

## Most Influential Writing Nomination List

### **BOOKS:**

*The King of California-J.G. Boswell and the Making of a Secret American Empire*, Mark Arax and Rick Wartzman (Public Affairs, 2003)

- A Georgia family migrated to California in this story to drain one of the largest lakes and begin a cotton enterprise. "Much more than a business story, this is a sweeping social history that details the saga of cotton growers who were chased from the South by the boll weevil and brought their black farmhands to California."

*Water and the California Dream*, David Carle

- "Using oral histories, newspaper articles, and autobiographies, Carle explores the historic changes in California, showing how imported water has shaped the pattern of population growth in the state."

*Collapse: How Societies Choose to Fail or Succeed*, Jared Diamond

*Where I was From*, Joan Didion (Vintage International 2003)

- This book of essays involves the history around California's water and her personal familiar journey as she observed the changing environment from an environmental, political and spiritual space. Didion's confusion around, where she was from, exists because the place that fostered her younger years looks differently now as it's apportioned and overly used by "others."

*Death in the Marsh*, Tom Harris (Island Press, 1991)

- Death in the Marsh explains how federal irrigation projects have altered selenium's circulation in the environment, allowing it to accumulate in marshes, killing ecosystems and wildlife, and causing deformities in some animals."

*Storm Over Mono: The Mono Lake Battle and the California Water Future*, John Hart (UC Press, 1996)

- Environmental saga about the fight to save Mono Lake. A natural, social, and political drama taking on Los Angeles over consumption. "Storm Over Mono" is an inspiration around environmental issues.

*San Francisco Bay: Portrait of an Estuary*, John Hart and David Sanger (UC Press, 2003)

- Lavish textual and photographed portraits of the San Francisco Bay portraying multiple diverse angles of the estuary as capital real-estate, a hunted fishery and an environmental aesthetic pleasure.

*The Great Thirst: Californians and Water – A History*, Norris Hundley (UC Press; revised edition, 2001)

- Incorporating outstanding history, photographs and keen descriptions of the major water-policy issues facing California now like, accelerating demands and equity in water allocation for a growing population; a literary, politically and culturally relevant read.

*The California Law of Water Rights*, Wells A. Hutchins (1956)

*The Great Central Valley: California's Heartland*, Stephen Johnson, Gerald Haslam and Robert Dawson (UC Press, 1993)

- Each author, a native to California's Central Valley, describe in detail the rich, natural, agricultural landscape of the heartland. It is California's economic hub and symbolically it's physical center.

*Battling the Inland Sea*, Robert Kelley (1989)

- From back cover: "Here is history dealing with the most elemental forces of land, water and engineering as they are shaped by public policy. Here is the profound drama of value and symbol which occurs when Americans come into conflict with forces over which they can exercise, as Robert Kelley shows, only the most transitory and pyrrhic victories."

*Envisioning Futures for the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta*, Jay Lund, Ellen Hanak, William Fleenor, Richard Howitt, Jeffrey Mount and Peter Moyle, Public Policy Institute of California, San Francisco, CA, February 2007

*Comparing Futures for the Sacramento San-Joaquin Delta*, Jay Lund, Ellen Hanak, William Fleenor, Richard Howitt, Jeffrey Mount and Peter Moyle, Public Policy Institute of California, San Francisco, CA, UC Press, 2010

*Denial is a River in California*, Wayne Lusvardi

- This is one story out of Peter Rogers and Susan Leal's compilations of current international water crisis in their book, "Running Out of Water: The Looming Crisis and Solutions to Conserve Our Most Precious Resource." Lusvardi's particular piece addresses the reality of what Californians will inevitably face.

*Cadillac Desert*, Mark Reisner (1993)

- Reisner focused on the creation of infrastructure in the west. He incorporated the "American Dream", competitiveness and greed in the writing around what he believes to be a dangerous dependence on dams, aqueducts and a governmental attempt to transform the landscape of the western desert.

*The San Joaquin: A River Betrayed*, Gene Rose (Linrose Publishing Company, 1992).

- "While nearly all of America's major rivers have been compromised, few have been so misused as the San Joaquin. In its comparatively brief history, it has been dammed, diverted, and depleted beyond comprehension. Here, in colorful and informative prose, veteran author Gene Rose identifies the forces and figures who have shaped, altered, and corrupted this once mighty waterway which some now view as "a river betrayed."

*The End of Abundance*, David Zetland (2011)

- The End of Abundance summarizes material from Zetland's blog, research and discussions with people in the water business from a market base perspective. Everything was written to fit into a concise and logical narrative that will give readers a decent overview of water economics applied across many topics (from tap water to irrigation to environment to human rights, and so on)."

**POEMS and ESSAYS:**

"Water" by Waldo Emerson

"Holy Water" by Joan Didion

## **Plans and Reports**

### California Water Plan (Bulletin 3, 1957)

- *The 1957 California Water Plan provided recommendations for the development of new surface and groundwater storage facilities. It also addressed the quality and flood management issues statewide. It represents the start of the “integrated approach” within State policies. Also nominated – the Marshall Plan.*

### State Water Plan (1930)

- *Outlined the manner by which progress should be made from the present to the stage of development that would meet the State's 2020 demands.*

### A Salinity Standard to Maximize Phytoplankton Abundance by Positioning the Entrapment Zone in Suisun Bay, (1989) Williams & Hollibaugh

## **LAW REVIEW PAPERS:**

UC Davis Symposium, “The Public Trust Doctrine: 30 Years Later,” (volume 45, number 3, 2012).

- *This Public Trust Doctrine in Natural Resources Law and Management contains: California Water Impact and the Environmental Law Foundation*

## **LEGISLATION:**

### Porter, Cologne Water Quality Act (1969)

### Water Commission Act (1914)

- *Oversees permits associated with the rights to use surface water.*

### California Environmental Quality Act (1970)

- *Institute a statewide policy of environmental protection.*

### Endangered Species Act (1973)

- *States that all native species of fishes, amphibians, reptiles, birds, mammals, invertebrates, and plants, and their habitats, threatened with extinction and those experiencing a significant decline which, if not halted, would lead to a threatened or endangered designation, will be protected or preserved.*

### Delta Protection Act (1992)

## **LEGAL DECISIONS**

### 1) National Audubon Society v. Superior Court (1983)

- *The litigation stems from the diversion of streams previously flowing into Mono Lake by the Department of Water and Power for the City of Los Angeles. Four of the five streams, which flow into Mono Lake were diverted and the lake is diminished in size and has been impacted ecologically.*

### 2) Inyo v. Los Angeles (1973)

- *Los Angeles and its department of water and power ordered to prepare environmental impact report covering their extraction of subsurface water in specified valley, city filed return to writ, and county objected to the return.*

Justice Ron Robie's opinion on "Term 91"  
-*Specific opinion on In Basin Entitlements not documented.*

**BLOGS:**

Lloyd Carter "Chronicles of the Hydraulic Brotherhood-How the West[lands] Won the West"  
-*"In the wake of the public relations debacle over the brief hiring of former federal judge Oliver Wanger, the Westlands Water District has now hired a high-powered Denver, Colorado law firm with close ties to Interior Secretary Kenneth Salazar and political tentacles reaching to the highest levels of both the Democratic and Republican parties."*

David Zetland <http://www.aguanomics.com/>

**LECTURES:**

Lecture in Land Use and Water Resources Law, UC Berkeley, School of Law

**NEWSPAPERS:**

Jim Mayer's *Sacramento Bee* series, "The Dying River" (1989)  
- *Sacramento Bee studies development along the Sacramento River and the ensuing pollution and threat to wildlife; offers suggestions to save the river.*

**BOOKLETS/BROCHURES:**

"Restoring the Delta: Protecting Our Future"

"The Value of Water: Recognizing and Using the Full Potential of Your Water Supply," (National Water Research Institute, 1999). Abdalla, Archibald, Cross, Hall, Lazo, Lindstrom, Sheikh & Silva  
-*This educational booklet explores hidden and unrecognized values generated from the maintenance and protection of our invaluable water supplies.*

**TECHNICAL REPORTS/GUIDELINES:**

California MTBE Research Partnership, "Treatment Technologies for Removal of Methyl Tertiary Butyl Ether from Drinking Water: Air Stripping, Advanced" (2000)

- *Technological evaluations pertaining to the title topics and includes, cost effectiveness, reliability, flexibility, adaptability and potential for modifications during implementation.*

National Water research Institute, "Ultraviolet Disinfection Guidelines for Drinking Water and Water Reuse" (Third Edition, 2012)

-*NWRI held a panel of experts to evaluate the use of ultraviolet light disinfection to disinfect reclaimed water. The authors included renowned university researchers, state and federal regulators and consultants from the U.S. and abroad.*

National Research Council, "A Review of Science and Adaptive Management in California's Draft Bay Delta Conservation Plan"

- *"The report, A Review of Science and Adaptive Management in California's Draft Bay Delta Conservation Plan, determines that the plan is incomplete in a number of important areas and takes this opportunity to identify key scientific and structural gaps that, if addressed, could lead to a more successful and comprehensive final BDCP."*

Source, Fate, and Transport of Endocrine Disruptors, Pharmaceuticals, and Personal Care Products in Drinking Water Sources in California, (2012), Guo, Krasner, Fitzsimmons, Woodside & Yamachike, National Water Research Institute

*-This NWRI report evaluated the presence and fate of constituents of emerging concern such as, pesticides, pharmaceuticals, and personal care products in 25-million people's drinking water. The study provided a better understanding of the frequency and levels of occurrence in major water supplies in Southern California.*

Direct Potable Reuse: Benefits for Public Water Supplies, Agriculture, the Environment, and Energy Conservation," (2012) Schroeder, Tchobanoglous, Leverenz & Asano

*-This NWRI White Paper focuses on the role that direct potable reuse could have in the management of water in the future.*