

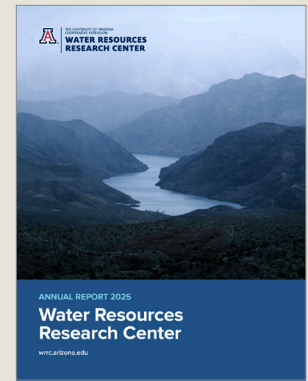


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WATER RESOURCES RESEARCH CENTER

2025 HIGHLIGHTS

Photo: Sandy Shiloh – Colorado River, AZ 2023
2025 WRRC Photo Contest



ANNUAL REPORT

More information and metrics can be found at wrrc.arizona.edu/about/annual-report



Arizona Governor Katie Hobbs and WRRC Director Sharon B. Megdal, WRRC 2025 Annual Conference. Image: Jay Corella

- **13,500** RECIPIENTS of the annual *Arroyo* publication
- **4084** SUBSCRIBERS to the Weekly Wave e-News Digest
- **1010** REGISTRANTS for the 2025 Annual Conference
- **45** PRESENTATIONS by WRRC personnel to diverse audiences
- **26** PUBLICATIONS by WRRC personnel
- **142** SUBMISSIONS to the annual WRRC photo contest
- **57** PUBLIC INQUIRIES submitted and answered via WRRC-Extension's online information request form
- **134** ATTENDEES (AVERAGE) participated in 12 Water Webinars

CONNECTING TO THE PUBLIC

In 2025, water remained an important issue in the Southwest, and the WRRC was once again called upon by various stakeholders and partners to be a trusted source of information. Throughout the year, the WRRC's role in helping to facilitate water resources discourse in Arizona and beyond has been reaffirmed through many research, outreach, and engagement efforts to expand water awareness and understanding of water resource issues.

Annual Conference

The 2025 Annual Conference, *Shared Borders, Shared Waters: Working Together in Times of Scarcity*, at the University of Arizona Student Union. There were **267** people registered in-person and more than **740** for the Zoom livestream. Attendees heard from **49** speakers, who shared their ideas for solutions to the pressing water resource challenges currently facing Arizona and the region. The full recorded program is available online.

wrrc.arizona.edu/conference

WRRC Water Webinar Series

The WRRC's Water Webinar Series continues to attract diverse audiences for presentations and dialogues on a wide range of water topics.

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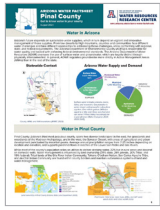
GREATER DEPTH, BROADER PERSPECTIVE FOR A CLEAR WATER FUTURE

We tackle key water policy and management issues, empower informed decision-making, and enrich understanding through engagement, education, and applied research.

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RESOURCES

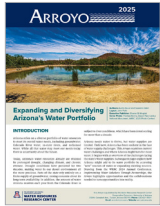
Online and Print



Arizona Water Factsheets

The WRRC's Arizona Water Factsheet series offers an in-depth overview of the county's water resources and the vital roles of groundwater and surface water in supporting agriculture and population growth.

wrrc.arizona.edu/arizona-water-factsheets



Arroyo

The *2025 Arroyo — Expanding and Diversifying Arizona's Water Portfolio* — The 2025 Arroyo describes the many ways Arizona is exploring to develop "new" water sources for a secure, sustainable supply. It focuses on four broad strategies: treating water, capturing water, transporting water, and exchanging water.

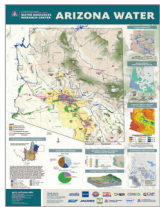
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Reflections

WRRC Director Sharon B. Megdal published six *Reflections* essays via the *Weekly/Summer Wave*.

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Arizona Water Map Poster

Order your water map using the link below.

wrrc.arizona.edu/arizona-water-map-form

Water Research and Planning Innovations for Dryland Systems

Through a flexible approach to water resources planning, the Water RAPIDS program seeks to strengthen local and regional economies while supporting the natural resources that contribute to quality of life.

wrrc.arizona.edu/programs/water-rapids

Transboundary Aquifer Assessment Program (TAAP)

TAAP is a federally funded program co-hosted by the USGS Arizona Water Science Center in Tucson, Arizona, and the Water Resources Research Center (WRRC) at the University of Arizona.

wrrc.arizona.edu/taap
wrrc.arizona.edu/taap-spanish

WRRC Website

The WRRC website highlights programs, activities, news, and events. Seminars and annual conference presentations are posted for easy access, along with publications and online resources.

wrrc.arizona.edu
• wrrc.arizona.edu/conference
• wrrc.arizona.edu/groundwater-gov-management
• wrrc.arizona.edu/middle-east-water
• wrrc.arizona.edu/publications

Arizona Water Conservation Factsheets

In 2025, WRRC received notice of an award for a WIFA grant supporting the development of six water conservation factsheets. Using the process of development established by the successful Arizona Water Factsheets project, the Water RAPIDS program staff and graduate research assistants initiated work on this project.

Keep Up With Water News and Events

Subscribe to the **Weekly Wave** — the e-News Digest that offers the latest in water news, notices of upcoming events, and announcements from the WRRC and others. Subscribers also receive the *Arroyo* — an annual publication that examines a timely topic of importance to Arizona.

WEEKLY WAVE



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WRRC Annual Photo Contest

Each year, the WRRC hosts a photo contest (wrrc.arizona.edu/opportunities/photo-contest) and uses the submitted photographs in various ways, including in this document, in the *Arroyo* and other publications, and on the website. The 2025 Photo Contest theme was *A World of Water*. Photo: Kohinoor Kar — Horseshoe Bend, Glen Canyon, AZ 2023



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