Governor’s Water Augmentation Council
Finance Subcommittee
April 14, 2017 Meeting Summary

Time: 10:00am – 12:00pm
Location: Arizona Department of Water Resources

The Governor’s Water Augmentation Council (GWAC) Finance Committee was formed to research and identify possible funding sources for future projects proposed by the GWAC. A goal of the committee is to bring together an interdisciplinary group of experts to solve funding issues for water augmentation projects by analyzing what has worked in the past and will be most effective in the future.

Welcome and Introductions:
The Committee Chair, Sandy Fabritz, introduced the committee members present: Warren Tenney, Bob Lotts, Sarah Porter, and Cheryl Lombard. Committee members unable to attend were Spencer Kamps and Bas Aja. This was the second meeting of the committee. Ms. Fabritz stated that the purpose of the materials provided were meant to help spur conversation and ideas for funding mechanisms.

Update on Planning Areas Project
ADWR staff, Martin Stiles, updated the Committee on the Planning Area water demand data analysis. The water demands were broken out into two categories: agricultural use and combined municipal and industrial use. This iteration of the analysis also included estimated water demand projections for the Basin and Range Active Management Areas Planning Area.

Identification of Potential Funding Mechanisms
Chairwoman Fabritz described three different tracks for the future direction of the committee. The first track will be to look at how infrastructure is funded and what do investors look for in a project? Cheryl Lombard and Bob Lotts will be working on this track.

The second track is to create a specific list from the Water Resources Development Commission projects list and more recent items, such as recommendations from the GWAC Desalination Committee and the success stories of C.C. Cragin Reservoir, Red Gap Ranch, and the Goodyear brackish groundwater project. Future Committee meetings include guest speakers to discuss these topics.

The third track will be to specify funding sources. Details regarding this track will be discussed further at the next meeting.

Action Items
ADWR staff will prepare the following items for the next Committee meeting:

- Revise the Planning Area analysis by using only the county budgets for calculating the opportunity for water supply augmentation.
• Research how other states implement a bottled water tax and how they determine when a project should be funded?
• Organize presentations for next meeting: private-public partnerships overview, and a presentation by Water Infrastructure Finance Authority.

**Next Meeting**
The next GWAC Finance Committee meeting is scheduled for 11:00a.m. Monday, May 15\textsuperscript{th}. It will be held at ADWR, 1110 West Washington St., Suite 310, Phoenix, AZ 85007.