

WRRC Water Webinar: The Three Ages of Water: Prehistoric Past, Imperiled Present, and a Hope for the Future

Date: Tuesday, March 4, 2025

Time: 12:00 pm – 1:15 pm Arizona Time

Speaker: Peter Gleick, Co-Founder, Senior Fellow, Pacific Institute

This WRRC Water Webinar will cover the role of water from the very creation of the universe and our solar system to the evolution of *Homo sapiens* and modern civilization. Scientist Peter Gleick will discuss the

current state of the world of water and the many water challenges and crises facing us—from water poverty to ecosystem degradation to climate change to growing violence over water resources. He will also address the need and real possibility of transitioning to a new age of water where these crises are addressed and successfully overcome, offering examples of innovative strategies to move to a sustainable future for water.



Peter Gleick is a leading scientist, innovator, and communicator on water and climate issues. He co-founded the Pacific Institute in Oakland, California in 1987, one of the most innovative, independent non-governmental research centers, creating and advancing solutions to the world's most pressing water challenges, including work on the human right to water, water and climate, and water, peace, and security issues. He is currently President-emeritus and Senior Fellow at the Institute. Gleick is a MacArthur Fellow and an elected member of the US National Academy of Sciences and the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. In 2018, he was awarded the Carl Sagan Prize for Science Popularization. Gleick's most recent book, *The Three Ages of Water: Prehistoric Past, Imperiled Present, and a Hope for the Future*, was published in 2023 by PublicAffairs/Hachette.

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