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Coconino Plateau Watershed Partnership

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Coconino Plateau Water Advisory Council

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Joint Meeting

Friday, June 28, 2019

10:00 A.M.

USGS Building #3

2255 N Gemini Drive, Flagstaff, Arizona 86001

Present

Ron Doba, CPWAC/CPWP
Liz Archuleta, Coconino County
Kira Russo, Global Water Policy Consulting
Karen Modesto, ADWR
Don Bills, USGS
Alicyn Gitlin, Sierra Club
Thomas Siyuja, Sr., Havasupai Tribe
Brent Bitz, Friends of the Verde River
Shelton Manakaja, Havasupai Tribe
Casey Jones, USGS
Jan Balsom, Grand Canyon National Park
Zach Stevens, Havasupai Tribe (phone)
David Newlin, LCP RC&D
John Martinez, City of Sedona
Roger Clark, Grand Canyon Trust
Brad Hill, City of Flagstaff
Benjamin Gomez Jr., Tusayan Sanitary District
Jim Duffield, Hopi Tribe
Andrew Brischke, UA Cooperative Extension
Gayatri Girirajan, Grand Canyon Trust
Kathy Deasy, Resident
Rachael Ellis, Friends of Flagstaff Future
Deborah Tosline, Reclamation (phone)
Mike Macauly, Coconino NRCD
Erin Young, City of Flagstaff
Ashley Hullinger, University of Arizona
Ruth Mortenson, Flagstaff Resident

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 May 31, 2019

Liz Archuleta made a motion to approve the minutes from May 31, 2019. The motion was seconded by Erin Young and carried.

3. Action Items

A. None

4. Non-Action Items

A. Presentation: Conserve 2 Enhance – Ashley Hullinger, University of Arizona WRRC

Ashley Hullinger and Erin Young gave a presentation on the Conserve 2 Enhance Program. A proposal was made that the CPWP be the fiscal agent for the program. The C2E website would continue to be used by all users. Don asked who would be tracking progress on grants? Ashly indicated Tucson has a grants committee nested within the Advisory Committee. The CPWP would have a person on the Grants Committee and the Advisory Committee. There needs to be further discussion between CPWP, Erin and Ashley before this item is taken to the Board. Brent Bitz suggested Ron talk to him and Nancy regarding the effort involved by the Friends of the Verde in taking on a fiscal agent responsibility for one of the associations they have been working with. Ashley's presentation is posted on the CPWAC website.

5. Committee Reports

A. CPWP Technical Advisory Committee

Ron Doba reported the TAC had met yesterday and had a conference call with the groundwater modeling consultant on the methodology to be used for the climate change scenario. Ron indicated he needs a good count on the show of hands from those that will be attending the October 4th field trip. The application for an educational waiver from the Park Service was approved and he needs a final count for the letter of approval. It appeared 27 CPWP participants would attend. Abe will have 35 participants and APS wants 10 spots. Ron will ask for a waiver for 80 people. Sponsors have been identified for all of Abe Springer's students. Invoices will be sent out in July to sponsors. The group will be meeting at 6:00 A.M. at the USGS on October 4th. Lunches will be BYO. Checks need to be made out to the Coconino Plateau Watershed Partnership by the August meeting because fees are due 30 days prior to the trip. The cost of the trip will be \$85 per person. Everything taken on the trip must meet TSA requirements.

B. Public Outreach Committee

Ron reported there had not been a public outreach meeting but he has been continuing to attend the water art exhibition planning meetings at the Falstaff Arts Council. We have applied for a \$10,000 grant from AZ Humanities to support the exhibition.

C. Government Affairs Committee

Brad was not in attendance. He had sent an email out regarding Mayor Evans and him attending the committee meeting in D.C. supporting HR 1373, the Grand Canyon Centennial Protection Act.

6. Members Corner – None this month

7. CPWP Member Roundtable

Liz Archuleta reported the BOS has a new chair, Lena Fowler, and vice chair, Jim Parks. Mike Macaully reported the Conservation District is focusing on invasive species that are a result of being transported by heavy equipment.

Jim Duffield reported they are completing annual sampling and are involved in water rights negotiations with the Navajo.

Jan reported the Grand Canyon became the newest Dark Sky Park.

Brent Bitz reported the Smithsonian Institute is having its Water Ways display in the Camp Verde library. The Friends is hosting their State of the Watershed Conference in the later part of October.

John Martinez reported Sedona is installing two new roundabouts to improve traffic flow.

Karen Modesto reported on two new committees started by the GWAICC. One for the new management plan and the other for Groundwater outside the AMAs.

Roger Clark reported the Trust is paying attention to the closure of the Navajo Generating Station economic impacts and the water that will not be required for the NGS.

8. Adjournment

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