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WATER & SUSTAINABILITY RESOURCES

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WRRC Posts Updated Water & Sustainability Resources Page

A big part of the WRRC's mission is to connect Arizonans with educational materials about the state's water resources. Our website's new [Water & Sustainability Resources](#) page has been redesigned to do just that, with new sections, streamlined resources, and an updated format.

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WRRC Now Accepting Applications for FY 2026 104(g) General Grant

The WRRC is now accepting proposals for this year's federal WRRRA 104(g) General grant. The US Geological Survey (USGS) Water Resources Research Act Program released the FY 2026 Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for the 104(g) General on September 30, 2026. The NOFO is now posted on Grants.gov. The deadline for submitting proposals through the WRRC is Tuesday, October 27, 5 pm MST.

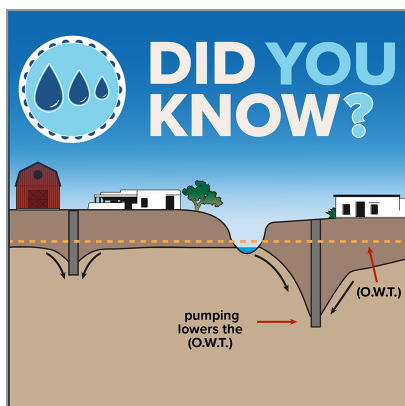
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WRRC Highlights Shared Aquifer Research and Collaboration at ENVIS Colloquium

On September 28, WRRC Director Sharon B. Megdal and Associate in Extension Elia Tapia presented on shared aquifers in the Arizona–Sonora border region as part of the University of Arizona Department of Environmental Science Fall 2026 Colloquium Series.

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Arizona Water Conservation Factsheets ... Did You Know?

Conserving Domestic Well Water Helps Protect the Water Table

Wells draw water from **aquifers**, which are underground layers of rock and sediment, saturated with water. The line between the ground's unsaturated and saturated zones is called the water table. The water table can rise and fall naturally over time due to fluctuations in weather and climate, but human activity, including pumping water from wells, can also influence the water level.

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Events



Native Voices in STEM Fall 2026: Kaij T-so:son (Emerging Seed): The Stewardship of O'odham Food, Land and Water – WRRRC Co-sponsored Event

Featuring Amy Juan, San Xavier Co-Op Farm

Date: October 14, 2026

Time: 12:00–1:00 pm MST/Arizona Time

Location: [Zoom](#)

[More Info](#)



WRRRC Special Event: Free Screening of The River Documentary, followed by Filmmaker Q&A

Date: October 14, 2026

Time: 6:30 pm Arizona Time

Location: Screen 1 at the Loft Cinema, Tucson, AZ

[More Info](#)

Upcoming WRRRC/Co-sponsored Events

Oct
27

[WRRRC Water Webinar: Tribal Sovereignty in the Colorado River Basin & Beyond](#)

Nov
18

[Native Voices in STEM Fall 2026: Cultivating Community & Land Restoration Using Traditional Foods – WRRRC Co-sponsored Event](#)

SAVE the DATE

WRRC 2027
ANNUAL CONFERENCE

APRIL
26–27

Water News

WRRC Water News

- [WRRC Director Recognized for U of A Service Award for Reaching 30 Year Milestone](#)
- [WRRC Research Associate Publishes New Article: Water as a Political Weapon: Populism and The Indus Waters Treaty](#)
- [WRRC Director Quoted in Article: CAP Shortage Will Force Tucson to Dip Into Groundwater \(AZ Daily Star\)](#)
- [WRRC Director Interviewed on The Retaining Purpose Podcast: Arizona's Water Crisis Is Here](#)
- [WRRC Director Interviewed in Article about Colorado River: Rep. Crane Claims Leadership in Water Wars as House Challenger Turns Up Heat \(Arizona Globe\)](#)

Other Water News

- [WaterReuse Association Launches First-Of-Its-Kind Water Reuse Regulatory Guide](#)
- [New Arizona Voters' Agenda Finds Strong Support for Long-Term Action on Water and Related Issues](#)
- [A Living River: Santa Cruz River Conditions Downtown Tucson to Marana 2026](#)
- [Could Desalination Help Offset Arizona's Colorado River Water Cuts? \(Arizona Republic\)](#)
- [U of A Recognized as a Leader in Climate Action with New Carnegie Classification](#)
- [ASU Flow 2026 Abstract Submission Deadline Extended to Oct 2!](#)

Water Jobs & Other Opportunities



WRRRC Postings:

- **FY 2026 104(g) General Grant:** The WRRRC is now accepting proposals for this year's federal WRRRA 104(g) General grant. The US Geological Survey (USGS) Water Resources Research Act Program released the FY 2026 Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for the 104(g) General on September 30, 2026. The NOFO is now posted on Grants.gov. The deadline for submitting proposals through the WRRRC is Tuesday, October 27, 5pm MST.
- **AmeriCorps Member:** The U of A Water Resources Research Center is seeking an AmeriCorps Member with interest and experience related to water and/or environmental topics to assist with the Center's outreach programs. We are particularly interested in applicants with strong writing skills. Applicants are encouraged to visit the WRRRC website for more information on WRRRC programs and activities.

External Postings:

- **U of A: Policy Cats Internship**

Please visit the **WRRRC's website** for a complete listing of water jobs and opportunities.

Calendar Announcements

- Oct 2: **ASU Flow 2026** – *Abstract Submission Deadline*
- Oct 4: **U of A Campus Sustainability Fund 2026–2027 Mini Grants and Indigenous Mini Grants** – *Application Deadline*
- Oct 5: **ATUR Project Fall 2026 Webinar Series — New Opportunities for Arizona's Water Future: Opportunistic Recharge, Urban Runoff, and Extreme Events**
- Oct 8: **AZ Water Association 2026 Stormwater Workshop**
- Oct 11: **Udall Center DESERT-PFAS Student Grand Challenge** – *Application Deadline*

- Oct 12: [SRP Water 101](#)
- Oct 13: [AHS Tucson Chapter Meeting: Art and Data for Action: Transforming Complex Data Into Engaging Solutions For Critical Climate Issues](#)
- Oct 14: [Native Voices in STEM Fall 2026: Kaij T-so:son \(Emerging Seed\): The Stewardship of O'odham Food, Land and Water – WRRC Co-sponsored Event](#)
- Oct 14: [ASU Flow 2026](#)
- Oct 14: [WRRC Special Event: Free Screening of The River, followed by Q&A, at The Loft Cinema in Tucson \(6:30 pm\)](#)
- Oct 15: [Imagine a Day Without Water](#)
- Oct 21: [AZ Water Association's 100th Annual Conference & Exhibition – A Century of Water: Connecting Our Past to Arizona's Future – Technical Session Abstract Submission Deadline](#)
- Oct 23: [ABWC 35th Annual Tommy Caywood Memorial H2Oopen Golf Tournament](#)
- Oct 23: [2027 UCOWR/NIWR Annual Water Resources Conference – Award Nomination Deadline](#)
- Oct 27: [WRRC Water Webinar: Tribal Sovereignty in the Colorado River Basin & Beyond](#)
- Oct 27: [CAP University: Deeper Dive on the Central Arizona Groundwater Replenishment District](#)
- Oct 28–30: [Arizona Floodplain Management Association Fall 2026 Conference – Save the Date!](#)
- Oct 28–30: [Family Farm Alliance Annual Conference](#)
- Oct 29: [Water Education Foundation's 42nd Annual Water Summit](#)

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