

A Wider Perspective

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CAREER PATH

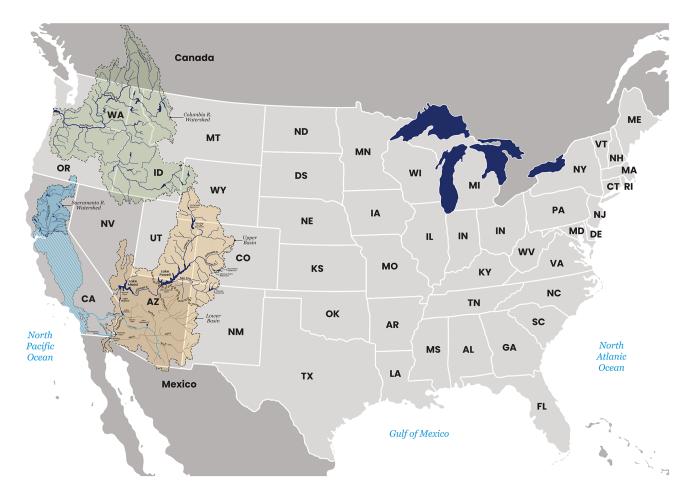
- UA College of Law
- Wyoming State Supreme Court, Clerk
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3 Western Watersheds

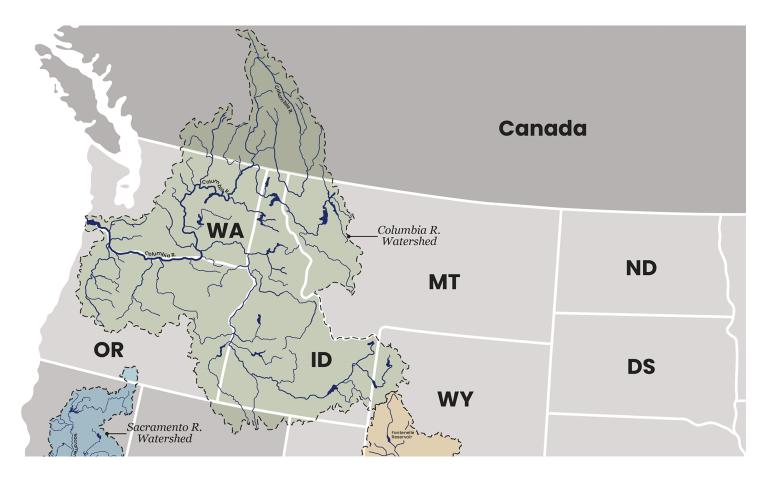
- Unique geography
- Development
- Decision-making





Columbia Watershed

- 1,243 miles long
- 7 states and Canada
- 7.8 million acres of irrigated farmland
- 14 federal dams
- ~160 MAF annual yield





Columbia Issues

- Coordinated operations
- Tribal uses
- Endangered species
- International treaty





Sacramento Watershed

- 400 miles long
- 3 million acres of farmland
- Serves 27 million people
- Dams





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Sacramento Issues

- Lack of storage
- Endangered species
- State governance
- Operational control
- Politics





Colorado River Basin Map

- Supplies water to 40 million people
- Provides water to Denver, Salt Lake City, Las Vegas, Phoenix, Los Angeles and San Diego
- Includes 30 Tribes
- Irrigates ~5 million acres of farmland
- Includes 60 million acre-feet of storage capacity
- Generates clean hydropower for the Western power grid
- Supports National Parks, wildlife refuges, recreation areas and monuments





