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**ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE  
NATURAL RESOURCES JOURNAL (NRJ)  
(July 1997 - June 1998)**

***Issues Published the 1997-1998 Year***

By the end of this fiscal year the Natural Resources Journal will have published six issues:

- Winter 1997, Vol. 37, No. 1 -- Electric Industry Restructuring;
- Spring 1997, Vol. 37, No. 2, Part 1 – From the Wellhead to the Courtroom: Exploring the Future of Oil and Gas Law;
- Summer 1997, Vol. 37, No. 3, Part 2 – From the Wellhead to the Courtroom: Exploring the Future of Oil and Gas Law;
- Fall 1997, Vol. 37, No. 4 – Fish and Wildlife; International Law; Property Rights; & Water and Watercourses;
- Winter 1998, Vol. 38, No. 1 – Environmental Control; Forestry; Legislation; & Water and Watercourses; and
- Spring 1998, Vol. 38, No. 2 – Property Rights & Public Lands.

In these issues, we have published notes or comments from the following editors: Jocelyn Drennan (1996-97), Joel Carson (1996-97), Kurt van Deren (1997-98). We are publishing the notes and comments of the remaining editors in subsequent issues. In addition, all of the staff members will complete the writing of their notes or comments thanks to the efforts of the Notes & Comments Editors: Jon Boller, Joanna Nellos, Brett Olsen, and Jason Rael.

***The Natural Resources Journal Sponsored One Symposium***

Last fall, through the leadership of the esteemed Professor Utton, the Journal sponsored a symposium titled “Coping with Scarcity in the Rio Grande / Rio Bravo Drainage Basin: Lessons to be Learned from the Droughts of 1993-1996. This issue will be published in January, 1999 and will be dedicated to the legacy of Professor Utton.

***Other Important Events That Occurred This Year***

- On March 24, 1998, the Natural Resources Journal sponsored its second annual NRJ Breakfast. Invitations were sent to all past and presents editors of the journal. The breakfast was a big success and will be held annually on the last Thursday in March.
- The Journal recruited new staff members – Greg Mehojah, George Simion, Marc Lowry,

Brian Smith, Kurt Gilbert, and Michael Robinson.

***NRJ 1997-1998 Staff***

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University of New Mexico

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***NRJ Certificate Program***

Eight students in the graduating class of 1998 earned their Natural Resources Certificate. They completed 12 hours of natural resources-related courses plus four credits of NRJ. The program is not mandatory for the NRJ staff.