

# **THE GLOBAL ENVIRONMENT – WHAT DOES THAT HAVE TO DO WITH US?**

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### *Biography*

Laurie Batchelder-Adams is SWANA's Past International President. Laurie was raised in Vermont and initially pursued a career in the medical field. After losing interest in that area, she used her science and chemistry background to pursue work in the environmental field. With graduate degrees in Civil Engineering and Environmental Policy and Management in hand, she began designing landfills which ultimately led to her current efforts in the recycling field: diversion planning, facility design, and policy development. Laurie has been providing recycling/waste diversion consulting services in the Rocky Mountain region for over 15 years.

After skiing on Vermont ice for years, Laurie and her husband Greg moved to Colorado to ski Rocky Mountain powder. She first discovered SWANA in 1994 and served on the Colorado Chapter board for a number years; joining the International Board in 1999, and serving as International Secretary, treasurer, vice president, and President. She is currently completing her term as Past President.