

Water Rights & Resources

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UNDERSTANDING WATER RIGHTS

For those of us who take for granted the ready availability of water flowing from our taps, the concept of water rights may seem strange or confusing. Water rights refers to the right of a user to access water from a particular source. It is one facet of the complex network of water laws that address a multitude of facets over water at both the state and federal level. In the United States, water law focuses on both water use and protection.

ABOUT THE DATABASE

With **more than 4,100 titles, 884,000+ pages, and 16 brand-new subjects**, HeinOnline's **Water Rights & Resources** is an **affordable, comprehensive, and timely collection** that is dedicated to understanding the complex interplay of state and federal laws that govern all aspects of water in society, from municipal use to restoring its pristine condition. Collecting congressional documents, books, legislative histories on major legislation, and Supreme Court briefs on related cases, this database touches on a wide range of water issues, including irrigation, hydropower, riparian rights, water conservation, drinking water quality, and tribal water rights, encompassing the unique water rights issues that span from the Eastern seaboard to the Great Lakes and across the arid West. In the face of so much uncertainty, water rights and how to use our water resources becomes even more vital to understand.

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- Water Management
- Water Rights and Claims
- Water Supply
- Watersheds and Drainage Basins

FEATURED CONTENT

Books

Browse hundreds of books ranging in date from the 1800s to present day. Trace the history of water disputes in the western United States, explore the geological differences in water rights, and discover the similarities between the water problems of the present with those of the past.

Some titles you may want to check out include:

- A. H. Favour. *Arizona's Rights in the Colorado River: Proposals of Arizona and the Counter Proposals of California Submitted to the Tri-State Conference Now in Progress* (1929).
- Wells A. Hutchins. *Hawaiian System of Water Rights* (1946).
- S. K. Love. *Quality of Surface Waters of the United States, 1957: Parts 9-14, Colorado River Basin to Pacific Slope Basins in Oregon and Lower Columbia River Basin* (1961).
- E. Boyd Wennergren. *Value of Water for Boating Recreation* (1965).

Quality of Surface Waters of the United States 1957

Parts 9-14. Colorado River Basin to Pacific Slope Basins in Oregon and Lower Columbia River Basin

Prepared under the direction of S. K. LOVE, Chief, Quality of Water Branch

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY WATER-SUPPLY PAPER 1523

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Government Documents

The deliberations of Congress provide insight both into issues requiring federal attention and their proposed solutions.

Documents of note include:

Committee Prints

- *Assessing the nation's water resources : issues and options : a report* (1980)
- *Groundwater contamination by toxic substances : a digest of reports : a report* (1983)
- *Proceedings of the Bottled Water Workshop (September 13 and 14, 1990) : a report* (1990)

Congressional Hearings

- *Addressing the Needs of Native Communities through Indian Water Rights Settlements* (2015)
- *Joint hearing on the Sierra Club's proposal to drain Lake Powell or reduce its water storage capability* (1998)
- *Use of Technology and Innovation to Increase Water Security and Enable Economic Development in the West* (2019)

CRS and GAO Reports

- *Bureau of Reclamation: History, Authorities, and Issues for Congress* (2020).
- *Klamath River Basin Issues: An Overview of Water Use Conflicts* (2002).
- *Energy-water Nexus: Many Uncertainties Remain About National And Regional Effects Of Increased Biofuel Production On Water Resources* (2009).

Legislation & Supreme Court Briefs

The **Code of Federal Regulations (CFR)** represents the current statutory positions of the federal government. Extracted within this database are the following relevant titles:

- CFR Title 18: Conservation of Power and Water Resources
- CFR Title 33: Navigation and Navigable Waters

Legislative histories present the journey of a bill as it becomes a law, with all its changes, additions, deletions and various legislative hurdles. Some legislative histories of note included in this database are:

- *Clean Water Act of 1977*
- *Legislative History of the Federal Water Power Act of 1920, P.L. 66-280*
- *Legislative History of the Safe Drinking Water Amendments of 1977, P.L. 95-190*

Access **Supreme Court Briefs** filed in cases appearing before the U.S. Supreme Court on water law issues. These briefs contain the arguments and positions of parties in the cases. Some of the briefs in this database include:

- *Brief for Petitioner, Tarrant Regional Water District* (in *Tarrant Regional Water District, Petitioner v. Rudolf John Herrmann*) (2012)
- *Brief Amici Curiae of Association of California Water Agencies, et al.* (in *County of Maui v. Hawai'i Wildlife Fund; Sierra Club—Maui Group; Surfrider Foundation; West Maui Preservation Association*) (2018)

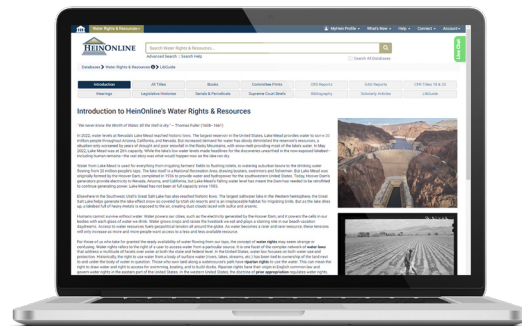
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