

MINUTES

Coconino Plateau Water Advisory Council

Friday, July 27, 2012

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

USGS Building #3

2255 N Gemini Drive, Flagstaff, Arizona 86001

Present

Brenda Smith, Fish and Wildlife Service
Deborah Tosline, Bureau of Reclamation
Sybil Smith, ADEQ
John Davison, Coconino NRCD
Steve Rice, National Park Service
Gerry Walker, ADWR
Art Babbott, citizen
Mandy Metzger, Coconino County
Diane Lenz, citizen
Brent Bitz, City of Sedona
Tom Whitmer, City of Cottonwood
Ron Doba, CPWAC
Ray Benally, Navajo Nation
Joanne Keene, Coconino County
Coral Evans, City of Flagstaff
Don Bills, USGS
Diane Chung, National Park Service
Erin Young, City of Flagstaff
Abe Springer, NAU
Sue Pratt, Coconino County
Keith Self, Arizona Water Company
Lionel Puhuyesva, Hopi Tribe
Steve Olson, Nature Conservancy
Joelynn Ashley, citizen

Conference Call

Cynthia Stefanovic, State Land Department

1. Welcome and Introductions

Brenda Smith opened the meeting and introductions were made by all present.

2. Approval of Minutes – WAC Meeting of June 29, 2012

Mandy Metzger made a motion to approve the minutes from June 29, 2012. The motion was seconded by John Davison and carried.

3. Action Items

A. Continuation of by-laws review and adoption

Ron Doba reported no comments had been received on the by-laws. Last month the WAC made it through the first two Articles of the by-laws. The draft currently includes the changes from that meeting. Discussion took place regarding the inclusion of “Private Land Managers” and how they can be best represented. The decision was made to include “environmental and conservation organizations” in place of the term “Private Land Managers” where it currently exists.

Additional revisions to the draft bylaws made by the WAC include the following:

- II.1 Deleted the term “Arizona”
- Deleted the definition of “Private Land Manager”
- III.3 Replaced “shall” with “may,” replace “action” with “confirmation of continued participation.”
- IV.2 Include “and two at-large board members”
- IV.3 Include “(when available)” after “electronically”
- IV.6 Replaced “adjourned” with “reconvened”
- IV.8 Deleted the term “formally”
- V.1 Included “shall be conducted” after “Directors”
- V.5 Deleted “The formulation of policy decisions and determination of policy matters for the Council” and “The initiation and/or request for studies to be undertaken either by inter-agency agreement, contract, or otherwise as they may deem appropriate.” Replace “initiation” of grant applications with “submission and acceptance” of grant applications. Delete “The Board of Directors may adopt rules governing the procedures of the meetings of the members” in two locations. Include “as prescribed by the fiscal management policy” after Adoption of an annual budget.
- VI Deleted “AND MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS,” Deleted “of” and “members, the” in the first sentence
- VII.1 Deleted the word “all” before the word “documents”
- VIII.1 Replaced “shall” with “may”
- VIII.2 Replaced “shall” with “may”
- VIII.3 Replaced “shall” with “may” at two locations
- IX Deleted “or two of the members” from first sentence and replaced “Executive Director” with “staff” in second sentence
- X.2 Deleted entire Section addressing voluntary withdrawal
- XII Inserted “pursuant to the provisions of Section IV.3 in last sentence
- XIII.1 Deleted “and all standing and special committees” and “exclude persons, including members, from Executive Session meetings when such exclusion is appropriate” from first sentence. Inserted “enter into executive sessions as deemed necessary for discussion of legal matters, personnel matters or contract negotiations”
- XIII.2 Deleted entire Section dealing with legal positions of members
- XIV Deleted entire Article dealing with conflicts of members

Coral Evans moved to adopt the CPWAC by-laws as amended by the WAC. Mandy Metzger seconded the motion and it carried. The adopted by-laws are to be used for submission by Ron Doba to the IRS. Ron was directed to bring back amended by-laws to the CPWAC that include a Section identifying the authorities and

responsibilities of the WAC. These are to include those removed from the Board of Directors under V.5.

B. Election of officers in accordance with adopted by-laws

This item was postponed till the next meeting due to time constraints.

C. Public Outreach Conceptual Plan and Consideration of Willow Bend 5-Points Proposal

This item was postponed till the next meeting due to time constraints.

4. Non-Action Items

A. Water Resources Development Commission Report

This item was postponed to the next meeting due to time constraints.

5. Committee Reports

A. Technical Advisory Committee

The report was postponed till the next meeting due to time constraints.

B. Government Affairs Committee

The report was postponed till the next meeting due to time constraints.

C. Public Outreach Committee

The report was postponed till the next meeting due to time constraints.

6. CPWAC Roundtable Discussion

The report was postponed till the next meeting due to time constraints.

7. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned approximately 12:10 P.M.