AGENDA: The Promise and Peril of Oil Shale Development

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EVENT PROGRAM

8:30 a.m. Welcome from Mark Squillace, Director, Natural Resources Law Center

8:30 – 9:00 The History of Oil Shale Development and What It Means for the Future: Professor Patty Limerick, Center of the American West, Univ. of Colorado

9:00 – 9:30 Federal Oil Shale Policy — Alan Gilbert, Special Advisor to Secretary Salazar for the Southwest & Rocky Mountain Regions, Dept. of Interior.

9:30 – 10:30 The Logistics and Energy Needs of Shale Oil Extraction:
Moderator: Patty Limerick, Center of the American West, Univ. of Colorado
Dr. Alan Burnham, Chief Technology Officer, American Shale Oil, LLC
Chase Huntley, Policy Advisor for Energy & Climate Change, The Wilderness Society
Mike Tupper, Exec. Vice President, Composite Technology Development, Inc.

10:30 – 10:45 BREAK

10:45 – 12:00 The Costs and Benefits of Oil Shale Development
Moderator: Mark Squillace, Director, Natural Resources Law Center
Randy Udall, Co-founder - Association for the Study of Peak Oil-USA
Jim Bartis, Senior Policy Researcher, Rand Corporation
Glenn Vawter, Executive Director, National Oil Shale Association

12:00 – 1:15 LUNCH (on your own)

1:15 – 2:30 The Impacts of Oil Shale Development on Water Resources
Moderator: Doug Kenney, Western Water Policy Program, Natural Resources Law Center
Bart Miller, Water Program Director, Western Resource Advocates
Ben Harding, Principal Engineer, AMEC Earth and Environmental
Dan Birch, Deputy General Manager & Chief Engineer, Colorado River District

2:30 – 3:00 The Impacts of Oil Shale Development on Carbon Emissions
Dr. Jeremy Boak, Colorado Energy Research Institute, Colorado School of Mines

3:00 – 3:15 BREAK

3:15 – 4:15 Oil Shale Law & Policy with Q&A:
Moderator: Karin Sheldon, Executive Director, Western Resources Advocates
David Bernhardt, Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck – Denver, CO
Bob Randall, Asst. Dir. for Energy & Minerals, CO Dept. of Natural Resources
Alan Gilbert, Special Advisor to Secretary for the Southwest & Rocky Mountain Regions, Dept. of Interior.

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