



Public Presentation - Achieving legal frameworks for Rights of Nature: US Experience

Thursday 3 October, 6pm-7.30pm (Networking 7.30-8pm)

Tingrith Meeting House, Osmington Road, Osmington

Cost: Free (Donations invited at the door)

Join us for a public presentation about innovative developments in environmental governance and groundwater protection that protect communities and their natural environments. This event offers participants a unique opportunity to hear about the work of a non-profit public interest law firm working at a grassroots level and the potential of applying innovative strategies to protect ecosystems in the Western Australian context. This presentation will be of interest to community activists, farmers, church and community groups, regulators, legal practitioners, academics, students and anyone interested in the future of their communities, environment and health.

All around the world, communities are fighting to protect their local ecosystems from the destructive impacts of fracking, coal mining, logging and other harmful activities. Many are succeeding and part of their success can be attributed to the work of the Community Environmental Legal Defense Fund (CELDF), based in Pennsylvania, United States, which is where most of the fracking in the U.S. has been taking place. CELDF activists and lawyers, Thomas Linzey and Mari Margil and their team have assisted local communities in the U.S. to ban fracking and other harmful activities and put in place new laws which establish a right to a sustainable energy future and the rights of nature, including aquifers and other ecosystems, placing the highest societal value on these natural systems.

Guest speakers:

Thomas Linzey, Director and Mari Margil, Associate Director, Community Environmental Legal Defense Fund (CELDF), USA . For information about CELDF, please visit their website: www.celdf.org or visit: www.earthlaws.org.au/events/CELDF-tour



TO BOOK YOUR PLACE

Please RSVP by 30 September, 2013 by emailing: Tingrith63@gmail.com or by calling (08) 97574014

DIRECTIONS TO TINGRITH HOUSE

Travel along Osmington Road, cross over the Jindong-Treeton crossroad, and the signposted turnoff to Tingrith with a pink flying pig letterbox, is to your left about 3 kms past the crossroad, at the foot of the hill. If you reach the gravel road, you've gone about 500m too far. Inside the property take the first turn right. Tel: 97574014, 0428 773 562