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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 31, 2020

10:00 A.M.

USGS Building #3

2255 N Gemini Drive, Flagstaff, Arizona 86001

Present

Austin Aslan, City of Flagstaff

Ron Doba, CPWAC/CPWP

Karen Modesto, ADWR

Don Bills, USGS

Zach Stevens, Havasupai Tribe (phone)

David Newlin, LCP RC&D

John Martinez, City of Sedona

Erin Young, City of Flagstaff

Morgan O'Connor, ADEQ

Brad Hill, City of Flagstaff

Jan Balsom, Grand Canyon Park

Alicyn Gitlin, Sierra Club

Pete Shearer, Tusayan Sanitary District

Bruce Northern, Town of Tusayan

Kira Russo, Global Water Policy LLC

Brent Bitz, Friends of the Verde River

Robert Kirk, Navajo Nation

John Snickers, AZ Water Co.

Kayci Cook Collins, NPS

Casey Jones, USGS

Liz Archuleta, Coconino County

Jim Duffield, Hopi Tribe

Roger Clark, Grand Canyon Trust

Roxanne Holland, City of Sedona

Deborah Tosline, BOR (phone)

Kristine Uhlman, retired

Ruth Mortenson, citizen

27 people were in attendance, all did not sign in

1. Welcome and Introductions

Vice-Chair John Martinez 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 6, 2019

Brent Bitz made a motion to approve the minutes from December 6, 2019. The motion was seconded by Austin Aslan and carried.

3. Action Items – None

4. Non-Action Items

A. Presentation on Fracking

A presentation was given by Kristine Uhlman on fracking. The presentation is posted on the CPWAC web site.

5. Committee Reports

A. TAC: Ron Doba gave an update on the work being done by Matrix for the C & R Aquifer groundwater modeling. The final report is expected in three weeks. The TAC met with Freshwater Policy yesterday for an initial meeting on the WRESA Phase 2. He is also in the process of determining if other parties will contribute to funding the USGS to startup the stream flow gage on Chevelon Creek and monitor it.

B. GAC: Brad Hill gave an update on some of the proposed water related State legislation. Brad suggested Tom Whitmer give a presentation to the CPWP on proposed legislation.

C. POC: Amanda Acheson was not present and there was no POC meeting to report on.

5. Members Corner - None

6. CPWP Members Roundtable

Austin Aslan reported the Flagstaff Council recently had a joint meeting with the Hualapai Council. They are concerned about water issues and the Mayor indicated they could be involved in the CPWP.

Jim Duffield reported on recent Hopi water projects.

Kayci Cook Collins reported she will be gone for four months at Moab and will be replaced by Doug Lentz.

Brad Hill reported Flagstaff had been visited by ADWR and were doing the hydrographic survey report for the LCR.

Brent Bitz reported on the Verde Watershed Report Card that will be released soon.

Robert Kirk reported on the closings of the NGS and San Juan Generating Station.

Zack Stevens commented the Havasupai are not affected by the bill dealing with gaming/adjudication settlements.

Erin Young reported on the Water Resources Master Plan being developed for Flagstaff.

Karen Modesto reported ADWR is working with the Management Plans and GWAICC efforts.

John Martinez reported Sedona is redoing their sewer fees.

7. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at approximately 11:45 A.M.

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