

Eloy and Maricopa-Stanfield Basin Study
Kick-Off meeting
November 27, 2019

Meeting Summary

1. Welcome by Pinal Partnership Water Resources Committee Co-Chair and Mayor of Casa Grande, Mayor Craig McFarland and self-introduction of attendees.
2. Ron Fleming, Board Liaison and President and CEO of Global Water Resources, and Fred Schneider, Water Resources Committee Co-Chair and Vice President of Engineering at Arizona Water Company gave a brief history of how we got to this point and the importance of planning for water.
3. Jake Lenderking, Global Water Resources, and Valerie Swick, Bureau of Reclamation, co-project managers, went over the tasks for the basin study along with a proposed schedule.

Attendees were asked to put a check mark on the sign-in sheet if they are interested in participating on the Project Team, Supply and Demand sub-team or the Groundwater Modeling sub-team. The Project Team and Supply and Demand sub-team plan to meet in early December.

This study is a 50-50 grant from the Bureau of Reclamation. The total budget of the study is \$1.36 million. The 50% portion of the Pinal Partnership does not have to come in the form of cash, although there will be a need for some cash, but mainly in the form of in-kind services. This includes participants time in gathering data and attending meetings. It was emphasized a number of times that all those not working for the Bureau of Reclamation should keep track of their time to be claimed as Pinal Partnership's portion.

The presentation slides can be found on the Pinal Partnership's EMS Basin Study webpage <http://pinalpartnership.com/ems-basin-study/>.

4. Questions/Discussion
 - a. **How will the in-kind services be tracked?**

The project managers are working with the Pinal Partnership on a way to formalize the process. They should have something together within the next few weeks.

