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Dear Public Land & Resources Law Review Reader,

In this 41st volume of the Public Land & Resources Law Review, we are excited bring you a collection of articles that demonstrate the breadth of our mission and show our commitment to covering contemporary, practical legal issues. From water law in Montana, to the impacts the national farm bill has on our nation's forests, to a book review of southwest Colorado's Gold King Mine disaster, our publication touches many facets of natural resources law in the United States.

This volume focuses on the effects of the current state of regulatory rollback in the United States. Despite the national origins of many of these rollbacks, Montana—with its connection to public lands—dramatically feels the effects of quick changes at the national level. In October 2018, the Public Land & Resources Law Review was fortunate to host John Leshy, former Solicitor of the United States Department of Interior under President Clinton. In this volume, we are proud to publish Mr. Leshy's talk at the Alexander Blewett III School of Law at the University of Montana.

We will further discuss regulatory issues at our upcoming Public Land Law Conference, titled *Carved by Glaciers: Stewardship Across the Northern Rockies*, which will compare the regulatory approaches of the U.S. and Canada with respect to climate, water, energy, wildlife, and indigenous peoples. Please join us on October 3rd-4th for this conference co-hosted by the Public Land & Resources Law Review and the University of Calgary.

Finally, we appreciate the hard work of the staff and the constant support, advocacy, and guidance from our advisers, Professors Michelle Bryan and Monte Mills. Welcome to the 41st edition of the Public Land & Resources

Law Review, we are proud to present this collection of scholarship. Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

The Public Land & Resources Law Review Editorial Board