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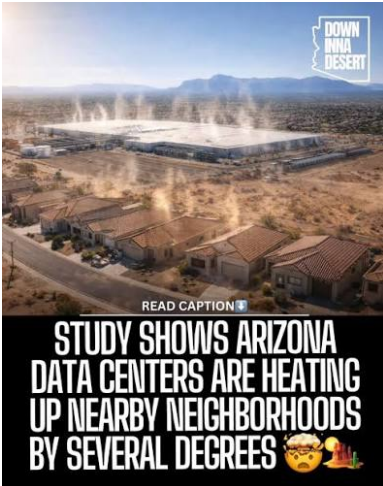
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DATA CENTERS IN ARIZONA

Arizona faces many environmental issues, including extreme heat, mining extraction waste, and water scarcity, especially with the rise of AI data centers. What strategies, if any, do you support to tackle these issues?



I OPPOSE HIGH-WATER-USE DATA CENTERS:

- Arizona is a desert with serious water scarcity, and we must protect our limited water resources.
- People invest in these operations, but they make no sense for our desert environment.
- It's also a bad investment: with technology advancing at record speed, these water-guzzling facilities will be outdated like old paperweights in just a few years.
- Corporations must adapt to the desert through free-market innovation, not rely on government handouts that deplete our most precious local resources.
- **The majority of Arizona citizens oppose high-water-use data centers.**

Noble Predictive Insights, Aug. 2026

<https://www.noblepredictiveinsights.com/post/arizona-voters-want-the-brakes-put-on-new-data-centers>

The Herald Review, Aug. 2026

https://www.myheraldreview.com/news/state/poll-finds-arizona-voters-wary-of-additional-data-centers/article_dcfcb9d1-acd6-41ae-81bd-8f69a7a03824.html

WFF, June 2025

https://static.waltonfamilyfoundation.org/55/42/1e89fa5846ae82f1abadeab4b5/wff-arizona-poll-2025-6.20.25_Toplines.pdf

- I will firmly oppose federal funding loopholes, corporate subsidies, tax breaks, grants, and permitting incentives for high-water-use tech facilities on desert land.



I SUPPORT 100% WATERLESS TECH FACILITIES:

- I support investment in 100% waterless tech facilities for semiconductor manufacturing and data centers that are actually compatible with a desert climate.
- **We should be mandating advanced technology like Two-Phase Immersion Cooling or Closed-Loop Dry Cooling, which is already being successfully used by facilities like the Edged Data Center in Mesa, Arizona.**
- Water must be prioritized for residents, agriculture, ecosystems, and wildlife, and long-term sustainability.