



**CENTRAL ARIZONA WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
Public Policy Committee
February 4, 2021**

A meeting of the Public Policy Committee ("Committee") of the Central Arizona Water Conservation District's ("CAP" or "CAWCD") Board of Directors was called to order by Chair Karen Cesare on February 4, 2021 at 9:04 a.m. The meeting was held virtually and broadcast for the public via livestream.

Committee Members present were: Chair Karen Cesare, Pima County; Jennifer Brown, Maricopa County; Benjamin W. Graff, Maricopa County; and Heather Macre, Maricopa County.

Staff members present were: Ted Cooke, General Manager; Jay Johnson, General Counsel; Bridget Schwartz-Manock, Director, Public Affairs; Patrick Dent, Director of Water Policy; Jeff Gray, Legislative Affairs Manager; Jessica Newland, Legislative Affairs Analyst; Megan Casey, Public Affairs Management Analyst and Jenn Miller, Board Support Specialist.

Bridget Schwartz-Manock, Director, Public Affairs, performed a roll call and confirmed a quorum was present.

Chair Cesare began with announcements about the virtual meeting format, how committee member participation would be managed, and how the public could provide comments.

1. CONSIDERATION OF ACTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF JANUARY 7, 2021 PUBLIC POLICY COMMITTEE - CESARE

On a motion (Board Member Macre) and a second (Board Member Graff), approved the minutes of the January 7 meeting. Motion passed.

Voting yes: Karen Cesare, Jennifer Brown, Benjamin W. Graff, Heather A. Macre

2. REPORT AND POSSIBLE CONSIDERATION OF ACTION ON A RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD REGARDING STATE ISSUES THAT COULD IMPACT CAP, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO HB2035, HB2041/SB1446, HB2336/SB1274/HB2678, HB2074/SB1147, AND HCM2003 - GRAY

Jeff Gray, Legislative Affairs Manager, updated the Committee on the status of the state legislative session, budget proposal details and information about each of the bills that the Committee will take action on.

Public comment was received via electronic blue card from the National Audubon Society with a comment on HCM2003.

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On a motion (Board Member Macre) and a second (Board Member Brown), recommended that the Board adopt a position on the following pending state legislation of interest to CAP: HB2035 (SUPPORT); HB2041/SB1446 (SUPPORT); HB2336/SB1274/HB2678 (MONITOR); HB2074/SB1147 (SUPPORT); and HCM2003 (SUPPORT). Motion passed.

Voting yes: Karen Cesare, Jennifer Brown, Benjamin W. Graff, Heather A. Macre

3. REPORT AND POSSIBLE CONSIDERATION OF ACTION ON A RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD REGARDING FEDERAL ISSUES THAT COULD IMPACT CAP - GRAY

Mr. Gray updated the Committee on the new executive appointments to federal agencies that relate to CAP operations, committee leadership, infrastructure, Indian water rights settlements, federal rulemaking and executive actions.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

No additional public comment.

5. ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 9:41 a.m.

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Jennifer Brown

Chair