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Colorado Dept of Natural Resources Director Adds to his Team

Colorado Department of Natural Resources Executive Director Dan Gibbs announced the addition of three members to his Executive Office team; Tim Mauck, Deputy Executive Director, Julie Murphy, Assistant Director Energy and Minerals, and Chris Arend, Communications Director.

“I am proud and pleased to bring on such strong seasoned individuals to the Colorado Department of Natural Resources team,” said Director Dan Gibbs, “Tim, Julie and Chris bring years of experience in natural resource policy and communications in Colorado, they have built relationships with the wide variety of stakeholders engaged in our Department’s issues, and each has a passion for protecting Colorado’s environment, wildlife, and our quality of life.”

Tim Mauck, Deputy Executive Director

As Deputy Executive Director, Tim works across all Department of Natural Resource divisions and with the Governor’s Office to develop and coordinate policy as well as manage day-to-day operations of the agency.

Prior to joining the Department of Natural Resources, Tim served two terms as a Clear Creek County Commissioner from 2010 - 2019. As Commissioner, he concentrated on recreation and tourism, health care and transportation.

Tim has worked in various capacities for local, state and federal governments, including as Deputy Policy Director for the Colorado House Majority Office, Western Slope Field Director for Congressman Mark Udall (D-Colorado), and a legislation liaison with the Colorado Division of Wildlife.

He holds a bachelor’s degree in Political Science from the Catholic University of America in Washington D.C. and attended the University of Colorado at Denver in pursuit of a

masters degree in Political Science.

Julie Murphy, Assistant Director Energy and Minerals

Julie currently serves as Assistant Director Energy and Minerals, assisting the Executive Director on energy and mineral policy related issues and working with the Director of the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission on ensuring successful implementation of Colorado's new oil and gas law, SB 181.

Prior to her appointment, she served as the Director of the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission, the Hearings and Regulatory Affairs Manager for the Commission, and an Assistant Attorney General representing the Commission and the Division of Reclamation Mining and Safety. In the private sector, Julie spent five years representing clients in land use, natural resources, private property, and environmental disputes.

Her educational background includes a bachelor degree in wildlife biology from Kansas State University, a J.D. and masters degree from the University of South Carolina and a masters of science from Vermont Law School.

Chris Arend, Communications Director

As Communications Director, Chris serves as the public information officer for the Department of Natural Resources and will manage the Department's communication and outreach priorities. Chris brings over 20 years of experience in conservation issues and natural resource policy and communications.

Chris has held a number of positions in Colorado's nonprofit conservation community, including Conservation Colorado's Strategic Communications Director. Chris was a long time Natural Resource Aide and District Director for Congresswoman Diana DeGette (D-Colorado). More recently, as a communications consultant, Chris assisted conservation nonprofits with communication and social media support for water, renewable energy and public lands campaigns across the American West.

Chris's education background includes a bachelor's degree in History/Political Science from Colorado College and a masters of science in Natural Resource Policy from the University of Michigan's School of Natural Resources and Environment. Chris can be reached at chris.arend@state.co.us, work phone: 303-866-3311 ext 8665 or cell 303-264-8615.

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