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CANADIAN DEPUTY MINISTER WILL SPEAK ON WATER RESOURCES

Canada's deputy minister of water resources will contribute the Canadian view in the seventh lecture of a nine part series on water resources Wednesday (Feb.22), at the University of Montana.

Dr. Richard Konizeski, UM professor of forestry, said A.F. Paget of the Department of Lands, Forests and Water Resources, Vancouver, will speak on "Canadian Water Policy Relative to International Development of the Columbia River."

Paget was an instrumental figure in the planning of the Libby Dam project in Northwestern Montana because of its international nature. The resulting Libby Reservoir on the Kootenai River will extend 40 miles into Canada. A large percentage of income from the sale of the hydroelectric power generated by the project will go to Canada.

Paget will offer Canada's views on the proposed northwest-southwest transfer of water from the Columbia River to the lower regions of California, Arizona and Nevada.

He also is expected to comment on the North American Water and Power Alliance, which is projected to satisfy the water needs of the United States, Canada, and Mexico for the next hundred years or more if effected. NAWAPA will not only provide water from Alaska and northern Canada to arid areas of these nations, but also incorporates many power and navigational projects as outlined.

Dr. Konizeski said the University of Montana and Western Montana is extremely fortunate in obtaining a speaker of Paget's position for the lecture series. The public is invited to hear him.

The lecture will begin at 3 p.m. next Wednesday in Geology 107 and will be followed by a question-answer period until 5 p.m.