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**WATER RESOURCES
RESEARCH CENTER**



Local Event: Building Benson Water Resilience

Date: Thursday, October 19th, 2023

Time: 5:00 pm – 7:30 pm. Food will be provided.

Location: Cochise College - Benson Center | Rm: 113-115

1025 State Route 90 | Benson, AZ



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The University of Arizona Water Resources Research Center (WRRC) in partnership with Cochise County Cooperative Extension’s Water Wise program, is pleased to host Building Benson Water Resilience. This partnership stems from the WRRC’s **Arizona County Water Factsheet** initiative and the release of the Cochise County Water Factsheet in 2022. County Water Factsheets draw from a wide range of public water-related data and are developed with the help of local water experts into an accessible resource for a general audience. The Water Wise program has been conducting water education and conservation in Cochise County for nearly 30 years! Water Wise works with both youth and adult participants on topics ranging from the water cycle to rainwater harvesting, native plants, and more.

The Building Benson Water Resilience event will cover how water availability in an arid climate has shaped agriculture, land and water management, as well as conservation strategies being applied locally. Featured speakers include local residents presenting on regenerative agriculture and groundwater use myths and best practices with additional representation from local organizations like The Nature Conservancy and Kartchner Caverns State Park. Come join us for an evening highlighting local water! Opening remarks from **Mayor Konrad**.

Speakers:

Dr. Paul Hirt

Professor Emeritus
Senior Sustainability Scholar
Arizona State University

Bailey Winston

Southern Arizona Water Projects Manager
The Nature Conservancy

Kitt Kleinschmidt

Three Links Preserve Manager
The Nature Conservancy

Taylor Simmons

Graduate Outreach Assistant
University of Arizona
Water Resources Research Center

Mahlon McKenzie

Holistic Range Manager

Chelsea Ballard

Cave Resource Specialist
Kartchner Caverns State Park

Alex Kosmider

Community Outreach Professional
Cochise County Cooperative Extension
Water Wise Youth

Trevor Lauber

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