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Water resource geography has undergone a considerable transformation since its original moorings in engineering and the pure sciences. From earlier pragmatist engagements to subsequent political economic, cultural, post-structural and materialist turns, the conceptual repertoires of water resource geographers and the spatial scales at which they engage have become very diverse. This Special Issue is a call to highlight the ‘critical’ aspects of water resource geography across conceptual approaches.

We invite contributions in the critical geography tradition that speak to how questions of class, gender, ethnicity, sexual orientation and race are contributive towards access to water and differential vulnerability to water related hazards. We hope that all contributions will be alive to the question of scale and how power politics as scalar politics may speak to critical-water-related concepts, e.g., hydro-social cycles, waterscapes, hydro-hazardscapes, hydro-hegemony, the infra-structural turn, the materialist turn, range of choice, and so on.

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