



## UPPER VERDE RIVER WATERSHED PROTECTION COALITION TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC) MEETING SUMMARY

Wednesday, December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2007 – 1:00 p.m.  
Yavapai County Administrative Services Building, Gladys Gardner Room  
1015 Fair Street – Prescott, Arizona

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### Attendees:

TAC members: James Holt, Chris Moss, Mark Holmes, and John Munderloh

Program Management Team: Ed Muccillo, Rick Shroads, Jim Campbell, Bill Greenslade, and Keith Larson

Guests: Howard Mechanic, John Zambrano, Georgene Lockwood, Joanne Oellers, Candice McNulty, John Rasmussen, and Daniel Timmons

### Meeting Notes:

#### 1) Review Previous Board Meeting

- a) The Board requested that the TAC review and confirm all the previously discussed potential projects/tasks.

#### 2) Election of TAC Chairperson

- a) A **motion** was made by John Munderloh to establish the TAC Chairperson as the TAC Member entity that currently serves as the Coalition Board Chairperson. The motion was seconded by James Holt. The motion passed unanimously.
- b) Mark Holmes will serve as the current TAC Chairperson.

#### 3) Review and Prioritize Potential Task List & Develop a Scope of Work and Deliverables for Priority Tasks

- a) **Water Conservation Plans & Programs**
  - i) Complete an initial assessment of existing programs to avoid duplication
    - (1) What is currently taking place, gather and analyze water use data, how efficient are users currently.



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- ii) Identify potential partnering opportunities for a regional conservation plan.
- iii) Evaluate the possible adoption of rules and/or incentives for water conservation.
- iv) The end goals are education and outreach to drive behavioral changes that will increase the efficiency of water use, and provide technical assistance where feasible.
- v) Recommendations on a scope of work, cost, and phasing for conservation will be developed for the January TAC meeting.

### **b) Big Chino Hydrologic Monitoring Network**

- i) Identify where agencies are currently monitoring and where funding is being used to eliminate duplication.
- ii) Assess where the coalition wants to monitor/supplement
- iii) Regional scale model is a potential long term goal
- iv) Need to measure change in addition to a model.
- v) Monitoring Network needs to be credible and must receive technical input from stakeholders such as USGS and ADWR. USGS may be able to assist in identifying where gaps in the data exist.

### **c) Recharge/Flood Control Detention**

- i) Develop map (layered) of the Big Chino and Prescott AMA to identify areas of potential recharge, both natural and artificial.
- ii) Soil evaluation

### **d) Website Management**

- i) Burgess & Niple, Inc. will provide a scope of work and cost regarding the management of the website.

### **e) Safe Yield**

- i) Howard Mechanic addressed the TAC. He discussed that the Coalition should develop best management practices, as discussed in the GUAC Safe-Yield Report. He also recommended that the Coalition should take the lead on issues such as allocation of groundwater pumping, natural recharge, exempt wells, alternative water supplies, special districts, monitoring of supplies, lobbying the state legislature, and public education – specifically with regard to allocation of groundwater pumping, in lieu of waiting for the State to do this.
  - ii) Howard also indicated that CWAG sent a letter to ADWR requesting a determination on the safe-yield groundwater available in the AMA. He anticipates a response before the next TAC meeting.
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iii) The formation of a TAC safe yield subcommittee was discussed. The initial decision will be to determine the make-up of the subcommittee. The Program Manager will compile a list of suggestions from meeting attendees relating to the formation of the subcommittee.

### f) Education

- i) There will be no presentations at the January meeting.
  - ii) Presentations at future meetings consist of the following:
    - (1) Habitat Conservation Plan
    - (2) Special Water Districts
    - (3) Alternative Water Supplies
- 4) The next scheduled TAC meeting is to be held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month at 1:00 P.M. on January 9, 2008, at Yavapai County Administrative Services Building, Gladys Gardner Room (1015 Fair Street – Prescott, Arizona), unless other wise posted.

**Note: The meeting was changed to Tuesday, January 15, 2008, at 1:00 pm at the same location.**