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Cottonwood, Arizona (7/20/12) – At the recently held Northern Arizona Municipal Water Users Association’s (NAMWUA) Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) meeting, Tom Whitmer, Director of Natural Resources for the City of Cottonwood and Leslie Grazer, Water Resource Specialist for the City of Prescott were appointed to be the Chair and Vice-Chair of the TAC respectively. Mr. Whitmer and Ms. Grazer bring a wealth of leadership and knowledge to the TAC with more than 45 years of combined experience working in the management and study of water and natural resources statewide. In addition to their current experience with their respective cities they both previously worked together in the Statewide Water Resource Planning Section of the Arizona Department of Water Resources; Mr. Whitmer as Section Manager and Ms. Grazer as Hydrologist.

Created in 2002, NAMWUA represents nine northern Arizona municipalities that cooperate as a collective voice for water policy and the development of sustainable regional water supplies. In 2010, NAMWUA played an integral role in getting legislation passed that created the State’s Water Resources Development Commission, which is tasked with conducting a statewide assessment of current and future water supplies and demands, and with identifying solutions to ensure a sustainable supply of water is available to meet the projected demands of the State through 2110. NAMWUA continues to play an active role in this and other statewide water policy and legislative efforts. The final report from the WRDC to the legislature is due to be complete by September 30, 2012.

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