



WATER INFRASTRUCTURE
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WIFA: Progress and Plans

Arizona Agribusiness and Water Council

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Water Infrastructure Finance Authority

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WIFA's Mission

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100k -500k
acre-feet

in annual
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CONSERVATION
7.5 million
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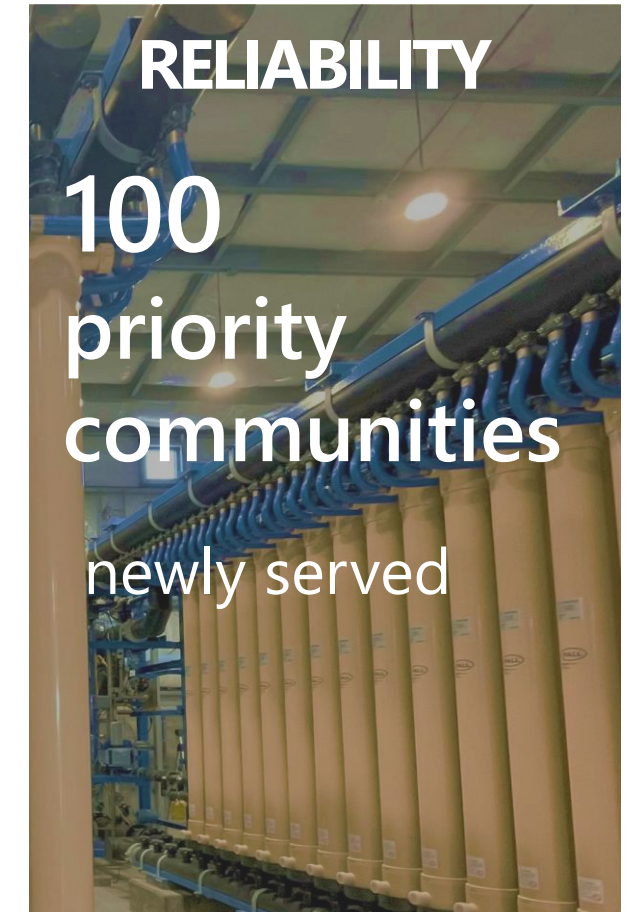
of water
conserved



RELIABILITY

100
priority
communities

newly served



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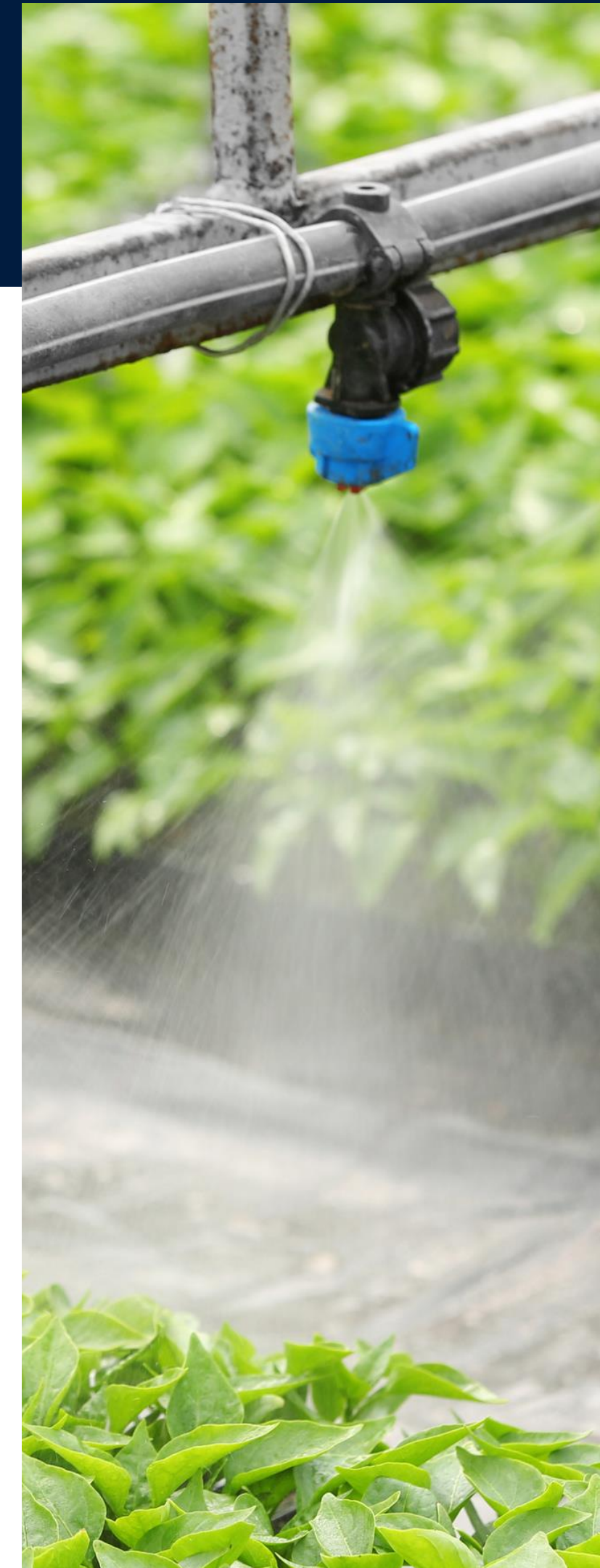
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WIFA's Funding Opportunities



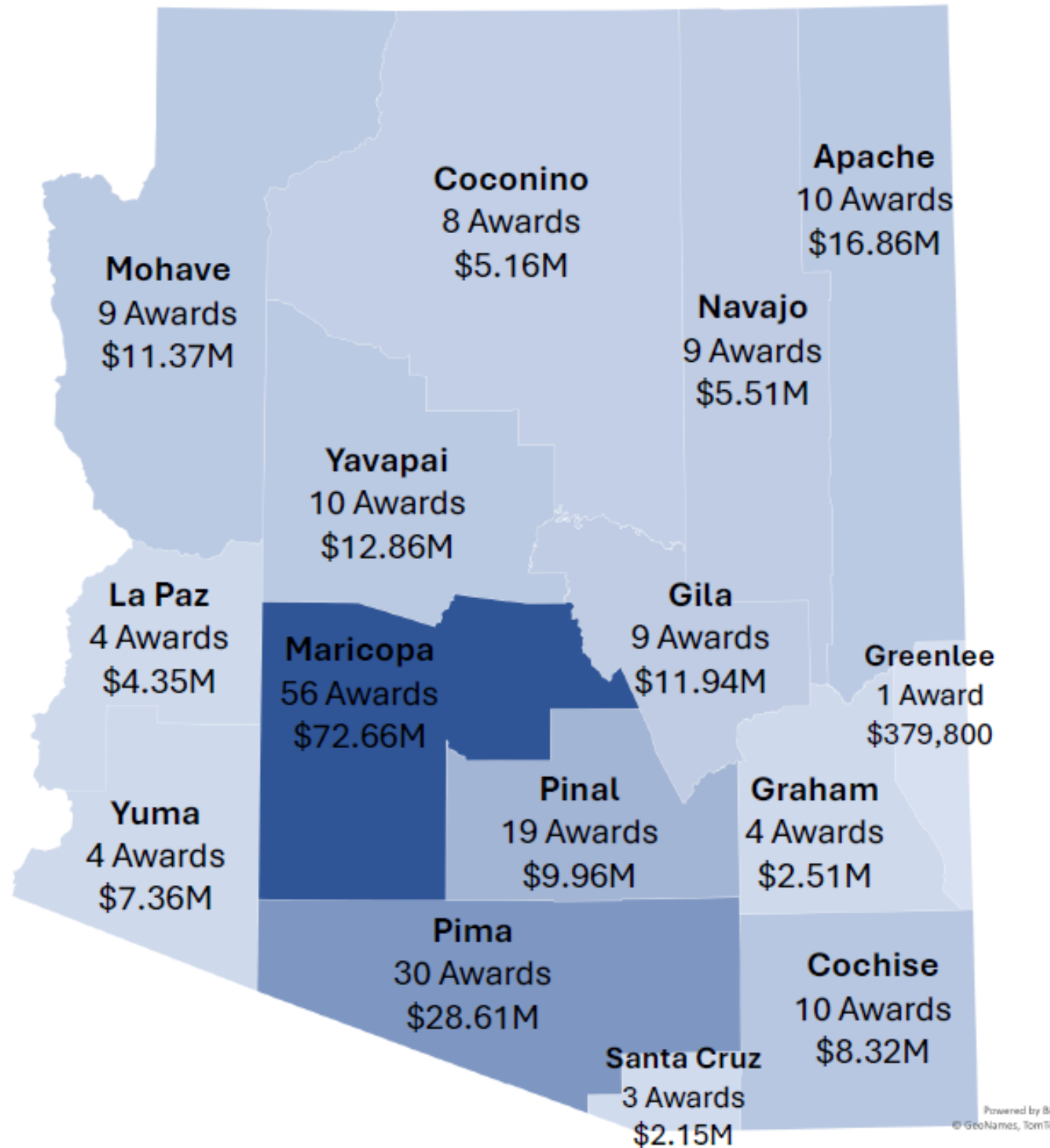
- **Clean Water SRF**
Loans, technical assistance to political subdivisions for wastewater and stormwater projects
- **Drinking Water SRF**
Loans, technical assistance to public water systems for drinking water infrastructure
- **Water Supply Development RF**
Loans and technical assistance for water supply development outside of urban centers
- **Water Conservation Grant Fund**
Grants to governmental and non-governmental organizations for projects that promote conservation and decrease water use
- **Long-Term Water Augmentation Fund**
For projects that import water into Arizona and in-state augmentation projects

Water Conservation Grant Fund



WCGF – 2024

Approved Applications – as of June 25, 2024



\$200 million

AWARDED FOR CONSERVATION
GRANT FUND PROJECTS

BETWEEN

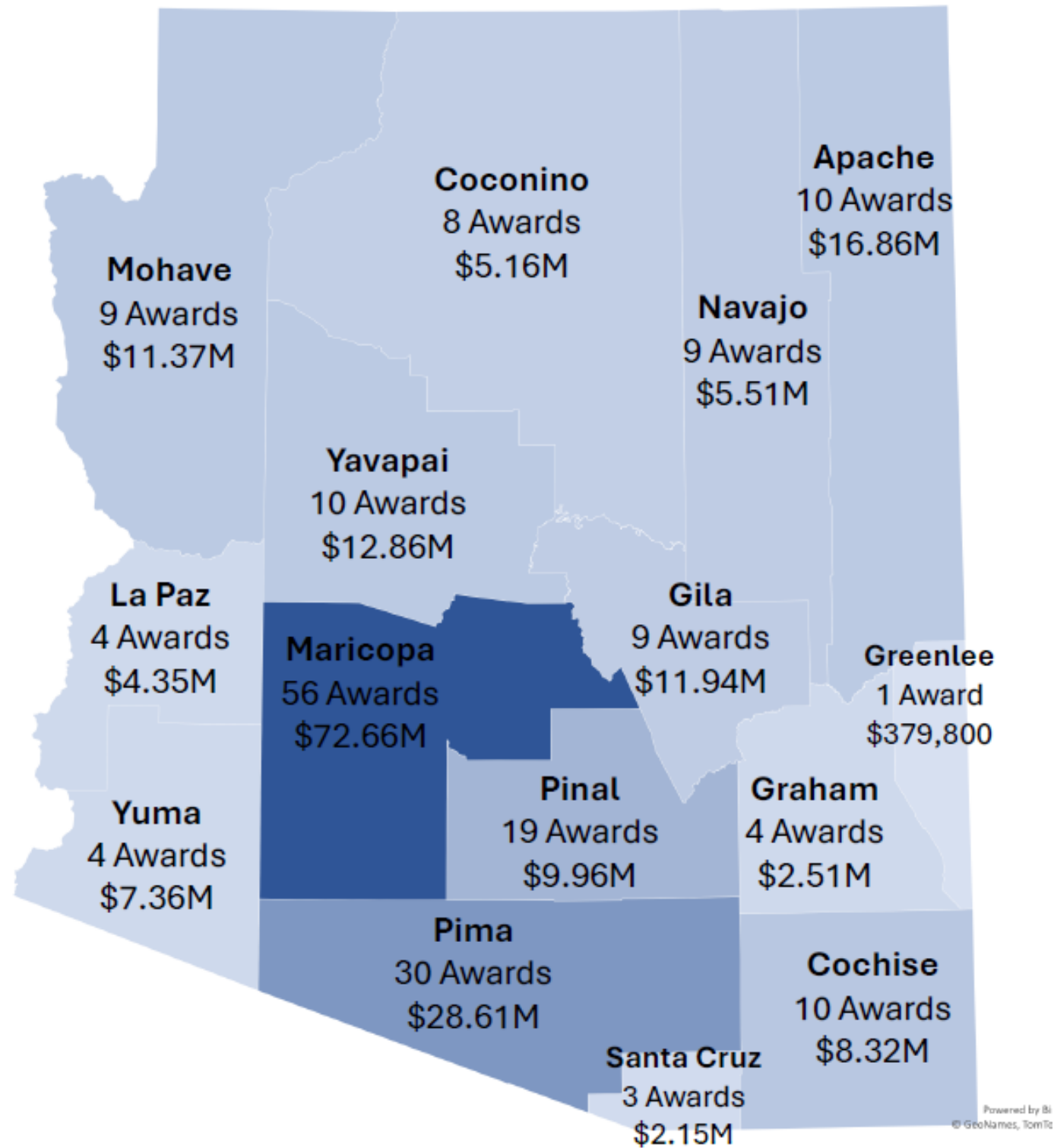
3.2-5.5 million

ACRE-FEET OF WATER
TO BE SAVED

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Agriculture Systems Upgrades

\$37.3 million

Grants to Irrigation Districts

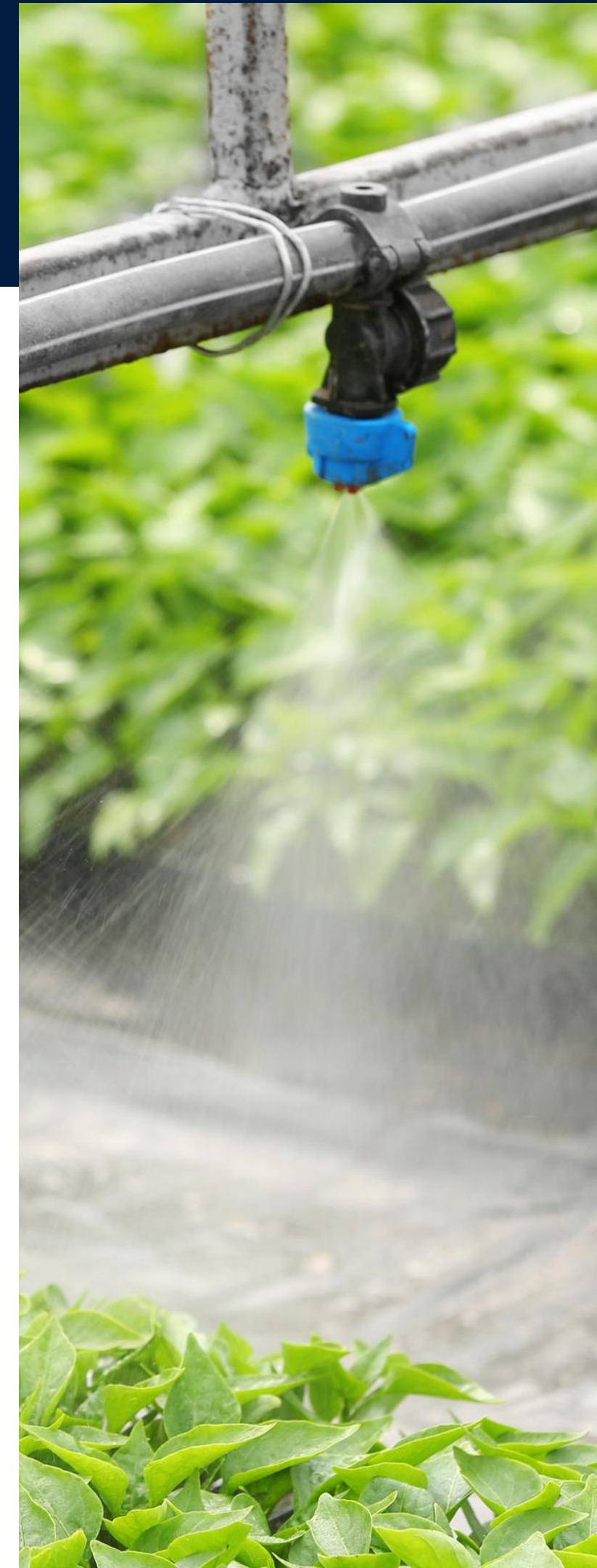
\$18.9 million

- CAIDD
- Grover's Hill
- MSIDD
- New Magma
- Paloma
- Roosevelt
- SCIDD

Grants to NRCDDs

\$9.1 million

- Apache
- Verde
- Willcox-San Simon



Water Supply Development Revolving Fund

Financing to meet Rural Arizona's water challenges

- Allow communities without ready access to a variety of water supplies to acquire water or water rights to augment their water supply
- Plan, design, build, and develop facilities for conveyance, storage, reuse, groundwater replenishment, and conservation
- Holistic approach to water security that can meet the unique needs of small, rural communities without the onerousness of federal funding requirements



Eligible Projects

ARS § 49-1201(22)

"Water supply development" means any of the following:

(a) Acquiring water or rights to or contracts for water to augment the water supply of a water provider, including any environmental or other reviews, permits or plans reasonably necessary for that acquisition.

(b) Planning, designing, building or developing water-related facilities, including any environmental or other reviews, permits or plans reasonably necessary for those facilities, for either of the following purposes:

(i) Conveyance or delivery of water.

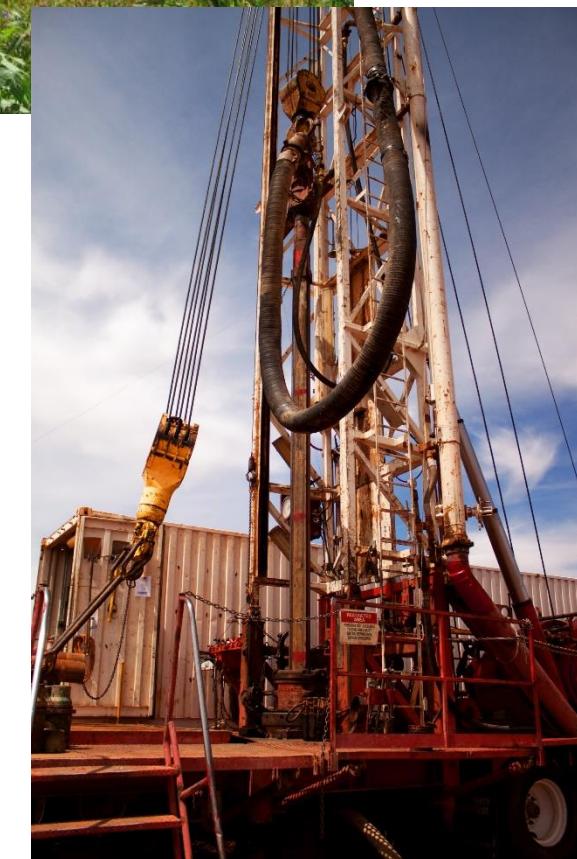
(ii) Storage or recovery of water under title 45, chapter 3.1.

(iii) Reclamation and reuse of water.

(iv) Replenishment of groundwater.

(v) Active or passive stormwater recharge structures that increase water supplies.

(c) Conservation through reducing existing water use or more efficient uses of existing water supplies.



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WATER SUPPLY DEVELOPMENT REVOLVING FUND PROJECT PRIORITY LIST APPLICATION

Please complete the following application to allow WIFA to determine the eligibility and priority of your water supply development project. Please contact WIFA at 602-364-1310 or wsdfrf@azwifa.gov with any questions. Once completed please email as an attachment along with supporting materials to wsdfrf@azwifa.gov.

1. APPLICANT AND CONTACT INFORMATION

1.1. Entity Information
Name: _____
Address: _____
County: _____
Entity Type: _____
General Location of Water Service Area (i.e. communities served, cities or towns): _____

1.2. Representative to be Contacted Regarding Application
Name: _____ Title: _____
Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____

2. SYSTEM INFORMATION (if applicable)

2.1. ADEQ Public Water System (PWS) identification number: _____

2.2. ADWR Community Water System number: _____

2.3. ADWR AMA Service Area Right Number: _____

2.4. Population of water provider's service area (include year): _____ in year _____

2.5. System Compliance (SELECT ONE):
 Notice of violation(s) and/or consent orders from regulatory agency (if yes, please attach)
 Currently in compliance with applicable regulatory agencies

2.6. Is the system ACC regulated? Yes No
If yes, please list the ACC Water System Number and attach most recent ACC Water Annual Report (see [link](#) to ACC): _____

2.7. Is the system within an Active Management Area (AMA)? Yes No
If yes, please list which AMA, any associated AMA water right numbers and attach most recent ADWR Water Use Report (see [link](#) to ADWR): _____

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Financial Assistance Index

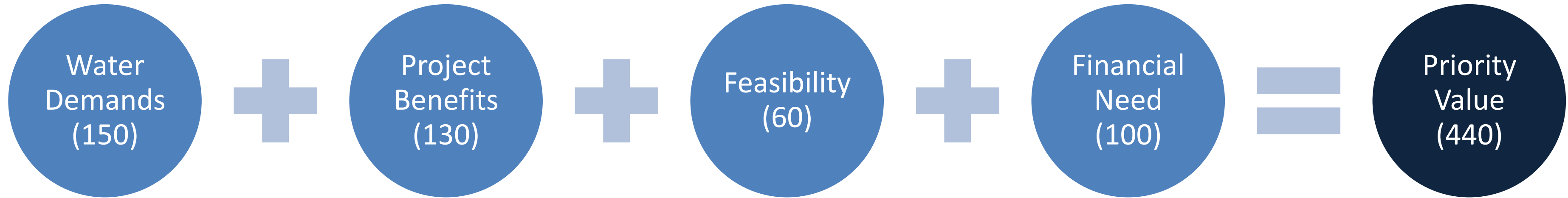


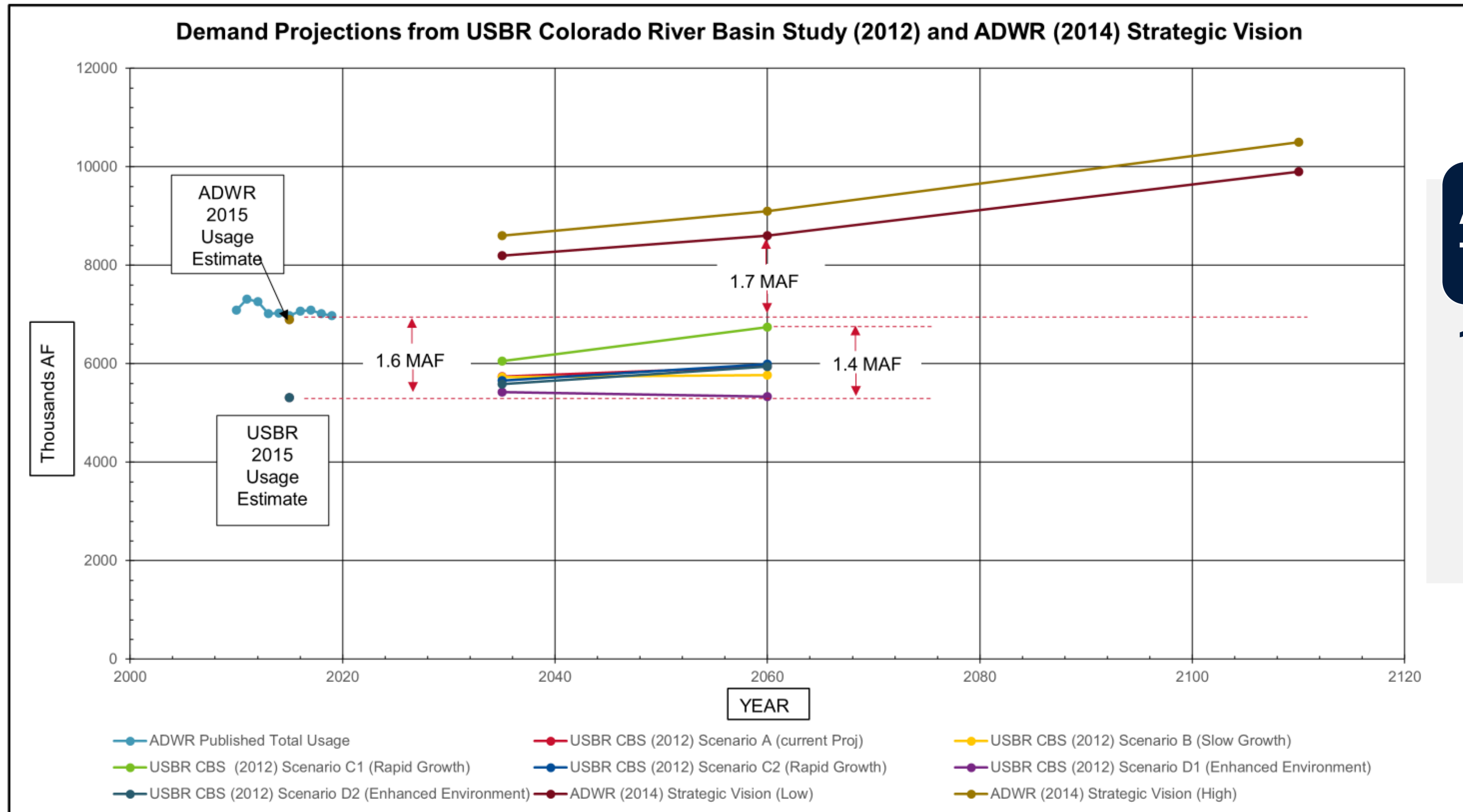
Table 1. Financial Assistance Index

		Total Priority Value Points				
		Above 260	220-259 points	180-219 points	140 -179 points	Below 140
Financial Need Points	100	70%	70%	70%	75%	75%
	90	70%	70%	75%	75%	80%
	80	70%	75%	75%	80%	80%
	70	70%	75%	80%	80%	80%
	60	75%	80%	80%	80%	80%
	50	75%	80%	80%	80%	80%
	40	80%	80%	80%	80%	85%
	30	80%	80%	80%	80%	85%
	20	80%	80%	80%	85%	90%
	10	80%	80%	85%	90%	90%
	0	80%	85%	90%	90%	95%

Table 2. Financial Incentives

Index Score	Grant and Loan Eligibility
70%-75%	Eligible to receive up to \$2M in grants. Any costs over \$2M may be covered by loan funds, not to exceed \$3M in loan
80%	Eligible to receive up to \$5M, 40% grant and 60% loan
85%-95%	Not eligible for grant, total loan is capped at \$3M

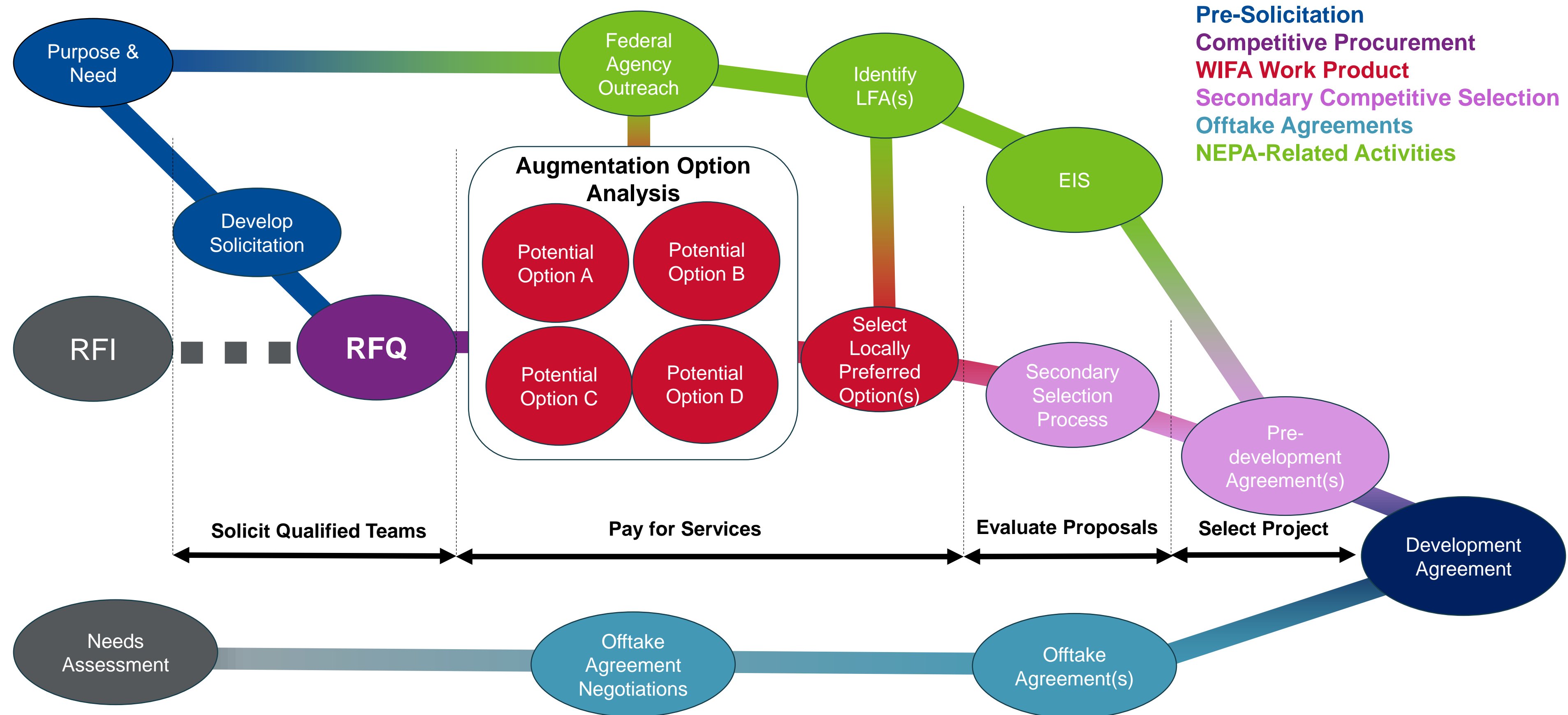
Assessing Need for Augmented Water in Arizona



Augmentation Target:

100kAF to 500kAF
 annual near-term (5-15 years) annual augmentation demand, with high price elasticity

Competitive Solicitation Process



Budget Impact

Fund	Budget Impact
Long-Term Water Augmentation – Planned Deposit	(\$333,000,000)
Long-Term Water Augmentation – Existing Balance	(\$97,300,000)
Water Supply Development Revolving Fund – Existing Balance	(\$59,700,000)
Conservation Grant Fund	\$0.00
Total Impact:	(\$490,000,000)

ARIZONA

Arizona agency says budget raid of water fund was unlawful. But it isn't suing — for now



Ray Stern

Arizona Republic

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Though last year's budget didn't provide WIFA's full promised funding, either, the agency still has more than half a billion dollars. Petersen noted that its current and ongoing projects will be funded and leaders do support its mission.

Finding and developing a new supply of water could be critical to the state's economy, which benefits from constructing homes and other developments for new residents.

"We want to refill WIFA and we will do it," he said. "It's a temporary situation."

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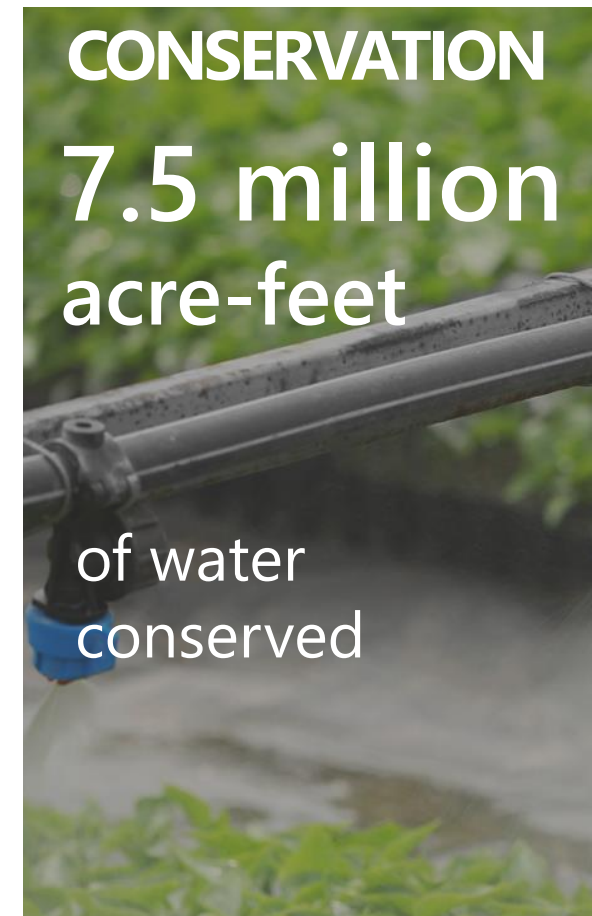
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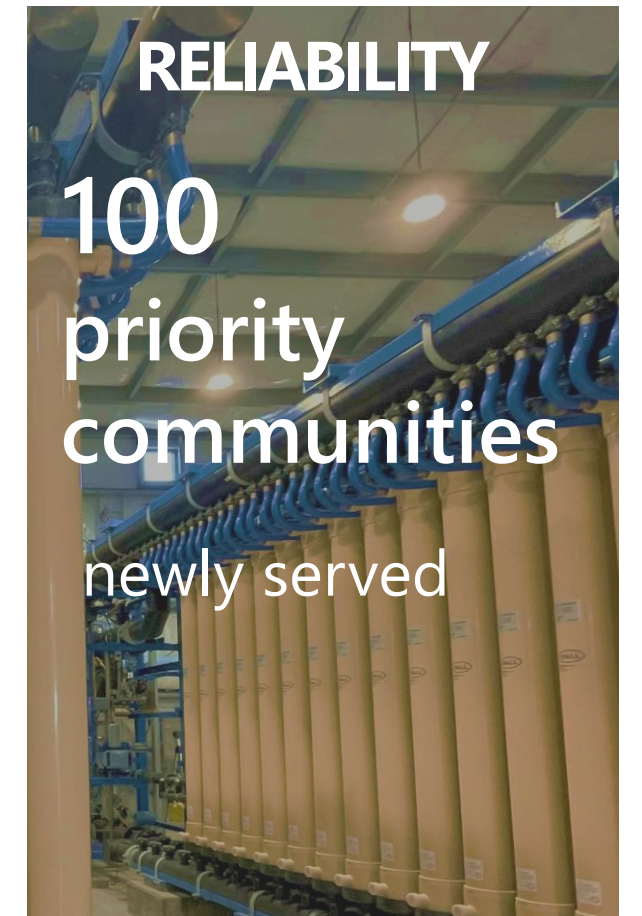
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