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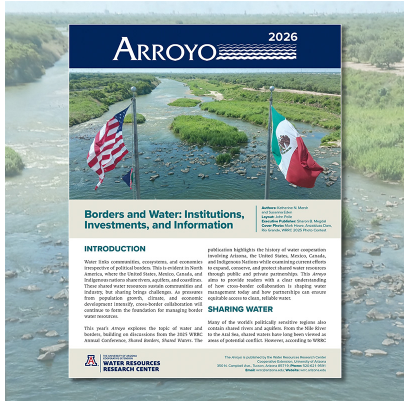


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WRRC Thanks 2026 Annual Conference Sponsors

The WRRC extends its deep gratitude to the organizations whose generous support makes our 2026 conference possible. Sponsorships create opportunities for water professionals and enthusiasts to connect, learn, and collaborate in meaningful ways. We value the partnerships we share with these organizations!

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2026 Arroyo on Borders and Water Published

The WRRC is pleased to present our 2026 Arroyo, "Borders and Water: Institutions, Investments, and Information." This year's Arroyo explores the topic of water and borders, building on discussions from the WRRC 2025 Annual Conference, Shared Borders, Shared Waters.

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WRRC Water Webinar Features EPCOR Operations Across Arizona

On March 24, 2026, WRRC hosted EPCOR Water Resources Director Doug Dunham for a webinar on EPCOR's operations across Arizona. As the largest private water utility in the state, EPCOR provides drinking water, industrial water, and wastewater services to hundreds of thousands of people.

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New Article Analyzes Tribal Water Rights Settlements

A newly published article in the journal *Water* by WRRC Designated Campus Colleague Aminta Menjivar Maldonado, along with WRRC Director Sharon B. Megdal and U of A College of Law Indigenous Peoples Law and Policy Clinic Director Heather White Man Runs Him, analyzes Arizona's Tribal water settlements.

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Upcoming Events



WRRC Water Webinar: Regional Water Supply Planning Update by City of Flagstaff

- *Erin Young, Water Resources Section Director, City of Flagstaff*
- *Lee Williams, Water Services Director, City of Flagstaff*
- *Kevin Black, Consultant to City of Flagstaff, MBARK Consulting LLC*

Date: April 22, 2026

Time: 12:00–1:15 pm MST/Arizona Time

Location: [Zoom](#)

[More Info](#)



NVIS Spring 2026 Seminar: Building Bridges Between Plant Cultural Knowledge and Conservation Science – WRRC Co-sponsored Event

Featuring Hector Ortiz Cano, Conservation Scientist, Chicago Botanic Garden

Date: April 29, 2026

Time: 12:00–1:00 pm MST/Arizona Time

Location: [Zoom](#)

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WRRC 2026 ANNUAL CONFERENCE

**WATER FOR TECH,
MINING & ENERGY**

PATHWAYS TO ARIZONA'S FUTURE

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

More Info Here!

wrrc.arizona.edu/conference

Water News

From the WRRC

- [WRRC Director Quoted in AZ Daily Star Article: As Water Lifeline Evaporates, Arizona Faces a Cultural Change Over Water Use](#)
 - [New Paper from WRRC Research Associate: Navigating Water \(In\)Security in Pakistan-Occupied Jammu and Kashmir \(POJK\)](#)
 - ["Why Colorado River Negotiations Stalled, and How They Could Resume With the Possibility of Agreement,"](#) by K. Schlatter and S.B. Megdal, published by *The Conversation* (March 20, 2026)
 - WRRC Director Megdal Interviewed on The Press Room: ["What Could Be the Consequences for Arizona's Water Supply After Colorado River Negotiations Failed?"](#) (Aired by Arizona Public Media March 20, 2026)
 - ["Tribal Water Rights Settlement Acts in Arizona and Their Impacts on Water Security,"](#) by A. Menjivar, S.B. Megdal, and H. Whiteman Runs Him, published in *Water* 18(6), 741, Special issue on Working Across Borders to Address Water Scarcity (March 2026)
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Other News

- [Federal Plan to Divide Drought-Stricken Colorado River Water Brings Flood of Pushback \(Cronkite News\)](#)
- [Feds Need 1.7 Million Acre-Feet to Save Lake Powell This Year \(Aspen Daily News\)](#)
- [Amid 'Dire Situation' for Colorado River Basin, Headwater States Say They Can't Cut Water They Don't Have \(Wyoming Tribune Eagle\)](#)
- [CAP 2025 Annual Water Quality Report Now Available](#)
- [Haury Program Awards \\$230,000 in Gap Funding for U of A Indigenous Environmental Resilience Research](#)

Water Jobs & Other Opportunities

- [Arizona Floodplain Management Association: 2026/2027 AFMA Scholarship](#)
 - [Sulphur Springs Water Alliance: Facilitator for Cooperative Watershed Management Planning \(RFP\)](#)
 - [WaterReuse Arizona: 2026 Scholarships](#)
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Please visit the [WRRRC's website](#) for a complete listing of water jobs and opportunities.

Calendar Announcements

- Apr 3: [David R. Maidment Award for Exemplary Contributions to Water Resources Data and Information Systems](#) — *Nomination Deadline*
- Apr 7: [Beavers on the Verde: Lunch & Learn Webinar](#)
- Apr 8: [2026 Haury Indigenous Leadership Awards Celebration](#)
- Apr 10: [ADEQ Virtual Public Hearing on the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking for the Upper Verde River Outstanding Arizona Water Nomination](#)
- Apr 10: [AWRA 2026 Annual Water Resources Conference – Topical Session Deadline](#)
- Apr 10: [Southwest Climate Adaptation Science Center: Natural Resource Workforce Development Fellowship – Application Deadline](#)
- Apr 11: [Arizona Water Awareness Month Festival](#)
- Apr 11: [Rio Reimagined Salt River Earth Day Clean-Up](#)
- Apr 11: [Diving into Prescott's Healthy Lakes Program](#)
- Apr 14: [AHS Tucson Chapter Meeting: Ecosystem Valuation in Southwest Riparian Areas](#)
- Apr 14–15: [WRRRC 2026 Annual Conference: Water for Tech, Mining & Energy: Pathways to Arizona's Future](#)
- Apr 18: [Río Relay 5k Santa Cruz River Clean-up](#)
- Apr 20: [Arizona Floodplain Management Association 2026/2027 Scholarship – Application Deadline](#)
- Apr 21: [WaterSMART Drought Response Program Webinar](#)
- Apr 22: [WRRRC Water Webinar: Regional Water Supply Planning Update by City of Flagstaff](#)
- Apr 22: [Arizona Project WET Wonders of Wetlands Educator Workshop](#)

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