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## **Governor's Drought Interagency Coordinating Group** **Tuesday, May 20, 2025 - 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. MST**

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### **Meeting Agenda**

- I. Webinar Logistics**  
*Maggie Martin, Drought Program Coordinator, Arizona Department of Water Resources*
- II. Welcome & Introductions**  
*Tom Buschatzke (Co-chair), Director, Arizona Department of Water Resources*  
*Gabe Lavine (Co-chair), Director, Arizona Division of Emergency Management*
- III. Drought Status Update & Monitoring Technical Committee Activities**  
*Erinanne Saffell, State Climatologist, Drought Monitoring Technical Committee Co-chair*
- IV. 2025 Weather Outlook**  
*Mark O'Malley, Lead Forecaster, National Weather Service, Drought Monitoring Technical Committee Co-chair*
- V. Colorado River Water Supply Update**  
*James Heffner, Senior Hydrogeologist, Colorado River Management, Arizona Department of Water Resources*
- VI. Salt River & Verde River Watersheds Water Supply Update**  
*Stephen Flora, Senior Hydrologist, Salt River Project*
- VII. Impacts of Drought on Hydropower - Irrigation and Electrical Districts Association of Arizona**  
*Ed Gerak, Executive Director, Irrigation and Electrical Districts Association of Arizona*
- VIII. Impacts of Drought on Hydropower - Western Area Power Administration**  
*John Paulsen, VP of Power Marketing, Western Area Power Administration*
- IX. 2025 Wildfire Outlook**  
*Tiffany Davila, Public Affairs Officer, Arizona Department of Forestry and Fire Management*
- X. 2024-2025 Forest Health Update**  
*Viridiana Quinonez Nevarez, Forest Health Specialist, Arizona Department of Forestry & Fire Management*
- XI. Drought Declaration Recommendation**  
Action Item – Discussion and recommendation to the Governor
- XII. Call to the Public**
- XIII. Closing Remarks & Adjourn**

Pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.02 (A)(1), public notice is hereby given that the Drought Interagency Coordinating Group Meeting will be held *in-person and virtually* on Tuesday, May 20, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. MST. The meeting is open to the public.

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