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GRAND CANYON STATE
ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE
ASSOCIATION, INC.

REPRESENT, ADVANCE and PROTECT

the interests of member-owned rural
Arizona electric cooperatives.



Our Vision

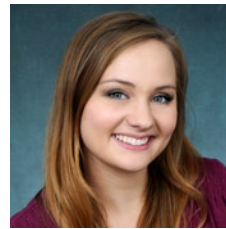
“ To be the leader in advancing rural electric cooperative issues in Arizona.

GCSECA Staff

GCSECA Staff work to represent co-ops at the ACC and coordinate with the congressional delegation and federal jurisdictional and regulatory agencies on all issues impacting the Cooperatives. They lobby the state legislature and executive branches, and manage grassroots advocacy for state-wide committees. Staff also provides comprehensive communications tools and education and training opportunities for its Members.



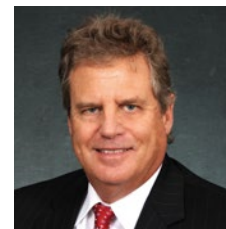
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2021 Year in Review

“Transition” seems to be a good word to describe 2021. We were all hopeful that by now, COVID would be a fading memory. Unfortunately, it’s an issue we’re still grappling with – but in different ways than we did in 2020.

GCSECA, like many organizations, continues to feel its way through how to best deliver services to our Members in a different landscape. I am happy to report that despite some uncertainty and ongoing challenges, GCSECA had another strong year.

We transitioned from remote work to working again in our offices. But many of the entities with which we work – the Arizona Legislature, the Arizona Corporation Commission and the United States Congress – still largely discouraged in-person meetings – or took extraordinary precautions to accommodate them. While these practices make our jobs more challenging, we nonetheless were able to notch some important successes for our Members.

At the Legislature, we engaged in numerous bills and issues to ensure that co-ops’ interests were protected and advanced. We solidified relationships with the governor’s office and legislative staff and worked with state agencies to resolve several issues our Members faced. At the Corporation Commission, we advocated for policies that make sense for co-operative operations. We successfully secured flexibility for co-ops in how they administer disconnections for non-payments and have maintained language in proposed rules that allow co-ops to implement renewable energy strategies that make sense for their Members. Arizona’s Congressional delegation has been supportive of Arizona co-ops’ issues. Sen. Sinema and Cong. O’Halloran are the lead sponsors on

a bill that would allow co-ops to refinance their Rural Utility Services debt. Congressional offices continue to reach out to GCSECA for advice on bills that affect rural Arizona.

At the statewide, we transitioned into having more in-person meetings, as the COVID vaccine became more prevalent and widely available. We were unable to have our Winter Meeting, but we did have a very successful in-person Summer Meeting in Flagstaff. We had record attendance and a diverse and interesting set of speakers and events. Our various committees have been working together and engaged, helping GCSECA to deliver services that are meaningful and useful to our Members.

We also completed another transition – one that has been in the works for many years. GCSECA deeded its headquarters building back to the original Members who invested in its completion. Each Class A and B Full Member now owns a piece of Maricopa County real estate – in proportional shares to their original investments. This arrangement has several benefits for the Members and statewide.


Across our Membership, transitions are happening on Boards and with management teams. We’ve welcomed new CEOs and Board members and have seen well known executives either retire or move to other co-ops. GCSECA has navigated through all of the changes and the new world in which we’re living, and I’m sure we will continue to do as the new year unfolds.



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Jeff Larson, President of the Board

Note from our CEO

The past two years have made us rethink and retool and reevaluate and reimagine. And while no one would celebrate the cause of our recalibrations, the results haven't necessarily been a bad thing.

I've long believed that change is constant, and those who enjoy success are the ones who can best navigate through evolving landscapes and norms. These last 24 months certainly have produced tons of change – pretty much in hypersonic fashion. I'm appreciative of how GCSECA and our team has maneuvered through.

As President Jeff Larson points out in his note, we were able to achieve important gains in Phoenix and in Washington, D.C., despite restrictions and requirements that make interpersonal interaction – key to our work – very challenging. This past year has produced more opportunities than in 2020 for something resembling normalcy at times. I'm hopeful that trend continues as we pursue important policy work for our Members.

A personal highlight was our Summer Meeting in Flagstaff. We had many people attend – happy for the chance to finally be together again. The leaders of the most important committees in the Legislature for us – Chairwoman Gail Griffin of the House Natural Resources, Energy and Water Committee and Chairwoman Sine Kerr of the same Senate committee – attended and participated the event. Myriad speakers and panelists presented interesting and salient information.

The work of our Members and supporters was widely recognized in 2021 by our national trade association – NRECA. Full Member Mohave Electric Cooperative Association received the Electric Cooperative Purpose Award for the creation of broadband service for its Members. Associate Member Gila River Indian Community Utility Authority received the President's Award in recognition of its “ongoing efforts and commitment to the Community through its various youth programs.” NRECA bestowed the aforementioned Rep. Griffin its Regional Award for Outstanding Service. The award demonstrates how Rep. Griffin has achieved the advancement of electric cooperatives in our region and state “through a remarkable accomplishment of leadership, development (and) distinguished service.”

Hopefully, our Members and other interested and engaged parties have kept abreast of all we're doing. We created and implemented a Strategic Communications Plan – which focuses on aggressively getting our message out through various channels. This annual report is but one channel. Monthly electronic newsletters, a quarterly magazine and a robust social media presence are amongst the other tools we use.


I probably overuse the cliché, “we're fighting above our weight.” But I do believe it's apt for our small team of five. Our history shows GCSECA has been able to have positive and lasting impacts for our Members. I would like to thank and acknowledge Jorge Canaca, Hannah Capozzi, Nancy Garcia and Casey Ratlief for their tireless efforts, servant hearts and good humor.



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Dave Lock, CEO

“ We will continue to maneuver through the new challenges that no doubt awaits us, always remembering that we exist to ensure the best possible outcomes for our Members.



Congressional Actions

As we have tried to round the corner on the COVID-19 pandemic and return to some semblance of normalcy, we've also had to adapt to a federal government controlled by the Democratic party and respond to an ambitious Arizona Corporation Commission agenda. On balance, GCSECA made the proper adjustments that facilitated the successful execution of our cooperative Members' priorities.

Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act of 2021

Most of the Congressional action in 2021 focused on reviving the consumer-driven economy and a job market ravaged by the pandemic. With the passage of a sweeping \$1.9-trillion coronavirus relief package (The American Rescue Plan), coupled with previous aid packages, it provided roughly \$4 trillion in assistance for individuals, businesses, states, and local governments. Additionally, Congress worked to pass a \$1.2 trillion bipartisan Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act of 2021 (Act) largely comprised of funding for roads, bridges, broadband, and ports. The Act included several priorities for rural electric cooperatives, with billions of dollars for broadband, electric vehicle infrastructure and Research Development & Demonstration programs at the Department of Energy. The bipartisan deal was the product of months of negotiations by Sen. Kyrsten Sinema (D-AZ), who was the lead Democrat to usher the bill through the U.S. Senate. Senator Sinema single-handedly added an additional \$500 million appropriation for purchase power and wheeling for the Colorado River Basin Power Marketing Fund. This will allow the Western Area Power Administration to continue to fulfill its contractual obligations to preference customers by purchasing replacement power to balance decreased hydropower production due to ongoing drought conditions on the Colorado River Basin.

Comparable Tax Credit Incentives

A key provision both Arizona senators were instrumental in including in the Budget Reconciliation package was Comparable Tax Credits Incentives. The provision allows not-for-profit electric cooperatives and public power utilities to take advantage of energy tax incentives through direct pay tax credits to jumpstart carbon capture technology, install renewables and expand the deployment of battery storage systems.

Flexible Financing for Rural America Act of 2020

Original Arizona sponsors, Senator Kyrsten Sinema and Rep. Tom O'Halleran, continued to work on amassing co-sponsors in their respective chambers for the bipartisan and bicameral Flexible Financing for Rural America Act of 2020 (RUS Repricing). This is a cooperative priority that allows Rural Utility Service borrowers to take advantage of current low-interest rates and refinance debt without hefty fines and pre-payment penalties.



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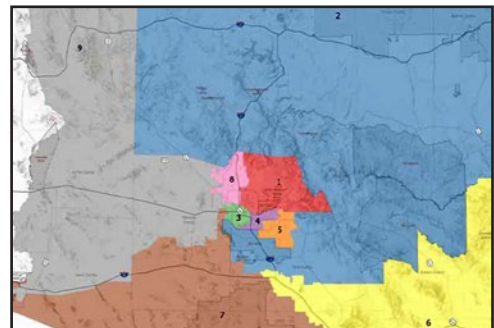
Jorge Canaca, Director of Federal Relations and Regulatory Services

Congressional Delegation

Delegation Member	Key Committee Assignment & Prominent Caucus Role
Sen. Kyrsten Sinema	Commerce, Science and Transportation
Sen. Mark Kelly	Energy and Natural Resources Environment, Public and Works
Rep. Tom O'Halleran	Energy & Commerce Agriculture Policy Co-chair of the Blue Dog Coalition
Rep. Ann Kirkpatrick	Appropriations Agriculture
Rep. Raul Grijalva	Chairman of the House
Rep. Paul Gosar	Natural Resources Oversight and Government Reform
Rep. Andy Biggs	Chairman of the Freedom Caucus
Rep. David Schweikert	Ways and Means
Rep. Reuben Gallego	Natural Resources
Rep. Debbie Lesko	Energy and Commerce
Rep. Greg Stanton	Transportation and Infrastructure

2022 Redistricting Process Helps Incumbents

While the decennial reapportionment process for the 435 U.S. House of Representative seats – in accordance with the 2020 U.S. Census population count– did not yield a 10th congressional district for Arizona, it benefited the incumbent delegation members by limiting significant redraws of existing district lines. The incumbents were spared from head-to-head contests against their colleagues in new maps approved for the 2022 election cycle by the Arizona Independent Redistricting Commission. Rep. Ann Kirkpatrick's retirement from CD2 created the only open seat in a true competitive district in southern Arizona.



Federal Regulatory Matters

The Biden Administration has directed federal agencies to promulgate new rules and proceed with rewrites or reversal of existing regulatory rules and programs. This approach is largely a reset to previous Obama-era policies aimed at reducing carbon emissions and addressing the President's environmental priorities. They include a regulatory redefinition of Waters of the U.S. under the federal Clean Water Act to once again decide if ephemeral streams are jurisdictional, Endangered Species Act protections for migratory bird populations, and changes to "effects analysis" for projects under the National Environmental Policy Act and lead federal agencies' implementation procedures.



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Arizona Corporation Commission Matters



Termination of Service

An end-of-the-year Commission decision revising the Termination of Service rules included two cooperative-specific provisions that (1) grandfathered the prior Commission decisions approving cooperative service termination policies and procedures and (2) established a streamlined process for future revisions to service termination provisions in cooperative tariffs. Also included was waiver language for quarterly reporting requirements which deferred to our cooperative Boards to decide whether and how often they plan to assemble and report quarterly disconnection data to the ACC. The revised rules are expected to be effective no later than March 2022.

Outside of these two multiyear, time-consuming issues, GCSECA participated in numerous workshops and worked diligently to provide relief to our Member cooperatives from generic dockets and an onslaught of information requests.



Revised Energy Rules

This year, as the Commission continued to debate and revise the Energy Rules, GCSECA worked to preserve our cooperative specific provision allowing our Members the flexibility in how new renewable energy standards are met. Assuming the rules aren't substantively changed during the remainder of the process, it gives the cooperatives certainty in terms of future resource planning.



State Government Relations

Energy Policy Rears its Head at the Legislature

HB2248, sponsored by Rep. Gail Griffin, along with an identical bill in the Senate, SB1175, sponsored by Sen. Sine Kerr, were introduced as a way to supplant the Arizona Corporation Commission's (ACC) role in setting energy policy. These bills effectively would have codified the 2006 Renewable Energy Standard and Tariff (REST) rules. While these rules required utilities to generate 15 percent of their energy from renewable resources by 2025, Cooperatives were given enhanced flexibility.

If passed and signed, the bill likely would have ushered in a lengthy court battle and may have gone a long way towards settling the question as to which entity – the Legislature or the ACC – has the ultimate say on Arizona energy policy. That moment did not come. The bill did not receive a vote in the Senate, as it did not have the support of the entire Republican caucus.

HB2737 was a bill sponsored by Rep. Jacqueline Parker. This bill would have allowed for a single legislator to issue a complaint to the Attorney General, if that legislator believed the Commission overstepped its Constitutional bounds. The Attorney General would have been able to investigate the action in question and potentially take the issue directly to the Arizona Supreme Court. If a Commission action would have been found to be unconstitutional, the ACC could have been subject to a reduction in state appropriations, if it did not reverse course.

The bill, while passed out of committee, never made it beyond the Committee of the Whole on the House floor.

Rep. Gail Griffin Wins Regional Award for Outstanding Service

At the 2021 NRECA Region 8 and 10 meeting in Dallas, Texas, Rep. Griffin received the Regional Award for Outstanding Service. This award recognizes individuals, be they directors, co-op staff or elected officials, who go above and beyond in providing outstanding service to rural electric cooperatives. In the formal nomination process, Rep. Griffin received commendations from GCSECA, Sulphur Springs Valley Electric Cooperative, Arizona Municipal Power Users' Association and Arizona Farm Bureau.

Rep. Griffin is serving in her 8th term at the Arizona Legislature. First elected in 1996, she served two terms. Then elected once again in 2010, she has been in Phoenix fighting for rural Arizona and our electric cooperatives ever since.

Rep. Griffin's legislative accomplishments are many:

- ▶ She worked tirelessly to pass legislation to protect the co-ops' capital credits program – and by extension the Washington Youth Tour – in 2018.
- ▶ Rep. Griffin was also instrumental in helping get SB1460, the legislation that granted co-ops the authority to launch broadband service, passed in the House during the height of the COVID-19 pandemic.
- ▶ Rep. Griffin has been the longtime chair of both the Senate and House Natural Resources and Energy Committees. Arizona's co-ops can be sure that the door is always open to discuss energy policy and how we can work together to position electric cooperatives for the future.
- ▶ Rep. Griffin is always ready to roll up her sleeves, dig in and help Arizona's co-ops solve our toughest policy problems.

One of the requirements to receive the Regional Award for Outstanding Service is to demonstrate that the nominee has achieved the advancement of electric cooperatives in a region or state through a remarkable accomplishment of leadership, development or distinguished service. With Rep. Griffin, it was clear that she excelled at this requirement.



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Casey Ratlief, Director of Government Relations and Grassroots Advocacy

Budget wrangling creates the 3rd Longest Legislative Session in Arizona History

The Legislature adjourned sine die on Wednesday, June 30 after 171 days in session. This was the longest session since 1992, even longer (by a day) than the 2009 legislative session that was tasked with managing the state's finances through the Great Financial Crisis. This was the year that finally tested the age-old adage, "all's well that ends well" but in terms of a final wrap up, we saw:

- 1,774 bills introduced
- 412 bills signed into law
- 27 vetoes

It took about a week for every Budget Reconciliation Bill (BRB) to reach the Governor's desk – which is unusual. The two budget bills that lagged the rest were related to criminal justice and K-12.

Various highlights of the budget include:

- A reduction in the state's assessed valuation of Class One property from 18% to 17% (then 16% starting in 2025)
- Phase in of a flat 2.5% rate by 2023 for most filers (the nuance here is that revenue targets must be met before the 2.5% rate goes into effect).
- Hold harmless those impacted by the Prop. 208 surcharge (which created additional education funding) by ensuring their maximum rate would be no higher than 4.5%.
- Municipalities will receive 18% of state revenue, up from the existing 15%
- Nearly \$1 billion for debt reduction
- Nearly \$1 billion to pay off pension liabilities
- More than \$100 million for the rehabilitation of state highways
- Over \$400 million for K-12
- \$28 million for rural community colleges

Some of this in a state of flux, however. The flat tax passed in the budget has achieved enough signatures to be referred to the ballot at the 2022 general election. Additionally, a lawsuit has been filed that questions whether or not the flat tax is even referable since it is a budget item. On top of all that, certain provisions of the budget are thrown into question due to a recent legal challenge that ended up at the Arizona Supreme Court. The high court quashed an administrative ban on schools requiring masks and a similar prohibition against municipalities being able to institute mask mandates. Of great interest to many is how the Arizona Supreme Court will rule on the use of Budget Reconciliation Bills and whether policies considered not directly related to fiscal policy can be used as part of the budget process. Once the ruling is released it will guide the 2022 legislative session with a firm hand.



Member & Public Relations

2020 was a year that highlighted the impeccable adaptability and resiliency of our electric co-ops. However, this paved the way for our community and co-op successes to shine like never before in 2021. The GCSECA Communications department has made great strides to continue our accurate and timely communications to our Members and staff.

Assisted as the GCSECA staff liaison position for the Group Purchasing, which its first meeting since 2018 at the GCSECA Summer Meeting.

Continued the transition of training and professional development courses through the Learning Management System (LMS), ExpertusOne, as part of GCSECA's Education and Professional Development Program.

Continued the timely development and distribution of GCSECA's monthly editions of the electronic newsletter, Current Activities.

Coordinated, planned and facilitated the first organization and consolidation day for the loss control and safety equipment housed at GCSECA's office.

Updated and shared current information on the GCSECA website.

Kicked-off the current planning of the 2022 Washington Youth Tour, which will be the first National Youth Tour event since 2019.

Published and coordinated the content, design, and printing of GCSECA's Annual Report and ACRE Annual Report.

Managed and created the GCSECA 2022 printed directory of member systems and affiliate organizations.



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Hannah Capozzi, Member and Public Relations Manager

The Manager of Member and Public Relations provides several services for the statewide designed to assist the Member organizations in their education, professional development, communications, and public outreach efforts. This past two years have proved to push the boundaries of these responsibilities and communications, but GCSECA has stepped up to the plate and exceeded in these areas despite the challenges we faced. Outlined below, are successful wins from this past year:

Increased public and member relations with the Communications staff at NRECA to further highlight Arizona's co-op success.

Analyzed, developed, and created a new 2022 Communications Plan which highlights key improvement areas found in the National Survey on the Cooperative Difference.

Coordinated and hosted quarterly meetings with the Member & Public Relations Committee.

Served as staff liaison to the Education and Professional Development committee and the Member & Public Relations Committee.

Continued content planning and coordination with ARCmedia & Pioneer Utility Resources to increase the engagement, frequency and quality of content posted to GCSECA social media pages and sites. Due to GCSECA's continued integration of social media, we witnessed a 1.5 million percent increase in overall social media engagement!

Continued the quarterly publication of the GCSECA Currents magazine, which is directed toward key leaders within the electric utility industry.

Planned, coordinated, and assisted in the return of the 2021 GCSECA Summer Meeting and 21st Annual Miles Oldfather Golf Tournament at the Little America Hotel in Flagstaff, AZ.



Back in the Saddle

GCSECA Hosts First Summer Meeting Since the Beginning of the Pandemic

After the 2020 COVID-19 pandemic shutdown, GCSECA was excited to celebrate hosting the first Summer Meeting in over a year. Members joined GCSECA staff at the Little America Hotel in Flagstaff, AZ in July, and heard from speakers across the utility and co-op industry. The Summer Meeting was also graced with appearances from Representative Gail Griffin and Senator Sine Kerr, as well as GCSECA Members honoring Representative Griffin as the 2021 Co-op Champion Award winner.

A record number of attendees traveled to Flagstaff's Little America Hotel for the week-long schedule of events. GCSECA also held the 21st Annual Miles Oldfather Golf Tournament with great success, honoring Scott Dittrich with CRC as the 2021 winner of the Miles Oldfather award. Past Board Members were also honored at the Tuesday Night Reception by GCSECA and electric co-op Members.

GCSECA's 2021 Summer Meeting and Miles Oldfather Golf Tournament were accomplished to the satisfied gratification of all involved. The week-long event provided insightful and in-depth information regarding the Arizona electric co-ops, and a great opportunity to meet again face-to-face with other Members. The Summer Meeting created an excellent opportunity for the culture of the cooperative difference to shine despite the past years of unpredictable events. GCSECA looks forward to hosting another successful Summer Meeting in July of 2022.



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Arizona ACRE Luncheon



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Concern for Local Communities

This year, GCSECA retired a Chevrolet Equinox SUV, which served the employees of the Statewide office before the decision was made to donate the vehicle for a greater cause.

Staff and Board members made the unanimous decision to donate the vehicle to an organization with the one of the Seven Cooperative Principles, Concern for Community, in mind. This is when Navopache Electric Cooperative (NEC) suggested that the SUV be donated to local veterans' program, Walking Down Ranch Veteran Village.

Walking Down Ranch Veteran Village is a unique community that offers veterans and their families an array of services including transitional housing, food, clothes, utilities, medical transportation, phones, medications, and holiday boxes. Since opening in 2014, the organization has assisted 650 veterans in the White Mountains area of Arizona.

"This is an amazing gift," said Walking Down Ranch Executive Director, Maggie Heath. "The generosity of GCSECA and NEC is so appreciated. We help take veterans to appointments, help them move, and other transportation assistance. This vehicle will definitely be of good use. We are very thankful for the donation."

"We are happy to be able to find a new home for the Equinox – and know it will be put to good use," said Dave Lock, CEO of GCSECA. "The mission of the Ranch

is special – assisting veterans who have defended our country and freedoms. We're glad we can assist the Ranch in its important work."

GCSECA and its Members hold the Seven Cooperative Principles at its core, with Concern for Community being one of these foundational values. We not only desire to keep these principles at the forefront of our service, but also to aid and encourage these qualities in local organizations.

NEC Board President, Brad Baker, stated, "This donation represents NEC's continuing commitment to give back to our local communities and especially our veterans."

"NEC is very appreciative of our Statewide organization, GCSECA, selecting Walking Down Ranch to donate the Equinox SUV from their retired fleet," said NEC CEO, Chuck Moore.

Despite the difficulties that 2020 brought to all communities, GCSECA and its Members worked hard to continue to keep hope alive, and to keep the concerns and needs of the communities in focus throughout 2021.



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*From left to right:
NEC CEO, Chuck Moore; NEC Board President, Brad Baker; GCSECA Member & Public Relations Manager, Hannah Capozzi; NEC Board Secretary/Treasurer, Dennis Hughes; Walking Down Ranch Store Manager, Jamie Poteet; GCSECA CEO, Dave Lock; GCSECA Executive Assistant, Nancy Garcia; and NEC Board member, Steve Heckathorne.*



2021 GCSECA Membership List

Full Members – Class A

- › **Duncan Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc.** ● P.O. Box 440 ● Duncan, AZ 85534 ● P: 928-359-2503 ● F: 928-359-2370
- › **Graham County Electric Cooperative, Inc.** ● Drawer B ● Pima, AZ 85543 ● P: 928-485-2451 ● F: 928-485-9491
- › **Mohave Electric Cooperative, Inc.** ● P.O. Box 22530 ● Bullhead City, AZ 86430 ● P: 928-763-4115 ● F: 928-763-6094
- › **Navopache Electric Cooperative, Inc.** ● 1878 W. White Mtn. Blvd. ● Lakeside, AZ 85929 ● P: 928-368-5118 ● F: 928-368-6697
- › **Sulphur Springs Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc.** ● 350 N. Haskill Ave. ● Willcox, AZ 85644 ● P: 520-384-2221 ● F: 520-384-5223
- › **Trico Electric Cooperative, Inc.** ● P.O. Box 930 ● Marana, AZ 85653 ● P: 520-744-2944 ● F: 520-744-2329

Full Members – Class B

- › **Arizona Electric Power Cooperative, Inc.** ● P.O. Box 670 ● Benson, AZ 85602 ● Benson F: 520-586-5343
Benson P: 520-586-3631 ● Tucson P: 520-547-4516 ● Phoenix P: 602-269-3415 ● Apache Station P: 520-384-4256
- › **Sierra Southwest Cooperative Services, Inc.** ● P.O. Box 2195 ● Benson, AZ 85602 ● P: 520-586-5599 ● F: 520-586-5279

Associate Members - Class A

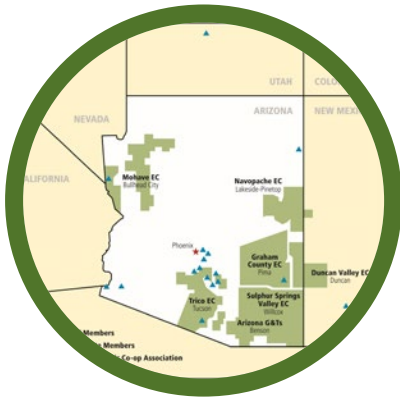
- › **Aha Macav Power Services** ● P.O. Box 6870 ● Mohave Valley, AZ 86446 ● P: 928-768-2200 ● F: 928-768-2262
- › **Columbus Electric Cooperative, Inc.** ● P.O. Box 631 ● Deming, NM 88031 ● P: 505-546-8838 ● F: 505-546-3128
- › **Dixie Power** ● 71 E. Highway 56 ● Beryl, UT 84712 ● P: 435-439-5311 ● F: 435-439-5352
- › **Electrical District No. 2** ● P.O. Box 548 ● Coolidge, AZ 85128 ● P: 520-723-7741 ● F: 520-723-5252
- › **Electrical District No. 3** ● 41630 W. Louis Johnson Dr. ● Maricopa, AZ 85238 ● P: 520-424-9021 ● F: 520-424-9065
- › **Electrical District No. 4 & 5** ● P.O. Box 605 ● Eloy, AZ 85231 ● P: 520-466-7336 ● F: 520-466-7778
- › **Garkane Energy** ● P.O. Box 465 ● Loa, UT 84747 ● P: 435-836-2795 ● F: 435-836-2497
- › **Gila River Indian Community Utility Authority** ● 6640 W. Sundust Rd., Ste. 5091 ● Chandler, AZ 85226 ● P: 520-796-0600
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GCSECA AT A GLANCE

1950
Incorporated



71 Full member
cooperatives



12
counties,
service territory
in Arizona



12 Associate
member
vendors

5 million

Consumer-members
receive services



13 Associate member utilities



Associate Members - Class A

- ▶ **Salt River Project** ● P.O. Box 52025 ● Phoenix, AZ 85072 ● P: 602-236-5900
- ▶ **Tohono O'odham Utility Authority** ● P.O. Box 816 ● Sells, AZ 85634 ● P: 520-383-2236 ● F: 520-383-2218
- ▶ **Tri-State Generation & Transmission Association** ● P.O. Box 33695 ● Westminster, CO 80233 ● P: 303-452-6111
F: 303-254-6007
- ▶ **Wellton-Mohawk Irrigation & Drainage District** ● 30570 Wellton-Mohawk Dr. ● Wellton, AZ 85356 ● P: 928-785-3351
or 602-254-5809 ● F: 928-785-3389

Associate Members - Class B

- ▶ **Arizona Municipal Power Users' Association** ● 501 E. Thomas Rd. ● Phoenix, AZ 85012 ● P: 602-393-1700 ● F: 602-393-1703

Associate Members - Class C (Vendors)

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- ▶ **Burns & McDonnell** ● 1850 N. Central Ave. Ste. 800 ● Phoenix, AZ 85004 ● P: 480-203-7269
- ▶ **CoBank** ● 6340 S. Fiddlers Cir. ● Greenwood Village, CO 80111 ● P: 512-593-9091
- ▶ **Milwaukee Tool** ● P: 951-206-4776
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