

ARIZONA STATE LEGISLATURE

MOHAVE COUNTY WEST BASIN WATER USERS STUDY COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Meeting
August 27, 2019
2:00 p.m., House Hearing Room 1

Members Present:

Senator Sonny Borrelli, Co-Chair
Pam Muse, State Land Commissioner's
designee, Advisory Member
Patrick Cunningham
John Hansen
Mayor Jen Miles

Representative Regina E. Cobb, Co-Chair
John Summers

Gary Watson (via telephone)

Members Excused:

Sandy Fabritz
Clay Overson
Anita Waite

Staff:

Paul Bergelin, House Research Staff
Mike Hans, Senate Research Staff

Co-Chair Borrelli called the meeting to order at 2:02 p.m.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

Representative Cobb made remarks and requested that the Committee members introduce themselves.

CHARGE OF THE COMMITTEE

Paul Bergelin, House Research Staff, explained the purpose of the Committee and the required reporting dates.

CHAIR'S OPENING REMARKS

Representative Cobb made opening remarks regarding the direction and format she would like to see for the Committee.

PRESENTATIONS

Status of the Matrix Report on the Hualapai Valley Basin by the Arizona Department of Water Resources

Jeff Inwood, Hydrology Division, Arizona Department of Water Resources (ADWR), distributed and explained a PowerPoint presentation entitled "Status Briefing 2019 Hualapai Valley Basin Groundwater Resources Assessment" (Attachment A). Mr. Inwood gave a brief overview of the history and status of the Matrix Report contracted by ADWR to provide information on groundwater levels. Mr. Inwood answered questions posed by the Committee.

Status of and Scope of Work for the USGS Study of the Hualapai Valley Basin by Mohave County

Nicholas S. Hont, P.E., Senior Engineer, Director of Development Services, Mohave County, distributed and explained a PowerPoint presentation entitled "Status and Scope of Work for the USGS Study of the Hualapai Valley Basin" (Attachment B). Mr. Hont gave an overview of the history and methodology of the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) and discussed the report that is expected in the near future. Mr. Hont answered questions posed by the Committee.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Representative Cobb put out a call for public testimony, to which no one came forward.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

Representative Cobb asked if there was any additional discussion from the Committee.

Representative Cobb made closing remarks regarding future meetings.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shelley Ponce
Committee Secretary

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