AGENDA

Thursday, February 24, 2005

5:00 – 6:00 p.m. Robert Minge Brown Lecture

Michael Bean
Turning Adversaries into Allies: New Ideas for Conserving Our Most Imperiled Wildlife

Stanford Law School - Room 290

6:00 – 7:30 p.m. Reception at Stanford Law Lounge

Friday, February 25, 2005

7:30 – 8:00 a.m. Continental Breakfast
Littlefield Center – Stanford School of Business

Morning Facilitator: Buzz Thompson

8:00 – 9:00 a.m. Welcome and Introductions
• Forum Goals
• Forum Ground Rules

9:00 – 10:00 a.m. Session I: Enhanced State Responsibility for Species Conservation: Potential Benefits and Concerns

10:00 – 10:15 a.m. Break

10:15 – 12:00 p.m. Session II: State & Federal Responsibilities across the Continuum of Species Conservation
12:00 – 1:00 p.m.  Lunch  
Littlefield Center – Stanford School of Business

**Afternoon Facilitator: J.B. Ruhl**

1:00 – 3:00 p.m.  *Session III: Effective Species Recovery through Enhanced State Responsibility*

3:00 – 3:15 p.m.  Break

3:15 – 5:00 p.m.  *Session III cont.: Effective Species Recovery through Enhanced State Responsibility*

5:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.  Reception & Dinner  
Stanford Faculty Club

**Saturday, February 26, 2005**

7:30 – 8:00 a.m.  Continental Breakfast  
Littlefield Center – Stanford School of Business

8:00 – 8:15 a.m.  Review of Friday's Discussion

**Morning Facilitator: Gail Achterman**

8:15 – 10:00 a.m.  *Session IV: State Responsibility for Species Conservation under § 6 of ESA*

10:00 – 10:15 a.m.  Break

10:15 – 12:00 p.m.  *Session V: Institutional Mechanisms to Facilitate Greater State Responsibility for Species Conservation*

12:00 – 1:00 p.m.  Lunch  
Littlefield Center – Stanford School of Business

**Afternoon Facilitator: Buzz Thompson**

1:00 – 3:00 p.m.  *Session VI: Resources to Enable Greater State Responsibility for Species Conservation*

3:00 – 3:15 p.m.  Break

3:15 – 5:00 p.m.  Concluding Thoughts & Wrap-up

5:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.  Reception & Dinner  
Stanford Faculty Club
**Session Descriptions and Presenters/Commentators**

**I. Enhanced State Responsibility for Species Conservation: Potential Benefits and Concerns**

- **Brief Description:** The first session will examine how national goals for species conservation might be more effectively met by assigning higher responsibility for species conservation to the states. What benefits or advantages do states bring to the effort? What are the concerns in assigning higher responsibility to the states, and how may that affect national efforts in species conservation?

- **Presenter:** Terry Johnson – Arizona Game & Fish Department

- **Commentator:** Jamie Clark – Defenders of Wildlife

**II. State & Federal Responsibilities across the Continuum of Species Conservation**

- **Brief Description:** The second session will present and examine a possible model for the appropriate state and federal roles and responsibilities in protecting a species that would focus on the degree of threat that the species faces. What are the appropriate state and federal roles and responsibilities for species facing varying levels of threats? What actions are needed to articulate and assign the state and federal roles and responsibilities?

- **Presenter:** Steve Quarles – Crowell & Moring LLP

- **Commentator:** Pat Graham – The Nature Conservancy

**III. Effective Species Recovery through Enhanced State Responsibility**

**Brief Description:** The third session will discuss how to involve states more effectively in the recovery process. What is the appropriate state role in recovery efforts? Should the federal government establish clear, articulate, and ecologically determinable recovery goals?

- **Presenter:** Michael Bean – Environmental Defense

- **Commentators:** Greg Schildwachter – Senator Mike Crapo’s Staff
  Hal Salwasser – Oregon State University

**IV. State Responsibility for Species Conservation under § 6 of ESA**

- **Brief Description:** The fourth session will examine section 6 of the ESA and how it could be used to facilitate better species conservation between state and federal agencies. Is the federal government making the best use of section 6? Should states be delegated greater responsibility? Does section 6 need to be
revised? Do the Clean Water Act and Coastal Zone Management Act provide useful models or lessons for section 6 and, if so, how?

- **Presenter**: Bob Davison – Wildlife Management Institute
- **Commentator**: Michael Bean – Environmental Defense

V. **Institutional Mechanisms to Facilitate Greater State Responsibility for Species Conservation**

- **Brief Description**: The fifth session will consider what new institutional mechanisms might facilitate greater collaboration between state and federal agencies in effective species conservation efforts. Do State Species Conservation Committees offer an effective medium to facilitate states excersing primary responsibility for species conservation? Does the Committee model effectively address the potential concerns associated with an enhanced state role?

- **Presenter**: Mike Spear – retd. US Fish & Wildlife Service
- **Commentator**: Chris Smith – Montana Dept. of Fish, Wildlife & Parks

VI. **Resources to Enable Greater State Responsibility for Species Conservation**

- **Brief Description**: The sixth session will discuss what additional funding and other resources are needed for states to absorb greater responsibility for species conservation. Could existing federal funds available to the states be better managed and allocated? What additional federal sources might be utilized to fund enhanced state responsibilities in species conservation? What can be done to increase funding sources within the state?

- **Presenter**: Gary Taylor – International Assoc. of Fish & Wildlife Agencies
- **Commentator**: Mike Mantell – Natural Resource Law Group