



2025 | STATE LEGISLATIVE

AGENDA

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2025 CENTRAL ARIZONA PROJECT STATE LEGISLATIVE AGENDA

CENTRAL ARIZONA PROJECT AUTHORITIES AND OPERATIONS

- Monitor legislative and regulatory efforts that could impact CAP's contractual authorities or impact CAP water supplies and operations.
- Oppose efforts that would attempt to interfere with the Secretary of the Interior's authority to approve Section 5 contract transfer actions.

COLORADO RIVER WATER SUPPLY

- Support the implementation of the Lower Basin Drought Contingency Plan (DCP), including implementation of the Arizona DCP Plan.
- Support additional collective actions to reduce the risks of Lake Mead declining below critical elevations and ensure Arizona and CAP do not continue to carry a disproportionate burden of reductions on the River.
- Support the further implementation of Minute 323 and Minute 330 with Mexico and support efforts to pursue further proportional reductions from Mexico.
- Cooperate with Federal, State, local, Tribal and other stakeholders to support conservation of Colorado River water.
- Support continued state funding to address the effects of drought, including system conservation, agriculture efficiency, potable reuse, and other related programs.
- Encourage continuation of broad-based stakeholder discussions on the impacts of Colorado River water supply reductions on the state, with engagement by the Executive and Legislature, as exemplified by the Arizona Reconsultation Committee.

ARIZONA WATER RESOURCES

- Collaborate with elected officials and stakeholders on efforts to address in-state and interstate water resources issues, including implementation and funding of the expanded duties of the Water Infrastructure Finance Authority.
- Monitor legislative efforts that encourage in-state water conservation and augmentation activities.

MULTI-SPECIES CONSERVATION PROGRAM (MSCP) FUNDING

- Support state efforts to collect and maintain revenues sufficient to continue annual contributions toward the costs of the MSCP and monitor legislative and executive proposals that impact such funding.

FUNDING OF STATE WATER AGENCIES AND COMMISSIONS

- Support the efforts of the Arizona Department of Water Resources and the Arizona Water Protection Fund Commission to secure sufficient state General Fund appropriations in order to carry out statutory functions and maintain and recruit experienced staff.
- Support efforts to proactively provide funding to the Arizona Department of Water Resources for costs of litigation to protect Arizona's Colorado River allocation.
- Monitor legislative actions that propose to use funds available to the Arizona Water Banking Authority Commission for other purposes.

CENTRAL ARIZONA GROUNDWATER REPLENISHMENT DISTRICT (CAGR D)

- Participate in the Governor's Water Policy Council and its committees to engage on CAGR D-specific topics and monitor related proposals. Engage on related legislation to ensure the CAGR D's operations are not adversely impacted.
- Ensure Build-to-Rent projects enrolled in the CAGR D pay appropriate fees, consistent with other single-family homes enrolled in the District.
- Engage in discussions with the State regarding Build-to-Rent projects in Active Management Areas complying with the Assured Water Supply Program in a manner consistent with the statutory intent of Arizona's Groundwater Management Act.
- Ensure the CAGR D does not replenish groundwater apart from the Assured Water Supply Program.
- Support current 100-year Assured Water Supply determination requirements and associated provisions in the Groundwater Management Act/Assured Water Supply Program.
- Monitor proposals that strengthen provisions regarding illegal lot splitting (wildcat developments) as it relates to replenishment and the Assured Water Supply rules.
- Ensure stability of Annual Membership Dues rates between Member Lands and Member Service Areas and among AMAs.

ENERGY

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

AGENCY RULEMAKING

- Monitor state rulemaking and implementation related to energy, air quality, water quality and other issues that may affect CAP operations.