

Briefing Notice

The Colorado River

Resilient and Healthy Rivers Series

Wednesday, February 19, 2025 • 2:00 - 3:30 PM EST Online Only at eesi.org/livecast Please RSVP @ eesi.org/021925rivers#rsvp

The **Environmental and Energy Study Institute (EESI)** The Environmental and Energy Study Institute (EESI) invites you to a briefing highlighting strategies for improving the resilience and restoring the health of the Colorado River and its tributaries. The **Colorado River** basin serves as an essential source of agricultural, residential, and commercial water for communities and tribes in Wyoming, Colorado, Utah, Arizona, New Mexico, Nevada, and California as well as our neighbors across the border in Mexico. However, the river faces severe water stress, resulting in dwindling reservoirs. This water stress, exacerbated by climate change, threatens to degrade the river and jeopardize the ecosystems dependent on it.

This briefing will focus on the role of federal policy in supporting stakeholders across the West as they address the impacts of drought and water stress through effective water conservation, measurement, and allocation. Panelists will discuss the importance of collaboration between tribes, industry, communities, and local and federal government to restore river vitality and ensure equitable water availability for generations to come.

Speakers for this session include:

- **Caitlin Ochs,** Visual Storyteller; National Geographic Explorer
- **Jack Schmidt,** Director Center for Colorado River Studies, Utah State University
- Brian Richter, President, Sustainable Waters, Senior Freshwater Fellow, World Wildlife Fund

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The Mississippi River - Recording available | The Tennessee River - Recording Available

The Colorado River, Wednesday, February 19, 2025 | The Hudson River, Wednesday, March 19, 2025

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This event is free and open to the public.

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