

Record of Decision Concurrence
For the Flagstaff Watershed Protection Project
Public Noticed on December 18, 2019 in the Arizona Daily Sun

The Water Infrastructure Finance Authority of Arizona (WIFA) has received a request for financial assistance from the City of Flagstaff for a Clean Water (stormwater) project. The purpose of this notice is to inform the public and request comments.

WIFA staff analysis concluded that the Flagstaff Watershed Protection Project neither individually nor cumulatively has a significant effect on the human environment. Therefore, WIFA is hereby concurring with the Record of Decision (ROD) issued by the U.S. Forest Service for this project.

The primary purpose of the Flagstaff Watershed Protection Project is to reduce the fire hazard and post-fire flooding that would likely damage the drinking water infrastructure south of town and which could also cause extensive damage to residential and commercial areas should a high-intensity wildfire occur the Upper Lake Mary and Rio de Flag watersheds. Forest treatments include removal/thinning of excessive trees, focused on small-diameter trees, debris (slash), disposal, followed by controlled burning to remove remaining unwanted material and reinvigorating flowers and shrub growth.

Documentation regarding the proposed project is available for review at WIFA, 100 N. 7th Avenue, Suite 130, Phoenix, Arizona 85007. All written requests for information or letters containing written comments should be addressed to WIFA at the address above. All written comments must be received no later than 5 p.m., 30 days from the publishing date.

WIFA complies with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. Alternative formats for the project documentation are available upon request. Inquiries, requests and comments should be directed to Sara Konrad, Senior Program Administrator at (602) 364-1319.