

# Water Infrastructure Finance Authority Board

**PURPOSE:** To evaluate and approve funding requests for monies from the clean water revolving fund, the safe drinking water revolving fund, the water supply development revolving fund, the long-term water augmentation fund and the water conservation grant fund.

## **MEMBERSHIP:**

House The Minority Leader of the House of Representatives or the Minority Leader's designee as an advisory member:

**Lupe Contreras**

The Speaker of the House of Representatives or the Speaker's designee as an advisory member:

**Ben Toma**

Senate The Minority Leader of the Senate or the Minority Leader's designee as an advisory member:

**Denise “Mitzi” Epstein**

The President of the Senate or the President's designee, as an advisory member:

**Warren Petersen**

Other The Director of Water Resources or the Director's designee as an advisory member:

**Mr. Thomas Buschatzke, Director, Department of Water Resources**

One member from a county with a population of less than four hundred thousand persons, appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives or the House Minority Leader:

**Mr. Richard Lunt, Greenlee County Supervisor**

The Chief Executive Officer of the Arizona Commerce Authority or the Chief Executive Officer's designee as an advisory member:

**Ms. Sandra Watson, CEO, Arizona Commerce Authority**

One member who specializes in finance or statewide water needs, appointed by the Governor:

**Vacant**

One member from a county with a population of four hundred thousand persons or more, appointed by the President of the Senate or the Senate Minority Leader:

**Vacant**

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One member from a county with a population of four hundred thousand persons or more, appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives or the House Minority Leader:

**Vacant**

Two members from a county with a population of four hundred thousand persons or more, appointed by the Governor:

**Vacant**

The State Land Commissioner or the Commissioner's designee as an advisory member:

**Vacant**

Two members from a county with a population of less than four hundred thousand persons, appointed by the Governor:

**Vacant**

The Director of the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality or the Director's designee:

**Ms. Other Z-5**

The Director of the Department of Administration or the Director's designee as an advisory member:

**Vacant**

One member from a county with a population of less than four hundred thousand persons, appointed by the President of the Senate or the Senate Minority Leader:

**Vacant**

Notes: The Governor shall appoint the member who specializes in finance or statewide water needs from a joint list of at least five qualified applicants submitted by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives. No three appointed members of the board may be residents of the same county, and at least one appointed member of the board shall be a resident of each county with a population of four hundred thousand persons or more. Members must have a substantial knowledge of and experience with water or finance, including public finance. Appointed members serve five-year terms of office beginning and ending on the third Monday in January and are eligible for reappointment. Members shall be resident of this State for at least two years. The Board shall elect a chairperson of the Board from among the voting members. The Governor

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