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# Reversing the Flow: Big Dams, Power, and People in Global Perspective

A free day long public conference

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**November 6 & 7, 2009, Vancouver, Washington**

The Center for Columbia River History presents “Reversing the Flow: Big Dams, Power, and People in Global Perspective,” a full-day conference to explore the historical and cultural contexts of world dams in Afghanistan, Canada, China, Ghana, India, and the Columbia River Basin.

The conference will kick off with a reception to welcome our international speakers on Friday evening, November 6 at Vancouver’s Water Resources Education Center. This program will place the Columbia River into global context by offering films, images, and discussion of the historical Columbia River.

*All events are free to the public. Please rsvp by November 2 to Donna Sinclair, CCRH Program Manager, if you will attend the Friday evening reception: [info@ccrh.org](mailto:info@ccrh.org) or 360-258-3289.*

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| <b>November 6, 2009, Reception</b><br><b>Water Resources Education Center</b><br>4600 SE Columbia Way, Vancouver,<br>Washington.<br>Film showing, 3:45 p.m.<br>Welcoming Reception, 5:30 p.m. | <b>November 7, 2009, All Day Conference</b><br><b>Washington State University Vancouver,</b><br><b>Vancouver, WA</b><br>14204 SE Salmon Creek Avenue, Vancouver,<br>Washington.<br>8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. |
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Dr. William Lang of Portland State University professor will give the annual Castles Lecture as a keynote address: “Dam Sites: Big Dams and Local Politics on the Columbia and in the World.”

International speakers include Shripad Dharmadhikary, India; Tina Loo, University of British Columbia; Stephen Miescher, University of California, Santa Barbara; Linda Nash, University of Washington; and Dr. David Pietz, Washington State University.

The program will be held in conjunction with a series of free public lectures through the WSU Vancouver University Scholars program and a photographic exhibit on China’s Yangtze River by Linda Butler at WSU Vancouver **November 3 - December 18, 2009**

The conference is sponsored by the Center for Columbia River History’s James B. Castles Endowment with support from the WSUV Center for Social and Environmental Justice, the WSUV University Scholars Program, the Pacific Northwest Canadian Studies Consortium, and Vancouver’s Water Resources Education Center.

Conference web site: <http://www.ccrh.org/calendar.php>