



## WEEKLY WAVE

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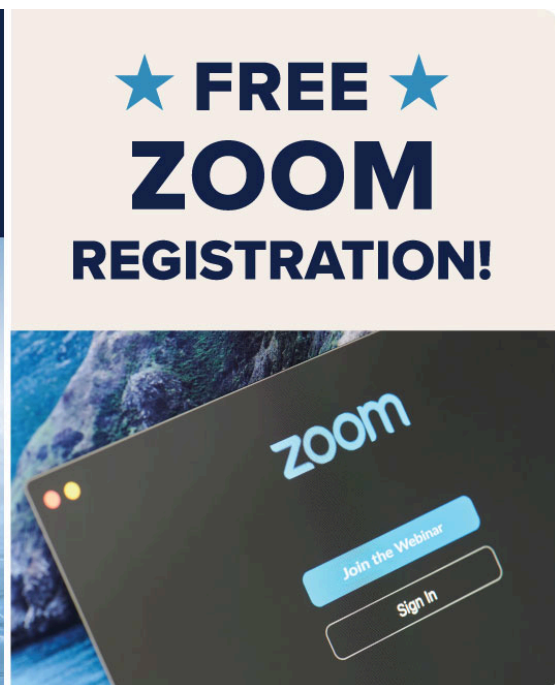
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## News



## WRRC Conference Livestream to Include Virtual Audience Engagement

On April 14–15, the WRRC will be hosting its 2026 Annual Conference, *Water for Tech, Mining & Energy: Pathways to Arizona's Future*, at the U of A Student Union Memorial Center in Tucson. If you can't make it to Tucson, you can still attend via Zoom. It's free! New this year, our Zoom livestream will include several virtual audience feedback opportunities designed to help attendees engage with the conference. If you are unable to attend in person, we hope you will join us on Zoom to hear from our incredible line-up of conference speakers and panelists. Don't miss out

on the conversation regarding challenges and opportunities for water stewardship in Arizona's industrial sectors of mining, energy, and technology. If you prefer to attend in person, late registration is still available for \$225 and includes opportunities for networking and sponsor exhibition table engagement. We hope to see you in person or on Zoom April 14–15!

[ZOOM REGISTRATION](#)

[IN-PERSON LATE REGISTRATION](#)



### **Conference Luncheon Program Highlights U of A Research and Arizona Water Leadership**

The WRRC 2026 Annual Conference is fast approaching. The speakers and presentations focusing on Water for Tech, Mining & Energy: Pathways to Arizona's Future will offer insights into the challenges and opportunities for water users in Arizona's industrial sectors. Specifically, the luncheon program on Wednesday, April 15, will explore Research and Initiatives in Water, Tech, Mining, and Energy. Following acknowledgements and introductions from WRRC Director Sharon B. Megdal, a recorded video presentation from the Honorable Katie Hobbs, Governor of Arizona, will be presented. Her remarks will provide highlights and insights into Arizona's water future, including water policy relevant to tech and mining developments around the state.

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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](#)

[More Info](#)

**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](http://wrrc.arizona.edu/conference)

# Water News

## From the WRRC

- [WRRC 2025 Annual Report Published](#)
  - [WRRC 2026 Arroyo on Borders and Water Published](#)
  - [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 \(POJK\)](#)
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## Other News

- [APW Seeking Volunteers for White Mountains Water Festival](#)
- [Colorado River Basin Under Increasing Strain; Will Cutting Back on Water Use Be Enough to Help? \(ASU News\)](#)
- [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 \(Wyoming Tribune Eagle\)](#)

# Water Jobs & Other Opportunities

- [AHS 2026–2027 Arizona–Mexico Transboundary Scholarship](#)
  - [Northern Arizona Water Leadership Institute Seeking Cohort Participants](#)
  - [WaterReuse Arizona: 2026 Scholarships](#)
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Please visit the [WRRC's website](#) for a complete listing of water jobs and opportunities.

# Calendar Announcements

- 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: [WAM: 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 16: [Arizona Institute for Resilience \(AIR\) Film Screening and Panel Conversation -- Shared Water: The Future of Water Resiliency and Security](#)
- Apr 18: [Río Relay 5k Santa Cruz River Clean-up](#)
- Apr 20: [Climate Adaptation Career Panel – All U of A Students and Professionals Welcome](#)
- 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](#)
- Apr 24: [Arizona Hydrological Society 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Symposium – Abstract Deadline Extended](#)
- Apr 24: [2026 Blitzer Lecture by Ty Ferré, Hydrogeology: The Art of Saying as Much as You Can with the Little Data that You Can Afford](#)
- Apr 24: [Call for Contributions: The Water We Want 2026 – Youth Prize Contest for Water Artwork – Submission Deadline](#)
- Apr 26: [Arizona International Film Festival Showing “Desert Passages”](#)
- Apr 28–30: [Santa Cruz River Research Days: A Watershed of Protection](#)
- Apr 29: [NVIS Spring 2026 Seminar Featuring Conservation Scientist Hector Ortiz Cano, Chicago Botanic Garden – WRRRC Co-sponsored Event](#)
- Apr 29–30: [Arizona Brownfields Conference: Transforming Vacant, Underutilized & Brownfield Sites into Community Assets](#)
- Apr 30: [CALES Annual Research Showcase – Save the Date!](#)

MORE CALENDAR ANNOUNCEMENTS

## **Land Acknowledgment**