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Republicans Overperform In Critical Phoenix Utility Election and Maintain Control of Top Two SRP Board Posts

PHOENIX, April 9, 2026— Thanks to the broad coalition of voting groups, including Turning Point Action, a historic number of shareholders turned out and Republicans saw a major over-performance in Arizona’s high-profile Salt River Project (SRP) election. Radical environmentalist groups had expected this to be the year they took control of the country's largest private utility, but progressive groups like the Sierra Club and Jane Fonda’s PAC failed to secure the two top positions on the board, president and vice president, where it is projected that Chris Dobson and Barry Paceley will win decisively.

Turning Point Action worked tirelessly to protect the Salt River Project from California-style “Green New Deal” policies threatening Arizonan's utilities throughout the Phoenix metropolitan area. TPAAction deployed hundreds of trained ballot chasers, volunteers, and grassroots activists to engage with voters directly by knocking doors, sending texts, and building lasting relationships within the community.

“This shows the strength in working together and chasing ballots. Most people don’t pay attention to utility races, but this is how radical Democrats destroyed California. We have to invest and keep investing to stop bad policies from entering into Arizona.” said Tyler Bowyer, Turning Point Action Chief Operating Officer.

The accomplishment validates the strength and effectiveness of Turning Point Action’s ballot chasing program, even in the bluest parts of Maricopa County, historically the most difficult area of Arizona to turn out Republicans. Republicans overperformed by over 30 points and in one particular district, Democrat candidate Sandra Kennedy lost by about 16 points in the same district Kamala Harris won by 16 points in 2024.



Turning Point Action spokesman Andrew Kolvet added, "Without chasing ballots, the radical environmentalists would have sailed to victory in Arizona today. This ensures Andy Biggs's pro-business, pro-family, pro-growth platform won't be impeded by radical California-style malaise when he becomes the next governor. The future is bright for State 48."

Turning Point Action will continue building and expanding its Chase The Vote initiative throughout the country in targeted states and key races as the 2026 midterm elections approach.

For more information on Turning Point Action's Chase The Vote operation, visit TPAction.com/Chase.

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