2025 Secure Water Future

Climate Adaptation Science Academy Experiential Learning Expedition

**DRAFT ITINERARY**

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| **Date** | **Content** | **Readings** | **Assignment** |
| Monday, March 3 via Zoom (60 minutes) | Introduction and Welcome |  | Prepare an introductory slide. Who are you and what do you hope to gain from this adventure? |
| Monday, March 17 via Zoom (60 min each) | Western Water | **Required**: \*Required reading list will be adjusted prior to dissemination among participants. | Read required readings in advance of this meeting.  |
| Monday, March 31 via Zoom (60 min) | Skeleton Paper development | TBD | Students self-govern paper development. |
| Monday, April 14via Zoom (60 min) | Skeleton Paper development | TBD |  |
| Monday, April 28 via Zoom (60 min) | Skeleton Paper development; Authorship expectations | TBD |  |
| **Friday, May 2** | **Paper Skeleton Outline** | **TBD** | **Skeleton of paper due to Dr. Parker** |
| Monday, May 12via Zoom (60 min) | Trip logistics and safety.   | This document (again)!   | **Bring 1-2 questions for trip leaders (Lauren Parker & Jack Serverson)** |
| **CASA ELE Trip** | **Start /End Point** | **Itinerary – Subject to Change** |
| Thursday, May 22 | Grand Junction, Colorado Airport | Participants arrive to the Grand Junction airport and take the hotel shuttle to the hotel (Lodging TBD).  **6:00 pm** - Optional meet up in for a group dinner.  |
| Friday, May 23 – Saturday, May 24 | Grand Junction, CO | Participants travel by caravan to site visits in the Grand Valley and surrounds (Fruita, Grand Junction, Palisade, Glenwood Canyon). Participants make site visits to the Colorado River, CSU agricultural experiment station, Talbott Farms, and Shoshone Powerplant.(Lodging in Grand Junction, CO, TBD) |
| Sunday, May 25 | Grand Junction, CO à Vernal, UT  | Participants depart Grand Junction and travel by caravan to Dutch John, Utah to tour the Flaming Gorge dam on the Green River in the morning. Additional site visits may occur in the afternoon.**6:30 pm –** Sherri Griffith Expedition’s pre-trip orientation. Antlers Inn, Vernal, UT. (Lodging in Vernal, UT, TBD) |
| Monday, May 26 | Vernal, UT à Yampa River | **6:00 am** – Breakfast**7:00 am** – Meet with Sherri Griffith Expedition staff and board the shuttle bus to the Deer Lodge Park boat ramp.**9:30 am** – Arrive at Deer Lodge Park boat ramp (put in location on the Yampa River)**10:30 am** – Safety Talk**11:00 am** – Launch boats downstream**12:00-1:00 pm** – Rafts pull over around noon for lunch. **3:00** – Arrive at camp, set up camp. **4:00-4:30 pm** – Group camp systems talk (groover, dish line, chairs, LNT, etc.)**5:00 pm through dinner** – Mentor session**6:00-7:00 pm** – Dinner**7:00pm** – **Free time, Mentor session, or CASA ELE Interactive** |
| Tuesday, May 27 | Yampa River | **6:00-6:30 am** – Coffee call**7:00-7:30 am** – Hot breakfast served**7:30-8:00 am** – Pack up**9:00-9:30 am** – Boats are rigged and ready to launch**12:00-1:00 pm** – Lunch**3:00-4:00 pm** – Arrive at camp, possible hiking opportunity.**4:00-6:00 pm** – Mentor session **6:00 pm** – Dinner **7:00 pm** – **CASA ELE Interactive** |
| Wednesday, May 28 | Yampa River | **6:00-6:30 am** – Coffee call**7:00-7:30 am** – Hot breakfast served**7:30-8:00 am** – Pack up**9:00-9:30 am** – Boats are rigged and ready to launch**12:00-1:00 pm** – Lunch**3:00-4:00 pm** – Arrive at camp, possible hiking opportunity.**4:00-6:00 pm** – Mentor session **6:00 pm** – Dinner **7:00 pm** – **CASA ELE Interactive (Costume Night)** |
| Thursday, May 29 | Yampa River à Vernal, UT | **6:00-6:30 am** – Coffee call**7:00-7:30 am** – Hot breakfast served**7:30-8:00 am** – Pack up**9:00-9:30 am** – Boats are rigged and ready to launch**12:00-1:00 pm** – Lunch**3:00 pm** – Arrive at Split Mountain boat ramp. Derig boats, return rented gear. Board shuttle, and drive back to Vernal, UT.**4:00 pm** – Arrive at Antlers Inn in Vernal**6:30 pm** – Team dinner (Location TBD) |
| Friday, May 30 | Vernal, UT à Salt Lake City, UT | **7:30-8:30 am** – Breakfast in Vernal**9:00-9:30 am** – Load up vehicles and drive to Fort Duchesne to meet with the Ute Tribe**9:30-11:00 am** - Meet with the Ute Tribe for an informative lecture on water management**11:30 am- 12:30** pm – Lunch**12:30-3:00 pm** – Drive to Salt Lake City**3:00-3:30 pm** – Check in to hotel in SLC (Lodging TBD)**4:00-5:30 pm** – Final team activity, including paper next steps and planning**6:00-8:00 pm** – Team dinner (Location TBD)**8:00 pm** – Free time |
| Saturday, May 31 | Salt Lake City, UT à  | Students depart from Salt Lake City and travel home. |