

Environmental law programs on the West Coast and in the Southwest — basically, the states in the Ninth Circuit — are very active in public service. Here are some examples:

- A [continuing legal education](#) program for lawyers on energy and environment.
- A [natural resources clinic](#) that participates in administrative proceedings before federal lands agencies.
- A [clinic](#) that has litigated cases involving the protection of a national park, the regulation of invasive species discharges from ships, the preservation of an Indian sacred site, and the conservation of an endangered tortoise.
- Another [clinic](#) that specializes with great success on issues of environmental justice.
- An [Ocean and Coastal Law Center](#).
- A [clinical project](#) that works directly with communities impacted by climate change to create adaptation assessments and identify legal and policy tools to further climate justice goals.
- A [center](#) that provides nearly all of the law student assistants for a major electric power agency, working on a wide range of energy and environmental issues.
- An [Environmental Dispute Resolution Program](#) that promotes collaboration, mediation, and other dispute resolution processes as a means to address contemporary environmental conflicts.
- A [clinic](#) focusing on the unique needs of island communities.

This list is strikingly incomplete — for instance, it doesn't include UCLA or Berkeley since it seemed unfair to use the limited space to tout our own programs.