Central Yavapai Highlands Water Resources Management Study Technical Working Group Thursday, March 4, 2010 Meeting Minutes

Attendees:

Doug Von Gausig – Clarkdale

Jane Moore – Jerome

Leslie Graser – Prescott

John Munderloh – Prescott Valley

Brent Bitz – Sedona

Charles Mosley - Sedona

Billy Garner – Yavapai Apache Nation

Stanley Bullard – Camp Verde Water Sys.

Jeanmarie Haney – TNC

Loyd Barnet - TAC

Ken Janecek - CWAG Lou Bellesi - Citizen John Rasmussen- YCWAC Greg Kornrumph - SRP Rebecca Davidson - SRP Abe Springer - NAU Tom Whitmer - ADWR Santiago Garcia - Reclamation Marvin Murray - Reclamation Leslie Meyers - Reclamation

Phase I – Demand Analysis

Williamson Discussion

All Williamson CDP data was finalized and routed to the TWG prior to the meeting. Comments received from Ken Janecek proposed some modifications to the data. Although the proposed modifications were understandable, methodologies for development deviated from those used for the rest of the WPAs in the planning area. The TWG decided it was important to be consistent throughout the study area and not to change or update the information.

Phase II – Water Resources Inventory

The TWG reviewed the latest version of the Phase II tables. The tables have been divided into sub-basins with listings of Surface Water, Groundwater, Wastewater, and Effluent for each.

Note: Rain and Snow volumes reported for the Verde River Basin Water Atlas do not include numbers for the Big Chino sub-basin.

Surface Water

There was much discussion about the springs in the study area. An ad hoc committee was formed to review the spring data and determine:

- 1. An accurate listing of springs (with location) in each sub-basin;
- 2. Whether each is a "Consumed Spring" (used before it contributes to the flow of a river of stream) or a "Contributor Spring";

- 3. Whether the water produced is already accounted for in Phase I (ie anything available for future use?); and
- 4. Whether the spring is dry (now and forever?)

The ad hoc spring committee includes John Munderloh, Greg Kornrumph, and Sharon Masek-Lopez.

Action Item: Reclamation will provide maps and locations for each of the springs we listed on the Phase II tables (Arizona Water Atlas based info).

Groundwater

Aquifer data reported in the Water Resources Inventory comes from Kyle Blasch's *Hydrogeology of the Upper and Middle Verde River Watersheds, Central Arizona* 2007 report. Abe Springer suggested that we review and update the information with Northern Arizona Regional Groundwater model report.

Action Item: When the report is available to the public, TWG will review and adjust tables as appropriate.

Wastewater

Water now collected in septic tanks could be available for reuse if a sewer and treatment system were in place. In order to estimate this volume, it was assumed that 33% of all domestic well usage could be recovered, treated and made available for reuse. It was noted that the assumption was probably very low since there is not much outdoor water usage.

Action Item: John Munderloh, Leslie Graser, and Tom Whitmer will look for information that would support a better recovery rate.

Mine Drainage and other poor quality (referred to as Brackish or Saline Waters in the Water Resources Inventory) were discussed in the Verde Valley.

Effluent

The TWG reviewed the lists of Wastewater Treatment Plants throughout the study area. It was noted that some of the information in the table was not correct.

Action Item: Leslie M will route the WWTP info to everyone for review. TWG will provide comments.

Next Meeting
Thursday, April 1, 2010
10:30 am
Yavapai County - Gladys Gardner Meeting Room
1015 Fair Street, Prescott, AZ