“May your life be filled with lawyers.”

- A Mexican curse
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Panelists

• Chris Amantea
• Karin Jacoby
• Scott Shapiro
• Julie Lemmon, Moderator
Some of the possible topics, ideas

• New Executive Order and FFRMS
• Changing regulatory frameworks
• Non-federal project sponsor “assurances”
• Effects on WRDA
• Conflicts with other mandates (i.e. Sec. 106)
• Water of U.S. Rule impact
• Lawsuits and legislation to overturn Rule
• Regional permits – are they doable?
• New NEPA guidance and climate change?
“Rather than marching off on a political mission to expand its authority over ponds and dry washes, ...[t]he EPA needs to get to work on the sort of work that brought it into existence...cleaning up the Cuyahoga gave Americans faith that their government could act in defense of the environment...”

The Arizona Republic Editorial 8/13/15
“There is no shortage of lawyers in Washington, D.C. In fact, there may be more lawyers than people.”

• Former Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O’Connor
The Robbins Butte Fire is burning west of Interstate 8 in the Gila riverbed. Bureau of Land Management spokesman Ken Shaver said the Robbins Butte Fire has burned about 125 acres so far and is 20 percent contained. He said three hand crews, four engines, a helicopter and air attack plane are working to extinguish the fire. The cause problems for the ground crews who will work well into the evening and be back out on Sunday. All rights reserved. This material may not be published, broadcast, rewritten, or redistributed.