**CSU to establish Global Food Innovation Center**

The JBS Global Food Innovation Center in Honor of Gary and Kay Smith will transform the College of Agricultural Science’s ability to teach and research meat and non-meat food consumption needs for the growing global population. Many food innovation activities will take place in the Center, including market research, the development of ready-to-eat foods, research in packaging, and a café. JBS USA, a leading global food company, dedicated $12.5 million to build the center and provide employee educational programming.

**Colorado River flows will keep shrinking as climate warms**

Warming in the 21st century reduced Colorado River flows by at least 0.5 million acre-feet – about the amount of water used by 2 million people for one year – according to new research from Colorado State University and the University of Arizona. Forty million people in seven U.S. Western states, plus the Mexican states of Sonora and Baja California, rely on the Colorado River for water. The research is the first to quantify the different effects of temperature and precipitation on recent Colorado River flow, said authors Bradley Udall, a senior water and climate scholar at CSU, and Jonathan Overpeck of the UA.

**ACT Human Rights Film Festival returns**

Singer, actor, and activist Harry Belafonte will join the second edition of the ACT Human Rights Film Festival, opening April 14. The weeklong festival features critically acclaimed and recently released international documentary films that explore a range of human rights themes, including art as resistance, women’s rights, war and genocide, immigration and exile, LGBTQ rights, and race and class in America. Belafonte will lead a conversation about Oscar-nominated documentary I Am Not Your Negro the closing night of the festival. Visit [www.ACTfilmfest.org](http://www.ACTfilmfest.org) for films, times, and tickets.

**Rams to open stadium two weeks earlier**

The opening date for CSU’s new on-campus stadium has been moved up two weeks. The first football game in the new stadium will be played Aug. 26 against Oregon State. Contact the Rams sales team at (800) 491-RAMS (7267) or visit [www.CSURams.com/tickets](http://www.CSURams.com/tickets) for new season ticket commitments.

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**Graduate programs ranked among TOP 100**

*U.S. News and World Report* ranked several of Colorado State University’s graduate programs among the top 100 in the nation:

- Biological Sciences: 75
- Chemistry: 49
- Computer Science: 70
- Earth Sciences: 77
- Engineering: 67
- Mathematics: 73
- Occupational Therapy: 6
- Part-time MBA: 63
- Physics: 70
- Political Science: 96
- Psychology: 90
- Professional Veterinary Medicine: 3
- Public Health: 31
- Social Work: 58
- Sociology: 96
- Statistics: 42

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Forest Service nursery gets an upgrade, courtesy of engineering students

The problem: A 50-year-old conveyor belt at the Colorado State Forest Service Nursery, used to transport hundreds of thousands of seedlings through 18,000 square feet of greenhouses, kept breaking.

The solution: The innovative minds of CSU engineering students, who spent seven months designing, building, and installing a brand-new, monorail-inspired seedling transport system for the nursery as part of a senior design project. The Forest Service nursery provides native species of seedling trees, shrubs, and perennials to landowners at low cost to assist with conservation efforts, including reforestation after fires, erosion control, and enhancing wildlife habitats. Order seedlings via http://csfs.colostate.edu.

Wayne McIlwraith to talk equine orthopaedics at President’s Lecture Series

Renowned equine orthopaedic surgeon and researcher Dr. Wayne McIlwraith will be the featured speaker in the President’s Community Lecture Series April 18, 6:30-8 p.m., at the Lory Student Center Theatre. McIlwraith is a pioneer of arthroscopic surgery and joint disease research in horses. He has conducted orthopaedic surgery on some of the world’s top racehorses to maintain health among these elite equine athletes.

The President’s Community Lecture Series, hosted by CSU President Tony Frank, features free, public talks from distinguished University faculty. The talks help introduce CSU research, entrepreneurship, and innovation to the Fort Collins community.