

## Goodyear Water Conservation: A Case Study

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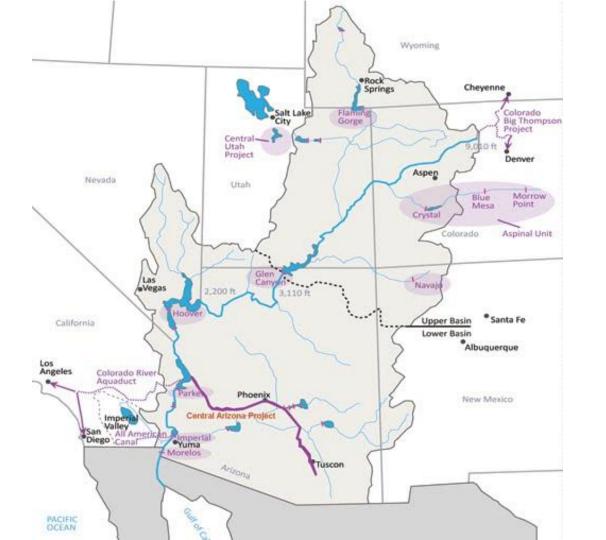
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## Current State of Goodyear Water

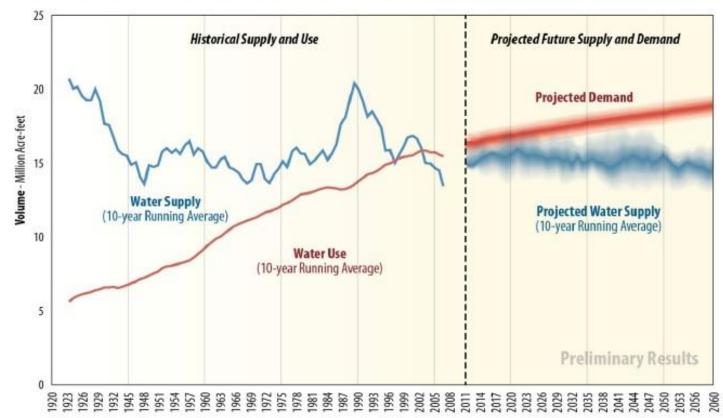






#### Total Colorado River Basin Water Storage (Blue) and Water Use (Red).

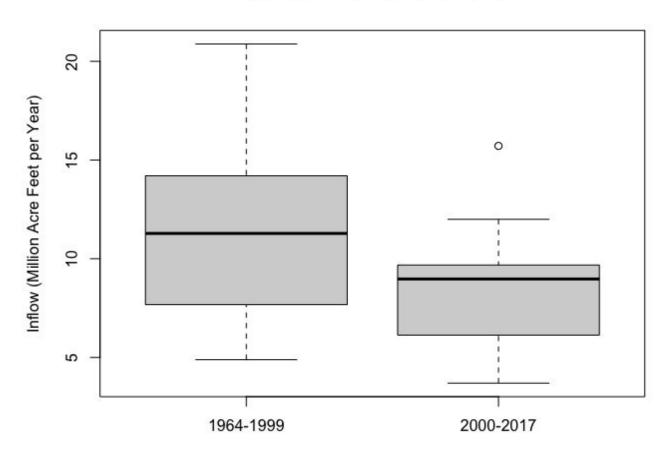
FIGURE 2
Historical Supply and Use and Projected Future Colorado River Basin Water Supply and Demand





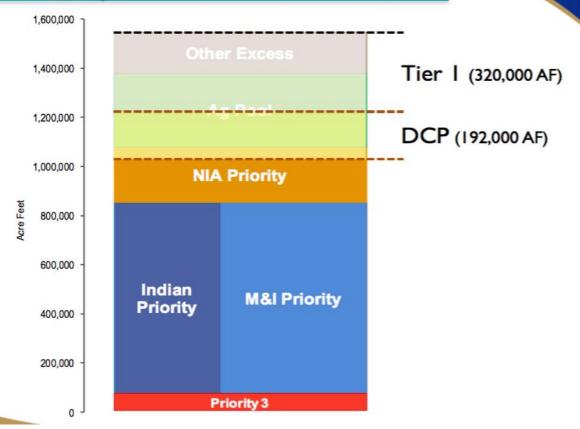


#### **Historical Inflow to Lake Powell**





## **CAP Priority Pools**



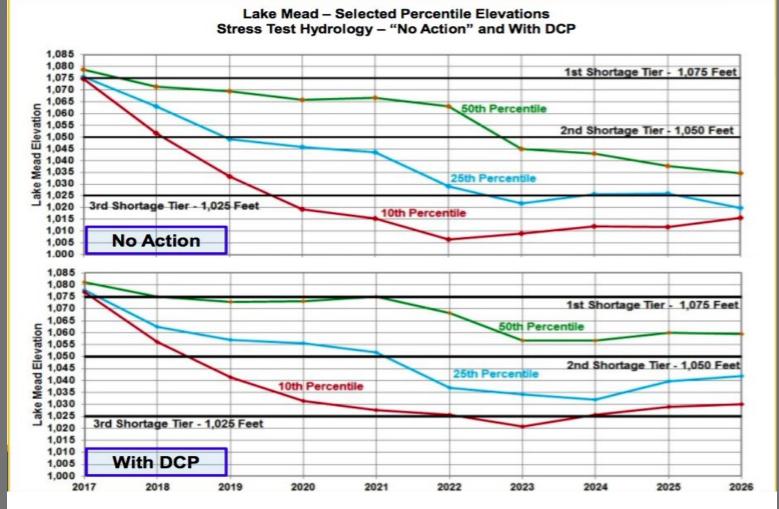
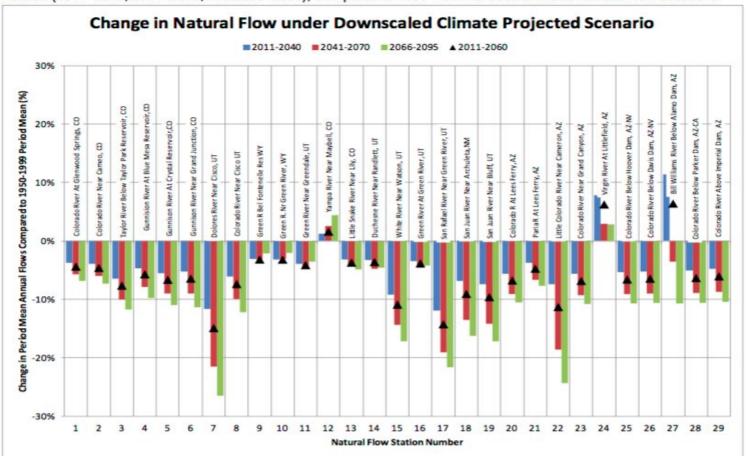


Figure 5. Probabilities of shortage in Lake Mead. (Central Arizona Project 2016)

FIGURE B-48
Simulated Relative Change in Mean Annual Flows (Ensemble Mean) for the Study Period (2011–2060), and Three Future Periods (2011–2040, 2041–2079, and 2066–2095), Compared to 1950–1999 for each of the 29 Natural Flow Locations





## Overview of Study

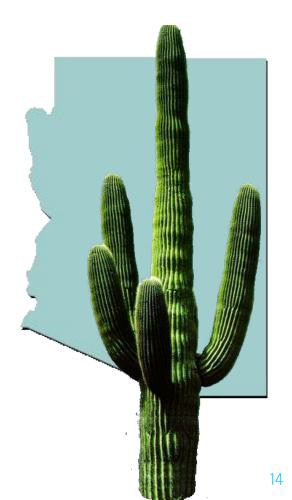


Map of Greater Phoenix,



## **Background & Recent History**

- → Canyon Trails 1 & 2 HOA Annual Water Budget in
   2015 was: \$250,000
- → In 2015, Canyon Trails 1 & 2:
  - Were the highest water consumers of all Goodyear HOAs
- Currently rising water prices = serious financial and sustainability challenge.



## Water Management in Goodyear, Arizona





## This process is multi-faceted



# Portfolio of Solutions

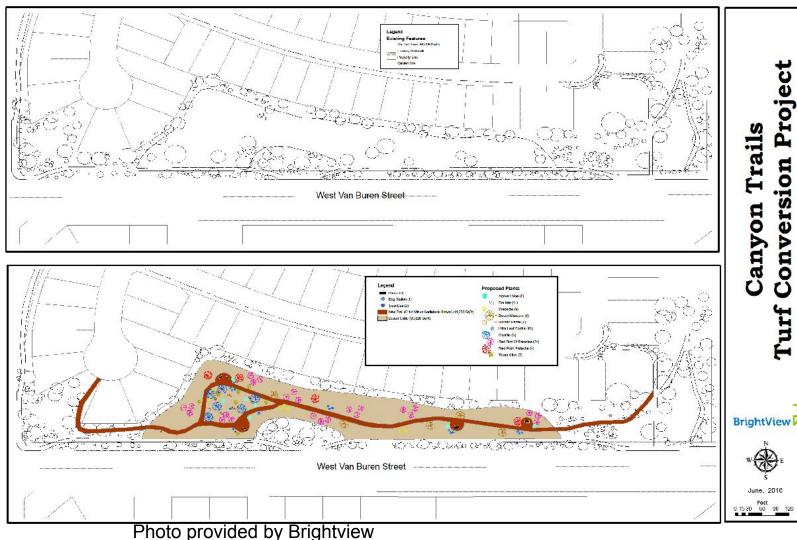


Xeriscaping, Low-water use plants, Shifting social norms

## **Solutions**

- → Close working relationship
- Installed smart irrigation systems
- Changed existing landscaping to xeriscape

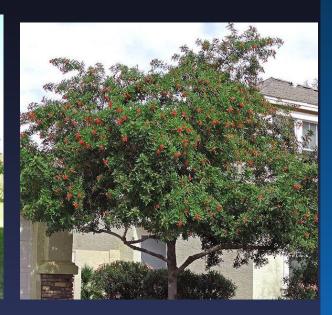




# Canyon







Sissoo Tree

Pistache Tree

Brazilian Pepper Tree



Hybrid Palo Verde



Chaste Tree



Texas Ebony Tree



Yellow Bird of Paradise



Orange Bird of Paradise



Langmans Sage



Bougainvillea



Torch Glow Bougainvillea



Texas Olive Bush



Ocotillo



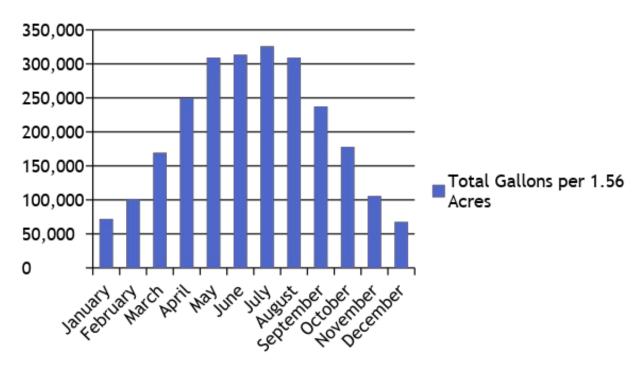
Pencil Bush



Golden Barrel Cactus



## Outline of Resource Use



Water consumption before conversion = 2.5 million gallons

## Economic Impact



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#### **Economics**



-HOA has a yearly budget of over 1 million dollars



- -In 2015, the HOA was spending over \$230,000 annually
- -This was roughly 20% of total HOA budget.



- -The HOA spent \$33,650 to redesign and xeriscape certain areas
- -Today, they are saving **~\$12,000** a year
- 3 year ROI!!

## **Environmental Impact**





## **Environmental Changes**

- Plant Surface Social Inductors of the Control of th
- ★ Less water use = healthier ecosystems
  - i.e. native aquatic animals and endangered species
- ★ Small changes can have big impact
- ★ New animal!







**Burrowing Owls** 





## **†** Societal Impact





## **How did the Community React?**

- At first, there was push-back. People did not want change.
- Now residents utilize the area way more than before!

Residents now realize how simple changes can result in a large reduction of water use.

In fact, some community members have changed their front yards to xeriscape!!



# Photos of the Site in the Past





## Photos of the Site Today













More Photos of the Site





## Recognition

"The Board at Canyon Trails is comprised of many forward-thinking members who each possess a great vision to make their community water-wise, as well as beautiful."

 Nicolas Galligan, BrightView Account Manager



"This project is an example of how ASU connects with communities through mutually beneficial partnerships."

 Dave White, Director, ASU Decision Center for a Desert City



# Thank you!

## Any questions?

#### Further inquiries:

- Arizona State University
- → School of Sustainability





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