

WESTERN STATES LAND COMMISSIONERS ASSOCIATION
WINTER CONFERENCE 2015
PHOENIX, ARIZONA
January 4-8, 2015



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PROPOSED AGENDA

Revised 12/23/14

Sunday, January 4, 2015

1:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Registration
11:00 am – 4:00 pm	Skeet Shooting Adventure Field Excursion – Must Have Signed Up
3:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Executive Committee Meeting - MYSTERY ROOM
5:30 pm - 6:30 pm	Welcome to Arizona - FRONT LAWN
6:30 pm - 8:30 pm	Reception – PARADISE POOL
8:00 pm - 11:00 pm	Hospitality – BILTMORE VILLAS

Monday, January 5, 2015

7:00 am - 8:30 am	Breakfast – AZTEC ROOM
8:30 am - 9:00 am	Welcome – Introductions – AZTEC ROOM Vanessa Hickman, Commissioner Arizona State Land Department John Thurston, President Western States Land Commissioners Association
9:00 am - 11:15 am	Roll Call – AZTEC ROOM
[10:30 am - 10:45 am - BREAK]	
11:15 am - 11:45 am	Allen Freemyer: What's Happening Inside the Beltway? AZTEC ROOM
12:00 pm - 1:15 pm	Lunch – Arizona Big Media, Sponsor - SEDONA ROOM Speaker: Kathy Opp, Executive Director, WSLCA

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1:30 pm - 3:00 pm AZTEC ROOM	Association Update Laying the Groundwork for Coordination Between State and Federal Partners: Can Federal Law Work for You? Moderator: Vanessa Hickman, Commissioner, Arizona State Land Commissioner Panel: David Jacobs, AZ Attorney Generals Office Julie Decker, AZ State Office, BLM Deborah Stark, Director, Maricopa County P & D
<i>[3:00 pm - 3:20 pm - BREAK]</i>	
3:30 pm - 5:00 pm	Tools for Development: Mitigation and Conservation Banking Balancing Trust Obligation with Mitigation Requirements Moderator: Mark Stapp, Arizona State University Panel: Emily Jurmu, Administrative Counsel, ASLD Kim Christy, Deputy Director Utah, TLO Mindy Gottsegen, Conservation Services Manager, Colorado State Land Office
6:00 pm - 7:30 pm	Dinner: Arizona Biltmore Resort – AZTEC ROOM & PATIO
7:00 pm - 11:00 pm	Hospitality - BILTMORE VILLAS
<u>Tuesday, January 6, 2015</u>	
7:00 am - 8:30 am	Breakfast – AZTEC ROOM
8:00 am – 8:30am AZTEC ROOM	Mr. Michael Bidwill, President, Arizona Cardinals – NFL Economic Impact of Super Bowl & Pro Bowl in Phoenix
8:30 am - 10:00 am	<u>Committee Meetings</u> : Concurrent Sessions Subsurface Lands – PRESCOTT ROOM Legislative – PAPAGO ROOM Surface & Land Tenure – SEDONA ROOM Communications – KAIBAB ROOM

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10:15 am - 11:50 am

Site Selection – **AZTEC ROOM**

Committee Meetings: Concurrent Sessions

Submerged Lands & Water Mgmt. – **SEDONA ROOM**

Legal – **KAIBAB ROOM**

Asset Management – **PRESCOTT ROOM**

Resolutions – **PAPAGO ROOM**

9:20 am - 10:00 am

11:45 am - 1:00 pm

AZTEC ROOM

“Lunch and Learn” Panel Discussion: Commercial Real Estate Challenges and Opportunities on Trust Lands

Moderator: Greg Vogel, CEO, Land Advisors

Panel: Brad Wright, Wright Companies, LLC

Charlie Freericks, President, DMB

David Larcher, President, Vestar

1:30 pm - 6:30 pm

Field Trip

Visit Arizona State Trust Land Projects in the North Scottsdale Area. The Tour will conclude with an informal networking session at the beautiful Silverleaf Club in the canyons of the McDowell Mountains to answer your questions and provide additional insight.

7:00 pm →

Dinner On Your Own

Whether you want to challenge your pallet by choosing from a wide variety of ethnic cuisines, or experience traditional styles with Arizona Grown products, there are numerous choices near the hotel. Check the WSLCA.com website for information

6:00 pm - 11:00 pm

Hospitality – **BILTMORE VILLAS**

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Wednesday, January 7, 2015

7:00 am - 8:30 am

Breakfast – **AZTEC ROOM**

8:30 am – 10:00 am

ESA Issues Affecting Industry: How are they responding?

Moderator: Simone Westbrook Hall, Az SLD

Panel: David A. Brown, Brown & Brown

Kelley Norton, President, AZ Mining Association

[10:00 am - 10:15 am - BREAK]

10:15 am – 11:45 am

AZTEC ROOM

Federal Regulatory & Policy Changes: How does this affect YOU? Creating Tools for your Toolbox!

Moderator: Simone Westbrook Hall, ASLD

Speaker: Wally Congdon, “Dirt Lawyer” and Adjunct Law Professor, University of Montana

Questions To Be Explored, With Recommendations For Action

- What do developers need from government to streamline the permitting process to accomplish mission consistent projects?
- How can states minimize ESA listing impacts through science and collaborative planning?
- What statutory or regulatory changes are necessary to streamline the permitting process?
- How can states address the process of determining the number of mitigation acres necessary to offset direct acreage project impacts? Should there be standard calculations?

12:00 pm - 1:15 pm

Lunch: Affiliate Recognition - **SEDONA ROOM**

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1:30 pm - 3:00 pm

Legal And Policy Issues - **AZTEC ROOM**

Moderator: James Ogsbury, Executive Director,
Western Governors Association

- Norman D. James, Fennemore Craig
The Expanding Role of Critical Habitat Under ESA
- James Ogsbury, Executive Director, Western
Governors Association
Land Management, Conservation, & Species Issues
of Interest to WGA
- Karrin Taylor, Executive Vice President, DMB
Policy Impacts to Business
- Vanessa Hickman, CCAA: Legal Challenges

[3:00 pm – 3:15 - BREAK]

AZTEC ROOM

3:30 pm - 5:00 pm

WSLCA Business Meeting - **SEDONA ROOM**

6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Dinner: Arizona Biltmore Resort - **SQUAW PEAK TERRACE**

7:00 pm - 11:00 pm

Hospitality - **BILTMORE VILLAS**

Thursday, January 8, 2015

7:30 am - 9:00 am

Breakfast – Networking Sessions on Your Own