



DIGITAL & ARCHIVE SERVICES

Reaching out

Mara Sedlins participated in a CSU Women in Science panel on Virtual Library Innovations, discussing how to support reproducible research and adapting workshops to a virtual environment.



BY THE Numbers

Archives & Special Collections

136 users

195 feet + 740 GB of new/additional collections

2 class instructions

Data Management

7 data deposits

5 Coding & Cookies workshops

3 guest lectures

Digital Repository

128,935 Mountain Scholar page views (CSU-FC)

27,711 Mountain Scholar downloads (CSU-FC)

Digital Repository & Data Management HIGHLIGHTS



Rocky Mountain Collegian Added to Mountain Scholar

Digital Collections Services has added more than 2000 issues of the *Rocky Mountain Collegian* to Mountain Scholar this year. A partnership with the Colorado State Library digitized microfilmed issues from September 1911 through October 1960. These issues are discoverable through Mountain Scholar and the Colorado Historic Newspaper Project. In addition, by working with Rocky Mountain Student Media to transfer born-digital copy, more recent issues are also available. Researchers can now access the *Collegian* from 1891 to 1960, and 2006 to Fall 2020 online [here](#) and [here](#).

Conservation Science and Practice

Open Access

A journal of the Society for Conservation Biology

New Data Set

Funded by a grant from the United States Agency for International Development, a recent data deposit supports an article published in *Conservation Science and Practice*: <https://doi.org/10.1111/csp2.297>. Researchers from the Warner College of Natural Resources' Lab of Human Adaptation and Conservation studied community-based conservation practices in the promotion of biodiversity protection and economic development in Tanzania. The study found that strong local leadership led to greater adaptability and innovation in support of biodiversity, but that local governance capacity is often overlooked in assessing community-based conservation.



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Department Newsletter

Archives & Special Collections HIGHLIGHTS



Water Legacy Oral History Project

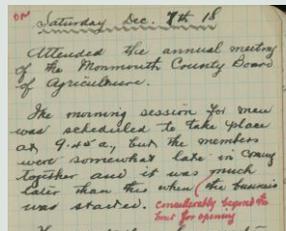
An interview with environmental scientist Dan Luecke is the newest online offering from the Water Legacy Oral History Project, jointly conducted with the Poudre Heritage Alliance.

Luecke discusses his role in the defeat

of Denver Water's proposed Two Forks Dam as well as environmental consulting work he has done across the West and internationally. Luecke's interview joins seven others recently made available, as well as nine conducted in 2019. [All 17 interviews](#) with Colorado's retired or senior water leaders from across the state capture specialized knowledge and insights. We greatly appreciate the funding received from the Colorado Water Conservation Board through their Colorado Water Plan Grant, enabling us to record the stories of Colorado's water leaders.

Agriculture Letters and Diaries Transcribed

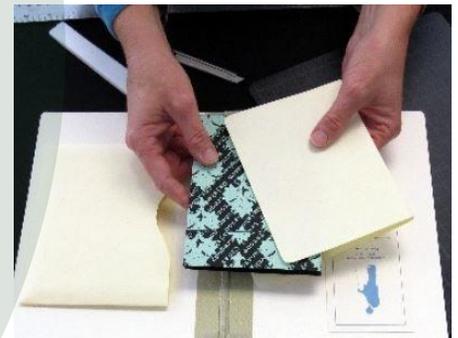
In response to the need for remote work during the COVID-19 pandemic, several collections of digitized letters and diaries related to Colorado agriculture were transcribed using the From The Page crowdsourcing transcription software during the final months of 2020. As a result, transcriptions of selected early correspondence with the Colorado Agricultural Experiment Station Director (1900-1912) and the secretary of the State Board of Agriculture (1886-1905) are now [available online](#). As are the [diaries of Llwellyn A. Moorhouse](#) (1918-1922), a CSU agricultural economist. These letters and diaries shed light on the experiences of Colorado agriculturalists during the early twentieth century, and their transcripts make the stories more accessible to researchers.



FOCUS FORWARD

Mara Sedlins, member of the CSU Research IT Review Task Force, completed its final report in December, and the findings and recommendations are in the process of being presented to key stakeholders and administrators.

Notable



Preservation Services recently received an outreach inquiry from the Director of Preservation at the Library of Congress requesting permission to share the [Libraries Disaster Response and Recovery Plan Manual](#) to assist cultural institutions in Beirut Lebanon, damaged in the historical blast last August. CSU Libraries' Disaster Recovery Plan Manual was recommended as a good model that could be adapted for local needs.