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Laura Ziemer has worked on collaborative, water-saving projects with agricultural producers, watershed groups, and federal and state agencies for almost two decades. Laura started Trout Unlimited's (TU's) water program by establishing TU's Montana Water Project office in 1998. She has helped grow TU's water work to nine western states to restore and maintain streamflows for healthy trout rivers. She has worked to create more state and federal funding for collaborative conservation work, through such vehicles as the Farm Bill, SECURE Water Act, and Army Corps' funding. She currently serves as TU's Senior Counsel and Water Policy Advisor.

Ms. Ziemer served as a judicial clerk to Honorable Barbara J. Rothstein of the US District Court for the Western District of Washington. She is a 1990 graduate of the University of Michigan, graduating *cum laude* from the Law School while earning a Master's Degree in Resource Ecology *with honors* from the School of Natural Resources. She lives with her husband and two daughters in Bozeman, Montana.