



WESTCAS

The Western Coalition of Arid States

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2015

8:00AM Palm
Associates Meeting

9:00AM Palm
WESTCAS Board of Directors Meeting
Chaired by Kelly Collins, President, WESTCAS

11:00AM Palm
Board of Directors Meeting Adjournment

The WESTCAS Mission:
WESTCAS strives to be:

- The premier, grass-roots organization for providers of water, wastewater and reclaimed water services in the Arid West.
- A responsive coalition on behalf of our members and their customers.
- A reliable source of information about water quality issues to our members and the public.
- An advocate for environmentally sound management of water resources and the protection of public health.
- A contributor to policy, regulations, science, legislation, and appropriations on Arid West water quality and quantity issues.

What are the goals of WESTCAS?
WESTCAS' members network their talents and resources to work on common issues.

1. Advocate laws, regulations, standards, and policies that provide for environmentally sound, science-based protection and wise use of water resources in unique Arid West ecosystems.
2. Actively champion federal funding for water quality and quantity issues, programs, and infrastructure in the Arid West states.
3. Ensure **WESTCAS** remains effective as the "Voice of Water Quality in the Arid West."

Watch your mailbox or visit the website at www.westcas.org for updates and information about our February 2016 Workshop and the Annual Meeting in June 2016

WESTCAS 2015 Fall Conference

"Drought or Mirage? How to make every drop count."

October 28-30, 2015
Wyndham Grand Resort & Spa
Tucson, Arizona



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"The Voice of Water Quality in the Arid West"



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WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2015

8:30AM **Registration** **Palm Terrace**

9:00AM **Welcome** **Palm**
Kelly Collins, President, WESTCAS

Greeting
John Bernal, Deputy County Administrator for Public Works, Pima County, Tucson, AZ

9:15AM **Keynote:** **Palm**
“CAP Overview of AZ Water Issues”
Guy Carpenter, P.E., Carollo Engineers

10:15AM **Break** **Palm**

10:30AM **“NACWA Initiatives”** **Palm**
Adam Krantz, Esq., CEO, National Association of Clean Water Agencies

11:30AM **State Reports:** Colorado, Nevada, and Texas **Palm**

12:00PM **Hosted Networking Lunch** **Palm Terrace**

1:15PM **“Political Potpourri and Satire to Brighten Your Day”** **Palm**
David Fitzsimmons, Political Cartoonist

2:00PM **“D.C. Update”** **Palm**
Hicks-Ray Associates

- California Drought Title XVI Nexus throughout Arid West
- FY2016 Appropriations Cycle Water Infrastructure Funding Arid West

2:30PM **“WOTUS Update”** **Palm**

- Matthias L. Sayer, General Counsel, New Mexico Department of Game and Fish
- Jim Kudlinski, Supervisor, Environmental Field Services, Salt River Project
- Hicks-Ray Associates

3:30PM **Break** **Palm**

3:45PM **“The 2015 Draft Selenium Criteria—Review of the Document and Thoughts on Implementation”** **Palm**
Steve Canton, Senior Aquatic Ecologist, V.P., GEI Consultants, Inc.

4:45PM **“Animas River Gold King Spill and Downstream Effects”** **Palm**
Aaron Chavez, Acting Executive Director, San Juan Water Commission

5:15PM **Wrap Up** **Palm**
Kelly Collins, President, WESTCAS

5:30PM **Hosted Welcome Reception** **Palm Terrace**

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2015

8:30AM **Registration** **Palm Terrace**

9:00AM **Welcome** **Palm**
Kelly Collins, President, WESTCAS

9:15AM **“Desalination: Arizona’s Next Big Bucket of Water?”** **Palm**
Marc Campbell, Manager, Sustainability & Policy Programs, Salt River Project

10:00AM **“The Last Straw: Building Lake Mead Intake No.3”** **Palm**
Marc Jensen, Director of Engineering, Southern Nevada Water Authority

10:45AM **Break** **Palm**

11:00AM **“Water and the San Xavier District”** **Palm**
Chairman Austin Nunez, San Xavier District, Tohono O’odham Nation

11:45AM **State Reports:** Arizona and New Mexico **Palm**

12:15PM **Hosted Networking Lunch** **Palm Terrace**

1:30PM **“Solving Water Issues Collaboratively”** **Palm**
Peter B. Williams, Ph.D., Director for Environmental Conflict Resolution, Udall Foundation

2:30PM **Break** **Palm**

2:45PM **“Legal Updates”** **Palm**
Scott Miller, Esq., Partner, Patrick, Miller & Noto, P.C.

3:15PM **“Controlling Drinking Water Chromium-6 and Other Emerging Constituents”** **Palm**
Steve Bigley, Director of Environmental Services, Coachella Valley Water District

3:45PM **Colorado River Basin Salinity Control Forum** **Palm**
Don Barnett, Executive Director

- Quantified Damages & Economics of Salinity Reduction
- Salinity Control Forum Organization

4:30PM **“The WESTCAS Winter and Spring Plan Of Action in D.C.”** **Palm**
Hicks-Ray Associates

5:00PM **Adjournment**