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News



WRRC Director Makes Connections at UCOWR Conference

On June 3–5, 2025, WRRC Director Sharon B. Megdal and U of A Extension Specialist Debankur Sanyal participated in the 2025 Annual Water Resources Conference of the Universities Council on Water Resources (UCOWR) and National Institutes for Water Resources (NIWR), which was held in Minneapolis, MN. They were joined by project colleagues Mallika Nocco (University of Wisconsin–Madison) and Sarge Green (California State

University, Fresno) for a panel discussion on the lessons learned from the Extension component of the USDA-funded project, which focused on the sustainability of groundwater and irrigated agriculture in the Southwestern US.

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U of A Media Highlights Water and the Environment

Water is important to all living things. In arid regions where water is becoming increasingly scarce, a crucial step toward protecting this vital resource is increasing awareness. One way that the WRRRC has extended its public reach is through our annual photo contest, which solicits photographs that we use to promote our events, programs, and publications to bring about more water awareness.

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WRRC Alum Ken Seasholes Retires from CAP

On June 19, friends and colleagues of Ken Seasholes gathered to celebrate his retirement from Central Arizona Project (CAP) after more than 17 years at that organization. A well-respected authority on Arizona water, Seasholes began his career as a WRRC graduate student in 1993, and after moving on, he maintained his connection with the WRRC, collaborating on events and publications and ready with ideas and advice on a range of other activities.

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WRRC Grad Student Receives Margaret Vaughn Award

In April 2025, Coverdell Fellow and WRRC Graduate Research Assistant Noah Rios was awarded the Margaret Vaughn Award for Outstanding Service to the Community at the Coverdell Fellows' annual end of the year ceremony.

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New Summer Arroyo Intern Joins WRRC Team

The WRRC is pleased to introduce Katherine Marsh as its 2025 *Arroyo* Summer Intern. Marsh is currently a junior at the University of Arizona, studying Biosystems Engineering with minors in Mechanical Engineering and Environmental Science.

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WRRC Water Webinar: Sonoran Institute – Save the Date!

Water News

- [**Final Report for the Lower Santa Cruz River Basin Study Now Available**](#)
- [**Call for Presentations for Arizona Association for Environmental Educators \(AAEE\) Conference**](#)
- [**Nominations Open for eeExcellence Awards from the Arizona Association for Environmental Educators \(AAEE\)**](#)
- [**ADEQ Invites Comments on the State of Arizona's 5-Year Network Assessment for 2025**](#)
- [**New ADEQ Rules for Advancing "Advanced Water Purification" Program Now Helping Augment Arizona's Water Supplies**](#)
- [**Sonoran Institute: A New Report with a Vision for the Green Valley Stretch of the Santa Cruz River**](#)

Water Jobs & Other Opportunities

- [**AHS: Arizona-Mexico Transboundary Scholarship**](#)