

# PLANNING COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE

## Townhall

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# AGENDA

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FY23 Award Recipients

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Water Resource Certified Planners - FY24

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2024 Chief's Reports

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Mr. Eric Bush, Chief of P&P

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State of Planning and FY 25 focus

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Q & A

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PCoP FY 24 - Completed Products

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PCoP FY 25 – Ongoing Efforts





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# RECOGNIZING OUTSTANDING PLANNERS & PLANNING TEAMS

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The Pima-Maricopa Irrigation Renewable Energy Project, AZ I-10 Solar Over Canal Tribal Partnership Program (TPP) Team was recognized at the National Awards Ceremony with the 2023 Outstanding Planning Achievement (Programmatic) award





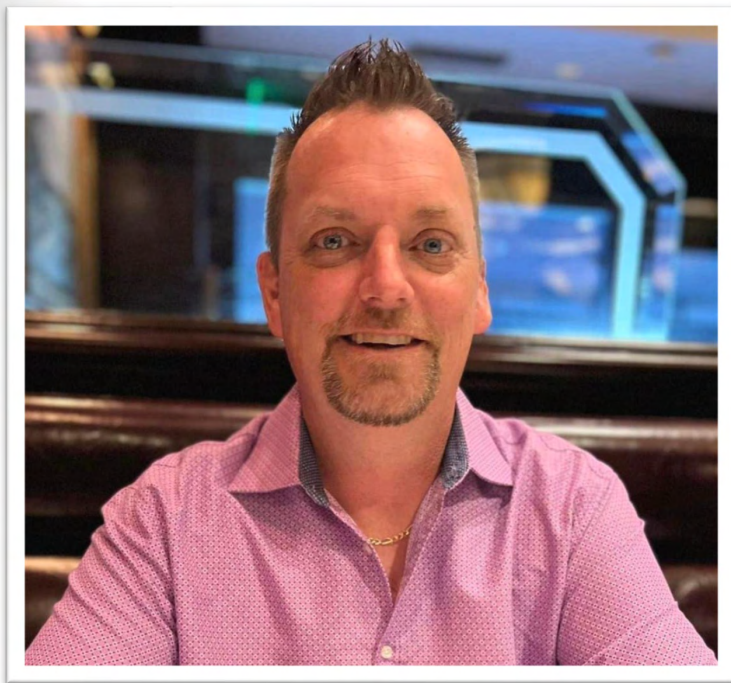
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# FY 23 PLANNING EXCELLENCE AWARD

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Greg Mausolf (LRD) –  
Programmatic



Mark Cornish (MVP) -  
Programmatic



Lance Awsumb (LRH) –  
Enterprise





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# FY 23 OUTSTANDING PLANNING ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

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Pima-Maricopa Irrigation Renewable  
Energy Project, AZ I-10 Solar Over Canal  
Tribal Partnership Program (TPP) Team  
(SPL) (Programmatic)



Willamette Valley System (WVS)  
Disposition Study and Report to  
Congress team (NWP) (Enterprise)



National Shoreline Management  
Study (NSMS) National Assessment  
Team (IWR) (Nationwide Support)





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# FY 23 NOEL CLAY PLANNING CHAMPION

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Kevin Wittman (SAJ)



Eric Thaut (SPD/FRM PCX)



Tim Fleege (NWD)



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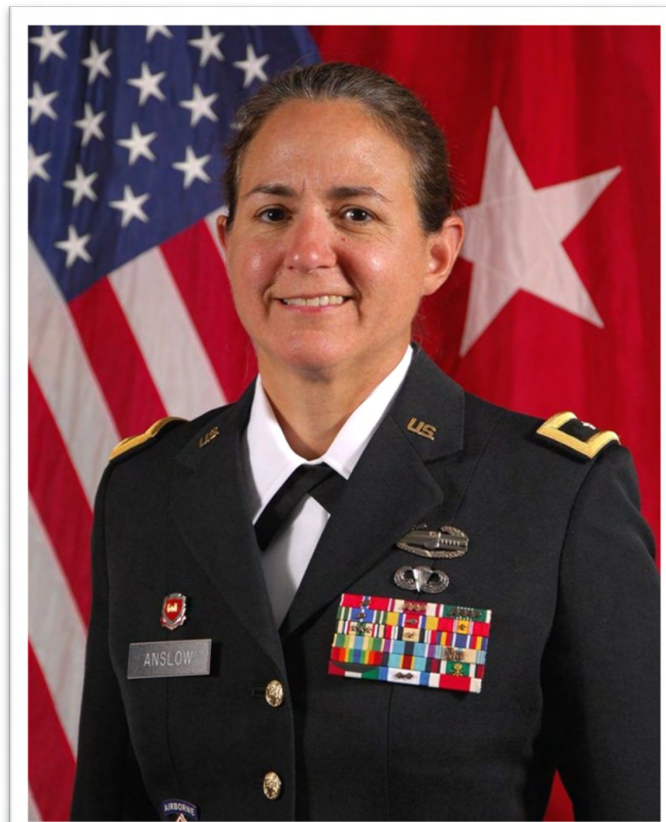
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# FY 23 LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

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Bradley Foster (SAJ)



Trish Anslow (SWD Ret.)



Tim Axman (MVN)



# FY 24 COHORT OF WATER RESOURCES CERTIFIED PLANNERS

In FY24 we welcomed 8 planners into the USACE Water Resources Certified Planner (WRCP) Program, bringing the total number of certified planners to over 140.

The following professionals have demonstrated vast knowledge, experience, and leadership in the delivery of our Planning program and execution of our Civil Works mission.

- Holly Carpenter (SPK)
- Brandon Davis (MVK)
- Susan Henshaw (SWF)
- Sierra Keenan (MVP)
- Amber Metallo (NAD)
- Scott Sanderson (NAP)
- Ashley Stephens (LRH)
- Amy Thompson (SAJ)

In our most recent open round of applications for WRCP, we had over 70 applicants! We are currently reviewing that group of applications.



# 2024 CHIEFS REPORT



Metropolitan  
Washington  
DC, CSRM



Hatchie-Loosahatchie, AER



Tar Pamlico River Basin, FMR



Western Everglades Restoration, AER



Akutan Harbor Navigational Improvements,  
TPP



Oakland Harbor, DDN



University City Branch, River Des Peres, FRM



Puerto Rico, CSRM



Tampa Harbor, DDN



South Shore Staten Island, CSRM



Baltimore Metropolitan, CSRM



Miami-Dade Back  
Bay, CSRM



St. Tammany Parish, CSRM



Ponte Verda Beach, CSRM





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Mr. Eric Bush, Chief of Planning and Policy





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# PCOP FY 24 HIGHLIGHTS

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Scoping Guide for Civil Works Planning Studies (new content coming soon!)

Updated Charrette Handbook

"Planning for Ecosystem Restoration" PROSPECT Course 348

Planning fundamentals training

More than 40 "matches" made as part of the Mentor-Mentee Matchmaking Program

Supervisors' Hub to support our supervisory community and New Planner Packet



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# PCOP FY 25 – ONGOING EFFORTS

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**WRDA 2024  
Implementation  
Guidance**

**Trade-off Analysis  
Tools**

**New "Engineering for  
Planners" PROSPECT  
Course under  
development**

**Updating the Scoping  
Guide**

**Planning  
fundamentals  
exportable training  
materials**

**PDT 101 training**

**Updated VTAM  
guidance**

**Policy Chatbot**

**Exploring the viability  
of planning data  
management system  
and planning portfolio**





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# WHAT PCOP PRODUCTS DO YOU USE THE MOST?

(ANNOTATE - CHECK ALL THAT APPLY)

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Planning  
Toolbox

Planning  
KMP site

IWR Planning  
Suite  
(CE/ICA)

Hot Topics

Planning  
Ahead

Scoping  
Guide

Charrette  
Guide

Planner  
Roadmap

Report  
Template

Enterprise  
Risk Register  
ERR

Mentor  
Program

Prospect  
Courses

Planner  
Database



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# WHICH ONGOING EFFORTS ARE YOU INTERESTED IN ?

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WRDA 2024  
Implementation  
Guidance

Trade-off Analysis  
Tools

New "Engineering  
for Planners"  
PROSPECT Course  
under development

Updating the  
Scoping Guide

PDT 101 training

Updated VTAM  
guidance

Policy Chatbot

Nonstructural  
information

Natural and Nature-  
based tools





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# WHAT OTHER ITEMS WOULD YOU LIKE THE PCOP TO CONSIDER

LIST IDEAS FOR EACH CATEGORY

Trainings

Models

Planner  
development

Study  
Process