

NAMWUA ISSUES (STREAMLINED LIST)

1. The Water Supply Development Revolving Fund needs a source of funding so that low interest loans can be provided on a 30+-year debt scenario (50 years?) for large scale water supply development projects and purchase of water supplies.
2. Tribal water rights claims need to be resolved so providers can intelligently move forward with water supply planning efforts.
3. No common methodology exists for water providers to use when setting out-of-city (town) water rates, making rates susceptible to challenge. Maintain water supplier's ability to set local water rates free from State interference.
4. Greater emphasis is needed for maintaining and improving watershed and forest health.
5. The Governor's moratorium on rulemaking is counterproductive to ADEQ addressing Direct Potable Reuse.
6. Water provider efforts for initiatives need greater integration of stakeholders on a statewide basis.
7. Climate change (or long term drought) planning needs a level of emphasis to provide a level of confidence for the public and all water providers.
8. ADWR requires an updated guiding document (akin to GMA 2.0/a long-term plan with specific endpoints) that outlines the future needs for Arizona's water supplies, that addresses and is adopted for all sectors, and that is in a format where statutes are enacted (added or subtracted) from an overall perspective vs piecemeal. Further where funding is enabled for the agency solely or with others to play a strong role in statewide water planning and interstate water negotiations.