



# WILDFIRE PREVENTION & WATER SECURITY

*"We are committed to preserving Arizona's valuable water resources and supporting Arizona communities, families and future generations by reducing the risk of catastrophic wildfires."*

## GOVERNOR DUCEY

### WATER FUTURE

- **\$212 million** for water infrastructure
  - **\$160 million** for the newly created Drought Mitigation Revolving Fund
  - **\$40 million** to the existing Water Supply Development Revolving Fund
  - **\$12 million** to the Water Infrastructure Finance Authority for water assistance
- **\$15 million** to protect Arizona water quality through the Water Quality Assurance Revolving Fund
- **\$2.8 million** for salary increases to recruit and retain high-quality water professionals at the Department of Water Resources
- **\$2.9 million** for water rights litigation
  - **\$2.4 million** to the courts for additional resources for the General Stream Adjudication
  - **\$500,000** for a water law clinic at the University of Arizona to helping small landowners in the General Stream Adjudication

### WILDFIRE PROTECTION

- **\$25 million** for the Arizona Healthy Forest Initiative
  - **\$22 million** to create greater state capacity to reduce wildfire fuels around Arizona communities
  - **\$2 million** to make greater use of partner capacity to reduce wildfire fuels
- **\$75 million** for wildfire emergency response
- A new Forest Product Processing tax credit to facilitate forest restoration

This budget builds upon Arizona's proud tradition of water conservation and management. It includes significant investments in forest health and wildfire protection throughout Arizona. The 2021 budget is also the final component of Governor Ducey's Healthy Forest Initiative, which expands opportunities for Arizona inmates to learn critical skills as they reduce wildfire risk.

