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**The U.S. - Mexico Transboundary Aquifer Assessment Program Workshop:
Developing a Work Plan for the Assessment of the Santa Cruz and San Pedro Aquifers**

**Hosted by the University of Arizona Water Resources Research Center
and the United States Geological Survey**

Desert Diamond Casino-Hotel: Tucson, Arizona

November 3 - 4, 2009

Workshop Agenda

Workshop goals: Review progress of the Arizona-Sonora component of the U.S.-Mexico Transboundary Aquifer Assessment Program (TAAP) and confirm or modify priorities in the draft work plan that will guide assessment of the Santa Cruz and San Pedro aquifers.

Tuesday November 3, 2009

1:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

- 1:00-1:15 **Welcome and introductions**
- Sharon Megdal, Water Resources Research Center (WRRC)
 - Natalie Luna, Office of Congressman Raúl Grijalva
- 1:15-2:00 **Setting the stage: overview of TAAP, summary of progress to date (Arizona-Sonora component)**
- Lucas Oroz, National Water Commission of Mexico (CONAGUA) [[eng](#) / [esp](#)]
 - Transboundary Aquifer Assessment Program in Arizona and Sonora [[eng](#) / [esp](#)]
 - Sharon Megdal, WRRC
 - James Callegary, USGS
 - Christopher Scott, University of Arizona, Udall Center for Studies in Public Policy
 - William Alley, United States Geological Survey (USGS)
- 2:00-3:00 **Perspectives on the Internationally Shared Aquifer Resource Management Programme (ISARM)**
- Raya Marina Stephan, UNESCO/ ISARM [[eng](#) / [esp](#)]
 - Roberto Senci3n, CONAGUA [[eng1](#) / [esp1](#), [eng2](#) / [esp2](#)]
- 3:00-3:15 **Break**
- 3:15-4:45 **Programs and initiatives with relevance for TAAP San Pedro and Santa Cruz assessment work plan**
(moderated by Prescott Vandervoet, University of Arizona, TAAP-Arizona)
- Binational cooperative framework – Antonio Rasc3n, International Boundary and Water Commission, Mexican Section (CILA) [[eng](#) / [esp](#)]
 - Role of IBWC/CILA in Santa Cruz and San Pedro aquifers – John Merino, International Boundary and Water Commission, US Section (IBWC) [[eng](#) / [esp](#)]
 - USGS role in Arizona groundwater management – Jim Leenhouts, USGS [[eng](#) / [esp](#)]
 - Santa Cruz and San Pedro aquifers in Sonora – Gilberto Celaya, Sonora State Water Commission (CEA-Sonora) [[eng](#) / [esp](#)]
 - Santa Cruz aquifer in Arizona - Alejandro Barcenas, Santa Cruz Active Management Area [[eng](#) / [esp](#)]
 - San Pedro aquifer in Arizona - Holly Richter, Upper San Pedro Partnership [[eng](#) / [esp](#)]
- 4:45-5:30 **Synthesis and discussion**
- Christopher Scott, Udall Center
- 5:30-7:30 **Reception** (hors d'oeuvres with cash bar)



Workshop Agenda

Wednesday November 4, 2009

8:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

- 8:00-9:15 **Thematic overview of TAAP Santa Cruz and San Pedro draft work plan** (co-moderated by Sharon Megdal, WRRRC and Roberto Senci3n, CONAGUA)
- Opening Remarks – Sharon Megdal, WRRRC and Roberto Senci3n, CONAGUA
 - Binational institutions, management, and policy – Christopher Scott, Udall Center [[eng](#) / [esp](#)]
 - Santa Cruz and San Pedro water balance studies in Mexico – Lucas Oroz, CONAGUA [[eng](#) / [esp](#)]
 - Geophysical, hydrologic, and water quality modeling – James Callegary, USGS
- 9:15-9:30 **Organize breakout groups to review Santa Cruz and San Pedro aquifers work plan**
- Christopher Scott, Udall Center
- 9:30-9:45 **Break for coffee and reconvene in breakout groups**
- 9:45-11:30 **Breakout groups to discuss priorities and specific features of draft work plan**
- Santa Cruz work plan (US and Mexican sides)
 - San Pedro work plan (US and Mexican sides)
- 11:30-12:15 **Report back session, presentation of findings and understandings, recommendations for work plan**
- James Callegary, USGS
- 12:15-12:30 **Break for buffet lunch**
- 12:30-1:30 **Buffet lunch, synthesis, identification of next steps**
- Sharon Megdal, WRRRC