

**University of Colorado Boulder**

**Econ 4535 Natural Resource Economics  
Fall 2022**

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**Lectures:** Monday, Wednesday, Friday 11:15-12:05 ECON 117

**Office hours:** Monday and Wednesday 12:30-2:00 (and as need be just ask!)

**Course**

**Class Participation:** Students are expected to have read materials prior to class, and should be prepared to discuss and answer questions regarding the readings. Lecture and discussion will comprise a large component of our in-class time, and students are expected to attend class and contribute. In addition, there will be a low-stakes question at the end of most weeks (due the following Monday) that pertains to the chapter readings for that week.

**Unit Summaries:** At the end of each of the five units, a 3-page review of the ma

Unit III. Property rights and institutions

Open access

Common property

The Resource Curse and economic growth

Midterm Exam (early October)

Unit IV. Natural resource policy

Regulating externalities

Property rights approaches

Unit V. Climate change and the Energy Transition

Costs of climate change

Climate policies

Power sector

Transportation sector

Final Exam (Sunday December 11<sup>th</sup> 1:30-4:00)

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