

# GREATER DEPTH, BROADER PERSPECTIVE FOR A CLEAR WATER FUTURE

We tackle key water policy and management issues, empower informed decision-making, and enrich understanding through engagement, education, and applied research.

# 2017 HIGHLIGHTS – THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA WATER RESOURCES RESEARCH CENTER

Engagement with **950** diverse partners and collaborators on projects and programs

- **2,200** electronic *Arizona Water Resource* newsletter and *Arroyo* annual publication subscribers
- 2,300 Weekly Wave e-News Digest subscribers
- 18 publications by WRRC personnel
- 82 presentations made by WRRC personnel
- **36** External Advisory Committee members
- **330** presentations, workshops and training sessions conducted by Arizona Project WET
- **365** Annual Conference registrants

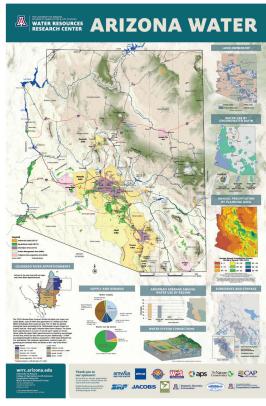
#### **ANNUAL REPORT**

Detailed information and metrics can be found on our website: wrrc.arizona.edu/annual-report-2017

## The University of Arizona Water Resources Research Center

A unit of Arizona Cooperative Extension Member of National Institutes of Water Resources (NIWR) 350 N. Campbell Ave. Tucson, AZ 85719 (520) 621-9591

#### **ARIZONA WATER MAP POSTER**



Redesign of the WRRC water map poster, begun in 2016, was completed in 2017.

Order your map here:

wrrc.arizona.edu/arizona-water-map-form

## **OUTREACH & ENGAGEMENT**

The WRRC transfers water research results and information to other researchers, water managers, policy makers, and the public. The Center's outreach activities include publications, conferences, lectures, seminars, videos, presentations, and workshops.







REGISTERED FOR THE 2017 CONFERENCE IRRIGATED AGRICULTURE IN ARIZONA:

A FRESH PERSPECTIVE





Spring 2017 AWR Newsletter recaps key messages from the conference









3 5 COMMUNITIES REACHED
THROUGH WRRC ACTIVITIES ACROSS ARIZONA





**41** 

ENGAGEMENT ACTIVITIES

SPANNING FROM ARIZONA TO ISRAEL

**11**11

PUBLICATIONS
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PUBLISHED AND POSTED MATERIALS AND PAPERS

18.3K

INDIVIDUALS REACHED

THROUGH ENGAGEMENT ACTIVITIES (ESTIMATED)

**9** 1

STUDENTS ADVISED IN ARIZONA, NATIONAL, AND GLOBAL WATER POLICY

## **SELECTED PROGRAMS**

The WRRC houses programs that focus on research, education, and community outreach and engagement. Programs are directed and coordinated by WRRC personnel and cover a spectrum of topics, including water management, planning and policy, groundwater governance, conservation, water harvesting, transboundary cooperation, water for natural areas, and water quality.





## 700 PEOPLE

ENGAGED IN UNDERSTANDING WATER RESOURCES





20+ outreach activities from community conversations to water budget workshops



Supporting and building partnerships to provide strategies for all water using sectors in Arizona

# **430 TEACHERS**

ENGAGED 30,300 STUDENTS WITH IMPROVED INSTRUCTIONAL PRACTICES DEVELOPED IN TEACHER ACADEMIES



1.5 million gallons of water per year: projected savings from student-installed devices



56,000 water stewards developed through direct student outreach



79% average STEM learning gain resulting from APW teacher workshops



TRANSBOUNDARY AQUIFER
ASSESSMENT PROGRAM (TAAP)



A research and engagement program that includes studies of the Transboundary San Pedro and Santa Cruz aquifers. In 2017, TAAP partners compiled a draft of the *Binational Study of the Transboundary Santa Cruz Aquifer*, which is undergoing review. Other activities included contributions to regional climate projections, published articles, a stakeholder engagement forum, and seven presentations to disseminate research findings. More information at https://wrrc.arizona.edu/TAAP



# \$2.8 MILLION

IN COLLABORATIVE FUNDING



Lead Research Scientist named to 12 international, national, and local advisory boards focused on antibiotic resistance and water quality



Training tomorrow's researchers: 100% of graduates employed or admitted to graduate programs



# **♦14 MILLION**

**GALLONS CONSERVED BY PARTICIPANTS** 



\$100,000 donated to 11 community enhancement projects since 2011



27,000 gallons average saving per participant

TRACK YOUR WATER SAVINGS ON THE C2E™ DASHBOARD conserve2enhance.org



### **Website Update**

The WRRC's redesigned website, which was launched in late 2016, features a modern new look and major functionality improvements. In 2017, there was a 23% increase in use with 128,900 page views during the year. Find up-to-date information on all of our programs.

#### wrrc.arizona.edu



#### **Desert Landscaping**

The Desert Landscaping website emphasizes arid-adapted gardening and helps you imagine and design water-smart landscaping. Search over 600 plants using selection criteria such as seasonality and water use. The "Tips" pages include information on irrigation, water harvesting, problem plants, and microclimates.

desertlandscaping.arizona.edu

### **ONLINE RESOURCES**



#### Conserve2Enhance Water Use Dashboard™

Conserve2Enhance connects voluntary water conservation with community action.

**Sign up at conserve2enhance.org** to get conservation tips, track water savings, and make your drops count!

#### conservezenhance.org



### **Beyond the Mirage**

Beyond the Mirage is an innovative web-based experience that encourages you to explore Arizona's water supplies, demands, challenges, and opportunities by creating your own mini-documentaries. The Beyond the Mirage professional feature documentary is also available for streaming through Amazon.com.

BeyondTheMirage.org



#### **UA Water Network**

The UA Water Network showcases the more than 280 faculty and researchers in 48 departments and programs who specialize in topics related to water. The site provides a jobs and opportunities page, and a get connected page with information about water-related institutions, seminars, newsletters, and on-line tools.

#### water.arizona.edu



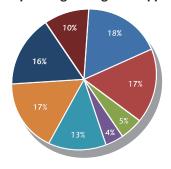
### Desert Water Harvesting Initiative

This web site enhances outreach and communication between utilities, practitioners of water harvesting, academics, and interested citizens. It contains the Water Harvesting Assessment Toolbox, which provides guidance for groups to evaluate their water harvesting options.

wrrc.arizona.edu/DWHI

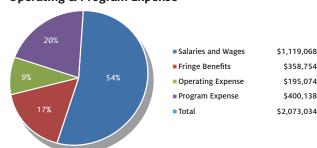
#### 2017 FINANCIAL SUMMARY

#### Operating & Program Support & Revenue





#### **Operating & Program Expense**



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# SUBSCRIBE ONLINE TO KEEP UP WITH WATER NEWS AND EVENTS:

# Weekly Wave e-News Digest

The Weekly Wave e-News Digest keeps subscribers up-to-date with WRRC news, events, and much more.

## Arizona Water Resource Newsletter

The Arizona Water Resource provides timely and informative coverage of water issues, research, news, and resources.

### Arroyo Annual Publication

The Arroyo is published each spring and summarizes knowledge on a single water topic of importance to Arizona.

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