

Our responsibility as life tenants is to make certain there are wilderness values to honor after we have gone.

William O. Douglas

The Douglas Forum on Conservation Law builds on the legacy of William O. Douglas – United States Supreme Court Justice from 1939-1975 – whose judicial opinions, books and political work revealed the need and potential for the law to effectively conserve natural resources. Although Douglas' thinking on natural resources was broad in scope, his legal perspective was grounded in his formative experiences in Washington State's Yakima River region in the Pacific Northwest' Columbia River Basin.

The Douglas Forum focuses on research, scholarship and advocacy concerning strategies to engage the law to improve management of rivers in the United States and worldwide (particularly transboundary rivers that span multiple nations) to better conserve and restore fisheries.

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