

NATURAL RESOURCES LAW Syllabus

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All assignments are in *Christine A. Klein, Federico A. Cheever, & Bret C. Birdsong, Natural Resources Law* (3d ed. 2013). While I intend to stick to this reading schedule, I reserve the right to revise it as the semester progresses. The grade will be based upon a final exam (80%) and class participation (20%). Feel free to walk in on me anytime I am in my office. Alternatively, contact me at dellapen@law.villanova.edu for questions or to arrange an appointment.

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January 25	Managing Federal Lands	73-124
January 30	The National Environmental Policy Act	124-160
February 1	The Adequacy of an Environmental Impact Statement	160-181
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February 15	Collaborative Federal-State Management	264-284
February 20	Managing Forests	285-326
February 22	More on Forest Management	326-352
February 27	Rangelands	353-382
March 1	Protecting Range Ecology	382-408
March 6	Hard Rock Minerals	409-457
March 8	Mineral Leases and Energy Policy	457-486
March 13, 15	Spring Break	

Managing the Water Environment

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March 22	National Parks and Monuments	507-545
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April 5	More on the Public Trust	657-694
April 10	Voluntary Conservation	695-742
April 12	Wildlife	743-779
April 17	Endangered Species	779-819
April 19	More on the Endangered Species Act	819-860
April 24	Wetlands	943-1010
April 26	Regulatory Takings	1011-1068