

Inside ELAW



Colleagues working together across borders in a virtual world need to come together periodically to work face-to-face. ELAW Annual Meetings provide an opportunity for ELAW advocates to build the bonds that make the ELAW network strong. Distant colleagues become trusted friends as environmental leaders share lessons with colleagues from around the world and collaborate on new strategies.

The 2010 ELAW Annual Meeting in Costa Rica was a tremendous success, bringing together more than 60 leaders from 28 countries. Eager to make the

most of their time together, ELAW partners worked long days and late into the nights. Participants included environmental professionals from Asia, Africa, North America, Latin America, Europe, the Caribbean, and the Pacific.

Ocean Foundation President Mark Spalding participated in Costa Rica 2010 and gave ELAW partners good advice about building sustainable organizations. Many thanks to the Seattle International Foundation and the C.S. Mott Foundation for supporting this inspired gathering of the world's leading grassroots defenders.



Welcome Michele

ELAW welcomes Michele Kuhnle, our new Donor Liaison. Michele graduated from Mount Holyoke College with a B.A. in Critical Social Thought, a self-designed interdisciplinary major that allowed her to combine courses in environmental studies, politics, and economics. Prior to joining the ELAW team, Michele worked with the Western Environmental Law Center in Eugene.

2010 ELAW Volunteers

ELAW Volunteers come from all walks of life. They include law students, local community members, legal professionals, and scientific experts. They all share an interest in protecting our air, water, and soil for generations to come. In 2010 our volunteers contributed more than 3,000 hours of services. Many thanks to the following volunteers:

Jake Abrahams, Licia Aldana, Casey Billings, Erika Bisocchi, Kate Blackstone, JJ Bondurant, Leigh Brissenden, Jesse Byers, Andrea Chen, Chu (Cassie) Chen, Lacy Clark, Natasha Compton, Joey Corcoran, Taylor Coronel, Bret Cypel, Giulia D'Agostino, Fangdian (Dian) Du, Natalie Elliott, Alex Epperly,

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