



ANNUAL REPORT

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- **14,260** RECIPIENTS of the annual *Arroyo* publication
- 3,800 SUBSCRIBERS to the Weekly Wave e-News Digest
- 883 REGISTRANTS for the 2024 Annual Conference
- 61 PRESENTATIONS by WRRC personnel to diverse audiences
- 16 PUBLICATIONS by WRRC personnel
- 134 SUBMISSIONS to the annual WRRC photo contest
- 74 PUBLIC INQUIRIES submitted and answered via WRRC-Extension's online information request form
- 102 ATTENDEES (AVERAGE) participated in 11 Water Webinars



Arizona Governor Katie Hobbs and WRRC Director Sharon B. Megdal, WRRC 2024 Annual Conference. Image: Brian Valencia

CONNECTING TO THE PUBLIC

In 2024, 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 2024 Annual Conference, *Implementing Water Solutions Through Partnerships*, at the University of Arizona Student Union. There were **270** people registered in-person and more than **600** for the Zoom livestream. Attendees heard from more than **50** 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 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.

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 Pinal County Water Factsheet was released and was the final publication in the WRRC's Arizona Water Factsheet series. The factsheets offer 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.

Factsheets



Arroyo

The 2024 Arroyo — Solutions to Arizona's Water Challenges: What Can We Do? — Water resources in Arizona are under stress from climate change, a two-decade megadrought, and chronic overuse. These combined stressors have created multiple complex and interconnected challenges that call out for solutions. This Arroyo proposes answers to the question: What can be done?



Arizona Water Map Poster

Order your water map using this Order Form.



Reflections

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

Reflections



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.

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.

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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 Conference
- Groundwater Governance
- Middle East Water
- Publications

Keep Up With Water News and Events

Subscribe to the Weekly Wave – the e-News Digest that offers WEEKLY WAVE 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.

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WRRC Annual Photo Contest

Each year, the WRRC hosts a 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 2024 Photo Contest theme was Water in Arizona. Photo: Garry Forger – North Rim, Grand Canyon (2022)

Member of the National Institutes for Water Resources

The WRRC is Arizona's federally authorized Water Resources Research Institute (WRRI), and as such, is one of 54 members of the National Institutes for Water Resources.



60th Anniversary of the WRRC



2024 marked the 60th anniversary of the Water Resources Research Center at the University of Arizona.



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