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Dear Public Land & Resources Law Review Reader,

We are pleased to bring you the 45th volume of the Public Land & Resources Law Review. This collection of articles is an extension of the 39th Public Land Law Conference, titled *Forging a Climate of Justice: Reconnecting People and Place*, which we hosted this past fall. The conference brought together legal scholars, tribal elders, and youth activists to discuss traditional tribal resource management, water insecurity, and the role youth and Native activists play in advocating for action in the face of the climate crisis. While we were unable to hold an in-person conference due to the COVID-19 pandemic, it was a privilege to connect virtually with attendees throughout North America.

In selecting the theme for the 39th Public Land Law Conference and the 45th volume of the Public Land & Resources Law Review, this group of editors focused on the Intersectional Environmentalism movement. We aimed to use both the conference and this publication to elevate historically marginalized voices. We recognize that when it comes to environmentalism broadly, and the climate crisis specifically, youth and Native voices are rarely represented, despite these groups suffering disproportionately from the effects of climate change. Our hope is that, by reading this publication, our audience become more attuned not only to the lack of representation these groups have historically held in environmental discussions, but also to the story that members of these groups have to tell.

Finally, we appreciate the hard work of the staff and the constant support, advocacy, and guidance from our faculty advisors, Professors Michelle Bryan and Monte Mills. Welcome to the 45th volume of the Public Land & Resources Law Review; we are proud to present this collection of scholarship and we hope you enjoy it. Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

The Public Land & Resources Law Review Editorial Board—April 2022.