/index.html>

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- DNR Middle Creek Reservation of Water Decision  
<https://web.archive.org/web/20180930015753/http://www.dnr.alaska.gov/mlw/water/reservations/chuitna/> (note: Internet Archive website)

- **State of Alaska** – Alaska Revised Statutes and Court Rules:

- AS 46.15 Water Use Act  
<https://www.akleg.gov/basis/statutes.asp#46.15>
- AS 46.15 Regulations 11 AAC 93  
<https://www.akleg.gov/basis/aac.asp#11.93>
- Related Fee Regulations 11 AAC 05  
<https://www.akleg.gov/basis/aac.asp#11.05>
- Public Scoping and Possible Updates/Revisions to DNR Water Rights Regulations (in progress)  
<https://aws.state.ak.us/OnlinePublicNotices/Notices/View.aspx?id=180120>
- Alaska DNR News updates  
<https://dnr.alaska.gov/commis/pic/publicnote>
  - Administrative Order 266 (<https://gov.alaska.gov/admin-orders/administrative-order-no-266/>) is identified as basis for DNR's March 18 request for public comments and review in progress re: above regarding Alaska Water Use Act regulations

- **Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G)** – [www.adfg.alaska.gov](http://www.adfg.alaska.gov)

Alaska's vast land and water resources and diverse habitats support healthy and abundant fish and wildlife. The Lands & Waters Section of the Alaska Department of Fish and Game manages for responsible use and development of Alaska's lands and waters, which is important to Alaska's economy and culture. The L&W Section maintains healthy watersheds, forests, tundra, wetlands and marine waters, which helps ensure that the state's diverse fish and wildlife resources are sustained.

Note on name change: "Statewide Aquatic Resources Coordination Unit" (SARCU), which began in 1986, was renamed "Instream Flow Program" (IFP) in May 2018.

- ADF&G Statewide Aquatic Resources Coordination Unit (SARCU)  
<http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=habitatoversight.isfhome>
- ADF&G SARCU Program Information

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[https://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=habitatoversight.isfhome#:~:text=One%20of%20the%20goals%20of,Clean%20Water%20Actions%20\(ACWA\)](https://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=habitatoversight.isfhome#:~:text=One%20of%20the%20goals%20of,Clean%20Water%20Actions%20(ACWA))

- ADF&G SARCU Background Articles in *Alaska Fish & Wildlife News*
  - Reservations of Water (August 2010)  
[http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=wildlifeneews.view\\_article&articles\\_id=471](http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=wildlifeneews.view_article&articles_id=471)
  - Goin' With the Flow : the Instream Flow Program Protects Fish Habitat (December 2018)  
[http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=wildlifeneews.view\\_article&articles\\_id=893](http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=wildlifeneews.view_article&articles_id=893)
- ADF&G SARCU annual reports. Title varies:  
  
1987: Instream Flow  
1988-1990: Annual Summary of Statewide Instream Flow Reservation Applications  
1991-1995: Annual Summary of Alaska Department of Fish and Game Instream Flow Reservation Applications  
1996-1998: Annual Summary of Instream Flow Reservations and Protection in Alaska  
1999/2009 to present: Instream Flow Protection in Alaska, <year>.

[1987 report](#)

[1993 report](#)

[1999-2009 report](#)

[2015 report](#)

[1988 report](#)

[1994 report](#)

[2010 report](#)

[2016 report](#)

[1989 report](#)

[1995 report](#)

[2011 report](#)

[2017 report](#)

[1990 report](#)

[1996 report](#)

[2012 report](#)

[2018-19 report](#)

[1991 report](#)

[1997 report](#)

[2013 report](#)

[1992 report](#)

[1998 report](#)

[2014 report](#)

- Estes, Christopher C. 1984. Evaluation of methods for recommending instream flows to support spawning by salmon. M.S. Thesis. Washington State University. Pullman, WA.  
[https://www.arlis.org/docs/vol2/hydropower/APA\\_DOC\\_no.\\_2406.pdf](https://www.arlis.org/docs/vol2/hydropower/APA_DOC_no._2406.pdf)

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- Estes, Christopher C. 2001. The status of Alaska water export laws and water transfers. Anchorage, AK : Statewide Aquatic Resources Coordination Unit, Alaska Department of Fish & Game, Division of Sport Fish, Research & Technical Services Section, [2001]  
<https://www.arlis.org/docs/vol1/L/AlaskaWaterRights/K-Post-course-documents/J-References/1240828058.pdf>

- **Alaska Water-Related Search Engines**

- Alaska Resources Library & Information Services (ARLIS) Search Engine - specialized Search Engine to online historical AK water related electronic and hard copy publications at ARLIS (located on the UAA campus) with various hydroelectric proposals for the Susitna River watershed:  
<https://www.arlis.org/susitnadocfinder/>

ARLIS Website

<https://www.arlis.org/>

- Interagency Hydrology Committee for Alaska (IHCA)  
<https://sites.google.com/site/ihcalaska/home/>  
Good site for accessing Alaska state, federal, and academic hydrologic information and historical background materials

- **Welker Waterways Audit and Basinwide Water Rights 2007**

<https://www.arlis.org/docs/vol1/Susitna/41/APA4154.pdf>

## FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHTS - BACKGROUND RESOURCES

- **Alaska Water Resources Board Federal Reserved Water Rights Pre-Meeting Briefings Background Presentations**

[Alaska Water Resources Board Federal Reserved Water Rights Pre-Meeting, August 28, 1985](#)

Includes: Senate Bill No. 150 introduced Feb. 12, 1985 ; Transcript of Federal Reserved Water Rights presentations at Alaska Water Resources Board Meeting, Mar. 5, 1985 ; Letter on Instream flow water reservation to Jack Sedwick from Wilson L. Condon, Nov. 19, 1982

- **More Alaska Water Resources Board Historical Information Records, see**

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[ARLIS's webpage for the Board.](#)

- **State of Alaska/Federal Agencies Federal Reserved Water Rights 1980s Work Group Meetings**

[Federal Reserved Water Rights, State-Federal Agency Meeting, Anchorage, AK - August 29, 1985](#) -- Includes: Meeting summaries for Aug. 28 and 29 with cover letter from Esther C. Wunnicke ; Governor Sheffield's transmittal letter to Senator Bennett ; Senate Bill No. 150 introduced Feb. 12, 1985 ; Federal reserved water rights inventory ; August 29 agenda and attendees list ; Letters from Esther C. Wunnicke ; Inventory forms for reserved lands

[Federal Reserved Water Rights Work Group, November 7, 1985, Anchorage, Alaska](#) -- Includes: Meeting summary, agenda, and attendees list with cover letter from Mary Lu Harle ; Senate Bill 150 proposed amendments and rationale ; Federal Reserved Water Rights inventory ; Senate Bill No. 150 introduced Feb. 12, 1985

[Federal Reserved Water Rights Work Group, November 13, 1986](#) -- Includes: Meeting summary, agenda, and attendees list ; Contract ; Resolution of the Western States Water Council regarding sequestration of USGS Federal/State Cooperative Program Funds

- **Status of Federal Reserved Water Rights for Alaska Wildlife Refuges**

Intended to provide a general overview of FRWR status on each of the National Wildlife Refuges in Alaska. The major executive, legislative and judicial actions establishing and modifying the boundaries and purposes of each refuge are summarized and documented in the list.

<https://www.arlis.org/docs/vol1/L/AlaskaWaterRights/Day3/G-Agency-break-out-sessions/USFWS/FWS-reserved-rights/1-FRWR-AK-Wildlife-Refuges.pdf>

- **Indian River (Sitka, AK) Federal Reserved Water Rights Case History Article**

Alaska Moves to Protect Instream Flows Feds Cannot. Water Rights. American Society of Civil Engineers Monthly Newsletter. Vol. 2, no. 3, March 1989, pages 1-2

<https://www.arlis.org/docs/vol1/L/AlaskaWaterRights/K-Post-course-documents/J-References/Indian-River.pdf>

- **Report for the Western States Water Council: Federal Non-Indian Claims to Water**

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Part 1 of this report describes the basis of federal authority to claim ownership or control of water. Part 2 provides state-by-state responses to the WSWC survey regarding federal reserve water rights adjudications and state response.

[https://www.arlis.org/docs/vol1/L/AlaskaWaterRights/K-Post-course-documents/J-References/WesternStatesWaterCouncil\\_NonIndianClaims.pdf](https://www.arlis.org/docs/vol1/L/AlaskaWaterRights/K-Post-course-documents/J-References/WesternStatesWaterCouncil_NonIndianClaims.pdf)

## FEDERAL REFERENCES

- **Water Rights Fundamentals - DOI Learn Online course** - Modules 2 through Module 7 are prerequisites for the 2014 New Mexico BLM-USFS Water Rights Course.  
<http://www.doi.gov/doilearn/index.cfm> *Note: This website, which had required permission to access, no longer functions, and the course is not being offered online at this time (June 2024).*
  - Module 1 – Riparian and Hybrid Doctrines (*Note: Not relevant to Alaska*)
  - Module 2 – Prior Appropriation Doctrine
  - Module 3 – Perfecting and Administering Appropriative Rights
  - Module 4 – Federal Reserved Water Rights (and how reserved water rights apply to public land management)
  - Module 5 – Water Rights and Federal Land Issues (rights-of-way, non-reserved water rights, land tenure actions, and planning)
  - Module 6 – Groundwater (groundwater allocation systems, and groundwater management tools / techniques)
  - Module 7 – Instream Flow Water Rights
- **USGS Alaska Science Center**  
<http://Alaska.usgs.gov/> – The USGS Alaska Science Center (ASC) is headquartered in Anchorage, AK. At the ASC, all of USGS mission area programs are managed collectively with a vision to achieving an integrated landscape-level understanding of the highly diverse and complex Alaskan and Arctic ecosystems. The mission of the ASC is to provide objective and timely data, information and research findings about the earth and its flora and fauna to federal, state and local resource managers and the public to support sound decisions regarding natural resources (water), natural hazards and ecosystems in Alaska and circumpolar regions.
- **USGS 2013 National Gap Analysis** specific to Stream Gaging highlights AK Gaging Challenge v US

**Kiang, J.E., Stewart, D.W., Archfield, S.A., Osborne, E.B., and Eng, Ken. 2013. A national streamflow network gap analysis. U.S. Geological Survey Scientific Investigations Report 2013-5013. 79 p.**

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<http://pubs.usgs.gov/sir/2013/5013/> - Comprehensive gap analysis of the U.S.G.S.'s streamgage program for each of the fifty states.

- **U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) - GENERAL**

- **Ground Water and Surface Water: A Single Resource**, by T. C. Winter, J. W. Harvey, O. L. Franke, and W. M. Alley.

<http://water.usgs.gov/pubs/circ/circ1139/>

- **USGS Water Information Coordination Program**

<http://water.usgs.gov/wicp/>

This program's mission is to ensure collaborative efforts among Federal Agencies to improve water information for decision-making about natural resources management and environmental protection.

- **USGS Link – Water Cycle**

<http://water.usgs.gov/edu/watercycle.html>

- **USGS Link – Sustainability of Ground Water Resources**

<http://pubs.usgs.gov/circ/circ1186/html/intro.html> - This site is an introduction discussing the interaction between surface water, ground water, and human impacts.

- **USGS NEX-DCP30 - Climate & Land Use Change Research and Development Program**

For the first time, maps and summaries of historical and projected temperature and precipitation changes for the 21st century for the continental U.S. are accessible at a county-by-county level by the U.S. Geological Survey in collaboration with the College of Earth, Oceanic and Atmospheric Sciences at Oregon State University.

The maps and summaries are based on NASA downscaling of the 33 climate models used in the 5th Climate Model Intercomparison Project and the current Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) Assessment Report.

The resulting NASA dataset

<https://www.nccs.nasa.gov/services/data-collections/land-based-products/nex-dcp30>

is on an 800-meter grid with national coverage. The USGS leveraged this massive dataset and distilled the information into easily understood maps, 3-page summaries and spreadsheet compatible data files for each state and county in the United States.



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- **USGS Technical Data**

- **USGS Groundwater Data** - The U.S. Geological Survey provides unbiased, timely, and relevant data on the groundwater resources of the Nation  
<http://water.usgs.gov/ogw/data.html>

- **USGS Online Groundwater Data (NWIS)** The National Water Information System (NWIS) groundwater database consists of more than 850,000 records of wells, springs, test holes, tunnels, drains, and excavations in the United States.  
<http://waterdata.usgs.gov/nwis/gw>

- **U.S. Army Corp of Engineers - Regulatory Program.**

<http://www.usace.army.mil/Missions/CivilWorks/RegulatoryProgramandPermits.aspx>

- **Department of Interior – Water 2025: Preventing Crises and Conflict in the West**

[https://www.doi.gov/sites/default/files/archive/news/archive/03\\_News\\_Releases/030502a.htm](https://www.doi.gov/sites/default/files/archive/news/archive/03_News_Releases/030502a.htm)

- **Department of Justice - Federal reserved water rights and state law claims (a summary)**

<https://web.archive.org/web/20150308193325/http://www.justice.gov/enrd/3245.htm>

(note: Internet Archive website)

- **U.S. Bureau of Reclamation**

<https://www.usbr.gov/> - The largest wholesaler of water in the country and brings water to more than 31 million people. USBR provides one out of five Western farmers (140,000) with irrigation water for 10 million acres of farmland that produce 60% of the nation's vegetables and 25% of its fruits and nuts.

- **Department of Interior Water 2025 -**

<http://content.lib.utah.edu/utils/getfile/collection/wwwu/id/22/filename/23.pdf> - This website is an outcome of the Department of Interior Water 2025 initiative to accomplish their goal of a problem-solving initiative that will help manage scarce water resources, and develop partnerships to nourish a healthy environment and sustain a vibrant economy. Water 2025 encouraged voluntary water banks and other market-based measures, improve technology for water conservation and efficiency, and remove institutional barriers to increase cooperation and collaboration among federal, state, tribal, and private organizations.

- **Interagency Wild and Scenic Rivers Coordinating Council**

<http://www.nps.gov/rivers/publications.html> - This website is the home page for the IWSRCC. It also contains links to publications by this organization.



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- **U.S. National Forest Service References**

- **FSM 2500 - Watershed and Air Management Manuals**

- [https://www.fs.usda.gov/cgi-bin/Directives/get\\_dirs/fsm?2500](https://www.fs.usda.gov/cgi-bin/Directives/get_dirs/fsm?2500)

Chapter 2540 - Water Uses and Development

<https://web.archive.org/web/20170602203744/http://www.fs.fed.us/im/directives/fsm/2500/2540.rtf> (note: Internet Archive website)

- **Technical Guide to Managing Ground Water Resources**

- [https://www.fs.usda.gov/geology/FINAL\\_Ground%20Water%20Technical%20Guide\\_FS-881\\_March2007.pdf](https://www.fs.usda.gov/geology/FINAL_Ground%20Water%20Technical%20Guide_FS-881_March2007.pdf)

- **USFS Proposed Directives for Managing Groundwater**

- [https://www.fs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE\\_DOCUMENTS/stelprd3798964.pdf](https://www.fs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE_DOCUMENTS/stelprd3798964.pdf)

- **USFS National Best Management Practices (BMP) Program**

- <https://www.fs.usda.gov/naturalresources/watershed/bmp.shtml>

- **Bureau of Land Management References**

- **BLM Library - Technical Reference**

- <https://www.blm.gov/learn/blm-library/agency-publications/technical-references> -

Technical References were developed in 1986 to expand on the concepts underlying Technical Notes. Technical References are generally lengthier than Technical Notes and may be produced as a collection of related documents about one subject, issued under a single BLM subject code. Although the information contained in a Technical Reference cannot establish policy, it can become policy through subsequent issuance as a directive, such as an Instruction Memorandum from the Washington Office or a BLM Manual Section.

- **Evolution of a Value-Based Process for Protecting Instream Flow (May 2000)**

- [https://www.blm.gov/sites/default/files/documents/files/Library\\_BLMResourceNote15.pdf](https://www.blm.gov/sites/default/files/documents/files/Library_BLMResourceNote15.pdf) - This paper discusses the interdisciplinary process that incorporates legal, technical, and administrative aspects of water management in order to protect instream flows. BLM has applied this value-based process on a variety of rivers throughout the west.

- **A Guide to Managing, Restoring, and Conserving Springs in the Western United States (Undeveloped Spring Technical Reference 1737-17)**

- <https://dn790000.ca.archive.org/0/items/guidetomanagingr35rama/guidetomanagingr35rama.pdf>

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## OTHER REFERENCES

- **American Water Works Association**  
<http://www.awwa.org/> - Website for a comprehensive clearinghouse of resources on water conservation, efficiency, and demand management for conservation professionals and the larger water supply community.
- **Annear, T., Lobb D., Coomer C., Woythal M., Hendry, C., Estes C., and Williams K. 2009. Instream Flow Council International Instream Flow Program Initiative (IIFPI)**  
<http://www.instreamflowcouncil.org/dp-old-files/IIFPI-final-report-with-covers.pdf> - a status report of state and provincial fish and wildlife agency instream flow and water level activities and strategies for the future.
- **Brougher, Cynthia M. The Wild and Scenic Rivers Act and Federal Water Rights.**  
<https://www.arlis.org/docs/vol1/Q/1191085295.pdf> - [April 1, 2009 version]. [Washington, D.C.] : Congressional Research Service, [2009] -- (CRS report for Congress ; 7-5700, RL30809)
- **Estes, Christopher. 2009. ADF&G instream flow and lake level (reservation of water) protection report. Alaska Department of Fish and Game, for The Nature Conservancy**  
<https://www.arlis.org/docs/vol1/ADFG/2009/1126284788.pdf> - This report summarizes the history and elements of the Alaska Water Use Act (AS 46.15) and related legal mechanisms relevant to retaining sufficient amounts of water in rivers and lakes for sustaining fish and wildlife production and habitat.
- **The Groundwater Foundation**  
<http://www.groundwater.org/> - This is the website of an organization dedicated to educating and motivating people to care about groundwater.

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- **Instream Flow Council (IFC)**  
[www.instreamflowcouncil.org](http://www.instreamflowcouncil.org) - Website of the IFC and portal to all materials. The IFC is a non-profit agency organization made up of state, provincial, and territorial fish and wildlife agencies working to improve the effectiveness of instream flow programs and activities for conserving (protecting, restoring, and enhancing) fish and wildlife and related aquatic resources. The term “Instream flow” and related scope has evolved since the conception of the IFC and is synonymous with more recent terms that include ‘environmental’ and ‘ecological’ flow. IFC’s use of the term also includes water flows and levels and their associated regimes in both rivers and other water bodies and the ecological functions they support. The site includes online instream flow and water level theme conservation global workshop materials, other online references and information.
- **Land Trust Alliance**  
[“Where Land and Water Meet: Emerging Partnerships in the West Address Water Conservation Issues”](#) (*note: Internet Archive website*)
- **National Centers for Environmental Information (NCEI)**  
<https://www.ncei.noaa.gov/> - NCEI is responsible for preserving, monitoring, assessing and providing public access to the Nation’s treasure of climate and historic weather data and information.
- **National Climate Assessment**  
<http://nca2014.globalchange.gov>  
Published in 2014, this document summarizes the impacts of climate change on the United States, now and in the future. A team of more than 300 experts guided by a 60-member Federal Advisory Committee produced the report, which was extensively reviewed by the public and experts, including federal agencies and a panel of the National Academy of Sciences).
- **The Public Trust Doctrine and its Application to Protecting Instream Flows : Recorded Video Proceedings of the National Instream Flow Program Assessment (NIFPA) Workshop.**  
<https://www.arlis.org/docs/vol1/N/NIFPA/index.html>  
An online video series with an introduction to the Public Trust Doctrine (PTD) and case histories related to its application (PTD 101, 102, 103A, 103B, and 104), including Mono Lake, Katie John, and more cases.
- **The Public Trust Doctrine and its Application to Protecting Instream Flows : Written Proceedings of the National Instream Flow Program Assessment (NIFPA) Workshop:**  
Searchable companion transcript publication of the recorded PTD 100 to 104 video series presentations:

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<https://www.arlis.org/docs/vol1/F/58950420.pdf>

A searchable transcript of the online video series with an introduction to the Public Trust Doctrine (PTD) and case histories related to its application (PTD 101, 102, 103A, 103B, and 104), including Mono Lake, Katie John, and more cases

- **Orsborn, J. F. and C. H. Allman, editors. 1976. Proceedings of the Symposium and Specialty Conference on Instream Flow Needs: Solutions to technical, legal and social problems caused by increasing competition for limited streamflow. Volume I & Volume II.** Presented by the Western Division of the American Fisheries Society and Power Division of the American Society of Civil Engineers at the Rodeway Inn-Boise, ID. May 3-6, 1976. Published by American Fisheries Society ([AFS](#)). Bethesda, MD : Instream Flow Council (IFC). E-reprint edition posted with AFS permission.  
<https://www.instreamflowcouncil.org/resources/ifc-publications/afs-publications/>
- **The Worlds Water**  
<http://www.worldwater.org/links.htm> - is an organization that provides information on the world's freshwater resources. They have put together an assembly of links to governmental, non-governmental, university and commercial organizations dealing with water world-wide. It also includes water publications, articles and reports, databases and discussion lists.
- **University of Wyoming**  
<http://www.wrds.uwyo.edu/wrds/wwwsites.html> - This site has a number of very good water links.
- **Water Law in a Nutshell.** 4th Edition (2008), by Getches, David. St. Paul, Minnesota : West Publishing Company. This book was digitized in 2009.  
<https://www.google.com/shopping/product/5332882791143320741?shopcct=1> Go to this site for various links to sites selling the book.  
The new edition adds dozens of recent decisions and key statutory changes. Virtually every principal case in the leading casebooks is cited or discussed, making it an excellent aid for students in any water law course. The revised book deals with changes in evolving areas like groundwater-surface water conflicts, public recreational uses. instream flow protection, federal water development, takings claims, and public interest concerns
- **Western States Water Council**  
<https://westernstateswater.org/publications/> - The Council provides information, policy statements and publications to people with an interest in water issues.

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- **Where Rivers Are Born: The Scientific Imperative for Defending Small Streams and Wetlands**

[http://www.stroudcenter.org/about/pdfs/lk\\_meyer2003\\_defending\\_streams.pdf](http://www.stroudcenter.org/about/pdfs/lk_meyer2003_defending_streams.pdf)

A 28-page overview on Headwater Streams and Wetlands, written by 11 ecologists (who used more than 235 scientific publications) and produced by American Rivers and the Sierra Club (with grants from the Sierra Club Foundation, Turner Foundation and American Rivers) in 2003.

Since the initial publication of this document in 2003, scientific support for the importance of small streams and wetlands has only increased. Both new research findings and special issues of peer reviewed scientific journals have further established the connections between headwater streams and wetlands and downstream ecosystems. Selected references are provided at the end of the document.

- **Yellowstone River, Montana, Comprehensive 1976 Reservation of Water Assessment Overview and Portal to all Historical Materials**

<https://www.arlis.org/docs/vol1/Susitna/41/APA4147.html> - This information served as part of the foundation for the Alaska Department of Fish and Game's program and methods for complex water use competition assessments. This was the country's 1st comprehensive reservation of water assessment on the longest free flowing lower 48 states' water body.

- **Portal link to the complete Alaska and Federal Water Rights 2016 Course curriculum summary and link to course materials:**

[https://anch.ent.sirsi.net/client/en\\_US/arlis/search/detailnonmodal/ent:\\$002f\\$002fSD\\_ILS\\$002f0\\$002fSD\\_ILS:2994806/one?qu=Alaska+Interagency+Water+Rights+Course+No.+1730-26](https://anch.ent.sirsi.net/client/en_US/arlis/search/detailnonmodal/ent:$002f$002fSD_ILS$002f0$002fSD_ILS:2994806/one?qu=Alaska+Interagency+Water+Rights+Course+No.+1730-26)

- **Course Materials**

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