This year, the American Ground Water Trust's Annual groundwater conference in Albuquerque will focus on States' rights and the control of groundwater in the west. The program will bring together attorneys, federal and state water-resources managers, engineers, scientists, planners, and water end users (utilities, irrigators etc.) to discuss past and current cases regarding primacy and jurisdictional authority.

For many states in the Western US, primacy for administration of groundwater is held by the states. However, recent legal challenges have brought the extent of state control of groundwater into question. Chief amongst these are the Texas v New Mexico case before the US Supreme Court and the Coachella v Agua Caliente case before the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals in California. In the case of Texas v New Mexico, one of the issues is groundwater use within the state of New Mexico between the point of delivery under the Rio Grande Compact at Elephant Butte and the Texas state line. In the Coachella v Agua Caliente case in California, the court has backed the Agua Caliente tribe's claim that it holds a federally granted reserved right to groundwater beneath the tribe's reservation. Two local water agencies, the Coachella Valley Water District and the Desert Water Agency, have argued unsuccessfully that the tribe has the same right to use groundwater under state law as other landowners. Recently in New Mexico, the US Forest Service attempted to assert its authority to manage groundwater on its lands, contrary to New Mexico water law. This conference will explore the changing landscape of states’ rights and the administration of groundwater.

Full program details will be posted soon

Day one July 17th - 9:00am – 5:00pm (6.5 contact hours)
(Reception 5:00pm - 6:30)
Day two July 18th - (8:30am – 4:00pm) (6 contact hours)

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