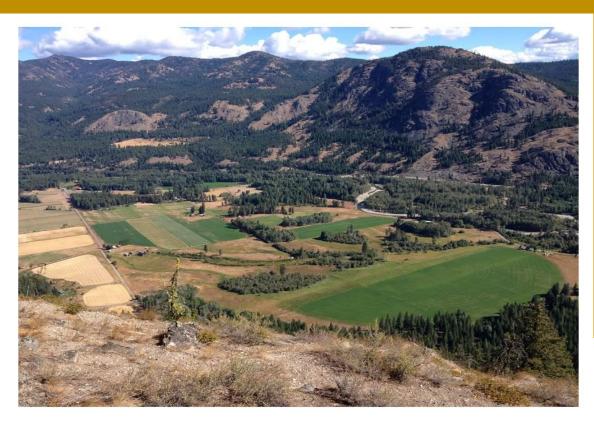
"Visible and Invisible Rivers: Hyraulic continuity between streamflow and groundwater in the Methow Valley"



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Hydraulic continuity is an important concept for both understanding and managing water in the Methow watershed. It express the connection between the amount of water at one place to the amount of water in another place. Hydraulic continuity is the reason that water is a shared resource. Nearly anything we care about in the Methow watershed depends on water: snow for skiing, soil moisture for trees, groundwater for domestic uses and irrigation, streamflow for fish and recreation. Water connects each of our most important concerns to the concerns of others - which leads to both conflict over uses of water but also collaboration across the community to preserve and protect shared values. In either case, an accurate understanding of how water flows through the watershed is a starting point for acknowledging how our values affect others and working through the hard issues.



Thursday, October 12 - 6-8 pm at the Methow Valley Community Center