# MINUTES

## Coconino Plateau Watershed Partnership
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## Coconino Plateau Water Advisory Council
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Joint Meeting
**Friday, August 28, 2026**
**10:00 A.M.**

## Virtual Zoom Meeting

**Present**
Austin Aslan, City of Flagstaff
Ron Doba, CPWAC/CPWP
Emily Melhorn, City of Flagstaff
Jeronimo Vasquez, Coconino County
Erin Young, City of Flagstaff
Kira Russo, Global Water Policy
Anthony Garcia, City of Flagstaff
Jessica Anderson, USGS
Valerie Swick, Reclamation
Pete Furman, City of Sedona
Lionel Puhuyesva, Moonshot Missions
Roxanne Holland, City of Sedona
Zach Ferrie, NRC Engineers
Joe Trudeau, The Wilderness Society
Alan Dulaney, KVID
Michelle Oldfield, ASU
Lisa Kim, BIA

Approx. seventeen people were in attendance.

**2. Welcome and Introductions**
Chair Austin Aslan called the meeting to order at approximately 10:00 AM. Pete Furman read the Land Acknowledgement. All made self-introductions.

**2. Approval of Joint Meeting Minutes – Meeting of June 26, 2026**
Pete Furman made a motion to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Emily Melhorn and carried.

**3. Action Items**

a. **None**

4. **Non-Action Items**

a. **Presentation: Arizona Wild and Scenic Rivers/Outstanding Arizona Waters**

Joe Trudeau of The Wilderness Society gave a Power Point presentation on the Arizona Wild and Scenic Rivers and Outstanding Waters. The presentation is posted on the CPWAC web site. There may be interest in supporting the designation of the Upper Verde as a Wild and Scenic River.

5. **Committee Reports**

**a. TAC**

Ron reported that the TAC met yesterday and he provided the details for next month's field trip. An email will go out to the forty attendees next week with reminders of timing, etc. The TAC is also working on the RFP for the development of a web-based application for groundwater monitoring for all users and developing a scope for additional groundwater modeling for the purpose of determining water adequacy for users of the C and R/M Aquifers.

**b. GAC**

Ron will be presenting on water security to State elected officials and candidates along with AMWUA and SAWUA on September 23rd.

**c. POC**

Emily reported a meeting was held yesterday and the main topic was the upcoming 4th Grade Water Ethics Contest. A flyer has been created and outreach has begun. The Flagstaff Water Festival is not happening in the Fall of this year. We will be promoting the contest at the Sedona Water Festival. We may be displaying the Water Ethics submissions at the Old Icehouse where Montgomery and Associates are now located.

6. **CPWP Members Roundtable**

Erin reported on the upcoming AHS field trips.
Pete reported Roxanne has been promoted to the Director of Public Works for Sedona.
Michelle reported the Water Initiate is now winding down but they hope to keep the work going.
Roxanne reported on the wastewater rate study Sedona is doing.
Emily will be presenting at the upcoming Festival of Science.
Valerie reminded all about funding opportunities.
Alan reported on the new well for Kachina Village.
Kira reported on a grant received by the Friends of the Rio, and they have a new AmeriCorps member.

7. **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:07 AM.