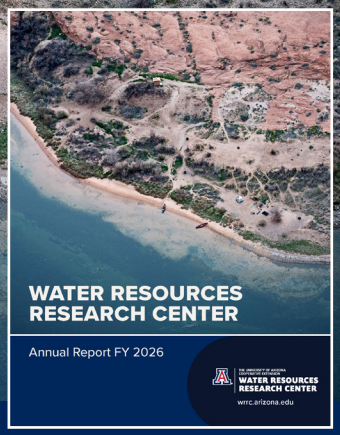
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ANNUAL REPORT

More information and metrics can be found at **wrrc.arizona.edu/about/annual-report**.



WRRC 2026 Annual Conference Attendees.
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- **11,000 RECIPIENTS** of the annual Arroyo publication
- **3994 SUBSCRIBERS** to the Weekly Wave e-News Digest
- **837 REGISTRANTS** for the 2025 Annual Conference
- **53 PRESENTATIONS** by WRRC personnel to diverse audiences
- **29 PUBLICATIONS** by WRRC personnel
- **142 SUBMISSIONS** to the annual WRRC photo contest
- **125 AVERAGE ATTENDANCE** at 13 Water Webinars

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We tackle key water policy and management issues, empower informed decision-making, and enrich understanding through engagement, education, and applied research.

CONNECTING TO THE PUBLIC

In FY 2026*, water remained an important issue in the Southwest, and the WRRC was once again called upon by various stakeholders and partners to be a trusted source of information. Throughout the year, the WRRC's role in helping to facilitate water resources discourse in Arizona and beyond has been reaffirmed through many research, outreach, and engagement efforts to expand water awareness and understanding of water resource issues.

**In 2026, the WRRC transitioned to a fiscal-year reporting period for its annual report. Previous annual reports covered the calendar year.*

Annual Conference

The 2026 Annual Conference, *Water for Tech, Mining & Energy: Pathways to Arizona's Future*, was held at the at the University of Arizona Student Union. There were **270** people registered in-person and more than **567** for the Zoom livestream. Attendees heard from **40** speakers, who discussed issues related to water use by major industries and impacts on industrial development in Arizona and the region. The full recorded program is available online.

https://wrrc.arizona.edu/conference

WRRC Water Webinar Series

The WRRC's Water Webinar Series continues to attract diverse audiences for presentations and dialogues on a wide range of water topics.

https://wrrc.arizona.edu/news-events/water-webinars

RESOURCES

Online and Print

Arizona Water Conservation Factsheets



The WRRC's six new Arizona Water Conservation Factsheets provide useful information for small community water systems and their customers, domestic well users, rural industrial water conservation and reuse, small-scale farmers, and riparian & stream water conservation.

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Arroyo



The 2026 *Arroyo — Borders and Water: Institutions, Investments, and Information* — The 2026 *Arroyo* explores the topic of water and borders, building on discussions from the 2025 WRRC Annual Conference, *Shared Borders, Shared Waters*.

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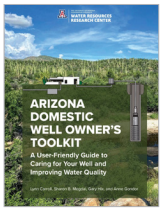
Reflections



WRRC Director Sharon B. Megdal published nine *Reflections* essays on various water resources topics via the Weekly/Summer Wave and the WRRC website.

https://wrrc.arizona.edu/publications/reflections

Arizona Domestic Well Owner's Toolkit



This updated guide provides information about well components and maintenance, geology, water quality, and water treatment to empower well owners to better maintain and monitor their wells and water supply.

https://wrrc.arizona.edu/publication/arizona-domestic-well-owners-toolkit

Transboundary Aquifer Assessment Program (TAAP)

TAAP is a federally funded program co-hosted by the USGS Arizona Water Science Center in Tucson, Arizona, and the Water Resources Research Center (WRRC) at the University of Arizona.

https://wrrc.arizona.edu/taap
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See WRRC Website for More

The WRRC website highlights programs, activities, news, and events. Seminars and annual conference presentations are posted for easy access, along with publications and online resources.

https://wrrc.arizona.edu

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Subscribe to the *Weekly Wave* – the e-News Digest that offers the latest in water news, notices of upcoming events, and announcements from the WRRC and others. Subscribers also receive the *Arroyo* – an annual publication that examines a timely topic of importance to Arizona.

WEEKLY WAVE

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WRRC Annual Photo Contest

Each year, the WRRC hosts a photo contest and uses the submitted photographs in various ways, including in this document, in the Arroyo and other publications, and on the website. The 2025 Photo Contest theme was *A World of Water*. Photo: David Quanrud – Sweetwater Headwaters, Tucson, AZ 2025

https://wrrc.arizona.edu/opportunities/photo-contest

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