

**PIMA COUNTY  
LOCAL DROUGHT IMPACT GROUP (LDIG)  
Drought Monitoring Committee  
September 12, 2007**

ATTENDANCE:	Kathy Chavez	Flood Control	Karen Wilson	Flood Control
	Kerry Reeve	PC Emergency Mgmt	Kristine Uhlman	WRRC/Extension
	Janet Carr	SAWUA	Tom Evans	Nat'l Weather Svc
	Julia Fonseca	Flood Control	Linda Smith	Tucson Water
	Pierre Hanhart	Community Water GV	Bill Petrouson	PC DEQ
	Ken Seasholes	ADWR	George Kuck	PC NRP&R
	John Hoffmann	USGS	Chris Smith	USGS
	Sarah Craighead	Nat'l Park Service		

1. Introductions
2. Review of July 26 Monitoring Committee meeting (K Chavez)
  - ❖ Drought Conditions unchanged with major metro water providers
    - Stages 1 or 2 (depending on water service provider) still in effect
3. ADWR Statewide Activities (K Chavez)
  - ❖ ADWR preparing Annual Report to the Governor
  - ❖ Pima County's LDIG Section attached and due to ADWR September 14
  - ❖ LDIG encouraged to provide comments to K. Chavez ASAP
4. Tools for Local Drought Impact Groups (K Chavez)
  - Reporting Tool available on line (<http://java.arid.arizona.edu/ccdis/jsp/survey/>)
  - ❖ Important to collect wide range of information from across County to provide input in to the statewide drought monitoring technical committee
    - Solicit local reporters
    - Wildlife Impacts – Organ Pipe National Monument and Buenos Aires staff my already be reporting
      - Check with ADWR – no need to duplicate efforts
    - Agriculture/Livestock Impacts
      - Kristine Uhlman checking opportunities through UA Extension
    - Hydrologic Impacts
      - Water data (wells) varies so much around the Tucson Basin that attributing decline in levels to solely drought – not reliable
      - Deepening wells or drilling new wells, etc., may also affect water levels
  - ❖ Incorporate DIRS information into Monitoring Committee (LDIG) meetings
5. Input on Local Conditions (monsoon action) (T Evans)
  - ❖ This summer's Monsoon measured as about normal
    - Entering weak La Niña season
    - Stream flow improved in July
    - San Pedro/Charleston abnormally dry in August
    - Not expecting a lot of monsoon action during September
  - ❖ County approved funding for Stream Gauges – major component for monitoring stream flow
  - ❖ Recommend County remaining at Drought Level 1
    - Long-term Monsoon predicted to be 60% of normal
    - Short-term Monsoon 75% - 85% of normal
6. Next Meeting
  - ❖ ~~Wednesday, November 28, 2007, 2:30 p.m., Joel D Valdez Library, Lower Level Meeting Room~~
  - ❖ **Wednesday, JANUARY 23, 2008, 2:30 p.m., Joel D Valdez Library, Lower Level Meeting Room**