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CGPACS presents William deBuys

*Whiskey's fer Drinkin' and Water's fer
Fightin': California, Climate Change, and
Global Aridity*



Writer and conservationist William deBuys is the author of seven books, which range from memoir and biography to environmental history and studies of place. DeBuys's books include *Enchantment and Exploitation: The Life and Hard Times of a New Mexico Mountain Range* (1985), which won a Southwest Book Award and is now in its ninth printing; *River of Traps* (1990; 2008), which was recognized as a *New York Times* Notable Book of the Year and was one of three finalists for the Pulitzer Prize in General Non-Fiction in 1991; *Salt Dreams: Land and Water in Low-Down California* (1999), which won the Western States Book Award and several other prizes; and, most recently, *A Great Aridness*, which Bill McKibben called "a deep glimpse into one place on our fast-changing planet...with scientific precision and understated emotional power [that] explains what your future holds". He is also the author of numerous articles and op-eds, including "The Drying of the West" in the *LA Times*.