



WRRC CONFERENCE THE BUSINESS OF WATER

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 28, 2018
UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA, STUDENT UNION

AGENDA

| 7:30 – 8:15 am | REGISTRATION AND CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST |
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| 8:15 – 8:30 am | WELCOME ADDRESSES |
| | Sharon B. Megdal, Director, Water Resources Research Center, UA Shane Burgess, Vice President for Agriculture, Life and Veterinary Sciences, and Cooperative Extension; Dean, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, UA |
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| 8:30 - 9:00 am | KEYNOTE: PROSPECTS FOR FUNDING WATER INFRASTRUCTURE – A FEDERAL VIEW |
| | Ian Lyle, Executive Vice President, National Water Resources Association |
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| 9:00 – 10:00 am | PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS |
| | Moderator: Rod Smith, President, Stratecon, Inc. Mike Irlbeck, Director of Business Development, EPCOR Water Chris Higgins, Executive Director, Goldman-Sachs John H. Moffatt, Economic Development Director, Pima County |
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| 10:00 - 10:15 am | BREAK |
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| 10:15 - 10:55 am | KEYNOTE: WATER TRANSACTIONS |
| | Welcome and Introduction: Dr. Robert C. Robbins, President, University of Arizona |

Honorable Stephen Roe Lewis, Governor, Gila River Indian Community

10:55 - 11:55 am

WATER TRANSACTIONS: COMPLEXITIES, LESSONS LEARNED, AND ETHICS

Moderator: David Wegner, Senior Scientific Consultant, Jacobs Engineering **Water Transactions:**

Complexities - Peter Culp, Partner, Culp & Kelly, LLP

Lessons Learned - Cynthia Campbell, Water Resources Management Advisor, City of

Ethics - Richard Morrison, Chairman, Morrison Enterprises

11:55 - 1:20 pm

LUNCHEON AND PANEL DISCUSSION – BINATIONAL COOPERATION

Moderator: Sharon B. Megdal

Edward Drusina P.E., Commissioner, International Boundary and Water Commission **Salvador López-Córdova**, Chief Environmental Officer, NADBank

1:20 - 2:00 pm

POSTER PRESENTATIONS, DESSERT

2:00 - 3:20 pm

THE ENVIRONMENT AND THE BUSINESS OF WATER

Moderator: Kevin Moran, Senior Director of Water Program, Environmental Defense Fund Todd Reeve, Chief Executive Officer, Bonneville Environmental Foundation Taylor Hawes, Colorado River Program Director, The Nature Conservancy Yamilett Carillo, Director, Colorado River Delta Water Trust Ted Kowalski, Senior Program Officer, Walton Family Foundation

3:20 - 3:40 pm

BREAK

3:40 - 4:40 pm

WATER AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY

Moderator: Susan Craig, Communications Director, Water Infrastructure Finance Authority Charles Flynn, Director, Yuma Crossing National Heritage Area Doug Von Gausig, Mayor, Town of Clarkdale

Timothy Thomure, Director, Tucson Water, City of Tucson

Nathan Wright, Program Manager, Community and Economic Development, City of Phoenix

4:40 - 5:05 pm

KEYNOTE: THE BUSINESS OF WATER: THE FUTURE

Tom Buschatzke, Director, Arizona Department of Water Resources

5:05 - 5:20 pm

POSTER PRIZES, CLOSING COMMENTS