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## EDITOR'S NOTE

I will freely admit that this, writing the Editor's Note, is the most terrifying part of the entire publication process. Writing the first Editor's Note has done nothing to lessen the terror of writing this second one. Only the small consolation that this will be the last one I write allows me to plow-on. Unfortunately, this makes it bittersweet. But, I will do my best!

First, I want to thank the authors of the fine works in this publication. In this publication, you will find an article by Mr. Robert McCarthy, which discusses the current state of affairs at the International Boundary Waters Commission between the United States and Mexico. You will also find two articles in this issue discussing Utah Water Law. In her article, Ms. Jamie Carpenter discusses the administration of pre-statutory water rights in Utah. Our other Utah article, by Mr. Jeremiah Williamson, discusses the ongoing dispute regarding the public's right to recreationally use waterways in Utah. Finally, we have an article jointly written by Mr. William Shutkin of the Rocky Mountain Land Use Institute, and Mr. Matthew Brodahl (next year's Editor-in-Chief of the *Water Law Review*), which discusses sustainable municipal water use practices.

The *Water Law Review* is also proud to present another collection of fine poetry by Justice Hobbes. Incidentally, this issue also has a book review by Professor Romero of the University of Denver, Sturm College of Law, on Justice Hobbs's new book. I suggest that you read the review, and then read the book.

In addition to this material, the *Water Law Review* has an abnormally large collection of student written work in this publication. Between the court reports, conference notes, and book notes, you may be reading this publication all summer. However, I would like to draw your eye to our case notes in this issue. Jamie Luckenbill wrote an excellent narrative regarding the Colorado Supreme Court's visit to the University of Denver Sturm College of Law, when it heard oral arguments in the FRICO case. Also, John Hedges has written short article about developments in groundwater laws in California.

Finally, I want to thank the *Water Law Review*, its staff, and its editors, for the hard work they have done this year. And, to Volume 15 of the *Water Law Review*, good luck!

*Ryan McLane*