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News

WRRC 2025 Photo Contest



Photo Contest Winners Revealed at Chocolate Fest 2026

On Thursday, February 12, WRRC welcomed colleagues and guests to share chocolate treats and to celebrate the finalists of the 2025 Photo Contest. Winning photos were selected within several categories. The Chocolate Fest program also featured remarks from WRRC's student workers about their outreach and research activities.

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WRRC Water Webinar Features Water Infrastructure Security

On Tuesday, February 10, water infrastructure security expert Charles Stack presented a WRRC webinar on the evolution of water security since 9/11. Stack started by summarizing the history of terrorist threats to water infrastructure, highlighting several innovative technologies developed to mitigate threats.

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Sharon Udasin to Speak at Tucson Festival of Books

This year's Tucson Festival of Books on March 14-15 will include two panel presentations on PFAS contamination in water. The first panel, titled *The Hidden Environment: What We Breathe, Drink, and Hear*, will be moderated by WRRC Director Sharon B. Megdal and will feature environmental journalist Sharon Udasin.

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ADEQ Mitigates PFAS Exposure in Four Arizona Communities

In a February 3, 2026, press release, the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) announced the success of four projects mitigating per- and polyfluoroalkyl (PFAS) contamination in drinking water. Exposure to contamination in the private water systems of communities in the City of Globe and the Town of Star Valley was resolved by connecting them to the local municipal systems.

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Events

WRRC 2026 ANNUAL CONFERENCE



**WATER FOR TECH,
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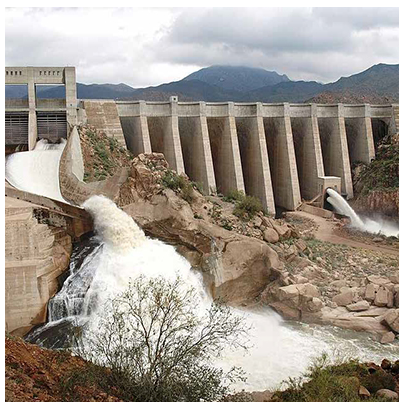
PATHWAYS TO ARIZONA'S FUTURE

APRIL 14–15
University of Arizona
Student Union
Tucson, Arizona

More Info Here!



wrrc.arizona.edu/conference



Issues and Opportunities at Bartlett Dam: Exploring Impacts – WRRC Co-sponsored Event

*Featuring Haley Paul, Senior Director for Policy,
Audubon Southwest, and Olivia Galvan, Senior
Engineer, Salt River Project*

Date: February 19, 2026

Time: 2:00–3:15 pm MST/Arizona Time

Location: [ENR2, S107 and Zoom](#)

[More Info](#)



Overcoming the Stalemate on the Drying Tista River: Transboundary Water-sharing Challenges in South Asia – Udall Center/WRRC Co-sponsored Event

Featuring Kausik Ghosh, Assistant Professor, Department of Geography, Vidyasagar University (India)

Date: February 23, 2026

Time: 1:00–2:00 pm MST/Arizona Time

Location: U of A Environment & Natural Resources 2 (ENR2) Room S225 (1064 E. Lowell St., Tucson, AZ 85719)

[More Info](#)



NVIS Spring 2026 Seminar: Partnering with Native American Students and Communities in Science and Training – WRRC Co-sponsored Event

Featuring Jani Ingram, Regents' Professor, Northern Arizona University

Date: February 25, 2026

Time: 12:00–1:00 pm MST/Arizona Time

Location: [Zoom](#)

[More Info](#)

WRRC Upcoming and Co-sponsored Events

Mar
16

[ENVS Colloquium/Seminar on PFAS Featuring Sharon Udasin \(3:00 MST\) – WRRC Co-sponsored Event](#)

Mar
24

WRRC Water Webinar: Delivering Reliable Water for Arizona Communities – EPCOR's Water Resources Plan – *Save the Date!*

Mar
25

[NVIS Spring 2026 Seminar: Creating a Mindful Science: Through Indigenous Eyes – WRRRC Co-sponsored Event](#)

Apr
14–15

[WRRRC 2026 Annual Conference: Water for Tech, Mining & Energy: Pathways to Arizona's Future](#)

Apr
29

[NVIS Spring 2026 Seminar: TBD – WRRRC Co-sponsored Event](#)

Other Events

Mar
10

[Running on Empty: Facing Water Scarcity Across the Southwest – Session 3: Featuring Chairman Austin Nunez, San Xavier District, Tohono O'odham Nation](#)

Water News

From the WRRRC

- [New Paper from WRRRC Research Associate on Navigating the Indus Waters Treaty and Peacebuilding](#)
- ["The Future of Water in Southern Arizona" – Recording of OLLI Talk by WRRRC Director Sharon B. Megdal](#)

Others News

- [EPA Office of Water Emergency Response and Cybersecurity: Water and Wastewater Sector Threat Briefing – Webinar on Feb 26](#)
- [Governor, ADWR Director, and CAP GM Brief Arizona Water Leaders on Colorado River Negotiations as Federal Deadline Draws Near \(ADWR News\)](#)
- [Curious Conversations Podcast: Landon Marston Talks About Data Centers and Water](#)
- [Registration Open for the 7th Annual 2026 Arizona Agribusiness Roundtable](#)
- [Registration Open for Summer School H2O'Lyon – ZABR, Gravel Bed Rivers: Ecology, Management and Relationships with Society](#)

Water Jobs & Other Opportunities

2026 WRRC Summer Arroyo Internship

The WRRC is offering a paid summer internship to an enrolled U of A undergraduate or graduate student to contribute to the creation of an issue of *Arroyo*, the annual WRRC publication that focuses on a critical Arizona water issue. This internship provides an opportunity to gain experience researching and writing about water issues. It is made possible by the generosity of Gene Sander and Louise M. Canfield-Sander, with the goal of fostering student research and engagement with water resources. [More Info](#)

2026 WRRC Water Outreach Internship

The WRRC is offering a paid summer internship to an enrolled U of A student to assist the Water Resources Research Center (WRRC) in updating information on its resources webpages about and from Arizona's water agencies and associations. This internship will expose the student to key state and regional water agencies, organizations, and associations, and the work will assist the public in understanding their roles and the information they share. It is made possible by the generosity of David Wegner, in support of the WRRC and its goal of mentoring students interested in careers in water resources.

[More Info](#)

- [EPCOR: Water Resources Summer Intern](#)
- [INITIATE for PhD: A Global Network for Water Research – Cohort 2026](#)
- [Univ of Oklahoma CIWRO: Research Associate – Hydrologic Streamflow Modeling](#)

Please visit the [WRRC's website](#) for a complete listing of water jobs and opportunities.

Calendar Announcements

- **Feb 14:** [CWAG General Meeting: Regional Water Issues – A Broader Perspective Featuring Kathryn Sorensen, Director of Research, Morrison Institute for Public Policy, ASU](#)
- **Feb 15:** [Native Voices in Film Screening: The Return of Navajo Boy, an Official Selection of Sundance Film Festival and PBS](#)

- Feb 18: [HAS Weekly Talk by Laura Meredith: The Breathing Biosphere—Microbial and Ecosystem VOCs and Trace Gases in a Changing Atmosphere](#)
- Feb 19: [Women Advancing River Research Webinar – “Troubled waters: Hidden challenges for water quality”](#)
- Feb 19: [Issues and Opportunities at Bartlett Dam: Exploring Impacts – WRRRC Co-sponsored Event](#)
- Feb 19: [AZ Water Association – Arizona’s Water Future Workshop](#)
- Feb 20: [Water Whys Talk with Devin Bayly -- Relating Tabular Data and 3d Models: Visualization Sap Flow in B2 Cacao Tree](#)
- Feb 23: [Overcoming the Stalemate on the Drying Tista River: Transboundary Water-sharing Challenges in South Asia – Udall Center/WRRRC Co-sponsored Event](#)
- Feb 24: [One Water Leadership Webinar: Skills for Navigating Barriers and Driving Progress](#)
- Feb 25: [HAS Weekly Talk by Armin Sorooshian: Reflecting on Two Decades of Flying In and Out of Clouds \(2026 AMS Walter Orr Roberts Lecture\)](#)
- Feb 25: [NVIS Spring 2026 Seminar: Partnering with Native American Students and Communities in Science and Training – WRRRC Co-sponsored Event](#)
- Feb 26: [EPA Office of Water Emergency Response and Cybersecurity Webinar: Water and Wastewater Sector Threat Briefing](#)
- Feb 26: [Santa Cruz River Research Days: A Watershed of Protection – Call for Abstracts!](#)
- Feb 28: [INITIATE for PhD: A Global Network for Water Research – Cohort 2026 Application Deadline](#)
- Feb 28: [AW4A 2026 Photo Contest – Submission Deadline](#)

MORE CALENDAR ANNOUNCEMENTS

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