

Memorandum of Understanding
Between
Winkelman Natural Resource Conservation District
and Redington Natural Resource Conservation District
and
Central Arizona College

Overview

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) sets forth the terms and understanding between the Winkelman Natural Resource Conservation District (WNRCD) and Redington Natural Resource Conservation District (RNRCD), hereinafter jointly referred to as the "Districts", and Central Arizona College (CAC) for the building and maintenance of the Aravaipa green house.

Being legal subdivisions of the Arizona state government, the District's main goal is "to support and encourage the proper and wise sustained use and management of our basic renewable and non-renewable natural resources utilizing sound science and valid on-ground experience." Also, they provide leadership to promote the sound management of the district's natural resources (Land, Water, and Air) through coordination, conservation and development programs resulting in the wise use of district's lands.

Central Arizona College is the leader of innovative learner success and the center for educational opportunities in our diverse communities. CAC engages our diverse communities in quality learning experiences for lifelong success by providing accessible, educational, economic, cultural, and personal growth opportunities.

Purpose

The Districts and CAC are collaborating in the planning, building, and maintenance of a green house on the Aravaipa campus in efforts to promote education in sustainable agriculture and native plants among the Copper Corridor communities. The educational benefits of the green house will be driven by higher education but would also serve as a tool for our local K-12 schools, and provide native plant stock for the districts in their rehabilitation efforts across their districts and for sale; proceeds of which will go toward nursery costs. This MOU will define the obligations and responsibilities of the following parties: The Districts and CAC.

CAC Obligations and Responsibilities

- To designate a location on the Aravaipa Campus for the green house and provide access to water and electricity.
- To utilize, operate, and support the green house thru instructor and student activities.
- CAC does not agree to any financial responsibilities for the greenhouse.

Districts Obligations and Responsibilities

- Purchase and install the green house materials.
- Provide technical assistance in the support and/or maintenance of the green house.
- Purchase materials and plants (vegetables, native grass/tree/shrubs, etc) as required.
- Provide additional funding as agreed to by the 2 parties.

The Districts and CAC agree to pursue jointly and/or separately, funding opportunities through third party agreements and grants to help fund and staff the nursery and its operation.

Reporting

Reporting would be done at the end of each semester as defined by both Parties, such as number of students, number of hours worked, production output, etc.

Funding

Each semester, requests for funding such as plants, materials, etc, would be submitted by CAC to the Districts for review and payment. This process has yet to be defined.

This MOU is at-will and may be modified by mutual consent of authorized officials from the Districts and Central Arizona College. This MOU shall become effective upon signature by the authorized officials from the Districts and CAC and will remain in effect until modified or terminated by any one of the partners by mutual consent.

District Signatures

Winkelman NRCD

Redington NRCD

(Print Name & Title)

(Print Name & Title)

(Signature & Date)

(Signature & Date)

CAC Signatures

CAC

CAC

(Print Name & Title)

(Print Name & Title)

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