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Coconino Plateau Watershed Partnership

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Coconino Plateau Water Advisory Council

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Joint Meeting

Friday, March 29, 2024

10:00 A.M.

Meeting Location:

In Person Meeting at:

Flagstaff Public Works Department

3200 W Route 66

Flagstaff, AZ 86001

The meeting was also available by Zoom

Present

Roxanne Holland, City of Sedona

Austin Aslan, City of Flagstaff

Ron Doba, CPWAC/CPWP

Alan Dulaney, KVID

Pete Shearer, Tusayan Sanitary District

Greg Clifton, City of Flagstaff (virtual)

Erin Young, City of Flagstaff

Michellsey Benally, Grand Canyon Trust

Don Bills, USGS

David Newlin, LCRP RC&D (virtual)

Tracy Stevens, Friends of the Verde River (virtual)

Lori Mathews, City of Flagstaff

David Gressly, Friends of the Verde River

Kira Russo, Global Water Policy

John Martinez, Sedona

Jeronimo Vasquez, Coconino County (virtual)

Coral Evans, Senator Kelly's Office

Adam Hess, Coconino County

Valerie Swick, Reclamation (virtual)

Emily Melhorn, City of Flagstaff

Keegan Donovan, USGS

Lori Mathews, City of Flagstaff

Will Gieser, Havasupai Tribe (virtual)

Tracy Stevens, Friends of the Verde River (virtual)
Lisa Kim, BIA
Kevin Lane, ADWR

Twenty-six 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 February 23, 2024

John Martinez made a motion to approve the minutes from February 23, 2024. The motion was seconded by Pete Shearer and carried. Ron indicated David's name spelling will be corrected.

3. Action Items

a. None

4. Non-Action Items

a. Update on ADWR State Water Supply and Demand Project

Kevin Lane gave a PowerPoint presentation on the progress of the Basin Water Supply and Demand efforts undertaken by ADWR. The presentation will be posted on the CPWAC web site.

5. Committee Reports

a. TAC

Don Bills reported on yesterday's TAC meeting. The TAC continues to work on the Reclamation grant projects. The TAC is recommending that it pursues the Verde Canyon Railroad for this year's field trip. They will try to get the cost per person down to about \$50 by getting sponsors. Normal cost is over \$100 per person. They proposed that a speaker be provided by the Friends of the Verde or TNC so more technical information can be provided than the "canned" train presentation.

b. GAC

Greg Clifton reported on some of the bills progressing through the State Legislature and asked Ron to update everyone on the status of the Basin Management Area and Rural Groundwater Management Area bills, which he did.

c. POC

Emily reported on the 4th Garde Water Ethics Contest winners and the plans for celebrations with the winning students and teachers.

6. CPWP Members Roundtable

David Gressly reported on the award recently received by The Friends of the Verde River from Arizona Forward. Also, on the upcoming birding festival.

Erin reported on the rate study Flagstaff is undergoing.

Allen reported the Kachina Village Improvement District is focusing on a new well.

Emily reported on Water Awareness month activities for April and upcoming tours of the water reclamation plant.

Pete Shearer reported on the community garden project in Tusayan.

Kira reported on the map being developed of points of interest along the Rio de Flag.

Kevin reported on the Water Awareness Festival activities at the Capitol scheduled for April 6th 10:00AM to 2:00 PM. They will have a petting zoo set up.

7. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:50 AM.