



Groups Release Environmental Priorities for Arizona Legislature and Governor



On Wednesday, January 5, 2022, Rep. Andrés Cano, ranking member of the House Natural Resources, Energy, and Water Committee, joined 31 groups and 12 other elected officials in releasing the [2022 Environmental Priorities for the Arizona Legislature and Governor](#). The priorities focus on needed actions on climate change, water, democracy, environmental justice, and land protection and restoration, among other issues.

“These issues may not be on the agenda for the majority at the legislature or the governor right now, but they should be and we are committed to making sure climate, environmental justice, sustainable water policies, land protections, and strengthening our democracy are not ignored,” said Sandy Bahr, chapter director for Sierra Club’s Grand Canyon Chapter.

You can read the priorities and the updated list of signers [here](#).

For more information, please contact Sandy Bahr at (602) 253-8633 or sandy.bahr@sierraclub.org.

Environmental Day at the Capitol February 9, 2022



Join Sierra Club and more than 20 other organizations at Environmental Day at the Capitol 2022 (our lobby day) on February 9th. This year's theme is **Act Now! There's a climate crisis.**

We are still planning to do a hybrid event with both in-person and outdoors and virtual activities, but that may change based on where we are at with COVID. Indicate your preference for how you will participate when you register.

**Environmental Day at the Capitol
Wednesday, February 9, 2022
8:30 AM to 2:00 PM**

To register for Environmental Day at the Capitol, [use this link](#) or the button below. Thank you!

Register Here

Leading up to Environmental Day, we will have informational Zooms, Briefings, and Volunteer

Lobby Workshops. The following have been scheduled or recorded. Please register to receive Zoom links.

- Watch the [Water 101 - Focus on Groundwater webinar here](#).
- Jan 13, Noon - [What Mexican Gray Wolves Need To Thrive - Your Comments Needed](#)
- Jan 19, Noon - [Environmental Justice and Intersectionality](#)
- Jan 20, 6:30PM - [What's up with the AZ Legislature and how can I get involved?](#)
- Jan 21, Noon - [Act Now! There's a Climate Crisis](#).
- Jan 27, Noon - [Sustaining Arizona's Heritage Fund](#)
- Jan 27, 6:30PM - [Learn How to Be a Volunteer Lobbyist!](#)
- January 28, Noon - [Sustaining Flows in Rivers and Streams](#)

On Monday, January 10th, the 2022 Legislative Session will kick off with the State of the State Address by Governor Ducey. He and the Arizona Legislature say they are going to focus on water but whether that will result in more sustainable water policies remains to be seen. There will be anti-democracy measures and it sounds like there will also be bills to promote more xenophobia and racism related to the border wall. As noted above, we will be working hard to promote a positive agenda for Arizona.

In next week's legislative update, we will include information on specific bills, request to speak, and more. Unfortunately, it looks like the Legislature is not planning to offer remote testimony this year, so you will likely have to attend in person to speak, but you can still register your opposition to bills remotely via the [Request to Speak System](#). It is most effective to do so when bills get scheduled for a committee hearing.

Thanks for all that you do. I look forward to working with you this legislative session.

All the best,



Sandy Bahr
Chapter Director
Sierra Club - Grand Canyon Chapter



Coming Up at the Arizona Legislature this week.

Monday, January 10th

- State of the State Address

The Natural Resources, Energy, and Water Committees and other committees that address environmental and democracy issues are not meeting this week, but look for information on those here in future updates.

