

# **MINUTES**

Coconino Plateau Watershed Partnership

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Friday, May 27, 2016

10:00 A.M.

**USGS Building #3**

**2255 N Gemini Drive, Flagstaff, Arizona 86001**

## **Present**

Jerry Nabours, City of Flagstaff  
John Martinez, City of Sedona  
Don Bills, USGS  
Ed Wolfe, Verde River Basin Partnership  
Brent Bitz, Verde River Basin Partnership  
Gwen Waring (SP?), citizen  
Keith Self, Arizona Water Co.  
Alicyn Gitland, Sierra Club  
Leo Manheimer, Navajo Nation  
Gil Arviso, Navajo Nation  
Ruby Quotschenma, Hopi Tribe  
Uberta Mowa, Hopi Tribe  
Ron Doba, CPWAC/CPWP  
Mike Macauley, CNRCD  
Thomas Siyuja, Sr., Havasupai Tribe  
Deborah Tosline, Reclamation  
Shelton Manakaja, Havasupai Tribal Council  
Jim Duffield, Hopi Tribe  
Pete Shearer, Tusayan Sanitary District  
Erin Young, City of Flagstaff  
Frank McNelly, City of Williams  
Ray Benally, Navajo Nation  
Charles Mosley, City of Sedona  
Margaret Vick, Havasupai Tribe  
Rusty Tweed, Woodson Engineering  
Brenda Smith, US Fish & Wildlife

SOME PEOPLE DID NOT SIGN IN (total 27 in attendance)

## **1. Welcome and Introductions**

Vice Chair Jerry Nabours opened the meeting at approximately 10:05 A.M. Self-introductions were made by all present.

## **2. Approval of Minutes – Meeting of April 29, 2016**

John Martinez made a motion to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Frank McNelly and carried.

**3. Action Items - None**

**4. Non-Action Items**

**A. Presentation – Verde River Basin Partnership Water Resources Primer**

Ed Wolfe gave a presentation on the Water Resources Primer that has been published by the Verde River Basin Partnership. Copies of the Primer were provided the participants in attendance. Brent Bitz gave a brief overview of the Verde River Basin Partnership. The presentation is posted on the CPWAC website.

**B. Update on Activities of Governor’s Water Augmentation Council**

Ron Doba provided the background on the Council and what has taken place during the first two meetings that were held this year. All information on Council activities may be found on the ADWR website in the Arizona Water Initiative section. Ron’s presentation is posted on the CPWAC website.

**5. Committee Reports**

**A. CPWP Technical Advisory Committee**

Deborah Tosline reported on the previous day TAC meeting. Yesterday there was a presentation by Bruce Gungle of the USGS on the Upper San Pedro Basin. Genevieve Johnson also gave a presentation on the spatial database developed by the DLCC. The TAC will be focusing on the Sustainable Water Plan work session for next month’s meeting. Erin Young discussed the Arizona Community Foundation Grant Challenge (\$250,000) that is coming up. Erin asked for ideas for a project could be submitted. The Partnership could be a collaborator for a submittal. Applications are due August 12<sup>th</sup>.

**B. Public Outreach Committee**

Ron reported that Amanda has a new intern that will assist with the 4<sup>th</sup> grade water ethics contest. The POC participated with the County yesterday on the Rio de Flag cleanup. Amanda, ADWR staff and Ron will be presenting at a City of Page Council meeting on June 22<sup>nd</sup>. Page has requested a presentation on their water rights and it will be used to update the Council on our activities.

**C. Government Affairs Committee**

No report.

## **6. Member Corner**

Brenda Smith gave a presentation on current U.S. Fish and Wildlife activities. Her presentation is posted on the CPWAC website.

## **7. CPWP Member Roundtable**

Frank McNelly reported tourist season is picking up in Williams.

Mike Macauley announced the August 9<sup>th</sup> State Association Meeting and a May 31<sup>st</sup> meeting at Willow bend. Another meeting is scheduled for a June 8<sup>th</sup> local workgroup meeting at Game and fish.

Jim Duffield reported the Hopi are doing work at a wetlands area at White Ruin Canyon, monitor wells and fencing. Jim introduced the Hopi Grants Manager and Administrative Assistant.

Erin reported the Annual Report to the Flagstaff Water Commission has been published and is available to the public.

Gwen Waring reported on the book she is working on that deals with the San Francisco Peaks. She is interested in the snowmaking.

Gil Arviso reported the Navajo Nation is working on dealing with the Gold King Mine Spill.

Pete reported Tusayan had their first revegetation project along the highways.

Mike Macauley indicated the Water Protection Fund Committee is in need of a tribal representative.

## **8. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at approximately 12:05P.M.