Digest of Congressman Kolbe's Pygmy-Owl Forum Now Available

The Udall Center and the Morris K. Udall Foundation assisted U.S. Congressman Jim Kolbe (R-AZ) in organizing the January 7, 1998, pygmy-owl forum held in Tucson at St. Mark's United Methodist Church.

More than 300 people attended the meeting at which representatives from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Arizona Game and Fish, Pima County Planning and Zoning, Southwest Center for Biological Diversity, Southern Arizona Home Builders Association, Defenders of Wildlife, Amphitheater School Board, and the UA Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Science shared information on issues surrounding the cactus ferruginous pygmy-owl and the Endangered Species Act during two panels.

Congressman Kolbe moderated the forum, which included a question and answer period following the presentations.

The Udall Center has prepared a digest of the forum, available at the Center, Congressman Kolbe's office, or at the Center's homepage:

http://vpr2.admin.arizona.edu/udall_center/

Udall Center to Get New Director

Effective July 1, 1998, Dr. Stephen Cornell will become the new director of the Udall Center.

Cornell, whose Ph.D. is from the University of Chicago, studies American Indian cultural and political identity and economic development. He currently chairs the Department of Sociology at the University of California-San Diego.

In addition to becoming director of the Udall Center, Cornell will hold the position of professor of sociology and public administration and policy.

Interim director Robert Vardy will continue at the Center.

Udall Center Fellowship & Prize Application Deadlines

Udall Center Environmental Conflict Resolution Fellows Program--March 2, 1998
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Lillian S. Fisher Prize in Environmental Law and Public Policy--March 27, 1998
(see notice on page 2)

Ford Foundation/Udall Center Fellowship for Environmental Conflict Resolution in the U.S. Mexico Border Region--April 30, 1998
(see notice on page 3)
**Lillian S. Fisher Prize: Call for Papers**

The Lillian S. Fisher Prize in Environmental Law and Public Policy will be awarded at the end of the academic year to a student of the University of Arizona College of Law. The prize will be a $1,000 stipend.

The co-winners of the 1997 inaugural prize are Anne Christenson for her paper, "Are Prior Appropriators Protected in New Mexico? The Intel Example," and Tracey Zobenica for her paper, "The Public Trust Doctrine in Arizona’s Streambeds."

The recipient for 1998 will be selected from the competing entries by a panel of faculty members. To be eligible, the student must write an essay of approximately 25 pages in length on some subject relating to environmental law or public policy.

The essays will be judged for their scholarly merit and contribution to the field. The winning paper will be offered for publication to the *Arizona Law Review* or to other suitable journals. To apply, submit the essay and a curriculum vitae to the Udall Center.

Applications must be received no later than March 27, 1998. For more information, contact the Udall Center.

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**Conference on American Indian Health and Welfare**

Organized and Hosted by the Udall Center, Morris K. Udall Foundation, and Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation

October 1998 - Tucson, Arizona

The autumn conference will highlight the impact of health and welfare reform on Native Americans, examine the role of new federalism in tribal-state relations, and aim to advance more constructive relationships between tribes and states on health and welfare issues.

Representatives from key federal, state, local, and tribal agencies, health care providers and managers, researchers, and other interested citizens will attend.

For more information, contact the Udall Center.

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**A National Environmental Conflict Resolution Database**

The Udall Center staff has been developing a process for designing a national roster of environmental dispute resolution professionals.

Under the auspices of an interagency agreement between the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Morris K. Udall Foundation, the Udall Center is bringing together representatives from EPA’s national and regional offices, other federal agencies, state alternative dispute resolution offices, and the practitioner community—as well as potential roster users—to address the critical issues and implications of such a roster and aid in its design.

A core working group will draft the roster format and protocol, which will then be assessed by several reviewer groups over the course of the next nine months. The intent of the roster is to improve access to qualified dispute resolution practitioners for stakeholders in environmental conflicts.
Udall Center Fellows Program

About the Program . . .

Since its inception in 1990, 64 University of Arizona (UA) scholars from 28 departments in 10 colleges have come to the Center as Fellows.

With strong support from departments and colleges across campus, this program remains the only one of its kind at the UA and continues to draw first-rate policy scholars including a number of department heads and Regents professors as well as outstanding junior faculty.

The Udall Center provides Fellows with private offices in its two historic buildings just west of campus in a setting conducive to interdisciplinary policy projects. Benefits include operational support, secretarial services, and use of the Center's resources.

The Fellows Program is open to faculty members of the UA whose research interests are in the domain of public policy.

Beginning in 1997, the program expanded to include visiting scholars outside the UA with interest in environmental conflict resolution.

Fellowship/General Information

Ford Foundation/Udall Center Fellowship for Environmental Conflict Resolution in the U.S.-Mexico Border Region

The Udall Center, with funding from the Ford Foundation, will initiate during the 1998-99 academic year a fellow-in-residence program pertaining to environmental conflict resolution in the U.S.-Mexico border region.

The fellow will receive a stipend of US $23,000, a private office, and a half-time graduate student assistant while at the Center. The fellow will participate in the Center's ECR program, teach a graduate-level seminar, present informal lectures in the community, and prepare a manuscript for publication.

For more details, contact the Udall Center.

Environmental Conflict Resolution Fellows Application Procedure

For the second consecutive year, the Udall Center is recruiting nationally for outstanding fellows studying some aspect of environmental conflict resolution. Each applicant should submit: (1) a brief statement describing general policy research interest, (2) plans for a specific project to be undertaken as a Udall Center Fellow (not to exceed five pages), (3) a curriculum vitae, and (4) two letters of reference if applying for fellowship in environmental conflict resolution. Applicants need to specify the semester for which they are applying (Fall 1998, Spring 1999, or no preference). Packets should be submitted to the Udall Center by March 2, 1998. For more information, consult the Fellows Program report on the Center's home page. (Applications for the Ford Foundation/Udall Center Fellowship on Environmental Conflict Resolution in the U.S.-Mexico Border Region are due April 30, 1998.)
Morris K. Udall Foundation
1997 Annual Report

Copies of the Morris K. Udall Foundation’s 1997 Annual Report are available. The Udall Foundation is an independent federal agency that shares office space with the Udall Center in Tucson.

The report describes the various activities of the foundation, including the Morris K. Udall Scholars Program, Native American Congressional Internship Program, and programs in contemporary environmental issues undertaken in cooperation with the Udall Center.

For a copy of the report, contact the Morris K. Udall Foundation at (520) 670-5523.

Recent Acquisitions of the Resource Center

The Udall Center’s resource center has just published a new installment of its quarterly newsletter, Recent Acquisitions (February 1998). This issue focuses on the Udall Center’s 200-item environmental conflict resolution collection and holdings related to the U.S.-Mexico Border Environment Cooperation Commission (BECC) and the trinational Commission for Environmental Cooperation (CEC). For a copy of Recent Acquisitions, please contact the Udall Center Library Specialist, Rachel Yaseen, or visit the resource center between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on weekdays.

The resource center contains books, reports, and periodicals on all aspects of public policy, with special collections on U.S.-Mexico border issues, environmental conflict resolution, water resources and environmental policy, and the policy dimensions of global change.

Transboundary Environmental Impact Assessment Workshop

On December 12, 1997, the Udall Center co-hosted a workshop on "Transboundary Environmental Impact Assessment in North America," organized by the Commission for Environmental Cooperation and the Western Governors’ Association.

Some 50 participants from Canada, Mexico, and the U.S. attended the workshop.

A nine-page report of the workshop is available from Marc Paquin, Council Secretary of the CEC, by phone at (613) 241-6789, ext. 307, or email at mpaquin@ccemtl.org.