



Reflecting on Water . . . and Biodiversity . . . and Climate



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We hope you enjoy the article and encourage you to share ideas with us for future topics that you are pondering.

Our Thoughts LIHI Introduces New Blog

LIHI has introduced a periodic blog where our staff, board, and other collaborators will share their thoughts on the ever-evolving world of low-impact hydropower.

[In the first installment](#), Executive Director, Shannon Ames reflects on how the hydropower industry sits at the crossroads of the competing, yet interconnected, crises of water, diversity, and climate. This position gives hydropower practitioners a unique opportunity to explore creative problem-solving and emerge as environmental leaders.

Learn More about Environmental Justice at Water Power Week

Hydropower development and implementation have not always fairly treated, nor meaningful involved, all people regardless of race, color, national origin, or income." LIHI recently issued [Hydropower and Environmental Justice - A LIHI Case Study](#) as a first step to understanding the interplay between LIHI, environmental justice issues, and environmental justice community priorities. We look forward to advancing the dialogue during Water Power Week.

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Environmental Justice (EJ): Understanding Federal Priorities and Regulations

Wednesday, May 10th
11:30 am to 12:30 pm
Room: Federal B
Capitol Hilton as part of the [NHA
Water Power Week](#)

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Keil Women's Scholarship Application

The Hydropower Foundation is seeking applications for the [2023 Julie Keil Scholarship Award](#) from women pursuing an education in any discipline related to hydropower. Share this opportunity with a woman interested in hydro or donate to this important fund. Julie Keil served as Chair of the LIHI Board and her knowledge, skills, and vision had a profound impact on hydropower and this organization.



Deadline **extended** to May 31st. [Learn more and apply.](#)

What We are Reading:

Several new reports and tools have recently been released that provide valuable knowledge and context for efforts that place people and the environment first when it comes to hydropower.

- Several federal agencies have collaborated on the "[Interagency Bipartisan Infrastructure Law \(BIL\) Fish Passage Project Dashboard](#)." This tool provides access to a wealth of data, planning, and geospatial information related to fish passage, as well as ways to identify BIL funding for projects.
- The Association of State Dam Safety Officials released [The Cost of Rehabilitating Dams in the US](#) which places the price tag of rehabilitating non-federal hydro dams at over \$157 billion

Welcome to the LIHI Family, Pancake!

Program Coordinator Whitman Constantineau has welcomed Pancake to his family, and by extension, to the LIHI family! The cuteness factor is off the charts, and we expect to see Pancake, an eight-week-old Bernese Mountain Dog puppy, on many future Zoom calls.



ICYMI: LIHI in the News

- **Catfish, Cake Mix, and a Century of Clean Energy** [DOE Grid Deployment Office](#) - You need to see the size of these catfish!
- **A Rising Tide, Women in Water Power** [DOE Water Technologies Office](#)

- Hydro and Environmental Protection [HydroLeader](#)



Take a few minutes to watch these videos to learn more about LIHI's work.

At LIHI, we envision a world where hydropower puts people and the environment first.

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