

THE *Core* SAMPLE

Internal Newsletter of the School of Energy Resources

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NEWSLETTER

Welcome to the inaugural internal newsletter for the School of Energy Resources, "The Core Sample." This monthly newsletter will be distributed to SER administration, staff, faculty, and Energy Resources Council members at the beginning of each month in the hopes that we can stay better connected and up to date on activities and projects! As we continue to grow our outreach efforts, consider this a snapshot of our news, but look for more in depth stories on achievements for our department on the SER website, in the new SER blog, and on our social media pages.

This PDF is interactive so you can click on links for more information on any of the stories!

3D VISUALIZATION UPDATE

The 3D Viz Center Research Scientists, **Kyle Summerfield**, **Patrick O'Toole**, and **Phil Black** were out and about this month performing 360 data captures around the state. This activity was in support of a contract with Northern Wyoming Community College District to develop a VR simulator to support the teaching of surface mine safety, and to create a VR interactive teaching tool to support students in the Dept. of Ecosystem Science and Management about soil types.

OPT-IN COVID TESTING

As a reminder, now that the University is in Phase 3, you must indicate to your unit if you plan to continue working remotely, or if you intend to come to campus more than 1 day a week. If you have not done so already, be sure to indicate your plans! If anything changes, please notify [Rachel Ferrell](#) so she can change your status in the system.

If you would like to opt-in to be regularly tested for COVID-19, follow the [link here](#).

HIGHLIGHTS

Academic Program

- Tim Considine is serving as the interim Academic Director for the Academic Programs.
- Kris Koski has taken over as Director of the Professional Landman Program.

Research Centers of Excellence

- Carbon Engineering unveiled new name: *Center of Excellence in Carbon Capture and Conversion*, and is working on launching a new website.
- The *Center for Energy Regulation and Policy Analysis* is working on launching its new website and is in the process of hiring a new Research Scientist for policy analysis.
- Phase III of the Wy CarbonSAFE project led by the *Center for Economic Geology Research* and the *Center for Energy Regulation and Policy Analysis* commenced Oct 1st.
- SER is in the planning stages of relaunching a new Center of Excellence for Wind Energy Research.
- *CEGR* recently completed a 9.1 square mile 3-D seismic survey centered on Dry Fork Station as part of Phase II of the Wyoming CarbonSAFE project.



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FEATURE STORY

Professor Tara Righetti Publishes Article on Split Estates in the International Journal of the Commons



Professor **Tara Righetti** of the School of Energy Resources recently published an article with the International Journal of the Commons in a special edition of the publication. The Journal is an interdisciplinary, peer-reviewed resource, dedicated to furthering the understanding of institutions for use and management of shared natural resources. It is an initiative of the International Association for the Study of the Commons (IASC).

Her article, “[Liberating Split Estates](#),” examines split estates as a limited commons. It considers how legal evolutions have modified the scope of the common law implied servitude, and the mineral estate’s dominance and opportunities for exit.

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Like what you see? Want to be featured? Follow the brand new blog for SER and never miss a story! Don't forget to submit news about yourself, your students, and your projects to Christine for features!



ENERGY JOKE

What Is A Solar Panels Favorite Song?



Here Comes The Sun

HIGHLIGHTS CONT.

Outreach

- Christine Reed joined SER as the new Publications and Outreach Coordinator.
- SER will be phasing out the Flame logo and moving to the stand signature as directed by Institutional Marketing. Please discontinue use going forward and contact Christine if you need a hi-res version of the new logo in any color or format.
- The Annual Landscape Discussion on Energy Law and Policy in the Rockies Conference is postponed until 2021.

Faculty

- SER Professor Tara Righetti of the College of Law was named a Nielson Fellow to join Professors Po Chen, Dario Grana, John Kaszuba, and Ye Zhang.

General Announcements

- The Quarterly Meeting with the Energy Resources Council will take place on November 12-13, 2020.
- Quarterly Reports from Directors are due no later than October 23, with the new template that was provided by Trish. Contact Trish with any questions and please send reports to Christine.

IMPORTANT DATES

- **Deadline for Quarterly Reports**
October 23, 2020
Please email your report to Christine
- **Energy Resources Council Meeting**
November 12-13, 2020
Joint Meeting with the BOT
- **Giving Day**
November 12-13, 2020 (noon to noon)
Consider Making a Contribution!