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FRIDAY, MARCH 27, 2020

**UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA
WATER RESOURCES RESEARCH CENTER**
Black Canyon Conference Center
9440 N 25th Ave, Phoenix, AZ 85021

AGENDA

7:30 – 8:00 am	Registration and Continental Breakfast	
8:00 – 8:30 am	Welcome	
	<p>Sharon B. Megdal, <i>Director, Water Resources Research Center, University of Arizona</i> Liesl Folks, <i>Senior Vice President and Provost, University of Arizona</i> Jeffrey C. Silvertooth, <i>Associate Dean; Director, Extension & Economic Development, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, University of Arizona</i></p>	
8:30 – 9:00 am	Keynote: Looking Forward: Then and Now	Bruce Babbitt , <i>Former Arizona Governor and U.S. Secretary of the Interior</i>
9:00 – 9:50 am	The Road Traveled	<p>Moderator: Dave White, <i>Deputy Director, Julie Ann Wrigley Global Institute of Sustainability, Arizona State University</i></p> <p>Kathleen Ferris, <i>ADWR Director 1985-1987</i> Rita Maguire, <i>ADWR Director 1993-2001</i> Herb Guenther, <i>ADWR Director 2003-2011</i> Sandy Fabritz, <i>ADWR Director 2011- 2014</i> Michael J. Lacey, <i>ADWR Director 2014-2015</i></p>
	Past ADWR Directors in a Moderated Discussion	
9:50 - 10:10 am	Break	
10:10 – 11:00 am	Drawing the Water Map	<p>Moderator: Laura Grignano, <i>Manager , Central Arizona Groundwater Replenishment District (CAGR), Central Arizona Project</i></p>
	Arizona Water Management	Tom Buschatzke , <i>Director, Arizona Department of Water Resources</i>
	Groundwater/Surface Water	Greg Kornrumph , <i>Manager, Water Rights Department, Salt River Project</i>
	Technology	Ben Perlman , <i>President, Smart Water Group, LLC</i>
	Water Quality	Channah Rock , <i>Extension Specialist and Professor, University of Arizona</i>
	Water/Energy/Food Nexus	Len Necefer , <i>Assistant Professor, American Indian Studies and Udall Center for Public Policy, University of Arizona</i>

11:00- 11:10 am	Audience Polling: Share thoughts about existing conditions	
11:10– 12:00 pm	Reading the Road Signs	Moderator: Doug Dunham , <i>Manager, Water Resources, EPCOR Utilities Inc.</i>
	Post-2025 AMAs Committee	Warren Tenney , <i>Executive Director, Arizona Municipal Water Users Association</i>
	Water Management Projects	Chairwoman Gwendena Lee-Gatewood , <i>White Mountain Apache Tribe</i>
	Climate	Katharine Jacobs , <i>Director, Center for Climate Adaptation Science and Solutions, University of Arizona</i>
	Agriculture	Paul Brown , <i>Assistant Dean, Cooperative Extension, University of Arizona</i>
	Arizona's Natural Systems	Kristen Wolfe , <i>Coordinator, Sustainable Water Workgroup</i>
	Water in Rural Arizona	Kevin Black , <i>Program Manager, U.S. Bureau of Reclamation</i>
12:00 – 1:10 pm	Lunch (Luncheon Program Begins at 12:30 pm)	
	Keynote: The Colorado River and Arizona's Water Management	Commissioner Brenda Burman , <i>U.S. Bureau of Reclamation</i>
1:10-1:20	Audience Polling: Share thoughts about future directions	
1:20– 2:10 pm	Choosing a Route	Discussion Facilitation: Sharon B. Megdal , <i>Director, University of Arizona Water Resources Research Center</i>
		Representative Regina Cobb , <i>AZ District 5</i>
	How are we going to manage Arizona's groundwater to meet the needs of all Arizonans?	Representative David Cook , <i>AZ District 8</i>
		Senator Lisa Otondo , <i>AZ District 4</i>
		Additional invitations are pending
2:10 – 3:00 pm	On-Ramp to a Resilient Future	Discussion Facilitation: Jim Holway , <i>Director, Babbitt Center for Land and Water Policy</i>
		Sandy Bahr , <i>Grand Canyon Chapter Director, Sierra Club</i>
	How are we modifying our concepts of water management to achieve long-term resilience?	Tom Davis , <i>President, Agribusiness and Water Council of Arizona</i>
		Governor Stephen Roe Lewis , <i>Gila River Indian Community</i>
		Cheryl Lombard , <i>President and CEO, Valley Partnership</i>
		Kathryn Sorensen , <i>Director, Phoenix Water Services</i>
3:00-3:10	Audience Polling: Share reflections on the day	
3:10 pm	Wrap Up, followed by snacks and conversation in the lobby	