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Coconino Plateau Watershed Partnership

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Coconino Plateau Water Advisory Council

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Joint Meeting

Friday, January 29, 2021

10:00 A.M.

Zoom Meeting

Present

Ron Doba, CPWAC/CPWP
John Martinez, City of Sedona
Austin Aslan, City of Flagstaff
Erin Young, City of Flagstaff
Karen Modesto, ADWR
Don Bills, USGS
Brent Bitz, Friends of the Verde River
Casey Jones, USGS
Zach Stevens, attorney, Havasupai Tribe
Deborah Tosline, Bureau of Reclamation
Pete Shearer, Tusayan Sanitary District
Greg Clifton, City of Flagstaff
Tom Lamkin, City of Sedona
David Newlin, LCRP RC&D
John Snickers AZ Water Co.
Kayci Cook, National Monuments
Jocelyn Gibbon, Freshwater Policy Consulting
Tamara Lawless, City of Flagstaff
Lena Fowler, Coconino County
Alicyn Gitlin, Sierra Club
Miranda Morales, Coconino County
Joelynn Ashley, Navajo Nation Water Rights Commission
Roger Clark, Grand Canyon Trust
Ben Gomez, Tusayan Sanitary District
Roxanne Holland, City of Sedona
Kevin Gibson, POW
Wayne Pierce, POW
Sybil Smith, retired
Rob McCandless, WateReuse Arizona
John Vail, Tusayan Sanitary District
Clarinda Vail, Tusayan Mayor

Joe Costian, POW
Serana Riggs, Grand Canyon Trust
Sharon Edgar, POW
Jan Balsom, Grand Canyon Park
Michelle James, Friends of Flagstaff's Future

36 people were in attendance.

1. Welcome and Introductions

Chair Aslan called the meeting to order at approximately 10:00 A.M.
Self-introductions were made by all.

2. Approval of Joint Meeting Minutes – Meeting of December 4, 2020

Tom Lamkin made a motion to approve the minutes from December 4, 2020. The motion was seconded by Brent Bitz and carried.

3. Action Items

A. Consideration of Letter of Support to ADEQ for Updating Rules for Direct Potable Reuse

Ron Doba introduced Rob McCandless who gave a presentation on the rules update and the need for them. WateReuse Arizona is looking for support in their efforts to make direct potable reuse safe and feasible in the state. Currently the rules need updating to include recommendations made in the Recycled Work Groups Final Report of 2018. David Newlin made a motion to approve the Letter of Support to ADEQ. The motion was seconded by Brent Bitz and carried.

4. Non-Action Items

A presentation was made on fracking by Dr. Kevin Gibson from Protect Our Waters (POW). Dr. Gibson's presentation is available on the CPWAC web site.
The following web link may be reviewed for reference on this topic
<https://azdeq.gov/helium>.

5. Committee Reports

A. TAC: Ron Doba reported the TAC had met via Zoom yesterday. The focus of the meeting was the upcoming educational forum for the Partnership on May 28th at the High-Country Conference Center in Flagstaff. The TAC has also applied for a WaterSMART grant from Reclamation for \$99,000+ to do additional calibration on the C and R aquifer model, develop a dashboard for the Water Related Ecosystems Services Assessment and another update of the Water Source and Demand Maps.

B. GAC: Greg Clifton reported on the Rural Management Area legislation. A concern is that as drafted, municipalities would not be exempt. The bill is HB 2679 this year. Greg also reported on the legislative priorities adopted by the Flagstaff City Council.

C. POC: Tamara reported the POC met yesterday and is continuing to make progress on the story map project. They hope to have the project complete by May. Ron reported on the "Parched" water exhibit. The exhibit has moved to the Amerind Museum in Dragoon. He encouraged folks to view the documentary he shared with participants.

5. Members Corner - None

6. CPWP Members Roundtable

Jocelyn Gibbon reported on her involvement in the Water for Arizona Coalition and their priority working on groundwater issues outside of AMAs in the state.

Roger Clark reported that he is retiring and Sarana Riggs will be taking his place participating in the CPWP. The Trust is also hiring a Water Director.

Brent Bitz announced the Friends of the Verde have a position open for a Multi Watershed Monitor Crew Leader. Information is available on their web site.

Supervisor Fowler indicated the County has been working on the state and national level on all bills.

Tom Lamkin announced Sedona has a new City Manager, Karen Osburn.

7. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at approximately 11:48 A.M.