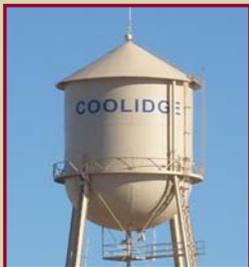


- Environmental Planning Meeting July 11 @ 6:00pm City Council Chambers



# 2025-The Future Today

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## Arizona Water Company Provides Picture of the City's Current and Projected Water Supply:

The City of Coolidge General Plan 2025 document will include a water resources element that addresses:

-The known legally and physically available surface water, groundwater and effluent supplies.

-The demand for water that will result from future growth projected in the general plan, added to existing uses.

-An analysis of how the demand for water that will result from future growth projected in the general plan will be served by the water supplies.

These water resource topics were the focus of an excellent presentation prepared and presented by Arizona Water Company during the June 6<sup>th</sup> 2013 public meeting.

Mr. Tom Harrell, Water Resources Coordinator at Arizona Water Company, presented those in attendance with information spanning from water providers within the Coolidge planning area to long term planning strategies that will meet the water demands of the City's projected growth through the year 2025.

The report also illustrated the growth of residential, commercial and industrial service connections in the Coolidge planning area from 2002 through the end of 2012. the City is currently served by eight wells that have a total pumping yield of approximately 5,400 gallons per minute.

Arizona Water Company has implemented several conservation programs coupled with a few City of Coolidge regulations. These water conservation efforts have worked to reduce the per capita water use in the City of Coolidge over the last few years.

The City of Coolidge has a current water demand of just under eight hundred million gallons of water per year with the average residential demand just over 8,000 gallons per month.



Projected growth within the planning area could increase the level of water demand to over 1.2 billion gallons of water per year by the year 2025. To meet this water demand the Arizona Water Company has developed both short term and long range water resources plans that include additional wells to be funded by the development community, recharge and recovery of Central Arizona Project Water making full use of existing C.A.P. allocation and construction of a surface water treatment plant for direct use within the reach of the Arizona Water Companies service area.

# July Focus: Environmental Planning



## Management and Preservation of Natural Resources

Arizona Revised Statute 9-461.05.D is the law that governs how Municipalities are to address the Environmental Element of their General Plans.

The Environmental Planning Element of the General Plan - 2025 must contain analyses, policies and strategies to address anticipated effects of planned and projected growth on air quality, water quality and natural resources. The Policies and strategies to be developed under this element will be designed to have community-wide applicability and will not require the production of an additional environmental impact statement or similar analysis beyond the requirements of state and federal law.

The management and preservation of natural resources is an important consideration in the General Plan – 2025. Ground and surface water quality, air quality, soils conditions, geologic hazards, wildlife habitat must all be maintained at a high level to insure a safe, healthy and enjoyable environment for the current and future Citizens of Coolidge.

## Get Involved! General Plan Event Calendar:

### 2013

- January 15:** Kick-off Meeting/Land Use
- February 7:** Circulation
- March 7:** Open Space
- April 4:** Growth Areas
- May 2:** Cost of Development
- June 6:** Water Resources
- July 11:** Environmental Elements
- August:** Land Use Final Draft
- September:** Circulation Final Draft
- October:** Open Space Final Draft
- November:** Growth Areas Final Draft
- December:** Water Resources Final Draft

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### 2014

- January:** Environmental Final Draft
- February:** Development Cost Final Draft
- March:** Begin 60 Day Review Process
- May 5:** 60 Day Review Ends
- May 7:** Planning & Zoning Commission Hearing @ City Council Chambers
- May 14:** Planning & Zoning Commission Hearing @ Coolidge Library
- June 9:** City Council Review
- June 23:** City Council Adoption
- June 23:** Begin 120 Day Waiting Period
- November 4:** VOTE!!

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