

Resource List: California's Water: Rivers, Oceans, and Our Future Suggestions to recharge your curiosity! Based on California Humanities' staff, speakers and partner input

# **Selections featuring Speakers**

#### **Bettina Boxall**

**Big Burn Series** Los Angeles Times, July 27-August 3, 2008 - Explanatory Reporting Pulitzer Prize winning coverage of the cost and effectiveness of combating wildfires in the western US along with colleague Julie Cart **"Overpumping of Central Valley groundwater creating a crisis"** Los Angeles Times, March 18, 2015 - Land in the Central Valley is sinking as overuse of wells depletes groundwater

#### Felicia Marcus

## California Environmental Protection Agency: State Water Resources Control Board

<u>"California's Water Czar, Part Empathetic Confessor and Part Friendly"</u> by Adam Nagourney, New York Times, June 14, 2015,

"Will Water-Wasting Penalties Help California Conserve" PBS Newshour, May 7, 2015

#### **Bruny Mora**

Pajaro Valley High School Students Take to the Fields, for Their Future & the Environment by Angela Stewart, USDA Natural Resources Conservation California, Fall 2010

## Abby Taylor-Silva

<u>"Ag leadership lessons learned"</u> The Californian, April 12, 2015 <u>Press Release: Announcement of the 2015 Woman of the Year</u> Assembly District 30, March10, 2015

# To Read: Explore relevant reports, articles, and websites

• Big Sur Stories - History as told by those who call this little stretch of the coast home

Drying up the delta: 19th century policies underlie today's crises by Bettina Boxall. Los Angeles Times, March 22, 2014 - A claim nailed to a tree 131 years ago allows growers in the Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District to annually pump an average of 850,000 acre-feet from the Sacramento River - about 40% more water than the city of Los Angeles uses in a year.

• **Floodpath:** The Deadliest Man-Made Disaster of 20<sup>th</sup> Century America and the Making of Modern Los Angeles by Jon Wilkman – recounting the St. Francis Dam Disaster of 1928 taking the lives of over four hundred Californians

Just the Facts: California's Latest Drought Public Policy Institute of California

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• <u>Re-Envisioning the Los Angeles River: An NGO and Academic Institute Influence the Policy Discourse</u> report by Robert Gottlieb, The Golden Gate University Law Review - Oral history project was part of this yearlong program to explore how to change the discourse around the river

"Water autonomy: From Israel to California" by David Siegel, Jewish Journal, April 28, 2016

Water in the West series of articles in California Journal of Politics and Policy, Volume 8 Issue 3 2016

<u>"With Doomsday in Mind, California Officials Are Ceding Water to Arizona, Nevada"</u> by Ry Rivard, Voice of San Diego, June 28, 2016 – Representatives have offered to forgo up to 8% of the state's Colorado River water, if things get bad enough. Cuts could be worse later if California doesn't play ball with Arizona now

"World War III will be fought over water" by Amrita Gupta, Policy Innovations, May 24, 2016

**To Listen:** Learn on the go with radio and podcasts

California April Water Conservation Rate Is 26 Percent by Ed Joyce, Capital Public Radio, June 6, 2016

"Karen Ross on California's Agriculture during its Drought" by Seth M. Siegel, Let There Be Water podcast, July 7, 2016

## To Watch: Engage in important California stories through documentary film

• <u>Cadillac Desert</u> - An American four-part documentary series about water, money, politics, and the transformation of nature

<u>Chasing water</u> - photojournalist Peter McBride sets out to document the flow of the Colorado River from source to sea in a short film that highlights how people's use of water affects rivers

<u>Chinatown</u> - film based on the history of Los Angeles's acquisition of water from Owens Valley

• <u>Treading Water</u> - documentary reflecting a community as they confront their anxiety over water scarcity in an uncertain future

• <u>Of The Sea: Fisherman, Seafood and Sustainability</u>- a feature documentary that tells the story of five California fishermen and shows how our seafood choices can influence ocean sustainability.

## To Do: Activate your curiosity

**Conserve.** <u>Wateright.org</u> provides guidance on water management for homeowners, commercial turf growers, and agriculture

Recreate at Elkhorn Slough: enjoy the reserve, beaches, kayaking, hiking, photography, birding, hunting and fishing

• Visit <u>Remembering the River</u> exhibit at San Joaquin River Parkway and Conservation Trust

**Visit** Cantor Arts Center at Stanford University Exhibition presenting works by eminent artists that influenced Californians' Attitudes about Water, <u>California: The Art of Water</u> July 13 to November 28, 2016

•View photos of <u>The Creeks of Salinas: The Gabilan Watershed Experience</u> exhibit celebrating the ecological address of Salinas, Prunedale and Castroville by following the course of the water that lands on the Pacific side of the Gabilans and Fremont peak

Volunteer! Be a part of this community's Coastal Clean-up Day - September 17th

**Teach.** <u>Project WET: Water Education for Teachers</u> - resources for educators to teach about the science of water by helping them create lesson plans and fun activities

**Join** the <u>Pulitzer Prizes Reading Challenge</u> - read a Pulitzer winner from each of the seven categories or read seven Pulitzer winners from one of the categories in 2016

Share what you learned with your neighbor, your co-worker, and with us! Please send Erin Menne your takeaway ideas and feedback at emenne@calhum.org or for CalHumanities @@Cal\_Humanities #calhum40 #Pulitzer100

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