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Phoenix Active Management Area Groundwater Users Advisory Council

February 19, 2026



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Water Management Assistance Program Fund

Current Balance: \$540,188

Encumbered/committed: \$253,646 (+\$216,000 for WCMP)

Remaining Balance: \$286,542 (\$70,542)

PHOENIX ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA Groundwater Withdrawal Information

Year		2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
WMAP	Fee	\$0.25	\$0.25	\$0.25	\$0.30	\$0.35	\$0.35
	Collected	\$189,539	\$206,495	\$162,030	\$229,462	N/A	N/A
Admin & Enforcement	Fee	\$0.50	\$0.50	\$0.50	\$0.50	\$0.50	\$0.50
	Collected	\$381,806	\$412,991	\$324,060	\$327,803	N/A	N/A
Water Bank	Fee	\$2.50	\$2.50	\$2.50	\$2.50	\$2.50	\$2.50
	Collected	\$1,909,032	\$2,064,955	\$1,620,704	\$1,639,014	N/A	N/A
Total	Fee	\$3.25	\$3.25	\$3.25	\$3.30	\$3.35	\$3.35
	Collected*	\$2,743,231	\$2,906,467	\$2,350,958	\$2,418,368	N/A	N/A

*In addition to WMAP, Admin & Enforcement and Water Bank, amount includes late fees, recovery wells fee, and Water Quality Fund fee

Current Projects being funded WMAP:

PROJECT NAME	CONTRACTOR	TOTAL FUNDING	REMAINING FUNDING	CONTRACT ENDS
Arizona Project WET	University of Arizona	\$75,000	\$30,000	7/31/2026
Residential Water Use	City of Phoenix	\$139,000	\$139,000	2/28/2027
Smartscape Professional Landscape Training	University of Arizona	\$112,861	\$84,646	8/30/2027
Water Conservation Management Program (WCMP)	Buckeye Valley Natural Resources Conservation District (NRCD)	\$216,000	\$0	12/31/2025
Gilbert Smart Irrigation Controller Rebate Program	Town of Gilbert	\$45,000	\$0	12/31/2025

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Current Projects being funded Groundwater Conservation Grant Projects:

PROJECT NAME	CONTRACTOR	TOTAL FUNDING	REMAINING FUNDING	CONTRACT ENDS
Using Project-Based STEM Education to Enhance Groundwater Conservation in Maricopa County Schools	University of Arizona – Arizona Project WET	\$195,855	\$0	Completed
Northern Avenue Lateral Surface Water Capacity Restoration	Maricopa Water District	\$251,500	\$0	Completed
El Mirage Water Conservation Program	City of El Mirage	\$150,000	\$0	Completed
Pecan to New Magma Reclaim Water Line	EPCOR Water	\$250,000	\$0	Terminated
Leak Detection Equipment Replacement	Arizona Water Company	\$60,000	\$0	Completed

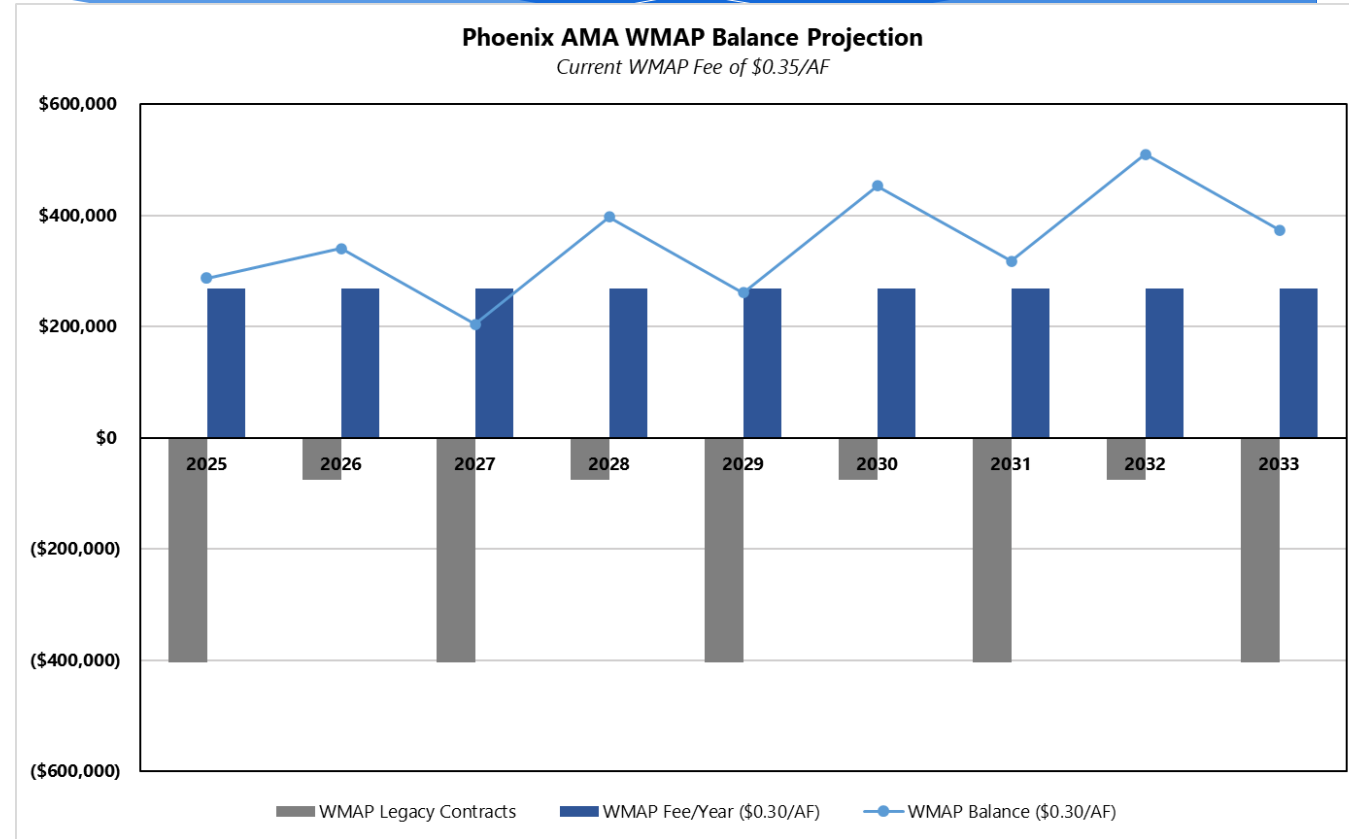
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PHOENIX ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA WMAP (Water Management Assistance Program) FEE Projections

\$0.35:

Year	WMAP Fee/AF	WMAP Fee/Year	Cost of WMAP Legacy Contracts	Unobligated WMAP Balance	Unobligated WMAP Balance (After City of Phoenix Payout)
2025	\$0.35	\$267,706	(\$403,861.00)	\$286,542	\$286,542
2026	\$0.35	\$267,706	(\$75,000.00)	\$479,248	\$340,248
2027	\$0.35	\$267,706	(\$403,861.00)	\$343,093	\$204,093
2028	\$0.35	\$267,706	(\$75,000.00)	\$535,799	\$67,938
2029	\$0.35	\$267,706	(\$403,861.00)	\$399,644	\$260,644
2030	\$0.35	\$267,706	(\$75,000.00)	\$592,350	\$124,489
2031	\$0.35	\$267,706	(\$403,861.00)	\$456,195	\$317,195
2032	\$0.35	\$267,706	(\$75,000.00)	\$648,901	\$181,040
2033	\$0.35	\$267,706	(\$403,861.00)	\$512,746	\$373,746



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WATER CONSERVATION MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

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*Buckeye
Valley
Natural Resource
Conservation District*



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Request to Modify the Scope of Work

2025 – 2026 Fiscal Year

25 Standard Evaluations

5 IWM / BMP Services

2 Outreach / Promotional
Activities



Purpose

Continue the most successful water conservation program in the AMA



- Align Contractual Expectations with Current Realities
- Prudent Fiscal and Operational Management Response to Current Conditions
- Maintain Service Quality & Program Integrity, Compliance, and Long-Term Operation Sustainability

Justification

Economic Conditions

- No increase in funding over the past 10+ years
- Multi Year Compounded Inflation
 - National Inflation of 36.8%
 - Arizona specific inflation of 48% relative to WCMP operations



Justification cont'd

Operational and Geographic

- Urban sprawl / expansion
 - Potential participants are pushed to the farthest reaches of the AMA; resulting in fewer and more geographically dispersed water users
 - No longer able to absorb increase in costs via clustering of services in a geographic area



Fiscal year cost per WCMP service item

2014 ~\$1,741

2025 ~\$3,000

Summary



- Align program deliverables with current funding levels
- Maintain the integrity of the WCMP
- Ensure responsible stewardship of public funds

Conclusion

The Buckeye Valley NRCD respectfully requests approval of this scope modification to ensure the continued effectiveness, compliance, and sustainability of the Water Conservation Management Program. The requested adjustment reflects prudent fiscal management in response to long-term economic and operational changes while continuing to achieve the water conservation objectives of the AMA, ADWR, and the NRCD.

We appreciate your time and continued support!





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