

**STATEWIDE
WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT WORKING GROUP**

COMMITTEE FACT SHEET

Type: Advisory committee to Arizona Department of Environmental Quality			
Committee Established: 1979	Expected Sunset: Ongoing	Form Updated: January 2021	
<p>Purpose and Authority:</p> <p>The Water Quality Management Working Group (WQMWG) is an advisory committee to the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality Surface Water Permits Unit. The Working Group reviews and recommends a course of action on Areawide Water Quality Management plans and amendments and thereby assists in statewide compliance with Section 208 of the Clean Water Act. The WQMWG does not have the authority to deny a 208 amendment, but it may alert ADEQ staff to amendment deficiencies.</p> <p>The WQMWG also provides a forum for communication between Working Group members and ADEQ staff to ensure statewide coordination and information dissemination. The meetings also may be used as a vehicle for member training.</p>			
Reporting Requirements: Reports to the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality, Surface Water Permits Unit.			
	Acting Representative	Position	Designated Alternate(s)
Members (voting):			
<u>Designated Planning Agencies</u>			
Central Arizona Governments (CAG) Pinal and Gila Counties	Alan Urban, Travis Ashbaugh	Member	
Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG) Maricopa County	Julie Hoffman	Member	
Mohave County	Christine Ballard	Member	
Northern Arizona Council of Governments (NACOG) Flagstaff, Arizona, Navajo and Apache, Yavapai, and Coconino Counties	Chris Fetzer	Member	

Pima Association of Governments (PAG) Pima County	Mead Mier, Melanie Alvarez	Member	
SouthEastern Arizona Governments Organization (SEAGO) Cochise, Graham, Greenlee and Santa Cruz Counties	Randy Heiss	Member	
La Paz County	Dawn Capotosi	Member	
Yuma County	George Amaya	Member	
<u>State Agencies (voting)</u>			
State Land Department	Manny Patel	Member	Mark Edelman Michelle Green
Arizona Dept. of Water Resources	Keith Nelson	Member	
Arizona Department of Game and Fish	<i>Vacant</i>		
Arizona Corporation Commission (ACC)	Del Smith Frank Smalia	Member	
Ex-Officio Members (non-voting):			
Arizona Department of Environmental Quality, Surface Water Permits Unit	Edwina Vogan	Chair of WQMWG	
Water Infrastructure Funding Authority (WIFA)	Lindsey Jones	Participant	
Chair: Edwina Vogan, Surface Water Permits Unit, AZ Department of Environmental Quality			
Quorum: A majority or voting members must be represented either in person, or via conference call, to establish a quorum. Either Members or their alternates may constitute representation.			
Voting: Each DPA may have one vote. Proxy voting is not allowed, except by designated alternate. Voting may occur via conference call or, on rare occasions, by email.			
Public Comment: Public comment may be offered during the Call to the Audience or on comment cards provided at the meetings. At the discretion of the chair, the public also may participate in the discussion on each agenda item. If necessary, the chair may limit the time allocated for comment to three minutes per person.			
Meeting Schedule: When scheduled, meetings, are typically held on the second Tuesday of even numbered months (February, April, June, August, October, and December). Virtual meetings are held by the AZ. Department of Environmental Quality, 1110 W. Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona, at 10:00 a.m.			

Meeting Minutes: Minutes are recorded and available within three working days of the meeting. Summary minutes are written for each meeting and are distributed one week prior to the next meeting.