

LEARN, DISCUSS & DECIDE

Focusing on Key Issues

A convenient, affordable fly-in, fly-out learning and discussion session

Decide on priority strategic, regulatory and legislative issues for WESTCAS actions in 2019

Help set the WESTCAS 2019 agenda!

WORKSHOP LOCATION INFORMATION

Our Workshop will be held in the Altier Credit Union Building, which is located on the Salt River Project corporate campus, 1511 N. Project Drive, Tempe, AZ 85281.



The Altier Credit Union Building is located a short cab or train ride from the Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport, and is within a five minute walk from the Washington & Priest Light Rail Station.



Announcing a WESTCAS Workshop

February 28, 2019

Phoenix, Arizona

2 years into the New ADMINISTRATION: *Building a Portfolio of Actions for the Arid West...Integrating regulatory and legislative actions in the 116th Congress and the New Administration.*

Networking Coffee & Continental Breakfast

8:00 AM - 8:30 AM

SESSION ONE: Actions Focused on WESTCAS

8:30 AM – 10:00 AM

Welcome and Overview of Workshop

- 2019 draft strategic plan
- Membership engagement opportunities
- Promoting WESTCAS mission and objectives

10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Overview and Status of Key 2019 Regulatory and Legislative Actions

- Agencies' proposal to redefine "Waters of the U.S."
- Jurisdictional status of groundwater under the Clean Water Act
- Upcoming agency actions & proposals that will directly affect the way authorized states & tribes implement the CWA
- Drought Contingency Plan
- DC Update & 2019 Outlook

Background on the Workshop

WESTCAS will review 2018 and consider the looming challenges for water policy in the New Year so that we may identify our priorities for 2019.

Here is why you should attend:

- Discussion of the Drought Contingency Plan and prospects for the Lower Basin states
- Learn more about the agencies' proposal to redefine "Waters of the United States" and the WESTCAS strategy for agency engagement
- Workshop participants will examine both issues and create a WESTCAS strategy to provide input and guidance to both the congress and to the Executive Branch.

WESTCAS...
"The Voice of Water Quality in the Arid West!"

To attend please complete this form and return it to westcas@westcas.org, fax to 770-727-2121, or mail to WESTCAS Administrative Office, 1810 Wynthrop Manor Dr, Marietta, GA 30064. Please reply by February 21, 2019.

Name _____

Affiliation _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip _____

Telephone # _____

E-Mail Address _____

Registration Fee: \$100.00—Includes lunch on the 28th at Noon

____ Enclosed check payable to WESTCAS

____ Please charge Visa or MasterCard (circle one)

Name on card _____

Expiration Date _____ 3-Digit CC Code _____

Card # _____

Signature _____

Credit Card Billing Zip Code _____

HOTEL INFORMATION

WESTCAS has reserved a block of rooms at the rate of \$119 per night at the Comfort Suites Phoenix Airport. The cutoff date for reservations is Thursday, February 14th. Please Identify WESTCAS and Group Code NG40K3 when making your reservation. Reserve your room [online](#) or call the hotel directly at 480-446-9500.

Comfort Suites Phoenix Airport

1625 S. 52nd St- Tempe, AZ 85281 – 480-446-9500

SESSION TWO: Building a WESTCAS Action Portfolio Working lunch provided by Personal Touch Catering

12:00 PM – 1:00 PM

Review and Updates Presented on Key WESTCAS Position Papers

- Lacey Act
- Water Conservation Rebate
- Title XVI Competitive Grant
- Salinity Standards
- Waters of the United States

SESSION THREE: WESTCAS Initiative Development

1:00 PM – 3:30 PM

AN OVERALL ARID WEST STRATEGY

- **POSTIVE STEPS**, suggestions and technical understanding to build WESTCAS positions/policies on pertinent regulations and legislation affecting the Arid West.
- **IDENTIFY** rules, regulations, guidance of concern to the arid-West: (either to rescind, revise or to protect); anticipated legislative actions and needed legislative actions
- **ACT** with specific actions at agency, Administration or Congressional level
- **COORDINATION/COOPERATION** with other water associations
- **PRIORTIZE And SCHEDULE** regulatory and legislative actions

