

# Water Resources Center Archives

## NEWSLETTER

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### **Northern California Premiere of *The Battle for Mono Lake***

On Sunday, October 19, 1997, nearly 400 people gathered at U.C. Berkeley's Wheeler Auditorium for the northern California premiere of *The Battle for Mono Lake*. This one hour documentary produced by Stephen Fisher in association with PBS KTEH in San Jose, was followed by a one hour panel discussion.

**Rita Schmidt Sudman**, executive director of the Water Education Foundation, moderated the panel discussion allowing the audience to ask questions of **Thomas W. Birmingham**, lead counsel for the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power; **Jim Canaday**, senior environmental specialist for the State Water Resources Control Board; **Hap Dunning**, professor of law at UC Davis; **Scott Stine**, professor in the Geography and Environmental Studies Department at California State University, Hayward; and **Stephen Fisher**, filmmaker.

The panel discussion was followed by a reception at Alumni House for sponsors and benefactors and the Archives was also open to visitors.

This fund-raising event which was co-sponsored by the [Mono Lake Committee](#) <<http://monolake.org>> (MLC) commemorates the Committee's decision to donate its vast collection of legal briefs, transcripts and correspondence, scientific documentation and legislation compiled in the effort to save Mono Lake to the Water Resources Center Archives. The Archives portion of the proceeds from this event will be used to begin processing and cataloging these papers.


It was a great afternoon and an interesting event! The Archives has

videocassette copies of *The Battle for Mono Lake* and the panel discussion. Find out what this distinguished panel of experts on Mono Lake and the Public Trust Doctrine had to say about the future of Mono Lake. Please contact Linda Vida at 510-642-2666 for information about either of these videotapes.

### **Donors for the Event**

The Archives wishes to thank the following sponsors and benefactors who helped underwrite the costs of the event.

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Mr. George A. Miller	Yahoo!, Inc.  Yahoo!, Inc. is proud to be a sponsor of The Battle for Mono Lake

#### **Benefactors (\$150-\$499)**

Catherine Collins	Vrena Landolt, <i>Infotrieve</i>
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### **WRCA Honorary Committee Members**

Special thanks to the Honorary Committee members who worked on behalf of the Water Resources Center Archives and helped ensure a successful event.

Daniel O. Holmes	Richard M. Minkoff, Esq.
Rachel & Greg Kamman	Michael Napolitano
Laura King	Kelly M. Tennis
Keith Knudsen	Peter Vorster
Vicki J. Kretsinger	Gary Weatherford, Esq.
Sylvia McLaughlin	

Very special thanks to **Kathy Dieden** of the WRCA staff for her

extraordinary efforts in making this event a success. Kathy arranged and coordinated all of the catering, volunteers, facilities and equipment as well as writing and sending out promotional material and advertisements to local newspapers, radio and television stations.

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## **GIFTS**

### **Santa Clara Valley Water District**

The Archives would like to thank **Robert Teeter**, Librarian at the [Santa Clara Valley Water District](http://www.valleywater.org/index.htm) <<http://www.valleywater.org/index.htm>> (SCVWD), for donating many boxes of reports from the District. These reports are duplicates to SCVWD but are unique to WRCA. These reports will be a valuable addition to the Archives' collection.

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## **NEW SERVICES**

### **EPA Drinking Water Data**

In another of EPA Administrator Carol M. Browner's public right-to-know initiatives, EPA is making drinking water data available to the public on the internet at [http://www.epa.gov/enviro/index\\_java.html](http://www.epa.gov/enviro/index_java.html). The public can get information on the source of their local drinking water, whether it is from ground water or surface waters (rivers or lakes), the size of the drinking water system and compliance data.

Users select the state they wish to search and then follow instructions to locate their water system. Additional information on the quality of drinking water is available at <http://www.epa.gov/surf/iwi/> and information on EPA's drinking water regulatory program is available at <http://www.epa.gov/OGWDW/>.

## **SUDOC**

The Superintendent of Documents has a new GPO Access homepage, redesigned to provide users with easier and more efficient access to their online resources. The new homepage has replaced the old one and is at [http://www.access.gpo.gov/su\\_docs](http://www.access.gpo.gov/su_docs). In addition to the homepage, several new "second level" pages have been developed to allow quick and convenient access to their services and products.

*MoCat* refers to the "Catalog of U.S. Government Publications" and *SPC* refers to the "Sales Product Catalog" which will be a master sales record.

There will be a domestic and international version, each containing specific pricing and mailing information.

### **Floodplain Management Resource Center**

The Floodplain Management Resource Center (FRC) is both a library and a referral service for floodplain management publications (including manuals, research reports, and audio-visual material). Materials related to floodplain management that are not geographically specific are added to the collection and cataloged on the FRC database. The center staff will search the database containing over 14,000 items and provide users with a printout of pertinent documents.

The FRC is located at the Natural Hazards Research and Applications Information Center at the University of Colorado at Boulder. There is no fee for using the FRC. You can call the Center at (303) 492- 6818, Monday-Friday from 9:00am - 4:00pm (Mountain Time).

### **National Archives Digitized Images Available**

John W. Carlin, archivist of the United States, announced recently that the first group of digitized images of some of the National Archives and Records Administration's (NARA) most significant documents are now available at <http://www.nara.gov/nara/nail.html>. As part of NARA's Electronic Access Project, these 5,000 documents are the first of approximately 120,000 items that will be digitized and available electronically over the next year. The documents are from NARA units across the country. You can also search the NARA database at this site and retrieve some very interesting information on all aspects of water in the United States.