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### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

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<i>Science Policy Fellow</i> Winter 2007	National Academies of Science, Washington, D.C. Christine Mirzayan Science and Technology Policy Fellowship Committee on the Human Dimensions of Global Change
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<i>Graduate Research Assistant</i> May 2004 - August 2005	Institute of Behavioral Science; Environment and Behavior University of Colorado, Boulder, CO Project: The Effect of Proximity to Wildfire Risk on Mitigation Efforts by Homeowners at the Wildland-Urban Interface
<i>Graduate Research Assistant</i> May 2003 - May 2004	Institute of Behavioral Science; Environment and Behavior University of Colorado, Boulder, CO Project: Institutions and Incentives for Mitigating Wildfire Risks
<i>Graduate Teaching Assistant</i> January 2003 - May 2003	Department of Sociology- Course: Data Analysis University of Colorado, Boulder, CO
May 2002 – December 2002	University of Colorado, Boulder, CO Department of Sociology- Course: Research Methods
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## EDUCATION

- Ph.D., Sociology* University of Colorado at Boulder  
August 2008 Ph.D. Dissertation: *Placing Wildfire in Context: Environmental and Social Dimensions of Mitigation Decision-Making*  
Dissertation Committee: Drs. Lori Hunter (Chair), Kathleen Tierney, Daniel R. Williams, Nicholas Flores, Jane Menken  
August 2002 - August 2008
- M.A., Women's Studies* San Francisco State University, San Francisco, CA  
May 1999 MA Thesis: *Constructing Population Targets and Truths: Gender and Population in the Development Apparatus*  
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August 1997 - May 1999
- B.A., Women's Studies* University of Colorado at Boulder  
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## SPECIALIZED TRAINING

- U.S. Peace Corps* Agroforestry Extension  
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## Peer Reviewed Publications:

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- Meldrum, J.R., C.M. Barth, J.B. Goolsby, S.K. Olson, A.C. Gosey, J. White, **H. Brenkert-Smith**, P.A. Champ, and J. Gomez. 2022. Parcel-Level Risk Affects Wildfire Outcomes: Insights from Pre-Fire Rapid Assessment Data for Homes Destroyed in 2020 East Troublesome Fire. *Fire*, 5(1): 24. <https://doi.org/10.3390/fire5010024>

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- Byerly, H., Meldrum, J., **Brenkert-Smith, H.**, Champ, P., Gomez, J., Falk, L., and Barth, C. 2020. Developing behavioral and evidence-based programs for wildfire risk mitigation. *Fire* 3(4): 66. <https://doi.org/10.3390/fire3040066>
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**Brenkert-Smith, H.;** Champ, P.A.; McConnell, A.E.; Gomez, J.; Barth, C.M.; Meldrum, J.R.; Donovan, C.; Wagner, C.; Goolsby, J.B. 2023. Living with wildfire in Park County, Colorado: 2021 data report. Res. Note RMRS-RN-97. Fort Collins, CO: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, Rocky Mountain Research Station. 93 p. <https://www.fs.usda.gov/research/treesearch/65848>

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Goolsby, J.B., P.A. Champ, **H. Brenkert-Smith,** B.J. Clauson, R.M. Sgroi, L. Williams, C.M. Barth, J.R. Meldrum, C. Donovan, C. Wagner. 2022. Living with Wildfire in Teton County, Wyoming 2021 data report. Res. Note RMRS-RN-93. Fort Collins, CO: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, Rocky Mountain Research Station. 92 p. <https://doi.org/10.2737/RMRS-RN-93>

Donovan, C., J.P. Gomez, L. Falk, C.M. Barth, P.A. Champ, **H. Brenkert-Smith,** J.R. Meldrum, C. Wagner. 2022. Living with wildfire in Log Hill Mesa, Ouray County, Colorado: 2017 data report and a comparison to 2011 and 2012 data. Res. Note RMRS-RN-91. Fort Collins, CO: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, Rocky Mountain Research Station. 45 p. <https://doi.org/10.2737/RMRS-RN-91>.  
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### **Research Grants and Fellowships**

#### *Underway:*

- 2023-2025 **Principal Investigator:** Using Social Data to Foster Community Engagement in High Risk Firesheds. With Rocky Mountain Research Station and Wildfire Research (WiRē) Center. USDA Forest Service Research & Development Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Wildfire Crisis Strategy Project Proposal (\$240,000).
- 2023-2024 **Principal Investigator:** Inclusion of manufactured home park residents in wildfire mitigation and preparedness in Lake County, Colorado. With Julia Goolsby (CU Boulder) and the Wildfire Research (WiRē) Center. Quick Response Research Award Program Special Call for Proposals: FEMA Region 8 (\$4,000).
- 2022-2025 **Co-Principal Investigator:** Collaborative Research: Prescribed burning decisions and risk-risk tradeoffs. NSF Decision Risk Management Sciences (DRMS); Chemical, Bioengineering, Environmental and Transport Systems (CBETS-Engineering); and Civil, Mechanical, and Manufacturing Innovation Division (CMMI): With Drs. Katherine Dickinson (CU Anschutz), Colleen Reid (CU Boulder), Michael Hannigan (CU Boulder), and Evan Coffey (CU Boulder) (\$776,260 to CU Boulder of \$1,199,546).
- 2022-2023 **Principal Investigator:** Advancing community wildfire risk reduction through state-wide partnership With Julia Goolsby, the Wildfire Research (WiRē) Center, and the Colorado State Forest Service Salida Field Office. University of Colorado Outreach Award, Office for Outreach and Engagement, CU-Boulder (\$25,000).
- 2021-2024 **Co-Principal Investigator:** Collaborative Research: NNA Research: Socio-ecological considerations for sustainAble Fuel treatments to Reduce wildfire Risk (SAFRR). Navigating the New Artic, NSF. With, Drs. Schmidt and Berman (UAA), Mack and Little (NAU), and Champ (USFS) (\$478,980 to CU Boulder of \$2,291,321).



2021-2026 **Investigator:** Wildfire Research (WiRē) Approach: Fire and Aviation Division of State and Private Forestry. USDA Forest Service (Y1: \$213,500; Y2: \$284,581; Y3: \$80,000).

*Under review:*

*Completed:*

2021-2023 **Principal Investigator:** Researcher-practitioner collaborations for rural community wildfire risk reduction. With the West Region Wildfire Council. University of Colorado Outreach Award, Office for Outreach and Engagement, CU-Boulder (\$9,000).

2017-2022 **Investigator:** Co-Management of Fire Risk Transmission. USDA Forest Service's State and Private Forestry; with Drs. Daniel R. Williams and Patricia Champ, USFS Rocky Mtn. Research Station (and others) (Original funding (\$123,732) *supplemented* with funding additions of \$196,462 (2018), \$119,800 (2019), \$144,300 (2020); for a total of \$584,294).

2018-2021 **Principal Investigator:** Behavioral Nudges in a Wildfire Risk Context: Social Comparison and Community Type. National Science Foundation – Decision Risk Management Sciences: With Drs. James Meldrum, USGS, and Patricia Champ, USFS (\$389,185).

2019-2020 **Principal Investigator:** Fire Adapted Bailey: Launching an evidence-based approach. University of Colorado Outreach Award, Office for Outreach and Engagement, CU-Boulder (\$9,000).

2019-2020 **Recipient:** Wildfire as a social problem: Modeling intracommunity wildfire behavior. IBS Research Development Award 2019.

2018-2019 **Principal Investigator:** Enhancing wildfire outreach programs with social science. University of Colorado Impacts Grant, Office for Outreach and Engagement, CU-Boulder (\$5,532).

2017-2019 **Co-Principal Investigator:** Dynamic Risk Perception and Action in Response to Forest Insect Disturbance in North-Central Colorado. National Science Foundation, Decision and Risk Management Sciences; with Dr. Hua Qin, U. of Missouri and Jamie Vickery, CU. (\$184,899 to CU-Boulder of \$431,958).

2016-2019 **Co-Principal Investigator:** Defining “Resilient Landscapes” From Multiple Stakeholder Perspectives. Joint Fire Sciences Program; with Dr. Jody Jahn, CU (\$269,149).

2014-2018 **Co-Principal Investigator:** Living with Wildfire in Delta and San Miguel Counties, Colorado. National Fire Plan, USDA Forest Service, Rocky Mountain Research Station; with Drs. Patricia Champ, USFS and James Meldrum, USGS, (\$159,974; supplement to Living with Wildfire in Colorado project).

2015-2017 **Co-Principal Investigator:** Is the whole greater than the sum of its parts? Homeowner wildfire risk mitigation, community heterogeneity, and fire adaptedness. Joint Fire Science Program, New Science Initiative; with Dr. Patricia Champ, US Forest Service (\$255,378 to CU-Boulder of \$354,117)).

2013-2017 **Co-Principal Investigator:** Living with Wildfire in Colorado. National Fire Plan, USDA Forest Service, Rocky Mountain Research Station; with Drs. Patricia Champ, USFS and James Meldrum, CU (\$142,625).

2013-2016 **Principal Investigator:** Assessing the Effects of Risk Interdependency, Social Norms, and Costs on Homeowners' wildfire Mitigation Decisions using Choice Experiments, National Science Foundation; with Nicholas Flores, CU; Katie Dickinson, Kathleen Miller, and Stephan Sain, NCAR (\$298,045).

2013-2015 **Co-Principal Investigator:** Managing multi-functional landscapes at the interface of public forests and private lands: advancing understanding through a comparison of experience in U.S. and Australia.

Joint Fire Sciences Program, USDA Forest Service; with Drs. Eric Toman, OSU; Allan Curtis, Charles Sturt University (\$197,495 (\$34,987 sub-award to CU-Boulder)).

- 2012-2014 **Consultant:** Quantifying the Characteristics and Investigating the Biogeoscientific and Societal Impacts of Extreme Wildland Fires in the United States. NASA; with Drs. Matt Carroll, Washington State Univ.; Troy Hall, Idaho U.; Travis Paveglio, U. of Montana (\$49,430 to CU-Boulder of \$1,221,176).
- 2011-2015 **Co-Principal Investigator:** Systematic Learning after a Wildfire: Development of a Post-Fire Research Framework and Protocol. USDA Forest Service, North Central station. People and their Environments: Social Science Supporting Natural Resource Management and Policy Program; with Drs. Sarah McCaffrey, USFS; Branda Nowell, NCSU; Toddi Steelman, U. of Saskatchewan (\$58,031).
- 2010-2015 **Principal Investigator:** Homeowner Vulnerability to Wildfire Risk in a Changing Climate. USDA Forest Service, Rocky Mountain Research Station. Human Dimensions Program; with Drs. Patricia Champ and Daniel R. Williams (\$325,028).
- 2009-2011 Advanced Study Program Postdoctoral Fellow. Research Applications Lab. National Center for Atmospheric Research.
- 2007 Christine Mirzayan Science and Technology Policy Fellowship. Committee on the Human Dimensions of Global Change. The National Academies of Science, January - March 2007, Washington, D.C.
- 2006 Conference Scholarship to attend the Geological Society of America's "Managing Drought and Water Scarcity," 18-20 September 2006, Longmont, CO.
- 2005-2008 Environmental Protection Agency STAR (Science to Achieve Results) Fellow (\$111,000).
- 2005 The Role of Place Meaning and Attachment in Fire Mitigation Decision Making; USDA/US Forest Service: North Central Research Station (\$23,042).
- 2005 Brown-Ricketts-Udick Grant; American Association of University Women, Boulder Branch.
- 2004-2005 The Effect of Proximity to Wildfire Risk on Mitigation Efforts by Homeowners at the Wildland-Urban Interface. Front Range Fuels Treatment Partnership and USDA/US Forest Service: Rocky Mountain Research Station.
- 2003-2004 Institutions and Incentives for Mitigating Wildfire Risks; Front Range Fuels Treatment Program and USDA/US Forest Service: Rocky Mountain Research Station.
- Submitted but not funded:*
- 2023-2024 *Declined:* Homeowners as partners in wildfire risk reduction in Boulder County. With Boulder County Wildfire Partners and the Wildfire Research (WiRē) Center. University of Colorado Outreach Award, Office for Outreach and Engagement, CU-Boulder (\$24,000).
- 2022-2025 *Declined:* Community resilience before and after wildfire. Joint Fire Sciences Program: With Drs. Patricia Champ (USFS) and James Meldrum (USGS), Chris Barth (BLM), The WiRē Center (\$490,960).
- 2021-2024 *Declined:* NSF- DBE: Wildfire as a social problem: Modeling intracommunity wildfire behavior. Hannah Brenkert-Smith (CU Boulder, WiRē Team), Co-PI Hussam Mahmoud (CSU), Akshot Chulahwat (CSU), Patricia Champ (USDA Forest Service, WiRē Team), James Meldrum (United States Geological Survey, WiRē Team), Christopher Barth (Bureau of Land Management, WiRē Team) (\$921,227: \$560,268 to CU and \$360,959 to CSU)
- 2020-2023 *Declined:* CNH2-L: FAST FIRE: Redefining U.S. wildfire risk based on unprecedented measures of wildfire spread rates and the proliferation of vulnerable settlements. Balch et al. (\$1,599,935).

- 2020-2021 *Declined:* Building Community Capacity to respond to wildfire (in Teton County, WY). University of Colorado Outreach Grant, Office for Outreach and Engagement, CU-Boulder (\$8984)
- 2020-2023 *Declined:* Linking wildfire risk transmission to an intracommunity wildfire behavior model along the boundary of the Teton to Snake Fuels Management project. USDA Forest Service Research and Development (CU: \$225,000 of \$965,260).
- 2018-2022 *Declined:* CNH-L: Human settlements in flammable U.S. landscapes: How will people coexist with wildfire? Senior Personnel, with Leyk, Stefan (PI), Balch, Jennifer (Co-PI), Gutmann, Myron (Co-PI), Connor, Dylan; Mietkiewicz, Nathan; Joseph, Maxwell; McGlinchy, Joe (Senior Personnel) (\$1,599,600).
- 2017-2020 *Recommended:* Co-Management for Wildfire Adaptation: Wildfire expectations and the relationship to risk reduction. Joint Fire Sciences Program, Co-Principal Investigator with Drs. Patricia Champ (USFS) and James Meldrum (USGS), (\$256,261 with sub-award of \$192,270 to CU)
- 2017-2020 *Declined:* Leveraging social norms to overcome free riding in interdependent wildfire risk decisions: Experiments in lab and field settings. National Science Foundation, Decision and Risk Management Sciences, Co-Principal Investigator with Drs. Katie Dickinson and Nick Flores, CU (\$416,033).
- 2016-2018 *Declined:* Scenario Planning as a Tool for Integrating Biophysical and Social Dimensions of Wildfire Risk Management in Wildland-Urban Interface Communities. National Fire Plan, Co-Principal Investigator, with Drs. Daniel R. Williams USFS, Alan Ager USFS, and Daniel Murphy UC (\$323,930).
- 2016- 2020 *Declined:* The Effect of Nudges in a Wildfire Risk Context: Comparing Community Type. National Science Foundation, IBSS, Principal Investigator, with Drs. James Meldrum CU and Patricia Champ USFS (\$613,316).
- 2015-2018 *Declined:* Flood Follows Fire: Exploring The Effect of Near Misses, Direct Impacts, And Cumulative Effects After Two Major Disasters. National Science Foundation, Decision and Risk Management Sciences, Principal Investigator with Drs. Liesel Ritchie (CU) and Brokopp-Binder (\$714,626).
- 2014-2017 *Declined:* Flood Follows Fire: Exploring The Effect of Near Misses, Direct Impacts, And Cumulative Effects After Two Major Disasters. National Science Foundation, Decision and Risk Management Sciences, Principal Investigator with Drs. Liesel Ritchie (CU) and Brokopp-Binder (\$455,993).
- 2012-2014 *Declined:* Playing with Fire: Experimental Games Assessing the Effect of Risk Interdependency, Social Norms, and Costs on Homeowners' Wildfire Mitigation Decisions. National Science Foundation, Decision and Risk Management Sciences, Co-Principal Investigator, with Drs. Flores (CU) and Dickinson (NCAR) (\$299,058).

## Service

- **Climate Science Advisory Board (2023 – 2025) NIH Mountain West ACE-CH Hub: Climate Change Engagement Platform to Support Resilient Rural and Urban Communities.** PIs Drs. K. Dickinson and K. James. The overall objective of this community engaged effort in two communities (urban-Denver West and rural- San Luis Valley) is to collaborate with community members through advisory boards determined the state of climate stressor (air quality, drought, and wildfire) adaptation and preparedness including resources, established programs, and resilience across multiple sectors (occupation, public health, medical) and multiple systems (household, neighborhood, school, community).
- **Board of Directors** for the **Institute of Behavioral Science** (2020 – 2022)
- **Board of Directors** for the **Wildfire Research (WiRē) Center** – (2019 – present) WiRē is a collaboration between researchers and practitioners who seek to support evidence-based wildfire programs that engage communities and residents in activities, education, and the pursuit of practices and policies that encourage adaptation to wildfire in wildland-urban interface communities. This researcher-practitioner partnership supports the systematic collection and analysis of biophysical and social data in fire-prone communities to tailor programs and associated communications specific to the local context. The data inform and become part

of community programs to facilitate fire adaptation, based on the unique characteristics and strengths of communities. The work is in-depth, and the community is front and center. Throughout the process, the researchers and practitioners join together to define the research questions, delineate the parameters of inquiry, and craft the research approach. The practitioners take lead responsibility for collecting the community data and the researchers take the lead on data analyses. Together, the team then develops locally relevant communication products that are most useful for the practitioners. In other words, we engage in the co-production of knowledge, rather than one-way translations. The approach is adaptive and continually being updated as the team learns. See: [www.wildfiresearchcenter.org](http://www.wildfiresearchcenter.org)

- **Advisory Board member** (2014 – present) for the **Boulder Wildfire Partners Program**. This county-level wildfire program is funded by the Colorado Department of Natural Resources and the Federal Emergency Management Administration and is engaged in innovative approaches to building private-public partnerships to reduce wildfire risk in the wildland-urban interface. As a scientist on the advisory board, I bring relevant research findings to the board for consideration as the program refines its approach and seeks to expand its efforts.

### Synergistic Activities

- **Sense-Making and Storytelling around Proactive Wildfire Management**. PI: Dr. Megan Matonis (USFS Science Application & Communication), Co-Investigators: Linda Joyce and Jan Engert (Science Application & Communication, Patricia Champ, David Calkin, and Matthew Thompson (Human Dimensions), Elizabeth Reinhardt (Forest Service Fire and Aviation Management), and Cathy Dowd (Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest), and the WiRē Team (see [www.wildfiresearchcenter.org](http://www.wildfiresearchcenter.org)).
  - In this effort, the WiRē Team is collaborating with a graphic artist to use sense-making workshops and storytelling through the production of three forthcoming animated whiteboard videos to help managers and scientists co-produce knowledge about proactive fire management.
- **Living with Wildfire in Colorado** project. Primary actor in data collection and analysis for wildfire survey examining mitigation and preparedness among property owners in fire-prone areas of Boulder and Larimer Counties, Colorado. The study collected baseline data in 2007 and was repeated in 2010 just after the Fourmile Canyon Fire. In 2014, this study expanded to the Western Slope of Colorado, building collaborative relationships with wildfire and land managers in Ouray, Delta, Montrose, and Gunnison Counties and is funded by the Joint Fire Sciences Program through 2017.
- Advanced Study Program **Postdoctoral Fellow** at the National Center for Atmospheric Research in the Climate Science and Applications Program where I participated in collaborative research on household coping and preparedness for extreme heat in Phoenix, AZ and continued my research on social interactions, disaster experience, and hazard mitigation behavior (2009-2011).
- **Selected participant** in NSF Dissertations Initiative for the Advancement of Climate Change Research (DISSCRS) 2010. DISSCRS fosters interdisciplinary research on climate change assessment and impacts.
- **Invited participant** in the **Forest Community Vulnerability and Adaptive Capacity in the Context of Climate Change** workshop (November 7-10, 2011, Lubrecht Experimental Forest, Montana). This workshop brought together researchers from the social and biophysical sciences to engage in meetings and small group discussions to explore research needs to foster understanding among managers and planners of vulnerability and adaptive capacity in forest communities. The workshop resulted in the following manager-targeted publication:

P.A. Fischer, Paveglio, T., Carroll, M., Murphy, D., **Brenkert-Smith, H.** 2013. Assessing social vulnerability to climate change in rural communities near public lands: Elements of framework for managers and planners. *Journal of Forestry* 111(5): 357-365.
- **Young Scholar's Network Workshop participant** sponsored by the AIMES (Analysis, Integration, and Modeling of the Earth System): *Historical Ecology: Integrating Biophysical, Historical, and Ethnographic Evidence at the Landscape Scale*, Uxeau, Burgundy, France (June-July 2009) which yielded the following publication:

- Petty, A., C. Isendahl, **H. Brenkert-Smith**, D.J. Goldstein, T.C. Kumasi, A. Rahman, and J.M. Rhemtulla. 2015 Applying historical ecology to natural resource management institutions: lessons from two case studies of landscape fire management. *Global Environmental Change* 31:1-10.
- Christine Mirzayan **Science and Technology Policy Fellow**. Committee on the Human Dimensions of Climate Change. National Academy of Sciences. During my fellowship I contributed to:
    - National Research Council. (2008). *Public participation in environmental assessment and decision making*. National Academies Press.

### **Honors and Awards**

- 2023 Rocky Mountain Research Station's 2022 Award for Science Delivery. Awarded to the Wildfire Research (WiRē) Center
- 2010 Competitively selected participant: DISCCRS V (DISsertations initiative for the advancement of Climate Change ReSearch). March 13-20, 2010, Arizona. National Science Foundation.
- 2005 Winner of the Rural Sociological Society's Natural Resource Research Group graduate student paper competition for "The Place of Fire"
- 2005 Winner of the Annual Hazards and Disasters Paper Competition for Graduate Students for "The Place of Fire." Natural Hazards Center. University of Colorado
- 2002 Highest Honors, Research Methods Ph.D. Comprehensive Exam. Department of Sociology, University of Colorado
- 1999 Outstanding Graduate Student Achievement Award. Department of Women's Studies, San Francisco State University

### **Presentations (2010 - present)**

- Brenkert-Smith, H.**, and Barth, C. 2022. Living with Wildfire in Kenai Peninsula Borough. Kenai Peninsula Borough All Hands All Lands, November 9, 2022.
- Brenkert-Smith, H.** 2021. Can humans live with wildfire? Pathways to wildfire adaptation through evidence-based approaches. CU on the Weekend.
- Brenkert-Smith, H.**, and Barth, C. 2020. Understanding communities to enable community resilience. Wildfire Coordination Group, National Silver Jackets Program National Flood Risk Management Program.
- Brenkert-Smith, H.** and Barth, C. 2020. The Quiet Majority: Understanding Communities to Make Mitigation Work. CU Boulder Natural Hazards Center and the Federal Emergency Management Agency webinar series: Making Mitigation Work. <https://hazards.colorado.edu/training/webinars/the-quiet-majority-understanding-communities-to-make-mitigation-work>
- Essen, M., D.R. Williams, M. Nielsen-Pincus, P. Champ, C. Evers, B. Gray, C. Edgeley, T. Paveglio, L. Yung, C. Wyborn, **H. Brenkert-Smith**, B.A. Miller, D. Jacobs, J. Riley, A. Ager, M. Carroll and M. Billings. 2019. Approaches to Cross-Boundary Wildfire Risk Governance. 8th International Fire Ecology and Management Congress, Tucson, Arizona.
- Brenkert-Smith, H.** 2019. The WiRē Team: Collaborating with practitioners in support of evidence-based programs. University of Colorado - Institute of Behavioral Science Seminar Series, Boulder, CO.
- Champ, P., **Brenkert-Smith, H.**, Donovan, C., and Paveglio, T. 2019. The Wildfire Research (WiRē) Team: A long-running, research-practitioner collaboration centered around community-specific data. Teton Area Wildfire Protection Coalition. Jackson, WY.
- Champ, P., and **Brenkert-Smith, H.** 2019. WiRē Preliminary Results for Chelan County FD1. Co-Management of Fire Risk Transmission webinar. 13 March 2019.
- Champ, P., Meldrum, J., Gomez, J., Falk, L., **Brenkert-Smith, H.**, Barth, C. 2019. Nudging toward information-seeking about wildfire risks. Association of Environmental and Resource Economists Summer Conference, Lake Tahoe, NV, 30 May 2019.

- Brenkert-Smith, H.** 2018. Connecting during a Disaster. CableLabs Innovation Bootcamp. CableLabs, Louisville, CO, 25 September 2018.
- Brenkert-Smith, H.** 2018. Mitigation Matters: Grassroots to National Efforts. 43<sup>rd</sup> Annual Natural Hazards Research and Applications Workshop, Broomfield, CO, 8-12 July, 2018.
- Vickery, J., **H. Brenkert-Smith**, and H. Qin. Dynamic Risk Perception and Action in Response to Forest Insect Disturbance in North-Central Colorado: Qualitative Findings. Poster Session at the Natural Hazards Workshop, July 2018 in Broomfield, Colorado.
- Vickery, J., **H. Brenkert-Smith**, and H. Qin. Changing Risk Perception and Action in Response to Forest Insect Disturbance. International Symposium on Society and Resource Management, June 2018 in Snowbird, Utah.
- Vickery, J., H. Qin, and **H. Brenkert-Smith**. Dynamic Risk Perception and Action in Response to Forest Insect Disturbance in North-Central Colorado. Institute of Behavioral Science Research Symposium, April 2018 in Boulder, Colorado.
- Barth, C., **Brenkert-Smith, H.**, Gomez, J., and Meldrum, J. 2018. The Wildfire Research (WiRē) Team An Innovative Approach to Fire Adaptation. Fire Adapted Communities Learning Network Webinar, 20 March.
- Barth, C., **H. Brenkert-Smith**, J. Meldrum, and J. Gomez. 2017. Wildfire Research (WiRē): Uniting Research and Practice to Address “Last-Mile” Wildfire Problems. [panel presentation] 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual Natural Hazards Research and Applications Workshop, Broomfield, CO, 9-12 July, 2017.
- Brenkert-Smith, H.**, and P. Champ. 2017. Uniting research and practice to promote fire adaptation: The Wildfire Research (WiRē) Team. National Cohesive Strategy Workshop, Reno, NV, 26 April 2017.
- Brenkert-Smith, H.**, C. Barth, P. Champ, and J. Meldrum. 2017. Where you stand depends on where you sit: Qualitative inquiry into notions of wildfire adaptation. Colorado Wildland Fire Conference, Pueblo, CO, 19-21 April 2017.
- Brenkert-Smith, H.** and P. Champ. 2017. The Wildfire Research (WiRē) Team: Infusing social science into wildfire education programs through collaboration and systematic data collection. Fire Adapted Colorado meeting – Fort Collins, CO, 1 February 2017.
- Brenkert-Smith, H.** and P. Champ. 2016. The Wildfire Research (WiRē) Team: Infusing social science into wildfire education programs through collaboration and systematic data collection. Presentation to State Forest Service Leadership Team. 20 December 2016, Fort Collins, Colorado.
- Barth, C., **H. Brenkert-Smith**, L. Falk. 2016. Living with Wildfire: Understanding social science research and wildfire risk mitigation in Southwest Colorado. [panel presentation] 15 November 2016, Durango, CO.
- Brenkert-Smith, H.**, C. Barth, P. Champ, L. Falk., J. Meldrum. 2016. Infusing social science into wildfire education programs through collaboration and systematic data collection. [panel presentation] Interactions of Society and the Environment Seminar Series, November 2, 2016, Fort Collins, CO.
- Brenkert-Smith, H.**, Barth, C., Champ, P., Falk, L., Froemke, P., Gomez, J., Meldrum, J., Warziniack, T., Wilson, P. 2016. The Wildfire Research (WiRē) Team: Infusing social science into programs through collaboration and systematic data collection. Poster session, July 10-14, 2016, Broomfield, CO.
- Brenkert-Smith, H.** with P. Champ, T. Warziniack, J. Meldrum, C. Barth, and L. Falk. 2016. Collaborative Wildfire Research: Homeowner Property Conditions, Community Comparisons, and Using Research to Improve Wildfire Programs. Colorado Office of Emergency Management Conference. 9 March 2016, Colorado Springs, CO
- Brenkert-Smith, H.**, K. Dickinson, and N. Flores. 2016. Assessing the effects of Risk Interdependency, Social Norms, and Costs in a Wildfire Context. Society of Risk Analysis, poster presentation December 7–10, 2015, Washington, D.C.
- Brenkert-Smith, H.**, C. Barth, J. Meldrum, P. Champ, T. Warziniack. 2015. Is the whole greater than the sum of its parts? Homeowner wildfire risk mitigation, community heterogeneity, and fire adaptedness. Colorado Wildfire Conference. 24-26 September 2015, Snowmass CO.
- Brenkert-Smith, H.**, J. Meldrum, P. Champ, and T. Warziniack. 2015. Is the whole greater than the sum of its Parts? Homeowner wildfire risk mitigation, community heterogeneity, and fire adaptedness. Human Dimensions of Wildland Fire Conference. April 20-24 2015, Boise, ID.
- Meldrum, J., P. Champ, T. Warziniack, and H. Brenkert-Smith. 2014. Why do homeowners underestimate wildfire risk? [presented by J. Meldrum]. 89<sup>th</sup> *Western Economic Association International (WEAI) Annual Conference*. Jun 27-Jul 1, 2014, Denver, CO.

- Meldrum, J., P. Champ, T. Warziniack, and H. Brenkert-Smith. 2014. The risk perception gap: Insight from comparison of wildfire risk evaluations for Log Hill Mesa, Colorado. [presented by J. Meldrum]. *Western Agricultural Economics Association (WAEA) Annual Meeting*. Jun 22-24, 2014, Colorado Springs, CO.
- Meldrum, J., H. Brenkert-Smith, P. Champ, T. Warziniack, C. Barth, and L. Falk Living with Wildfire in Colorado: Interdisciplinary research for more effective homeowner wildfire risk mitigation program. [presented by J. Meldrum]. *Institute of Behavioral Science Research Symposium*. Poster session, Apr 16, 2014, Boulder, CO.
- Champ, P., T. Warziniack, J. Meldrum, H. Brenkert-Smith, C. Barth, and L.C. Falk. 2013. Living with Wildfire in Log Hill Mesa: Behavioral Responses to Wildfire Risk. [presented by P. Champ and T. Warziniack]. *Interactions of Society and the Environment Seminar Series*. Nov 21, 2013, Ft. Collins, CO.
- Barth, C., P. Champ, T. Warziniack, J. Meldrum, and **H. Brenkert-Smith**. 2013. Identifying wildfire risk: Pairing homeowner and expert risk assessment [Panel presentation]. *National Fire Protection Association's 2013 Backyards & Beyond Wildland Fire Education Conference*. Nov 14-16, 2013, Salt Lake City, UT.
- Meldrum, J., P. Champ, T. Warziniack, H. Brenkert-Smith, C. Barth, and L.C. Falk Understanding and encouraging wildfire risk mitigation: Survey evidence on cost shared funding, risk perceptions, and more. [presented by J. Meldrum]. *CU Environmental and Resource Economics Workshop 2013*. Oct 4-5, 2013, Vail, CO.
- Brenkert-Smith, H.** 2013 Post-wildfire Research Protocol. Panelist with S. McCaffrey, M. Green, B. Mackie, and D. Gill. Natural Hazards Workshop. June 4-8: Broomfield, CO.
- Carroll, M., T. Paveglio, and **H. Brenkert-Smith**. 2013. Firewise for Whom? International Symposium on Society and Resource Management. July 13-16: Estes Park, CO.
- Champ, P. and **H. Brenkert-Smith**. 2013. Is seeing believing? Wildfire risk perceptions after a catastrophic fire. W3133 Conference: Benefits and Costs of Natural Resources Policies Affecting Ecosystem Services on Public and Private Lands. February 28: Coeur d'Alene, ID.
- Champ, P. and **H. Brenkert-Smith**. 2013. Living with Wildfire in Colorado. Community at Work radio show. KRFC.
- Champ, P. and **H. Brenkert-Smith**. 2012. Colorado Working Together 2012 Forest Summit. 10/12/12 Colorado State University.
- Champ, P. and **H. Brenkert-Smith**. 2012. Homeowner Mitigation and Preparedness. Front Range Fuels Treatment Partnership – Implementers Meeting 3/7/2012.
- Champ, P., K. Dickinson, **H. Brenkert-Smith**, and N. Flores. 2011 The Role of Social Interactions and Risk Perceptions in Homeowners' Wildfire Risk Mitigation Behaviors. Association of Environmental Resource Economics Conference.
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- Champ, P., **H. Brenkert-Smith**, and J. Webster. 2011. Boulder County, Homeowner Mitigation and Preparedness, and the Fourmile Canyon Fire. National Fire Protection Association Conference: Backyards and Beyond. 27 October 2011, Denver, CO.
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- Brenkert-Smith, H.** 2011. Climate-adapted hazard research and management. International Symposium on Society and Resource Management. 5 June 2011. Madison, WI: University of Wisconsin.
- Brenkert-Smith, H.** 2011. Placing hazards decisions in context. Hazards, Disasters, & Society. 3 March 2011, University of Colorado.
- Brenkert-Smith, H.**, M. Hayden, and O. Wilhelmi. 2011. Phoenix heat: A pilot study on urban heat hazards coping and climate adaptation. Interactions of Society and the Environment Seminar Series. 3 February 2011. USGS Fort Collins Science Center.
- Brenkert-Smith, H.** 2010. Four Mile Fire: A Follow-up Study. Advanced Study Program Presentation. National Center for Atmospheric Research. October 2010. Boulder, CO.
- Brenkert-Smith, H.** 2010. Informal social interactions and community context. Fire Social Science Meeting, Western Governors' Association. 9-10 June 2010, Denver, Colorado

- O. Wilhelmi and **Brenkert-Smith, H.** 2010. Panel Session co-Leads: Innovation in Disaster Risk Assessment in Current and Future Climates. Understanding Risk Conference, World Bank, 1-3 June 2010, Washington D.C.
- Brenkert-Smith, H.** and P. Champ, and N. Flores. 2010. Living with Wildfire in Colorado: A Survey of Two Front Range Counties. 2<sup>nd</sup> Human Dimensions of Wildland Fire Conference. International Association of Wildland Fire. 26-29 April 2010, San Antonio, TX.
- Brenkert-Smith, H.** 2010. Bridging Hazards Mitigation and Climate Adaptation Research. DISSCRS (DISsertations initiative for the advancement of Climate Change ReSearch). National Science Foundation. 13-20 March 2010, Arizona.
- Brenkert-Smith, H.,** M. Hayden, and O. Wilhelmi. 2010. Urban Heat Hazards and Climate Adaptation: Phoenix Case Study. Advanced Study Program Presentation. National Center for Atmospheric Research. February 2010, Boulder, CO.

### Areas of Specialization

Actionable research, Community-engaged research, Co-production of science, Environmental Sociology, Social dimensions of risk, Hazard mitigation, Place attachment & meaning, Research methods, Gender

### Professional Service

Manuscript Reviewing Service

<i>Disasters</i>	2016
<i>Ecology &amp; Society</i>	2021, 2020
<i>Environmental Management</i>	2015, 2014, 2013
<i>Environmental Science &amp; Policy</i>	2020
<i>Fire</i>	2020, 2019
<i>Forests</i>	2020, 2014
<i>Int. J. of Disaster Risk Reduction</i>	2022
<i>Int. J. of Wildland Fire</i>	2018, 2017, 2016, 2014, 2011
<i>Journal of Environmental Psych</i>	2020
<i>Journal of Forestry</i>	2016, 2014, 2012, 2011
<i>Journal of Risk Research</i>	2016
<i>Landscape &amp; Urban Planning</i>	2020
<i>Natural Hazards Review</i>	2015, 2014, 2011 (Guest Editor)
<i>Political Geography</i>	2018, 2017
<i>Risk Analysis</i>	2018, 2017, 2016
<i>Risk Research</i>	2016
<i>Society &amp; Natural Resources</i>	2019, 2018, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, 2012, 2011
<i>U.S. Forest Service</i>	2014
<i>Western Economics Forum</i>	2023
<i>WIRE Climate Change</i>	2017

Proposal Review Service

*National Science Foundation* 2021, 2019, 2015, 2014

### Committee and Community Service

Wildfire Research Center – Board of Directors, 2019 – present

Boulder County Wildfire Partners – Advisory Committee, 2014 – present

Institute of Behavioral Science – Board of Directors, 2020 – 2022

Thompson Lecture Series – Organizing committee member, NCAR 2009 – 2011

Advanced Study Program Director Search Committee – Cohort representative, NCAR 2010

Early Career Scientists Assembly – Junior Faculty Forum Committee member, 2010. “Climate and Water:

Advancing adaptation science and strategies for water-resource vulnerability from climate variability and change”



## **Student Advising Service**

### Postdoctoral mentor

Hilary Byerly CU IBS (June 2019 – 2022)  
Jamie Vickery CU IBS (Sept 2017 – 2020)  
James Meldrum CU IBS (2012 – 2016)

### Dissertation Committee Member

Amy Telligman, CU Environmental Studies (2012 – 2013)

### MA/MS Thesis Committee Member

Natalie Bennett, CU Environmental Studies (2021 – 2022)

### Graduate student mentor

Christine Dimke CSU Economics (2019 – present)  
Greg Madonia CU Economics (2017 – 2018)  
Dana Pauzaukie NCAR-SOARS (Significant Opportunities in Atmospheric Research and Science) (2010)

### Undergraduate student mentor

Samantha Johnston (2023-present)  
Lena Miller (2023-present)  
Zoe Boiarsky CU (2019 – 2020)  
Elsa Roeber CU Engineering (2018 – 2019)  
Brianna Champ (2011 – 2014)