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News



Women in Water Webinar Features Strong Water Advocates

On Thursday, January 30, 2025, the WRRC kicked off its Spring 2025 Water Webinar series with an energizing webinar, *Women and Water — Networking and Leading Across the Globe*. The event spotlighted four water professionals and the work they are doing to promote opportunities for women to boost their careers and serve their communities. The panelists and the organizations they represented were Elizabeth A. Koch (Women in Water Diplomacy Network), Darnella Melancon (Indigenous

Women's Leadership Network), Emma Robbins (Planet Women), and Meghan Scott (Arizona Association of Women in Water and Agriculture).

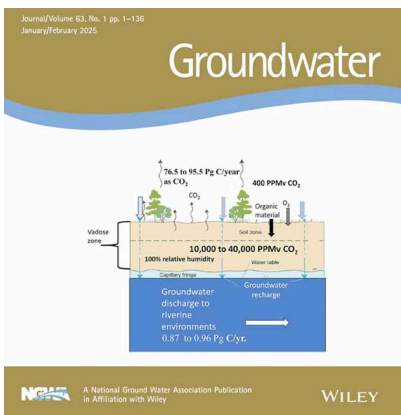
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Groundwater and Agriculture Symposium Features Speakers from Arizona

On January 22, 2025, university, agency, and industry water experts gathered in Albuquerque, NM, to discuss groundwater and agriculture. The University of California-Davis Agricultural Water Center hosted its 3rd Annual USDA/UC-Davis Project Symposium, *Southwest Groundwater and Sustainable Agricultural Systems*, which reported on research carried out within the multi-university project.

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PCAST Editorial Published in Groundwater

On July 1, 2024, WRRC Director Sharon B. Megdal submitted comments to the President's Council of Advisors on Science and Technology (PCAST) in response to their call for input to help government decision-making. In her comments, she suggests looking for solutions to groundwater-related problems at a local level to meet the unique needs of the community and advocates for inclusion of all people impacted by water issues, such as Native Americans and other disadvantaged groups.

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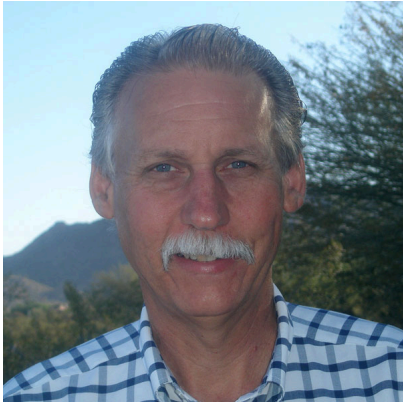
A “WET” Welcome to Michael and Tamara!

Arizona Project WET Guest Article

Arizona Project WET is excited to introduce TWO new Outreach Coordinators on the Water Festival team, Michael Spaeth and Tamara Wells! Although they dock at the Tucson and Phoenix hubs respectively, you can find them implementing meaningful, water-focused, experiential, environmental education throughout Arizona.

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Events



WRRC Special Event – Damming the Gila: The Gila River Indian Community and the San Carlos Irrigation Project, 1900–1942

Dr. David DeJong Author Talk/Book Signing

Date: Friday, February 7

Time: 12:15 pm Arizona Time

Location: [WRRC](#) and [Zoom](#)

[More Info](#)



WRRC 21st Annual Chocolate Fest

Featuring Arizona Public Media Special Guests Chris Conover and Zac Ziegler

Date: Thursday, February 13, 2025

Time: 4:00 pm Arizona Time

Location: [WRRC](#) and [Zoom](#)

[More Info](#)

Upcoming WRRC Events

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[WRRC Water Webinar: The Three Ages of Water: Prehistoric Past, Imperiled Present, and a Hope for the Future \(Author Talk featuring Dr. Peter Gleick\)](#)

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[WRRC Water Webinar: Advanced Water Purification in Arizona – Save the Date!](#)

MAY
20-21

[WRRC 2025 Annual Conference: Shared Borders, Shared Waters: Working Together in Times of Scarcity](#)

WRRC Co-sponsored Events

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[WRRC Co-Sponsored Event: NVIS Spring 2025 Seminar with Speaker Otakuye Conroy-Ben: Wastewater-Based Epidemiology in Tribal Communities](#)

WRRC 2025 Annual Conference

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WRRC 2025 Annual Conference

May 20–21

**SHARED BORDERS
SHARED WATERS**

Working Together in Times of Scarcity

Water News

- [Governor Hobbs Announces Over \\$60 Million Investment to Protect Arizona's Water](#)
- [USGS National Water Availability Assessment Resources Available](#)
- [Volunteers Needed for Two Arizona Project WET Water Festivals](#)
- [EDF Survey: Be Part of the Movement to Protect the Mississippi River Basin](#)
- [AMWUA Blog: Prevent Stormwater Pollution: Only Rain Should Go in the Storm Drain](#)
- [Gilbert Partners with Bureau of Reclamation to Address Colorado River Drought](#)

- [Arizona's Farmers Are Feeling the Squeeze of Water Shortages on the Colorado River](#)
- [Campus Sustainability Fund's Spring 2025 Mini Grant Cycle Now Open](#)
- [Campus Sustainability Fund's Indigenous-Centered Mini Grant Cycle Now Open](#)

Water Jobs & Other Opportunities

WRRC Open Positions

- [Graduate Research Assistant](#)

Other Water Jobs/Opportunities

- [ADWR Multiple Positions Available](#)
- [The Nature Conservancy Land and Water Protection Manager, Northern AZ](#)

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

Calendar Announcements

- Feb 7: [WRRC Special Event: Damming the Gila: The Gila River Indian Community and the San Carlos Irrigation Project, 1900-1942 \(Author Talk and Book Signing\)](#)
- Feb 11: [Women in Water Diplomacy Network: Open Online Experience Exchange Seminar Confidence Building Measures in Water Diplomacy](#)
- Feb 11: [AHS Tucson Chapter Meeting: PFAS in Arizona](#)
- Feb 12: [CAP Summer 2025 Internships – Application Deadline](#)
- Feb 13: [WRRC 21st Annual Chocolate Fest - Featuring Arizona Public Media Special Guests Chris Conover and Zac Ziegler](#)
- Feb 16: [Campus Sustainability Fund's Spring 2025 Mini Grants – Preliminary Application Deadline](#)
- Feb 18–20: [Southwest Ag Summit](#)
- Feb 19: [WRRC Co-Sponsored Event: NVIS Spring 2025 Seminar with Speaker Otakuye Conroy-Ben: Wastewater-Based Epidemiology in Tribal Communities](#)
- Feb 23–26: [NIWR 2025 Annual Meeting](#)
- Feb 24: [Santa Cruz River Research Days – Abstract Deadline](#)
- Feb 26: [CCASS Climate Adaptation All-Stars Event](#)
- Feb 27: [Maximizing Irrigation Efficiency and Sustainability with Soil Moisture Sensors](#)

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