

CAELAN MCGEE

Principal Facilitator

EMAIL
PHONE

zephyr.collaboration@gmail.com
202-297-8981

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Facilitator-Mediator and Principal

Zephyr Collaboration LLC 2017 – present

Senior Mediator/Facilitator

The Center for Collaborative Policy, California State University Sacramento 2014 – 2017

Senior Program Manager

US Institute for Environmental Conflict Resolution 2011 – 2014

Senior Program Officer

United States Institute of Peace 2008 – 2011

Associate

The Keystone Center 2005 – 2008

Facilitator

RESOLVE, Inc. 2003 – 2005

Mediator

Denver Mediation 2002 - 2004

Intern

Environmental Justice Division, Region 10 Environmental Protection Agency 2002 - 2004

Grants Manager/Development Associate

The Marine Mammal Center 2000 - 2002

Instructor

University of Colorado, College of Architecture and Planning 1996 - 2006

Range Technician

Bureau of Land Management 1997

Planning Intern

City of Colorado Springs Planning Department 1994- 1995

EDUCATION + CERTIFICATIONS

Boston University

M.A. Energy and Environmental Analysis 1997

Colorado College

B.A. Biology 1995

US Institute of Peace

Land, Property and Conflict 2010

The Keystone Center

Conflict Analysis 2007

CDR Associates

The Mediation Process and Advanced Mediation and Facilitation 2002 - 2

PROJECTS

Tahoe Keys Aquatic Invasive Species Environmental Analysis and Collaborative Stakeholder Process Tahoe Regional Planning Agency 2018 - Current

Facilitation, assessment and strategic planning for core stakeholders, lead agencies and technical analysis firm during CEQA/NEPA environmental analysis to address the growing issue of AIS in Lake Tahoe. Planning and coordination of stakeholder involvement, public involvement and outreach

AB1282 Transportation Permitting Task Force California Department of Transportation 2017 - Current

California Assembly Bill 1282 established a Task Force to deliver more efficient and predictable permitting for transportation projects while ensuring improved environmental outcomes. The Task Force includes secretaries from California EPA, California Transportation agency and California Natural Resources Agency. Caelan is the lead facilitator for the Task Force and all Working Groups related to AB1282

Local Government Workshop California Coastal Commission – July 2019

Workshop between the Commission and elected officials of coastal cities and counties to address strategies and improved coordination for Sea Level Rise, Short Term Vacation Rentals, and the development of Local Coastal Programs (LCPs)

Citizens Alternative for Mojave Trails National Monument

Resource Legacy Foundation/The Wilderness Society 2018-2019

Strategic planning among a coalition of natural and cultural resources advocates to develop a package of recommendations for inclusion in future planning efforts for the new Mojave Trails National Monument

Lahontan Cutthroat Trout Recovery

US Fish & Wildlife 2017 - 2019

Supported partner agencies in the development of updated goals and objectives for a multi-state recovery effort for the threatened Lahontan Cutthroat Trout

Caltrans-Coastal Commission Integrated Planning Team 2013 - present

Interagency coordination focused on sea level rise, the California Coastal Trail, integrating agency planning processes, and conflict prevention among agencies staffs

Aliso Canyon Natural Gas Storage Facility 2016 - 2017

Designing and facilitating public workshops regarding the re-opening of the Aliso Canyon Natural Gas Storage Facility after an industrial accident, multi-year closure and safety review

State Water Resource Control Board Deputy Management Committee 2016 - present

Strategic planning and organizational development for the committee of Deputy Managers of the State Water Resource Control Boards

Medical Cannabis Regulation and Safety Act Public Workshops

Bureau of Medical Cannabis Regulation with the California Department of Consumer Affairs; Office of Medical Cannabis Safety with the California Department of Public Health 2016

Design and facilitation of public meetings with hundreds in attendance to collect guidance on the development of regulation and licensing for medical cannabis

Sierra Cascades Dialog 2012 - 2016

Design and facilitate a high-level policy dialog regarding adaptive management and collaborative governance for national forests in the Sierra and Cascades Region

“Early Adopter” Forest Plan Revision – Sierra, Sequoia and Inyo National Forests 2013 - 2016

Public engagement and interdisciplinary team management for the development of forest management plans under the USDA Forest Service 2012 National Planning Rule

Community Action Planning - Delta Protection Commission 2015 - 2016

Community action- and economic development planning in Walnut Grove and Courtland in the face of FEMA permitting restrictions and shrinking economies in Delta communities

AB 1492 Timber Regulation and Forest Restoration 2017 - present

Assessing, convening and managing a citizens advisory committee for the development of timber regulations, restoration guidelines and ecological performance measures for forests on California state lands

Sustainable Landscape Management Board of Directors 2015 - 2016

Strategic and action-planning for the “SLMBOD” which is comprised of all the Directors of the Pacific Southwest Region of the USDA Forest Service

Pacific Crest Trail User Conflicts 2015 - 2019

Mediation among recreation and wilderness advocates regarding the management of the Pacific Crest Trail and adjacent public lands

Cosumnes-American-Bear-Yuba (CABY) Integrated Management Team 2016

Strategic planning and organizational development for a 30+ member group of advocacy organizations, jurisdictions and state agencies

Forest Carbon Action Plan 2016

Facilitation of public hearings for the release of draft California Forest Carbon Action Plan

Mokelumne Wild and Scenic River Feasibility Study 2015

Conflict and stakeholder assessment prior to the development of a feasibility study for designation of the Mokelumne as a California Wild and Scenic River

Sonoma Developmental Center 2015

Designed and facilitated of public workshops with several hundred in attendance regarding the potential closure and re-use of the Sonoma Developmental Center

California Commission on Peace Officers Standards and Training (POST) 2013 - 2014

Strategic planning and organizational development for POST in the face of staff turnover and new budget constraints

Trinity River Restoration Program 2013

Strategic planning for a Technical Advisory Committee which monitors the work of the Trinity River Restoration Program

Petition for Extraterritorial Jurisdiction in Northern SE Alaska 2012 - 2013

Assessment and collaborative process design for a petition from tribes to Secretaries of Agriculture and Interior to exert jurisdiction over Alaskan salmon fisheries to protect subsistence fishing

Glen Canyon and Rainbow Bridge National Park Units 2012

Policy assessment and stakeholder engagement during the development of park unit management plans

2012 National Forest Planning Rule Federal Advisory Committee 2012 - 2013

Selection, management and evaluation of 3rd. party facilitators for a Federal Advisory Committee

Tribal Consultation for Topock Remediation 2012 - 2013

Facilitation of government-to-government consultation regarding the remediation of a natural gas compressor station and the protection of sacred sites

Kirkuk Governance Project 2010 - 2012

Coordination of provincial and federal officials to reduce conflict and speed infrastructure development and essential service provision in one of Iraq's most volatile regions

Micro Grants for Community Conflict Resolution 2008 - 2011

Grant management and coaching for Iraqi facilitators as they conducted community mediations and dialogs

Women Leadership in Iraq 2010

Coalition building and strategic planning to expand and improve leadership by/from women in Iraq

Diyala Dialog and Declaration 2009

Strategic planning and conflict management for the newly elected Diyala provincial government

Diyala IDP Local Solutions Project 2008 - 2011

Policy analysis and facilitation for Diyala provincial government, Iraqi federal government, US military and US government teams to coordinate reconstruction projects for Internally Displaced Persons (refugees)

Election Monitoring, 2009 National Elections, Iraq 2009

Election monitoring for the 2009 national elections in the Diyala province

I-70 Mountain Corridor Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement 2007 - 2008

Mediation of a landmark agreement regarding transportation improvements to the I-70 Mountain Corridor in Colorado after 30 years of conflict

Bottlenose Dolphin Take Reduction Team 2007 - 2008

Facilitation and policy analysis for the National Marine Fisheries Service Bottlenose Dolphin Take Reduction Team which monitors bycatch of endangered species and sets catch limits for several Atlantic commercial fisheries

Ok Tedi Mine, Community Mine Continuation Agreements 2006 - 2008

Mediation of a two-year, billion-dollar negotiation involving a mine, the Papua New Guinea Government and 120 tribal communities downstream which suffer from health impacts and food insecurity as the result of mine operations and damage to the Fly River system

South Broadway NEPA Process 2004 - 2006

Facilitation and management of a multi-stakeholder technical working group which monitored the environmental review of a major transit-oriented and brownfield redevelopment site in south Denver

Northwest Corridor Environmental Impact Statement 2003 - 2004

Public engagement and management of executive- and technical- working groups for the environmental review of a new highway alignment in Colorado

U.S.-Mexico Border 2012 Air Policy Forum 2004

Facilitation of the third iteration of a bi-national agreement on "Protection and Improvement of the Environment and Transboundary Problems" also known as the La Paz Agreements

Healthy Air for Northeast Denver 2003 - 2004

Facilitation of an agency-convened, citizen-comprised working group to reduce air toxics in Northeast Denver

Teton County Transportation Partnering Session 2003

Facilitation between Teton County and the Wyoming Department of Transportation to prioritize state-funded transportation improvements in the county

Indian Heights Working Group 2002

Analysis and facilitation between the City of Colorado Springs, neighborhood representatives and the developer of a contentions infill development

Community Mediation 2002 - 2004

Mediation of neighbor-to-neighbor and other two-party community disputes in Denver, Boulder and Westminster, Colorado

Fluoride Technical Study Group 2002

Facilitation of a technical study group charged with reviewing information about the risk and benefits of fluoridating drinking water supplies

Environmental Justice Listening Sessions 2002

Public engagement for the Vazquez Boulevard/I-70 Superfund site regarding air toxics

Al Tahoe Boulevard/Highway 50 Realignment Workshop 1999

Design and facilitation of a workshop to address key transportation and land use challenges at a major intersection in South Lake Tahoe, California