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# An Update on a Great Aridness in the American Southwest

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Last winter brought record cold to the eastern United States, record heat to Alaska, and a crushing drought to California. What gives?

This talk, continuing an inquiry begun with deBuy's volume *A Great Aridness*, (Oxford, 2013) will offer "program notes" for understanding the foundation now being laid for the turbulent environmental history of the future.

