



Arizona Lower Basin Drought Contingency Plan
Arizona Implementation
Steering Committee Meeting
February 19, 2019



Arizona LBDCP Steering Committee Meeting Agenda

- Welcome and Introductions
- Arizona DCP Legislative Recap
- Intra-Arizona Implementation Status
- Congressional Approval
- Delegates' Comments
- Steering Committee Resolution

Arizona DCP Legislative Recap

SJR1001/HJR2002 Colorado River Drought Contingency Plan

- Resolution to authorize* the ADWR Director to sign the Interstate DCP Agreements on behalf of the State of Arizona if:
 - Federal legislation passes directing the secretary of the interior to execute and implement the DCP agreements;
 - All parties other than the United States and the State of Arizona have authorized the execution of DCP agreements.

**A.R.S. § 45-106 states: "An agreement entered into between the [ADWR] director and the United States or a state or government involving a sovereign right or claim of this state is not effective unless approved by the legislature by concurrent resolution."*



Arizona DCP Legislative Recap

SB1227/HB2545 Colorado River Drought Contingency Plan Amendments

- Authorization for the AWBA to exchange existing LTSCs between AMAs; LTSC transfer fee waiver
- Increase accrual of LTSCs for existing effluent managed recharge facilities from 50% to 95%, allowing those credits to be applied to assured water supply determinations, and extending ability to accrue LTSCs beyond 2025 for storage of effluent and water imported into an AMA or groundwater basin.
- Limited repeal of “WaterBUD” in the Pinal AMA from 2020 through 2026
- Groundwater & Irrigation Efficiency Projects Fund
 - GF appropriation of \$7 million; \$2M from ADWR DCP funds; repurposing Pinal withdrawal fee for groundwater infrastructure in Pinal AMA; intent clause.

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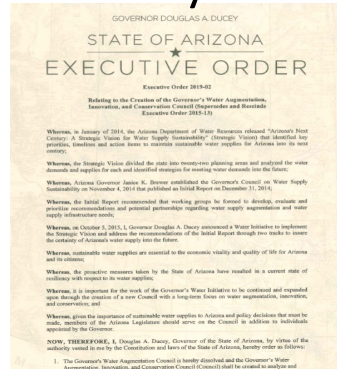
- Arizona System Conservation Fund
 - GF appropriation of \$30 million; ADWR authority to act as the fiscal agent for NGO contributions
- \$2M from ADWR DCP funds to the Augmentation and Conservation Assistance Fund at ADWR for conservation grants in AMAs for conservation of groundwater
- ADWR report to Legislature on DCP agreements

January 1/31/2019 Signing



Arizona DCP Legislative Recap - Executive Order

- Dissolves the Governor's Water Augmentation Council and replaces with the Governor's Water Augmentation, Innovation and Conservation Council
- Investigate long-term augmentation to benefit Arizona, and strategies for conservation and innovation
- Meets Quarterly and may form working groups
- Chaired by Director of ADWR
- Includes previous members of the GWAC plus Speaker of the House, President of the Senate and House and Senate Minority Leaders, or their legislative designees, plus others as appointed by the Governor
- Shall consider a communication plan for Arizona to accurately convey Arizona's water resiliency and efforts to maintain resiliency going forward



Intra-Arizona Implementation Status

#	Agreement Name	Status	Actions Taken to Date	Parties
1	Arizona Implementation	Draft concept		ADWR, CAWCD, others TBD
2	CAP Ag Mitigation	Draft terms		CAWCD, CAP Ag Distr.
3	CAP NIA Mitigation	Draft terms		CAWCD, CAP NIA customers
4	CAWCD – SRP Exchange	Draft Agreement	<i>CAWCD consideration 02/21/19</i>	CAWCD, SRP
5	Arizona ICS Framework & New AZ Exhibits	Draft Agreement & draft Exhibits	<i>CAWCD consideration 02/21/19</i>	ADWR, BOR, CAWCD (Exhibits - interstate approval)
6	CRIT System Conservation	Draft concept		ADWR, BOR, CAWCD, CRIT, others
7 *	US – CAWCD LBDP Obligations	Final form of Agreement	Approved by CAWCD Board on 1/31/19	US, CAWCD
8 **	CAWCD – ADWR Exchange of Letters	Final Letters	Executed by CAWCD and ADWR on 1/30/19	ADWR, CAWCD

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* Orange means approved by CAWCD Board, awaiting execution by the U.S. and CAWCD

** Green means fully executed and final



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9	GSF – GSF Agreement	Concept		EPCOR, CAP Ag Distr.
10	USF – GSF Agreements	Draft agreements		Some M&I users, CAP AG Distr., AWBA
11	AWBA Recovery Agreements	Concept		AWBA, Recovery partners (TBD)
12	US – GRIC ICS for US Firming	Draft concept		US, GRIC
13	AWBA – GRIC “Pre-Firming”	Draft concept		AWBA, GRIC
14	Interstate ICS Borrowing Capacity	Concept (volumes determined)		ADWR, SNWA, MWD
15	Interstate Aggregate ICS Capacity	Concept (volumes determined)		ADWR, SNWA, CRCN, MWD
16 *	GRIC-CAGRD Water Supply Acquisition Agreements	Final Agreements	Executed by CAWCD, GRIC and GRWS on 1/31/19	GRIC, GRWS, and CAWCD and the United States

* Yellow means fully executed by CAWCD, GRIC and GRWS, awaiting execution by the U.S.



Interstate Status

- New BOR Deadline of March 4th with 15 day comment period for Basin States Governor's Representatives with opportunity for additional input from water users, tribes, and others
- ADWR- CAWCD Joint Letter regarding BOR Deadline
- Interstate ICS Process
- Other Basin States Update
- Congressional Approval

Congressional Approval

PROPOSED FEDERAL LEGISLATION

SEC. ___ COLORADO RIVER BASIN DROUGHT CONTINGENCY PLANS

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, upon execution of the February 4 , 2019 versions of the Agreement Concerning Colorado River Drought Contingency Management and Operations and the agreements attached thereto as Attachments A1, A2 and B, by all of the non-federal parties thereto, the Secretary of the Interior shall, without delay, execute such agreements and is directed and authorized to carry out the provisions of such agreements and operate applicable Colorado River system reservoirs accordingly.

DELEGATES' COMMENTS



STEERING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION





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ADWR's website – new.azwater.gov/lbdcp

CAWCD's website – www.cap-az.com/AZDCP