

The Upper Gunnison River Water Conservancy District encourages everyone to attend the Crested Butte Public Policy Forum on Tuesday, August 16, 2022 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the Center for the Arts where **Anne Castle** will present *"The Years of Living Dangerously on the Colorado River."*

The Colorado River has been called the hardest working river in United States, part of the legendary landscape of the West and sadly, now one of the most precious resources threatened by climate change and development. Ms. Castle will provide a personal, in-depth overview of how governments, stakeholders and environmentalists are all seeking viable solutions.

Anne Castle served as assistant secretary for water and science in the U.S. Department of the Interior from 2009 to 2014. While at the Interior, Castle spearheaded the Department's efforts to provide

federal leadership and funding to support sustainable water supplies, including the development of sustainable hydropower. She is currently a senior fellow at the Getches-Wilkinson Center for Natural Resources, Energy and the Environment, part of the University of Colorado-Boulder School of Law. She has provided hands-on leadership for a variety of critical Colorado River issues. As a self-proclaimed "recovering lawyer," Castle practiced water law for over 28 years and has served on numerous water-related Boards and committees, including the Colorado Water Trust and Stanford University's "Water in the West" program.

The Crested Butte Public Policy Forum is free to the public, thanks to its generous sponsors.