

**September 17th, 2018**

**Addressing Public Health and Climate Change: The Colorado Climate Plan**

**SPEAKER: MIKE SILVERSTEIN, Executive Director, Denver Regional Air Quality Council**

**WHEN: Monday, September 17th, 1:30 – 3:00 p.m.**

**WHERE: Library Portico, Iliff School of Theology (2323 E. Iliff Ave.)**

**SPONSORED BY: Ethics and Ecological Economics (EEE) Forum**

**post-meeting links to slides and handouts:** For a copy of the PowerPoint presentation on Public Health and the Colorado Climate Plan at the September 17th EEE Forum – link below (3rd and 4th bulleted links):

- **handout #1:** [2018.09.16f Sept Forum halfpage prgm](#)
- **handout #2:** [2018.09.17b about EEE forum](#)
- **David Carlson Slides:** [2018.09.17 Carlson Forum Overview on CC – Public Health — CO Climate Plan](#)
- **Mike Silverstein slides:** [2018.09.17 Silverstein Climate-Health Presentation at EEE Forum](#)

Climate change is affecting public health in many ways. For example, climate change influences air quality levels and the frequency and intensity of food-borne illnesses, vector-borne diseases, and heat-related illnesses. Beginning with the state Climate Plan, the September and October EEE Forums will examine some initiatives in Colorado and beyond to understand such connections and develop effective responses.

**Mike Silverstein**, the new executive Director of the Denver Regional Air Quality Council, is well-positioned to provide an overview of the

Public Health section of the Colorado Climate Plan. Mike is a former employee of the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment—the lead state agency responsible for the Public Health component of the state Climate Plan.

We shall also touch briefly on public health/climate change actions beyond Colorado, such as the **California Health Care Climate Alliance**—recently formed by Kaiser Permanente and three other large health systems to advocate for climate-smart policies.