

# ASU's Sustainable Cities Network

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## Connecting Communities



## Advancing Sustainability



## Cultivating Solutions

By building partnerships among diverse communities, cities can exchange information and training, identify and adopt best practices in sustainability and connect ASU's research to front-line challenges. There are 40+ communities from around the state and region participating in SCN activities.

### Project Cities: Sustainability through Local Action

Project Cities connects higher education with local communities, creating a powerful combination of knowledge and know-how. Through the program, sustainability faculty and students pair with a city to co-create strategies for a better environmental, economic, and social balance in the places we live.



### Network Activities:

- educational workgroups
- regional meetings
- training workshops
- events and activities
- partnership projects
- regional research
- ASU student and faculty engagements



SCN's Steering Committee produced a Greening Events Guide to help event planners host sustainable events

### Focuses on the needs, interests, and goals of Arizona communities.

- best management practices
- green infrastructure
- energy efficiency
- renewable energy
- water resources
- green building
- air quality
- climate adaptation
- sustainability communications
- economic development

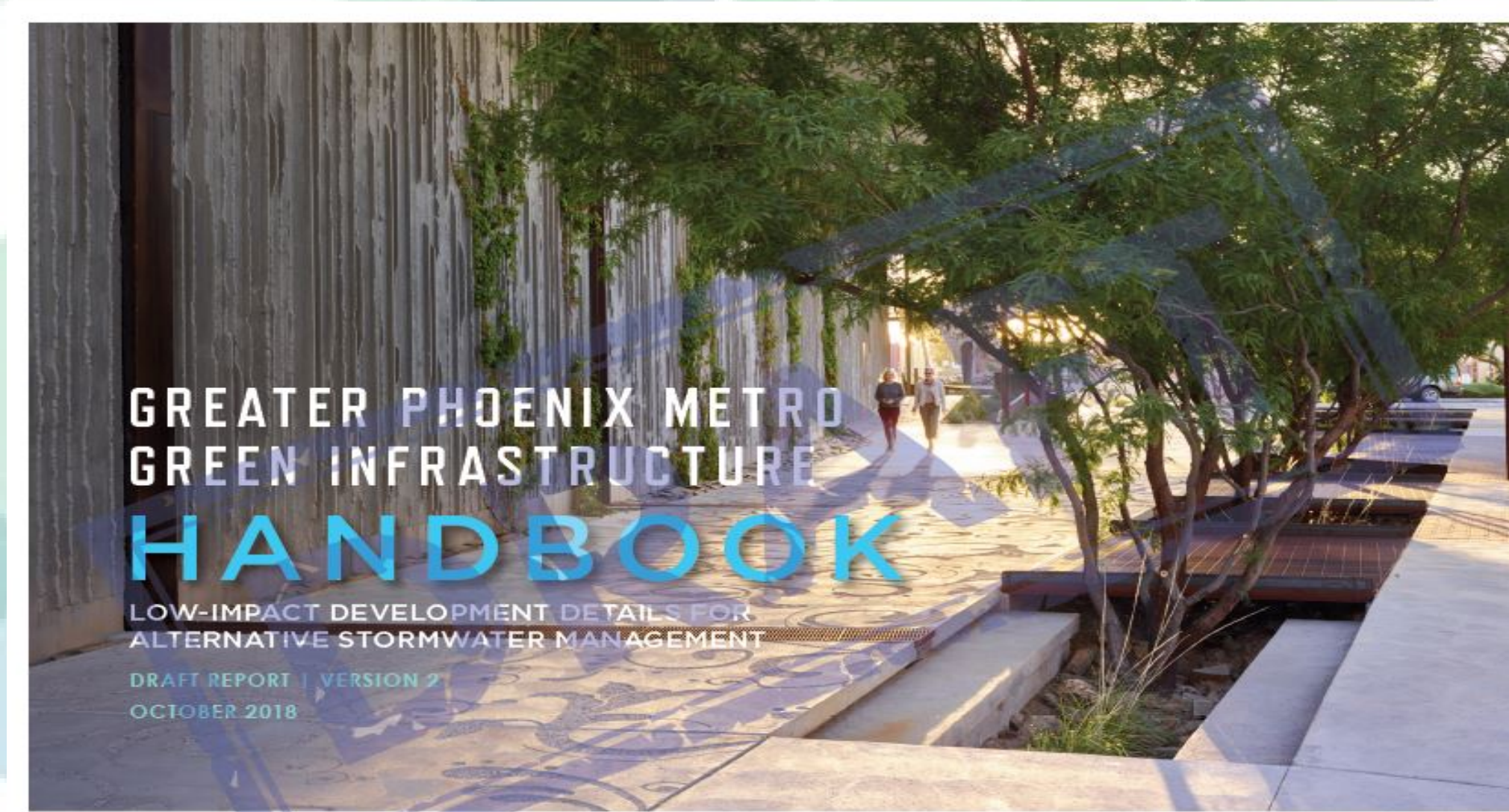


*"This is not just a great opportunity to partner with Arizona State University, this is another way to engage the community as a whole, find ways to promote our city as a great place to visit, do business, and, ultimately, live in."*

**-Jeff Serdy, Mayor,  
City of Apache  
Junction**

### The Network provides:

- Practitioners with knowledge to accelerate the valley toward national leadership in sustainability.
- Resources to streamline city operations, advance solar energy, mitigate the urban heat island, design sustainable neighborhoods, and secure water supplies in a changing climate.
- The opportunity to work together to make sustainability a core value in city activities.



The cities of Mesa and Glendale partnered through SCN to develop this Low Impact Development (LID) Toolkit.



SCN and the American Meteorological Society (AMS) session on the impacts of extreme weather on local government.

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