

# MINUTES

## Coconino Plateau Watershed Partnership

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## Coconino Plateau Water Advisory Council

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Joint Meeting

Friday, May 26, 2023

10:00 A.M.

### Meeting Location:

Zoom Virtual Meeting

#### Present

Ron Doba, CPWAC/CPWP  
Don Bills, USGS  
Pete Furman, City of Sedona  
David Newlin, LCRP RC&D  
Erin Young, City of Flagstaff  
Lauren Allison, ADEQ  
Will Gieser, Havasupai Tribe  
Austin Aslan, City of Flagstaff  
Jess McNeely, Coconino County  
Nancy Steele, Friends of the Verde River  
Alicyn Gitlin, Sierra Club  
Melissa Shaw, Coconino County  
Greg Clifton, City of Flagstaff  
Roxanne Holland, City of Sedona  
Jon Mason, USGS  
Paul Mood, City of Flagstaff  
John Martinez, Sedona  
Jan Balsom, Grand Canyon Park

Eighteen people were in attendance.

#### 1. Welcome and Introductions

Chair Austin Aslan called the meeting to order at approximately 10:00 A.M.  
All made self-introductions.

#### 2. Approval of Joint Meeting Minutes – Meeting of April 28, 2023

Nancy Steele made a motion to approve the minutes from April 28, 2023. The motion was seconded by Pete Furman and carried.

#### 3. Action Items

a. None

**4. Non-Action Items**

**a. Presentation on Flagstaff Rio de Flag Project**

Greg Clifton and Paul mood gave a Power Point presentation on the Rio de Flag project being completed by the City of Flagstaff. The presentation is posted on the CPWAC web site.

**b. Strategic Planning Retreat Discussion**

Ron gave an update on the June 30<sup>th</sup> Strategic Planning retreat. A questionnaire will go out to the CPWAC/CPWP stakeholders ahead of time. It will be at the Highlands Fire District facility. Possible topics suggested rural groundwater legislation, someone from the state legislature to attend, AMWUA, SAWUA presentations. It was decided the retreat should not have outside speakers but focus on the CPWAC/CPWP efforts.

**5. Committee Reports**

**A. TAC:** Don Bills reported on yesterday's TAC meeting. The TAC continues to work on the Reclamation grant projects, stream flow gages, and field trip. The TAC held a "kickoff" meeting with Matrix Engineering for the Coconino/Redwall-Muav Aquifer Project Phase 2 Project. They also discussed the status of the proposed LGSA legislation.

**B. GAC:** Nothing new to report.

**C. POC:** Ron updated the group on the 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Water Ethics Contest status.

**6. CPWP Members Roundtable**

Nancy reported on their two weeklong Bio Blitz that was a big success.

Erin reported on the upcoming AZHS symposium and the WateReuse symposiums.

Jan Balsom reported on upcoming events at the Grand Canyon and the status of the North Rim water system. The Secretary of the Interior was at the Grand Canyon the past weekend.

**7. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:33 a.m.