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CUSTOMIZED TRAINING TAILORED TO YOUR RESEARCH ASSISTANTS



Reference Librarian Judith Lihosit has created a template one-hour training session for faculty research assistants. In this session, reference librarians cover the use of research tools and materials (both print and online) available at the LRC. Each session will be tailored to the research focus of the supervising professor's work. The librarian/instructor will confer with the professor in advance to determine the subject areas to be included in the training. In addition to preparing the students for the research they will be asked to conduct, these sessions also develop relationships between students and librarians in order to help the students work more effectively on the research projects they are assigned. The inaugural class was presented to Prof. Brooks' research assistants, and it was very well received. Faculty members who are interested in sending current research assistants to a training session or who want to plan a session for research assistants yet to be hired should contact Judith Lihosit by telephone at x4752 or by e-mail at jlihosit@sandiego.edu.

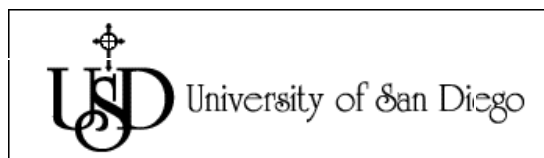
PROJECT ROVER



The same WiFi that enables students to do Internet research anywhere within Warren Hall (and beyond) frees the LRC librarians to provide research support from just about anywhere as well. We have instituted Project Rover near the Writs to extend our reference services to Warren Hall and to take full advantage of our new WiFi friendly research environment. From 2:00 pm to 3:00 P.M., Monday through Thursday, a reference librarian with a wireless laptop will set up shop outside the Writs to be available to answer questions about the LRC collections and services and other legal research questions as well.

We hope this outpost for information access will be a fun and effective way to build rapport and share our services and research ideas with students. We believe that freeing up our research support services, moving out from the boundaries of a traditional "reference desk," is in

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keeping with our mission to provide the highest quality legal information and research services possible to our students. *Submitted by Brian Williams, Foreign and International Law Reference Librarian.*

**WHERE HAS
ALL THE WATER
(LAW) GONE?**



April showers started early in southern California this year. Normally brown hillsides are green, and drought-starved reservoirs are spilling over. How do we preserve these water resources to carry us through the next period of drought? How are water supplies apportioned among different regions and competing interests such as agricultural and urban uses? Legal scholars study regional water supply management in these works:

JEFFREY S. ASHLEY & ZACHARY A. SMITH, *GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT IN THE WEST*/TD223.6 A86 1999.

WILLIAM BLOMQUIST ET AL., *COMMON WATERS, DIVERGING STREAMS: LINKING INSTITUTIONS TO WATER MANAGEMENT IN ARIZONA, CALIFORNIA, AND COLORADO*/TD224 .A7 B58 2004.

DAVID CARLE, *WATER AND THE CALIFORNIA DREAM: CHOICES FOR THE NEW MILLENNIUM*/TD224 .C3 C37 2003.

WILLIAM M. LEWIS, JR., ED., *WATER AND CLIMATE IN THE WESTERN UNITED STATES*/TD223.6 .W34 2003.

CHAR MILLER, ED., *WATER IN THE WEST: A HIGH COUNTRY NEWS READER*/TD223.6 .W38 2000.

More general works on water rights include:

CRAIG ANTHONY (TONY) ARNOLD & LEIGH A. JEWELL, EDs., *BEYOND LITIGATION: CASE STUDIES IN WATER RIGHTS DISPUTES*/KF5575 .A5 B49 2002.

GEORGE WILLIAM SHERK, *DIVIDING THE WATERS: THE RESOLUTION OF INTERSTATE WATER CONFLICTS IN THE UNITED STATES*/KF5575 .S53 2000.

**LRC BLOG IS IN
ORBIT**



Check out the library's new blog, the LRC Orbit, at <http://lrc-orbit.blogspot.com/> for news about library events, research Web sites, and information technology. The blog, or blawg (a law blog), also has links to search engines, USD sites, other blawgs, including USD law faculty blawgs, e-books, California Web sites, online games, law job sites, legal research sites, and news sites. Orbit readers can post their own comments about topics covered in the latest postings or communicate directly with "Orbit-master" Brian Williams. Please dew drop inn ...



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