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#### **Education**

Ph.D.	2014	Civil Engineering	University of New Mexico		
	Dissertation Title: Managing Complex Water Resource Systems for Ecological				
	Integrity: Evaluating Tradeoffs and Uncertainty				
M.S.	2006	Civil Engineering	Washington State University		
B.S.	2005	Civil Engineering	Washington State University		

## **Professional Appointments**

2016—Present	Assistant Professor, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering,
	Colorado State University
2015-2016	Research Environmental Engineer, Fort Collins Science Center, U.S.
	Geological Survey
2014-2015	Postdoctoral Fellow, Center for Water and the Environment, University of
	New Mexico
2010-2014	Graduate Research Assistant, Department of Civil Engineering, University
	of New Mexico
2006-2010	Water Resources Engineer, HDR Engineering Inc., Portland, Oregon

## **Registration and Certification**

Professional Engineering License, State of Oregon, #83140PE

#### **Honors and Awards**

- Outstanding Graduate Student of the Year, University of New Mexico (2014)
- Future Faculty Award, University of New Mexico (2013)
- Graduate Dean's Dissertation Fellowship, University of New Mexico (2013)
- Hydro Research Foundation Fellowship (2011)
- American Society of Civil Engineers Freeman Fellowship (2011)
- American Water Resources Association New Mexico Chapter Fellowship (2010)
- Harold P. Curtis Scholarship, Washington State University (2006)

## **Publications**

14 published peer-reviewed journal articles

3 peer-review journal articles in revision, review, or preparation

2 book chapters

Total citations = 119 (110 in last 5 years); h-index = 7 (Google Scholar as of 08/22/2018)

- <sup>1</sup>Current or former graduate student advised or funded by R. Morrison
- <sup>2</sup> Current or former post-doctoral researcher advised or funded by R. Morrison

# Peer-Reviewed Journal Papers

- 17. Scheel, K.<sup>1</sup>, **Morrison, R.R.**, Nardi, F., and Annis, A. Understanding the large-scale influence of levees on floodplain connectivity using a hydrogeomorphic approach. *Journal of the American Water Resources Association (JAWRA)*. In review.
- 16. Bray, E.<sup>2</sup>, **Morrison, R.R.**, Stone, M.C., and Poff, L. Environmental flows: physical processes and steps forward. In preparation.
- 15. Annis, A., Nardi, F. Castelli, F., and **Morrison, R.R.** Investigating the impact of DEM resolution and Hortonian stream orders on the application of a hydro-geomorphic floodplain delineation model. *Hydrological Sciences Journal*. In revision.
- 14. Jaramillo, L., Stone, M., and **Morrison, R.R.** 2018. An indicator-based approach to assessing resilience of socio-hydrologic systems in Nepal to hydropower development. *Journal of Hydrology* 563: 1111-1118. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jhydrol.2018.05.070.
- 13. **Morrison**, **R.R.**, Bray, E.<sup>2</sup>, Nardi, F., Annis, A., and Dong, Q. 2018. Spatial relationships of levees and wetland systems within floodplains of the Wabash Basin, USA. *Journal of the American Water Resources Association (JAWRA)* 54(4): 934–948. https://doi.org/10.1111/1752-1688.12652.
- 12. Gregory, A., **Morrison, R.R.**, Stone, M.C. 2018. Assessing the hydrogeomorphic effects of environmental flows using hydrodynamic modeling. *Environmental Management* 62(2): 352–364. https://doi.org/10.1007/s00267-018-1041-6.
- 11. Nardi, F., **Morrison, R.R.**, Annis, A., and Grantham, T. 2018. Hydrologic scaling for hydrogeomorphic floodplain mapping: insights into human-induced floodplain disconnectivity. *River Research and Applications*. https://doi.org/10.1002/rra.3296.
- 10. Stone, M.C., Byrne, C.F., and **Morrison, R.R.** 2017. Evaluating the impacts of hydrologic alteration on floodplain connectivity. *Ecohydrology*. 5(10): e1833. https://doi.org/10.1002/eco.1833.
- 9. Gunderson, L., Cosens, B.A., Chaffin, B.C., Arnold, C.A.T., Fremier, A.K., Garmestani, A.S., K. Craig, R., Gosnell, H., Birge, H.E., Allen, C.R., Benson, M.H., **Morrison, R.R.**, Stone, M.C., Hamm, J.A., Nemec, K., Schlager, E., and Llewellyn, D. 2017. Regime shifts and panarchies in regional scale social-ecological water systems. *Ecology and Society* 22(1):31. https://doi.org/10.5751/ES-08879-220131.
- 8. Benson, M.H., Lippitt, C.D., **Morrison, R.R.**, Cosens, B., Boll, J., Chaffin, B.C., Fremier, A.K., Heinse, R., Kauneckis, D., Link, T.E., Scruggs, C., Stone, M., and Vanessa, V. 2016. Five ways to support interdisciplinary work before tenure. *Journal of Environmental Studies and Science* 6(2): 260-267. https://doi.org/10.1007/s13412-015-0326-9.
- 7. **Morrison, R.R.** and Stone, M.C. 2015. Investigating environmental flows for riparian vegetation recruitment using system dynamics modeling. *River Research and Applications* 31(4):485-496. https://doi.org/10.1002/rra.2758.
- 6. **Morrison**, **R.R.** and Stone, M.C. 2015. Evaluating the impacts of environmental flow alternatives on reservoir and recreational operations using system dynamics modeling. *Journal of the American Water Resources Association (JAWRA)* 51(1):33-46. https://doi.org/10.1111/jawr.12231.

- 5. Benson, M.H., Llewellyn, D., **Morrison, R.R.**, and Stone, M.C. 2014. Water governance challenges in New Mexico's Middle Rio Grande Valley: a resilience assessment. *Idaho Law Review* 51(1):195-228. https://heinonline.org/HOL/P?h=hein.journals/idlr51&i=207
- 4. **Morrison**, **R.R.** and Stone, M.C. 2014. Spatially implemented Bayesian network model to assess environmental impacts of water management. *Water Resources Research* 50(1):8107-8124. https://doi.org/10.1002/2014WR015600.
- 3. **Morrison, R.R.**, Stone, M.C., and Sada, D. 2013. Environmental response of a desert springbrook to incremental discharge reductions, Death Valley National Park, California, USA. *Journal of Arid Environments* 99:5-13. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jaridenv.2013.09.002.
- 2. Harm Benson, M., **Morrison, R.R.**, and Stone, M.C. 2013. A classification framework for running adaptive management rapids. *Ecology and Society* 18(3):30. https://doi.org/10.5751/ES-05707-180330.
- 1. **Morrison, R.R.**, Hotchkiss, R.H., Stone, M.C., Thurman, D., and Horner-Devine, A.R. 2009. Turbulence characteristics of flow in a spiral corrugated culvert fitted with baffles and implications for fish passage. *Ecological Engineering* 35(3):381-392. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ecoleng.2008.10.012.

## **Book Chapters**

- 2. Stone, M. and **Morrison, R.** <u>In Press</u>. Simplification of Southwestern rivers and stream habitats. In: *Standing Between Life and Extinction: Ethics and Ecology of Conserving Aquatic Species in the American Southwest*, Propst, D., Williams, J., Bestgen, K., and Hoagstrom, C. (Eds.). University of Chicago Press.
- Benson, M.H., Morrison, R., Llewelyn, D., and Stone, M. 2018. Governing the Rio Grande: Challenges and Opportunities for New Mexico's Water Supply. In: *Practical Panarchy for Adaptive Water Governance: Linking Law to Social-Ecological Resilience*, Cosens, B. and Gunderson, L. (Eds.). 99-114. Springer. https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-319-72472-0\_7.

## Peer-Reviewed Conference Papers

- 3. **Morrison**, **R.R.** and Stone, M.C. 2013. Implementing environmental flows in complex water resource systems: the Rio Chama, New Mexico, USA. 3rd Biennial Symposium of the International Society for River Science. Beijing, China. August 5–9.
- 2. Harris, S., Harvey, M., Stone, M., **Morrison, R.**, Caplan, T., Gustina, G., and Harm Benson, M. 2012. Flow optimization for geomorphic and ecological improvements in the wild and scenic reach of the Rio Chama, New Mexico. World Environmental & Water Resources Congress, American Society of Civil Engineers. Albuquerque, New Mexico. May 20–24.
- 1. Stone, M.C., Hotchkiss, R.H. and **Morrison, R.** 2005. Periphyton scour from hydraulic disturbances. World Water and Environmental Resources Congress, Anchorage, Alaska, May 15-19.

## **Conference Presentations**

- 30. **Morrison**, **R.** 2018. Environmental resilience in floodplain management. 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Resilience Colloquium. University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, New Mexico. August 8–9. Invited.
- 29. Annis, A., Morrison, R.R., Nardi, F., Castelli, A. 2018. A hydrogeomorphic algorithm and its performance with varying DEM resolution and stream order for large-scale floodplain mapping. 9th International Congress on Environmental Modelling and Software. Fort Collins, Colorado. June 24–28.
- 28. Nardi, F., **Morrison, R.R.**, Annis, A., and Grantham, T.E. 2018. Hydrologic scaling and hydrogeomorphic floodplain delineation in urbanized basins: insights into humaninduced disconnectivity of fluvial corridors. European Geophysical Union General Assembly. Vienna, Austria. April 8–13.
- 27. Scheel, K. <sup>1</sup> **Morrison, R.R.**, Annis, A., and Nardi, F. 2018. Toward understanding changes in large-scale floodplain connectivity caused by levees. American Geophysical Union Hydrology Days. Fort Collins, Colorado. March 19–21.
- 26. **Morrison**, **R.** 2017. Exploring water management impacts on floodplain processes across different scales. 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Symposium for Multi-disciplinary Approaches to Urban Water Systems and their Environmental Sustainability. East China Normal University, Shanghai, China. November 2. Invited.
- 25. **Morrison, R.** 2017. Exploring water management impacts on floodplain processes across different scales. Symposium for Multi-disciplinary Approaches to Urban Water Systems and their Environmental Sustainability. University of Jinan, Jinan, China. October 31. Invited.
- 24. **Morrison, R.**, Nardi, F., Annis, A., Grantham, T., and Dong, Q. 2017. Assessing loss of floodplain connectivity using hydrogeomorphic floodplain delineation techniques. American Water Resources Spring Specialty Conference. Snowbird, Utah. April 30–May 3.
- 23. Sada, D.W., Rina, S., Hausner, M., **Morrison, R.**, Stone, M. 2016. Environmental and biological responses to incremental decreases in spring discharge: examples from the Great Basin and Mojave deserts, USA. Desert Fishes Council Annual Meeting. Albuquerque, New Mexico. November 15–19.
- 22. Nadi, F., **Morrison, R.**, Grantham, T., and Annis, A. 2016. SMART-WORM: A GIS platform implementing hydrogeomorphic tools for Water Optimal Risk Management at the large scale. Smart Rivers International Conference. Ferrara, Italy. September 23 (Invited).
- 21. Stone, M., Byrne, C., and **Morrison**, **R.**, 2016. Assessment of hydrologic alteration using floodplain connectivity metrics. Ecological Society of America Annual Meeting 2016. Fort Lauderdale, Florida. August 7–12.
- 20. Grantham, T., Nardi, F., **Morrison, R.**, and Annis, A. 2016. A hydrogeomorphic approach for large-scale floodplain mapping. American Water Resources Association Summer Specialty Conference: GIS and Water Resources IX. Sacramento, California. July 11–13.

- 19. Stone, M., Byrne, C., and **Morrison**, **R.** 2015. A numerical investigation of the impacts of river and floodplain restoration on the process of floodwave attenuation. American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting. San Francisco, California. December 14–18. Invited.
- 18. Hausner, M., Gaines, D., **Morrison, R.**, Sada, D., Scoppettone, G., Stone, M., Suarez, F., Tyler, S., and Wilson, K. 2015. Physical Thresholds as Ecological Proxies in Aquatic Ecosystems. American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting. San Francisco, California. December 14–18.
- 17. Jaramillo, L., Stone, M., and **Morrison, R.** 2015. Science-based policy for Himalayan rivers of Nepal. AWRA Annual Water Resources Conference. Denver, Colorado. November 16–19.
- 16. Stone, M. and **Morrison**, **R.** 2015. Consideration of longitudinal and lateral connectivity when evaluating environmental flows. 4th Biennial Symposium of the International Society for River Science. La Crosse, Wisconsin. August 23–28.
- 15. Hausner, M., Sada, D., **Morrison, R.**, and Stone, M. 2015. Integrating physical and ecological methods to assess changing spring-fed aquatic ecosystems. Science for Parks, Parks for Science: The Next Century, Berkley, California. March 25–27.
- 14. Stone, M., **Morrison, R.**, and Samson, J. 2014. Modeling of riparian ecohydrology in the Gila River. American Society of Civil Engineers New Mexico Section Fall Conference, Albuquerque, New Mexico. September 12.
- 13. Benson, M., Stone, M., Llewellyn, D., **Morrison, R.**, Cosens, B., Gunderson, L., and Allen, C. 2014. Adaptive governance and social-ecological system resilience in New Mexico's Rio Grande Valley. Association of Environmental Studies as Sciences Annual Meeting, New York, New York. June 11–14.
- 12. **Morrison**, **R.R.** and Stone, M.C. 2014. Evaluating flow scenario impacts on riparian vegetation recruitment using Bayesian network modeling. Joint Aquatic Sciences Meeting. Portland, Oregon. May 18–23.
- 11. **Morrison**, **R.R.** and Stone, M.C. 2013. Using system dynamics modeling to evaluate environmental flows in the Rio Chama, NM. 58th Annual New Mexico Water Conference. Albuquerque, New Mexico. November 21–22.
- 10. **Morrison**, **R.R.** 2013. Evaluating tradeoffs of water resource management alternatives using system dynamics modeling. Hydrovision International. Denver, Colorado. July 23–26.
- 9. **Morrison**, **R.R.** 2012. Optimizing hydropower benefits in reservoir operations on the Rio Chama, New Mexico. Hydrovision International. Louisville, Kentucky. July 17–20.
- 8. **Morrison, R.R.** and Stone, M.C. 2012. Determining the hydrologic effects of water management efforts on the Rio Chama, New Mexico, using indicators of hydrologic alteration analyses. Association of the Sciences of Limnology and Oceanography. Lake Biwa, Shiga, Japan. July 8–13.
- 7. **Morrison, R.R.**, Stone, M.C., and Sada, D.W. 2011. Detecting impacts of climate change on arid land spring-fed aquifer systems. An example from a Death Valley National Park thermal spring. The US Society for Irrigation and Drainage Professionals. Albuquerque, New Mexico. April 26–29.

- 6. **Morrison, R.R.**, Hotchkiss, R.H., Stone, M.C., Thurman, D., and Horner-Devine, A.R. 2008. Turbulence characteristics of flow in a spiral corrugated culvert fitted with sloped-and slotted-weir baffles. World Environmental & Water Resources Congress, American Society of Civil Engineers. Honolulu, Hawaii. May 12–16.
- 5. Thurman, D.R., Horner-Devine, A.R., **Morrison, R.R.**, and Hotchkiss, R.H. 2007. Juvenile salmon passage in sloped-baffled culverts. International Conference on Ecology and Transportation. Little Rock, Arkansas. May 20–25.
- 4. **Morrison, R.R.**, Thurman, D.R., Compton, A.F., Hotchkiss, R.H., and Horner-Devine, A.R. 2006. Turbulence characteristics of flow in a culvert with sloped-weir baffles. World Environmental & Water Resources Congress, American Society of Civil Engineers. Omaha, Nebraska. May 21–26.
- 3. Stone, M.C., Hotchkiss, R.H., and **Morrison, R.R.** 2006. Turbulence observations in cobble-bed rivers. World Environmental & Water Resources Congress, American Society of Civil Engineers. Omaha, Nebraska. May 21–26.
- 2. Thurman, D.R., Horner-Devine, A.R., **Morrison, R.R.**, Hotchkiss, R.H., and Compton, A.F. 2006. Hydrodynamics of juvenile salmon passage in sloped-baffle culverts. World Environmental & Water Resources Congress, American Society of Civil Engineers. Omaha, Nebraska. May 21–26.
- 1. Stone, M.C., Hotchkiss, R.H., and **Morrison, R.R.** 2006. Turbulence observations in cobble-bed rivers. World Environmental & Water Resources Congress, American Society of Civil Engineers. Omaha, Nebraska. May 21–26.

## **Poster Presentations**

- 8. Lurtz, M.R. <sup>1</sup>, **Morrison, R.R.**, Bhaskar, A.S., and Gates, T.K. 2018. Riparian area evapotranspiration with implications on water resource management. American Geophysical Union Hydrology Days. Fort Collins, Colorado. March 19–21.
- 7. Scheel, K.¹, **Morrison**, **R.R.**, Nardi, F., and Annis, A. 2017. Assessing human modifications to floodplains using large-scale hydrogeomorphic floodplain modeling. American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting. New Orleans, Louisiana. December 11–15.
- 6. Bray, E.N.<sup>2</sup>, **Morrison, R.R.**, Nardi, F., Annis, A., and Dong, Q. 2017. Spatial relationships of levees and wetland systems within floodplains of the Wabash Basin, USA. American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting. New Orleans, Louisiana. December 11–15.
- 5. Jaramillo, L.V., Stone, M.C., and **Morrison, R.R.** 2017. Evaluating vegetation potential for wildfire impacted watershed using a Bayesian network modeling approach. American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting. New Orleans, Louisiana. December 11–15.
- 4. Scheel, K.¹, **Morrison, R.R.**, Nardi, F., and Annis, A. 2017. Assessing floodplain loss using hydrogeomorphic mapping. AWRA Annual Water Resources Conference. Portland, Oregon. November 5–9.

- 3. **Morrison**, **R.** Dong, Q., Nardi, F., Annis, A., and Grantham, T. 2016. Levee presence and wetland areas within the 100-year floodplain of the Wabash Basin. American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting. San Francisco, California. December 12–16.
- 2. Hausner, M., Bailey Gaines, D., **Morrison, R.**, Sada, D., Gary Scoppettone, G., Stone, M., Suáez, F., Tyler, S., and Wilson, K. 2015. Physical thresholds as ecological proxies in aquatic ecosystems. American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting. San Francisco, California. December 14–18.
- 1. **Morrison, R.R.**, Stone, M.C. and Sada, D.W. 2013. Impacts of Discharge Reductions on Physical and Thermal Habitat Characteristics in a Desert Spring, Death Valley National Park, California, USA. American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting. San Francisco, California. December 9–13. (Invited)

## **Technical Reports**

- 2. Stone, M., Afrin, Z., Gregory, A., and **Morrison, R.** 2017. An Investigation into the Potential Impacts of Watershed Restoration and Wildfire on Water Yields and Water Supply Resilience in the Rio Grande Water Fund Project Area. Prepared for Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District (MRGCD).
- 1. Gori, D., Cooper, M.S., Soles, E.S., Stone, M., **Morrison, R.**, Turner, T.F., Propst, D.L., Garfin, G., Switanek, M., Hsin-I, C., Bassett, S., Haney, J., Lyons, D., Horner, M., Dahm, C.N., Frey, J.K., Kindscher, K., Walker, H.A., and Bogan, M.T. 2014. Gila River Flow Needs Assessment. The Nature Conservancy. URL: http://nmconservation.org/Gila/GilaFlowNeedsAssessment.pdf.

#### **Invited Lectures**

- 3. University of Colorado, Boulder, Department of Civil, Environmental, and Architectural Engineering (April 2018).
- 2. University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Department of Geography (October 2016).
- 1. Colorado State University, Department of Ecosystem Science and Sustainability (September 2016).

# **Research Funding**

Total Funding: \$402,341

• Funding at CSU: \$339,841 As PI at CSU: \$339,841 As Co-PI at CSU: \$0

• Funding Prior to CSU: \$62,500

## Summary of Funded Projects at CSU

Year Details/Title Agency Award

2018	PI, Instream Flow R2Cross Program Update	Colorado Water Conservation Board	\$78,564
2018	PI, Development of a Novel Framework for Estimating Moisture Susceptibility Attributable to Natural Flooding Hazards in the U.S.	Colorado Water Center, CSU	\$22,277
2018	PI, Assessment of Floodplain Storage Dynamics in Colorado	U.S. Geological Survey	\$38,000
2017	PI, Ecological Impacts of Hydroscape Modification (Year II)	U.S. Geological Survey	\$36,000
2017	PI, Impact of Riparian Vegetation on the Irrigation-Influenced Water Balance in the Lower Arkansas River Valley	U.S. Department of Agriculture, CSU Agricultural Experiment Station	\$90,000
2016	PI, Ecological Impacts of Hydroscape Modification	U.S. Geological Survey	\$75,000
<u>Internal grants</u>			
2017	PI, Proposal for Hydrologic Monitoring Equipment	CSU Borland Equipment Fund	\$12,603
2016	PI, Proposal for a Multi-Functional 3D Laser Scanner	CSU Borland Equipment Fund	\$10,000

# Summary of Funded Projects Prior to CSU Appointment

Year	Details/Title	Agency	Award
2015	Co-PI, An Investigation into Potential Impacts of Watershed Restoration and Wildfire on Water Yields and Water Supply Resilience in the Rio Grande Water Fund Project Area	Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District	\$25,000
2015	Co-PI, Saratoga Lateral Weir – Physical Model	Southern Sandoval County Arroyo Flood Control Authority	\$37,500

<u>Pending Funding</u>
"Movement barriers and meta-population structure of the largest ever Greenback Cutthroat Trout reintroduction project" USFWS, \$46,786

# **Service Activities**

# **Professional Memberships**

- American Society of Civil Engineers—Environmental Water Resources Institute
- American Water Resources Association
- International Society for River Science
- American Geophysical Union
- Ecological Society of America

National Center for Faculty Development & Diversity

## **Editorial Positions**

Associate Editor in Surface Hydrology, Journal of the American Water Resources Association (2015—Present)

## **Department and University Services**

- Civil and Environmental Engineering Department Graduate Admissions Committee (2018–Present)
- School of Global Environmental Sustainability Curriculum Committee (2017—Present)
- Environmental Engineering representative at Engineering Exploration Days (Spring 2017)
- Colorado State University Graduate Student Showcase judge (2016)

## **Professional Service and Committees**

• National Science Foundation panel member for National Research Traineeship program on Innovations at the Nexus of Food, Energy, and Water Systems (April 4-6, 2017)

## **Reviewing Services**

- Hydrological Processes
- Systems
- Physical Geography
- Earth Surface Processes and Landforms
- Journal of the American Water Resources Association
- Water Resources Research

## **Teaching and Advising**

## **Courses Taught**

- Fluid Mechanics (CE 331): Fall 2013 (University of New Mexico)
- Hydrogeology (CE 541): Fall 2014 (University of New Mexico)
- Ecological Engineering (CIVE 330): Spring 2017–2018
- Environmental River Mechanics (CIVE 413): Fall 2017–2018

## Postdoctoral Researchers Mentored

• Erin Bray (2017)

#### **Graduate Students Advised**

- Kara Scheel (CSU, M.S., Fall 2016—Spring 2018)
- Matthew Lurtz (CSU, Ph.D., Fall 2017—Present)
- Semin Barlak (CSU, Co-advisor, Ph.D., Fall 2017—Present)
- Marissa Karpack (CSU, M.S., Spring 2018—Present)
- Elaina Passero (CSU, M.S., Fall 2018–Present)

## **Graduate Student Committees**

- Ryan Brown (CSU, M.S., Defended Spring 2017)
- Weimin Li (CSU, Ph.D.)
- Woochul Kang (CSU, Ph.D.)
- Robert Queen (CSU, M.S., Defended Spring 2018)

- Ethan Ader (CSU, M.S.)

- Sarah Hinshaw (CSU, M.S.)
  Julianne Scamardo (CSU, M.S.)
  Erin Dougherty (CSU, Ph.D.)
  Lauren Jaramillo (UNM, Ph.D.)