

Statewide drought conference set for Sept. 19-20 in Denver

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The Colorado Water Conservation Board is holding a two-day drought conference with discussion themed around “Building a Drought Resilient Economy through Innovation.”

The conference, Sept. 19-20 at the History Colorado Center in Denver, will highlight the research and experiences of professionals working in regions and economies impacted by drought.

Participants will share new and innovative approaches to drought preparedness across various industries and sectors. The conference will also present information on what drought may look like under future climate change conditions.

Professionals or interested parties working in government, the nonprofit and the private sector are encouraged to attend the event to learn the latest in preparing for and responding to drought. Those wishing to register for the event can do so through CWCB’s website at <http://cwb.state.co.us>

The conference agenda includes panels and speakers addressing:

—advances in drought monitoring, mitigation and impact assessment.

—drought preparedness innovations in agriculture, business and energy sectors.

—the response and impacts from the 2011 drought—Colorado and Texas.

—managing drought-related risk.

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—opportunities for interagency/intergovernmental collaboration and public/private partnerships on drought response and mitigation efforts.

—what the latest science says about drought and climate change.

—vulnerability and economic impact of drought to tourism and recreation, as well as urban and natural environments.

Registration for the event closes at 5 p.m. on Sept. 14. Registration includes a complimentary pass to the History Colorado Center, located at 1200 Broadway in Denver.

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