

2016 Central Arizona Project

Federal Legislative Agenda

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The following list describes CAP's federal legislative agenda for calendar year 2016 and will guide the activities of CAP legislative staff and consultants during the Session.

The Strategic Initiatives & Public Policy team will come before the Public Policy Committee on a regular basis to seek guidance and direction on these and other proposed rules and legislation that may arise during the year.

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 in the Lower Basin and prolonged drought conditions, in cooperation with the State of Arizona, Arizona stakeholders, Basin States, U.S. Department of the Interior, Tribes, and other Colorado River water users.

Navajo Generating Station (NGS)

CAP Position: Continue efforts to engage elected officials, stakeholders, and governmental agencies regarding implementation of the EPA's final BART rule for NOx emissions and the Clean Power Plan, development of the NGS/Kayenta Mine Complex Environmental Impact Statement through the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) process, and results of the National Renewable Energy Laboratory Phase II Study.

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 and Energy Legislation

CAP Position: Continue to collaborate with Federal, State, Tribal, and environmental

stakeholders to mitigate potential impacts on CAP water and power operations and augment water supplies with programs such as desalination, weather modification, innovative conservation programs, and water reuse and recycling programs.

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.

Indian Water Rights Settlement Legislation

CAP Position: Continue to collaborate with Arizona Tribes and other stakeholders on issues related to resolving water rights claims.

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.

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