

Arizona Water Protection Fund Commission 2013

PURPOSE: To: (1) grant monies from the Fund to entities that cooperate and work in conjunction with local residents and affected jurisdictions; (2) provide for public involvement; and (3) carry out its duties as prescribed in A.R.S. 45-2104. By July 1 of each year, the Commission shall submit a detailed report describing the actions taken by the Commission and the expenditures made from the Arizona Water Protection Fund during the previous fiscal year to the Governor, the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

MEMBERSHIP:

Senate One member of the Senate as a non-voting advisory member, appointed by the President of the Senate:
Z-2 Senate Vacant

Other One member of the public who has at least a bachelor's degree in hydrology and who represents a city that is served by the Central Arizona Project, appointed by the Governor:
Mr. Brian Biesemeyer

Two persons who represent natural resource conservation districts established pursuant to Title 37, Chapter 6, and who represent geographically diverse areas of this State, appointed by the President of the Senate:
Ms. Shelley Blackmore
Tina Thompson

The Director of the Department of Water Resources, as a non-voting ex-officio member:
Mr. Thomas Buschatzke, Director, Department of Water Resources

One person who is knowledgeable in natural resource conservation issues or in water resource issues related to riparian ecosystems, who represents an agricultural improvement district established pursuant to Title 48, Chapter 17, appointed by the Governor:
Mr. Rodney Held (6/30/2023)

One person who represents a multi-county water conservation district established pursuant to Title 48, Chapter 22, named by that district's governing board:
Mr. Pat Jacobs, Northwest Fire District

Two persons who represent natural resource conservation districts established pursuant to Title 37, Chapter 6, and who represent geographically diverse areas of this State, appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives:
Mr. John Ladd, San Jose Ranch
Stephen Turcotte

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The State Land Commissioner, as a non-voting ex-officio member:

Ms. Robyn Sahid, Commissioner, Arizona State Land Department

One person who represents an Indian tribe, appointed by the Chairman of the Intertribal Council of Arizona:

Vacant

One person who represents a state Association of Natural Resource Conservation Districts, appointed by the Governor:

Vacant

Notes: All members must be residents of this State who have demonstrated an interest in natural resources. Members serve staggered 3-year terms and may serve more than one term and may continue to serve beyond the expiration of the term until a successor is appointed and assumes office. (This does not include advisory members and ex officio members.) Advisory members may not be considered for purposes of establishing a quorum.

CONTACT: Sawyer Bessler, Senate Research Staff; Corbin Wright, House Research Staff

REPORT DATE: July 1, annually

EXPIRATION DATE: None

STATUTORY CITE: A.R.S. 45-2103; Laws 1994, Chapter 278, Section 8; Laws 1999, Chapter 262, Section 29; Laws 2013, Chapter 247, Section 1; Laws 2024, Chapter 247, Section 27