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August 5, 2026

Water Services Administrator

Water Control, Central Arizona Project
PO Box 43020
Phoenix, AZ 85080-3020

RE: Subcontract 2026 order

- City of El Mirage
 - Municipality
 - 1,826 acre-feet total
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Requested Water Type

- **Subcontract (No. 07-XX-30-W0504)** @ 508 Acre Feet
 - **Subcontract (No. 21-XX-30-W0699)** @ 1318 Acre Feet
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Delivery Schedule 2027

Request for water to be delivered and stored beginning in **July 2027** at one or all of the three Underground Storage Facilities listed below.

- **Hieroglyphic Mountains Recharge Project**
Water Storage Permit 73-584466.1200
- **Agua Fria Recharge Project (Constructed Facility)**
Water Storage Permit 73-569776.1300
- **Tonopah Desert Recharge Project**
Water Storage Permit 73-593305.1400

The 2027 CAP subcontract fees will be \$408.00 per acre-foot (AF).

Delivery \$326.00 per AF; Capital costs \$52.00 per AF; and Storage/Recharge \$30.00 per AF.

In the Event NIA Available

NIA allocation is approved and contracts assigned during 2027 El Mirage would take the allocated 1318 Acre Feet at the 2027 Fee of \$408.00 per acre-foot for delivery, capital costs and storage.

Future Projections

- 2028 CAP subcontract 508 Acre Feet; CAP NIA 1318 Acre Feet
 - 2029 CAP subcontract 508 Acre Feet; CAP NIA 1318 Acre Feet
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CENTRAL ARIZONA PROJECT

P.O. Box 43020
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DATE: June 30, 2026

TO: All Central Arizona Project (CAP) Water Users

FROM: Darrin Francom, Assistant General Manager, Operations, Power, Engineering and Maintenance

SUBJECT: CAP Water Delivery Schedule Requests for 2027

It is time to begin planning the CAP water deliveries for 2027. It is important to note that the Colorado River Interim Guidelines for Lower Basin Shortages and the Coordinated Operations for Lake Powell and Lake Mead (2007 Guidelines) and the Lower Basin Drought Contingency Plan Agreement (DCP) are expiring and no longer guide planning for 2027. Operations for Lake Powell and Lake Mead beyond 2026 depends on the United States Bureau of Reclamation's (Reclamation) anticipated publication of a Record of Decision (ROD) for the Post-2026 Operational Guidelines and Strategies for Lake Powell and Lake Mead Environmental Impact Statement process. As such, there is still uncertainty at this time, in what the Available CAP Supply will be in 2027.

Given this uncertainty, 2027 water rates were developed using an estimated water delivery volume of 825,000 acre-feet, and rates have been provided covering the range between 500,000 acre-feet to 900,000 acre-feet.

Water delivery schedule requests for 2027, along with a preliminary estimate of requests for 2028 and 2029, are due on or before October 1, 2026, as outlined in your CAP water delivery agreement. Schedule requests received after October 1, 2026, will be subject to water availability and may not be fulfilled.

Rates for delivery of CAP water in 2027 are set forth in the attached schedule which the Central Arizona Water Conservation District (CAWCD) Board of Directors approved on June 4, 2026. Following Reclamation's decision related to operation in 2027; CAP will determine the final Available CAP Supply, apply any required shortage reductions and schedule final water volumes to be delivered.

Upcoming Water Operations Events:

August 27, 2026

CAP will be hosting the 2026 Annual Water Briefing where we will discuss 2026-2027 Colorado River status, CAP water operations and planned maintenance / asset management activities.

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KnowYourWaterNews.com

October 1, 2026

Water Schedules are due to CAP Water Operations – send to wateradmin@cap-az.com.

Tucson Aqueduct 2026 Annual Fall Outage

Customers downstream of Brady Pumping plant will be affected between October 19th and November 22nd 2026. A schedule was sent out on May 11, 2026

Please email your water delivery schedule requests and other information to: wateradmin@cap-az.com. If you have any questions, contact Candi Brunk at (623) 869-2573.

Regards,



Darrin Francom

Assistant General Manager

**CENTRAL ARIZONA PROJECT
2027-2032 RATE SCHEDULE
BOARD APPROVED**

June 4, 2026

WATER RATES

Units = \$/ acre-foot

(The Letter Designations in the Formulas Refer to the Rate Components Shown Below)

Water Volume (acre-feet)	825K	825K	825K	825K	825K	825K	825K
		Firm	Provi-		Advisory		
	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>	<u>2028</u>	<u>2029</u>	<u>2030</u>	<u>2031</u>	<u>2032</u>
Water Delivery Rate							
Fixed O&M	175	185	193	199	210	216	227
"Big R"	49	53	56	59	62	65	68
Fixed OM&R Rate ¹	\$ 224	\$ 238	\$ 249	\$ 258	\$ 272	\$ 281	\$ 295
Pumping Energy Rate ²	\$ 85	\$ 88	\$ 91	\$ 94	\$ 97	\$ 100	\$ 103
Water Delivery Rate ³	\$ 309	\$ 326	\$ 340	\$ 352	\$ 369	\$ 381	\$ 398

Capital Charge ⁴

Full rate	\$ 67	\$ 64	\$ 65	\$ 62	\$ 60	\$ 58	\$ 56
Board applied taxes to Repayment	(11)	(6)	-	-	-	-	-
Board applied NIA capital charges	-	(6)	(13)	(10)	(8)	(6)	(4)
Net Capital Charge	\$ 56	\$ 52	\$ 52	\$ 52	\$ 52	\$ 52	\$ 52

DIRECT UNDERGROUND WATER STORAGE

Units = \$/acre-foot

	<u>2026</u>	Firm	Provi-		Advisory		
		<u>2027</u>	<u>2028</u>	<u>2029</u>	<u>2030</u>	<u>2031</u>	<u>2032</u>
<u>Underground Water Storage O&M ⁵</u>							
Phoenix AMA	\$ 15	\$ 15	\$ 15	\$ 15	\$ 15	\$ 15	\$ 15
Tucson AMA	15	15	15	15	15	15	15
<u>Underground Water Storage Capital Charge ⁶</u>							
Phoenix AMA	\$ 15	\$ 15	\$ 15	\$ 15	\$ 15	\$ 15	\$ 15
Tucson AMA	9	9	9	9	9	9	9

RECOVERY

Units = \$/acre-foot

	<u>2026</u>	Firm	Provi-		Advisory		
		<u>2027</u>	<u>2028</u>	<u>2029</u>	<u>2030</u>	<u>2031</u>	<u>2032</u>
Recovery Rate ⁷	\$ -	\$ 400	\$ 410	\$ 420	\$ 431	\$ 442	\$ 453

\$408 per AF x 1826 AF = \$ 745,008 Total for 2027

**CENTRAL ARIZONA PROJECT
2027-2032 RATE SCHEDULE
BOARD APPROVED**

June 4, 2026

NOTES:

- 1) Fixed OM&R rate consists of Fixed O&M and "Big R" (Water delivery capital spending, large extraordinary maintenance projects and bond debt service). Both components are reconciled to actual expenses and water volumes. Debt service on CAP's Water Delivery O&M Revenue Bonds, Series 2016 is about \$3.6 million annually and is included in "Big R". This rate is collected on all scheduled water whether delivered or not.
- 2) The pumping energy rate applies to all actual water volumes delivered as opposed to scheduled.
- 3) All contracts and subcontracts pay the Water Delivery Rate. When available, the Agricultural Settlement Pool only pays the energy rate in accordance with the Arizona Water Settlement Agreement. In the event Excess Water is available, charges would include the water delivery rate plus a capital charge equivalent.
- 4) For M&I use water, the Capital Charge is paid on full allocation regardless of amount delivered and is not included in delivery rates. The Capital Charge is impacted by the following:
 - 2026 - 1 cent of 2024/25 property taxes is being applied to the federal repayment, resulting in a reduction of \$11/AF (BOD approved June 6, 2024).
 - 2027 - 1/2 cent of 2025/26 property taxes is being applied to the federal repayment, resulting in a reduction of \$6/AF (BOD approved June 5, 2025).
 - 2027-2036 - NIA capital charges are being applied, fixing the rate at no more than \$52.
- 5) Underground Water Storage O&M is paid by all direct recharge customers using CAP recharge sites.
- 6) Underground Water Storage Capital Charge is paid by all direct recharge customers except AWBA for M&I firming, the CAGRDR, municipal providers within the CAP service area and co-owners of CAWCD recharge facilities using no more than their share of capacity.
- 7) Paid per acre-foot recovered and is for recovery only. Separate charges for water delivery at the established water delivery rate.

Key Assumptions

- Hohokam CDR allocations are not ordered and therefore do not incur capital charges
- Water volume for Fixed OM&R includes water deliveries, take or pay, and CAGRDR long-term storage credit purchases
- Water volume for Energy includes water deliveries and CAGRDR long-term storage credit purchases

FIXED OM&R RATE AT ALTERNATIVE WATER VOLUMES (For Planning Purposes Only)

Units = \$/ acre-foot

<u>Water Volume (acre-foot)</u>	<u>Firm</u>		<u>Provi-</u>		<u>Advisory</u>			
	<u>2027</u>	<u>2028</u>	<u>2029</u>	<u>2030</u>	<u>2031</u>	<u>2032</u>		
500,000	\$ 392	\$ 411	\$ 426	\$ 451	\$ 464	\$ 487		
600,000	\$ 327	\$ 342	\$ 356	\$ 376	\$ 387	\$ 406		
700,000	\$ 281	\$ 293	\$ 305	\$ 322	\$ 331	\$ 348		
800,000	\$ 245	\$ 257	\$ 266	\$ 281	\$ 291	\$ 305		
900,000	\$ 218	\$ 229	\$ 238	\$ 250	\$ 258	\$ 271		