



37th Biennial Public Land Law Conference

**Bridging Divides:
Energy, Environment, and Empowerment in a New Era
October 12 - 13, 2017**

Call for Presentations and Papers

The PUBLIC LAND & RESOURCES LAW REVIEW invites submissions for panelist presentations at its 37th Public Land Law Conference, **Bridging Divides: Energy, Environment, and Empowerment in a New Era**. The conference will be held at the Alexander Blewett III School of Law at the University of Montana in beautiful Missoula, Montana. Our invited keynote speaker is U.S. Secretary of the Interior Ryan Zinke.

This year's conference seeks to answer the question: *How do we bridge divides and find common vision to manage our energy and environmental resources in an evolving political climate?* Energy development, indigenous involvement, and environmental interests frequently offer competing visions for the stewardship of our natural resources. The 37th Biennial Public Land Law Conference will bring together voices of local communities, federal and state actors, tribal nations, and private and nonprofit interests, to work toward a common vision of the law and policy of energy and the environment. Our areas of focus will include:

- balancing energy development with fish and wildlife needs;
- preserving indigenous interests in energy development; and
- addressing energy development within land use planning.

Within these focus areas, proposals are encouraged in the various energy development sectors (wind, hydroelectricity, solar, nuclear, coal, oil and gas, etc.) and should consider some of the different voices with a stake in that development (local, state, tribal, federal, nonprofit, and private). Proposals that focus on bridging divides are given priority consideration.

Selected panelists have the opportunity to publish a related article in the Spring 2018 *Public Land & Resources Law Review* conference edition. They will also receive a \$500 stipend toward travel expenses. Please submit a proposal abstract of **300 words or less** to lillianalvernaz@gmail.com. Abstracts are due on or before **May 1, 2017**, and should indicate whether you also intend to publish a companion paper.