

THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA COOPERATIVE EXTENSION

Natural Resource Users Law & Policy Center

A collaboration between the James E. Rogers College of Law and the College of Agriculture & Life Sciences

Our Work with Water

The NRULPC engages with Arizona stakeholders on specific water policy needs such as: Regulatory gaps due to the new rule on federal waters jurisdiction.

In addition, NRULPC water-related activities have supported stakeholders and the broader natural resource management arena including:

- Advising Gila River Valley landowners on legal options to optimize water use.
- Preparing analyses of new Waters of the United States (WOTUS) Rule with specific reference to the scope of Clean Water Act enforcement.
- Representing Cobre Valley Watershed Partnership in business formation and other legal issues.
- Researching and interpreting the Clean Water Act's mitigation bank rules for increasing stakeholder understanding.
- Planning a robust Tribal consultation for engagement in the Arizona water rights adjudication process.

Selected Papers from NRULPC Website

- *The Water Report*. By Jeff Eisenberg, et.al., June 2020.
- Water & Property Issues (Hot Land) memo. By Jeff Eisenberg, January 2019

Contact: George Ruyle at gruyle@cals.arizona.edu NRULPC website: <u>https://extension.arizona.edu/nrulpc</u> *Flyer version: June 2021* Undergraduate course - Agriculture, Environmental and Legal Issues guest speakers:

- Carlos Ronstadt, Attorney Private Practice Historical Events that Shaped Arizona Water Law..
- Jim Burling, Pacific Legal Foundation Waters of the United States (WOTUS) Continuing Evolution of a Quagmire and the Supreme Court.
- Mark McGinnis, Salmon, Lewis & Weldon, P.L.C. – Arizona Water Law 101 (topics included: laws and policies managing surface water and groundwater rights).
- Sarah Lawson, Schwabe Williamson & Wyatt Historical overview of Federal Indian Law with highlights on Tribal Water Rights.