



EVENT ANNOUNCEMENT

New Directions for U.S. Water Policy

A Hamilton Project and Stanford Woods Institute for the Environment Policy Forum

Monday, October 20, 2014, 9:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. PT

Stanford University, Paul Brest Hall, 555 Salvatierra Walk, Stanford, CA 94305

On October 20th, The Hamilton Project at Brookings and the Stanford Woods Institute for the Environment will host a forum and [release new papers](#) highlighting opportunities for improving water policy and management in the United States.

Facebook Chief Operating Officer Sheryl Sandberg will give welcoming remarks, followed by an introduction and roadmap of the event by former U.S. Treasury Secretary Robert E. Rubin. California Governor Jerry Brown has been invited to give featured remarks on the landscape of water in the West, and Philanthropist and Advanced Energy Advocate Thomas F. Steyer will lead a panel on the impact of climate change on water resources. The full agenda can be [found here](#).

Participants include, among others: Robert Glennon of the University of Arizona; Ellen Hanak of Public Policy Institute of California; Thomas Iseman of the U.S. Department of the Interior; James Lochhead of Denver Water; William Phillimore of Paramount Farming Company; Barton Thompson of The Stanford Woods Institute for the Environment; Ira Ehrenpreis of Technology Partners; Michael Markus of Orange County Water District; Peter Yolles of Water Smart Software; Wade Crowfoot of the Office of California Governor Jerry Brown; Noah Diffenbaugh of The Stanford Woods Institute for the Environment; Peter Gleick of The Pacific Institute; and Solomon Hsiang of the University of California, Berkeley.

For updates on the event, follow [@hamiltonproj](#) and [@StanfordWoodsIE](#) and join the conversation using **#H20Policy**.

To register to attend the event in person, please [click here](#).

9:00 a.m. Welcome

Sheryl Sandberg
Chief Operating Officer, Facebook

9:10 a.m. Introduction and Roadmap of Event

Robert E. Rubin
Co-Chair, Council on Foreign Relations; Former U.S. Treasury Secretary

9:20 a.m. Featured Remarks: The Landscape of Water in the West

Governor Jerry Brown
State of California (invited)

9:50 a.m. **Roundtable: Shopping for Water: How the Market Can Mitigate Water Shortages in the American West**

Author: Robert Glennon

Regents' Professor, Morris K. Udall Professor of Law & Public Policy, James E. Rogers College of Law, University of Arizona

Discussant: Ellen Hanak

Senior Fellow, Public Policy Institute of California

Discussant: Thomas Iseman

Deputy Assistant Secretary, Water and Science, U.S. Department of the Interior

Discussant: James Lochhead

Chief Executive Officer and Manager, Denver Water

Discussant: William Phillimore

Executive Vice President, Paramount Farming Company

Moderator: Melissa Kearney

Director, The Hamilton Project; Senior Fellow, Brookings Institution

10:55 a.m. **Break**

11:10 a.m. **Roundtable: The Path to Water Innovation**

Author: Barton "Buzz" Thompson

Robert E. Paradise Professor of Natural Resources Law, Stanford Law, and Perry L. McCarty Director, The Stanford Woods Institute for the Environment

Discussant: Ira Ehrenpreis

General Partner, Technology Partners

Discussant: Michael Markus

General Manager, Orange County Water District

Discussant: Peter Yolles

Founder and Chief Policy Officer, Water Smart Software

Moderator: Roger Altman

Founder and Chairman, Evercore

12:15 p.m. **Moderated Discussion: The Impact of Climate Change on America's Water Resources**

Introduction by Robert E. Rubin

Wade Crowfoot

Deputy Cabinet Secretary and Senior Advisor, Office of California Governor Jerry Brown

Noah Diffenbaugh

Associate Professor of Environmental Earth System Science and Senior Fellow, The Stanford Woods Institute for the Environment

Peter Gleick

President and Co-Founder, The Pacific Institute

Solomon Hsiang

Assistant Professor of Public Policy, The Goldman School of Public Policy, University of California, Berkeley

Moderator: Thomas F. Steyer

Investor, Philanthropist and Advanced Energy Advocate

1:20 p.m. **Closing Remarks and Adjournment**

Remarks by Steven Denning, Chairman, General Atlantic; Chairman of the Board, Stanford University

BROOKINGS