# Water/Climate Briefing



## Modeling the Impact of Urban Expansion on Regional Hydroclimate



#### **Panelists:**

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#### **EVENT LOCATION**

Decision Center for a Desert City, Brickyard Orchid House, 21 E. 6th Street, Suite 126B, Tempe, AZ

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#### **Use-Inspired Sustainability Science**

The Decision Center for a Desert City (DCDC) at ASU is entering its third phase of use-inspired sustainability science on decision making under climatic, biophysical, and societal uncertainties. DCDC III research will be carried out in four Integrated Project Areas (IPA).

IPA 1 seeks to understand the impacts of regional climate and land-use changes on urban water systems in the context of sustainability transitions in the Colorado River Basin (CRB) and major cities depending on its water supply, namely Phoenix, Las Vegas and Denver.

The discussion will focus on urban expansion and modeling its impact on regional hydroclimate using advanced modeling tools such as the Weather Research and Forecasting Model.

The panel will also discuss the development of urban land use change scenarios and the societal impact of urban growth on regional hydroclimatic conditions.

Join the conversation!

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