



Arizona Rivers – Basic Plan of Events Gilbert Riparian Institute Workshop

Sept. 26-28, 2008

Welcome to Arizona Rivers! We look forward to having you join us in September at Gilbert's Riparian Institute – a 40 acre wetlands that is perfect for learning about water, birds and riparian vegetation. Our goal is to squeeze one more workshop in this year by having a two-day workshop immediately after the annual Arizona Science Teachers Association (ASTA) meeting in Mesa, AZ. In fact, we have requested a two-hour workshop slot on Friday afternoon of the ASTA meeting to start covering some basics. Saturday and Sunday will be spent introducing teachers to basic riparian monitoring protocols and covering basic implementation strategies outside at the Riparian Institute. Although this might require a four day commitment on each teacher's part, we hope that the advantage of getting Arizona River training and being eligible for a \$250 workshop stipend (for attending all 2.5 days) and your travel reimbursed (also hotel Fri. & Sat., if needed), will make it all worth while. We have not reserved any rooms but will accept receipts for standard rooms from the locations listed below – please make your own arrangements. We will be paying particularly close attention to your workshop application so please register both on the GLOBE workshop registration page and by returning you completed application to us. At this point, we have not worked out a special rate for those who can't attend at least a full day of the ASTA conference so their separate registration is required for Friday afternoon. We will award 19 hrs of Prof. Dev. credit.

Workshop Location:

Gilbert Riparian Institute, 2757 E Guadalupe Rd., Gilbert (Library classroom)

Acceptable Hotels (dist. To Riparian Institute)

(9.0 mi) Marriott Inn, 200 N Centennial Way, Mesa, AZ (ASTA hotel, ~\$135)

(5.4 mi) Hampton Inn, 1563 S. Gilbert Rd., Mesa, AZ (just off US 60, ~\$119 state rate)

(4.4 mi) La Quinta Inn, 6530 E. Superstition Springs Blvd. (Superstition Mall, ~\$99)

(9.2 mi) La Quinta Inn, 902 W. Grove Ave., Mesa, AZ (Fiesta Mall, ~\$89)

Link to: GLOBE [registration](#); AZrivers [application](#); Mesa-Riparian Institute Map

Here is a rough outline of what the daily routine will most likely be like:

Sept.

Fri.26 2-4 pm ASTA workshop sessions covering introduction to Arizona Rivers and Riparian monitoring and research
Dinner on your own

Sat.27 Breakfast on you own (most hotels above serve a continental breakfast)
7 am AZrivers workshop begins at Riparian Institute (library classroom)
AM – Birding, Intros, GPS, Water quality
PM – GLOBE, Field methods
6 pm Dinner (group can decide on a location)

Sun.28 Breakfast on your own
8 am Riparian Institute (outdoor classroom)
AM - Plants, Macroinvertebrates
PM – Implementation and Project discussion
4 pm – Graduation, workshop ends

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