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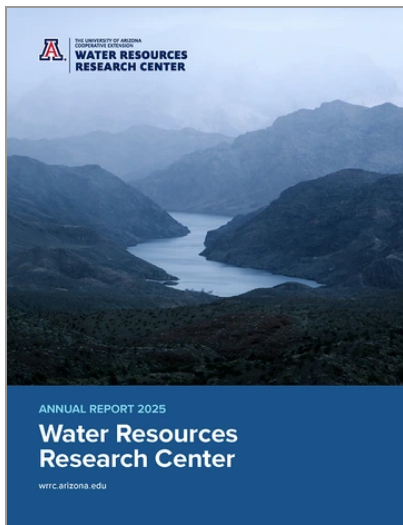
## News



### Reflections: Information Sharing, Dialogue, Solutions, and Thanks

Two dynamic and rewarding work activities have converged this Spring Semester. Once again, I am teaching the graduate course, Water Policy in Arizona and Semi-arid Regions, and on April 14–15 we convened the **WRRC Annual Conference**, *Water for Tech, Mining & Energy: Pathways to Arizona's Future*.

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## WRRC Publishes 2025 Annual Report

The WRRC is pleased to announce the publication of its 2025 Annual Report. The report highlights how, through applied research, outreach, and engagement, the WRRC continues to contribute to water resource planning, assessment, and capacity building, as well as expand awareness and understanding of water resource issues.

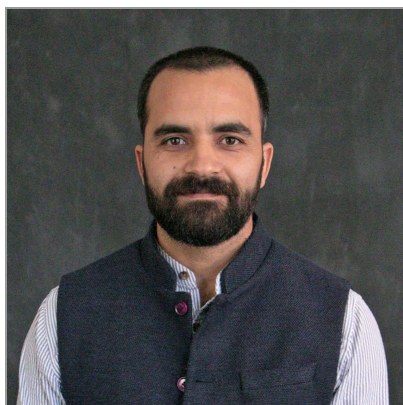
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## Haury Program Awards 2026 Indigenous Resilience Leadership Award

The [Agnese Nelms Haury Program](#) at the University of Arizona has named the team behind the [Navajo Nation Department of Water Resources Library Preservation Project](#) as recipients of the 2026 Indigenous Resilience Leadership Award. The work of awardees — Maurice Upshaw, Jessica Ugstad, and Teresa Miguel-Stearns — has safeguarded a critical and irreplaceable water resources collection.

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## WRRC Researcher Publishes Study on Water Insecurity in Jammu and Kashmir

Pintu Kumar Mahla has been a Designated Campus Colleague of the WRRC since April of 2025, researching transboundary water challenges and opportunities in South Asia. His most recent work focuses on issues of water access in the Pakistan-Occupied Jammu and Kashmir (POJK).

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# Upcoming Events



## NVIS Spring 2026 Seminar: Building Bridges Between Plant Cultural Knowledge and Conservation Science – WRRRC 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](#)

# Water News



## Videos and Presentations Now Available Online

### From the WRRC

- [WRRC Director Quoted in Live Science Article on Impacts of Colorado River Water Shortages](#)
- [New Paper from WRRC Research Associate: Navigating Water \(In\)Security in Pakistan-Occupied Jammu and Kashmir \(POJK\)](#)
- [WRRC 2025 Annual Report Published](#)
- [WRRC 2026 Arroyo on Borders and Water Published](#)

### Other News

- [Family Farm Alliance Water Review 2026 Now Available Highlighting Washington's Yakima Basin](#)
- [ADEQ Clean Water Act Assessment: Call for Surface Water Quality Data](#)

- [Scientists Finally Know Where the Colorado River's Missing Water is Going \(ScienceDaily\)](#)

## Water Jobs & Other Opportunities

- [CAP Planning Analyst](#)
- [Google RFI: Water Replenishment Projects: Infrastructure, Agriculture, Nature-Based Solutions](#)
- [University of Minnesota: Private Wells and Groundwater Extension Educator](#)
- [USDA-Agricultural Research Service Lab: Postdoc – Applying Process-Based Cropping System Models for Conservation Practices](#)
- [USDA-Agricultural Research Service Lab: Postdoc – Soil-Plant-Microbe Interaction and Response to Abiotic and Biotic Stresses](#)
- [USDA-Agricultural Research Service Lab: Postdoc – Automated Field Phenotyping for Crop Stress Detection](#)

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

## Calendar Announcements

- Apr 24: [Arizona Hydrological Society 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Symposium – Abstract Deadline Extended](#)
- 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 – WRRC 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!](#)
- May 1: [AWRA Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Professional Development Scholarship – Application Deadline](#)

- May 1: [AWRA Richard A. Herbert Memorial Scholarship – Application Deadline](#)
- May 1: [AWRA 2026 Awards — Nomination Deadline](#)
- May 5: [Internet of Water Coalition Webinar: OpenET: Strengthening Water Resilience with Satellite-Based Evapotranspiration Data](#)
- May 12: [Pinal County Agronomy Program Webinar Series \(III\) – Colorado River Updates: Shaping the Future of Arizona Agriculture – Guest speaker WRRRC Director Sharon B. Megdal](#)
- May 16: [AHS 2026–2027 Arizona–Mexico Transboundary Scholarship – Application Deadline](#)

MORE CALENDAR ANNOUNCEMENTS

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