

WAC 06-28-2006

Agenda Item 4: Coordinators Report and TAC Report

Budget: From "05/06 Financial Report": Account balance: \$276,147; YTD Deductions: \$99,332 (USGS, Areal Photography, Coordinator Salary, and Supplies); YTD Additions: \$229,991 (Fiscal Year Starts July 1).

TAC Meeting (June 8, 2006):

White Paper – Blasch *et al* Hydrogeology of the Upper and Middle Verde River Watersheds Report (USGS SIR 2005-5198): Purpose is informational: major findings, study uses, limitations, and recommendations. Emphasize clarity with ability of reader to relate white paper statements directly to source report. Schedule white paper as brief agenda item at WAC meeting following report distribution.

TAC recommends having a series of TAC presentation to go over the recent reports one at a time. Recommend White Paper for Wirt Report on Headwaters (<http://pubs.usgs.gov/of/2004/1411/>); Parker Report on Hydrogeology of the Mogollon Highlands (<http://pubs.usgs.gov/sir/2004/5294/>); Bills on Hydrogeology of Coconino Plateau (in preparation). Consideration is being given to other reports.

WAC meeting with Board of Supervisors and Planning. Agreement to update WAC and BOS on accomplishments of WAC; outline plan to detail and prioritize strategies for future WAC work; discuss facilitated retreat as mechanism to focus common vision and ways to set direction and meet objectives. See other coordinator items below for brief list of main points brought out in meeting. TAC to prepare updated list of potential projects for WAC.

Coordinator work priority (major task): Complete task of combining water management reports from Yavapai County communities into a report for the WAC and Board of Supervisors. This will be most current basis for regional planning objectives and next steps. Agreed the final product must include a look at populations in unincorporated areas. Also, consider areas outside of Verde watershed.

Other Coordinator Items:

1. **USGS Report is published – copies will be available at WAC meeting:** Public distribution points are Cottonwood BOS office and ADWR Prescott office.
2. **Planning for WAC Retreat: Discuss in agenda item #7.**
3. **WAC/TAC BOS Joint Session - Most salient points:**
 - A. WAC will set clear direction and priorities;
 - B. Prioritize projects with respect to science needs, planning needs, communication needs and budget;
 - C. Resurrect Conservation recommendation report;
 - D. Resurrect and update Management Strategies Report;
 - E. Write and submit to Board a brief summary of WAC meetings to include main points, conclusions and "WAC opinions";
 - F. Future agenda items should include communication back to Councils, exempt wells, Upper Verde Protection Coalition, information transfer, conservation;
 - G. WAC and VRBP relationship should be revisited.