

2018 CENTRAL ARIZONA PROJECT FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE AGENDA



Bill signing ceremony for S.1004, the Colorado River Basin Project Act of 1968, sponsored by U.S. Senator Carl Hayden.



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COLORADO RIVER SUSTAINABILITY LEGISLATION

CAP POSITION:

- Continue to engage in legislative and funding solutions to promote Colorado River sustainability, including efforts to address the structural deficit and prolonged drought conditions such as the Lower Colorado River Basin Drought Contingency Plan (DCP) and the Pilot System Conservation Program, in cooperation with the State of Arizona, Arizona stakeholders, Basin States, federal agencies, Tribes, and other Colorado River water users.
- Support legislation as needed to implement multistate agreements relating to the Colorado River, including the DCP.
- Continue to promote CAP's Protect Lake Mead campaign to raise awareness and support for cooperative efforts that are aimed at improving water elevations in the reservoir.



NAVAJO GENERATING STATION (NGS)

CAP POSITION:

- Continue efforts to engage elected officials, stakeholders, and governmental agencies regarding federal activities that affect the Navajo Generating Station.



CYBERSECURITY THREATS AND LEGISLATION

CAP POSITION:

- Monitor legislative efforts to address cybersecurity and potential threats to critical infrastructure and vital computer systems.



CENTRAL ARIZONA PROJECT WATER SUPPLY

CAP POSITION:

- Continue to collaborate with Federal, State, Tribal, and other stakeholders to mitigate potential impacts on the CAP water supply and support efforts to supplement and augment water supplies with desalination, weather modification, innovative conservation programs, and water reuse and recycling programs.
- Monitor water infrastructure initiatives and related proposals that could benefit the CAP system.



ENERGY LEGISLATION

CAP POSITION:

- Monitor legislative efforts that may impact CAP operations, including CAP's ability to secure affordable energy and ensure reliable transmission delivery.



COLORADO RIVER BASIN SALINITY ISSUES

CAP POSITION:

- Continue to support the operation of the Yuma Desalting Plant or suitable alternatives to reduce system losses.
- Support the activities of the Colorado River Basin Salinity Control Forum, including efforts to secure adequate funding and improve water management.



INDIAN WATER RIGHTS SETTLEMENT LEGISLATION

CAP POSITION:

- Continue to collaborate with Arizona Tribes and other stakeholders on issues related to resolving water rights claims.
- Continue to support legislation necessary and appropriate to enact the Hualapai Tribe water rights settlement.
- Continue to support an amendment to the White Mountain Apache Tribe Water Rights Quantification Act of 2010 that clarifies the use of amounts in the White Mountain Apache Tribe Settlement Fund.



FEDERAL RULEMAKING

CAP POSITION:

- Continue to monitor federal rulemaking and implementation related to energy, emissions, water quality, and other issues that may affect CAP operations.



WATER QUALITY

CAP POSITION:

- Monitor water quality issues impacting the Colorado River that may affect CAP operations.
- Support the efforts of the Lower Colorado River Water Quality Partnership to implement proactive and collaborative solutions that protect the water quality of the Colorado River.