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**2023 Environmental Report Card for AZ Legislature and Governor Release Briefing**

**Phoenix, AZ** – On Wednesday, August 30, 2023, Sierra Club, joined by Chispa Arizona, will release its 2023 Environmental Report Card for the Arizona Legislature and Governor, and will hold a briefing for the media on the contents of the report card

The 2023 Legislative Session was the longest session on record, officially spanning 204 days and finally wrapping up on July 31st. Very little of note was accomplished relative to environmental protection, however, and **Governor Hobbs'** veto stamp got a workout as legislators sent up a slew of bad ideas, some repeatedly. Key issues were bills to undermine or prohibit transit, hinder solar energy, and weaken protections for water, plus a huge number of bills to make voting and early voting more difficult.

**WHO:**

- Sandy Bahr, Director, Sierra Club - Grand Canyon (Arizona) Chapter
- Vania Guevara, Advocacy Deputy Director, Chispa Arizona,

**WHEN:**

Wednesday, August 30, 2023, 1:00 P.M. AZ

**WHERE:** Online via Zoom <https://sierraclub.zoom.us/j/3696699684>

The news conference will also be live streamed on YouTube here

<https://www.youtube.com/@sierraclubgrandcanyonchapt3869>

*The Sierra Club is one of the largest and most influential grassroots environmental organizations in the U.S., with more than 3.5 million members and supporters. In addition to protecting every person's right to get outdoors and access the healing power of nature, the Sierra Club works to promote clean energy, safeguard the health of our communities, protect wildlife, and preserve our remaining wild places through grassroots activism, public education, lobbying, and legal action. The Grand Canyon Chapter of the Sierra Club, representing 16,000 members, has a long history of advocacy at the Arizona Legislature and at the end of each legislative session, the Grand Canyon Chapter develops its report*

*card in order to inform Arizonans about their legislators' voting records on key environmental, democracy, and justice issues.*

*Chispa Arizona builds the capacity of Latinx families to influence policy makers and pressure polluters to protect communities' rights to clean air and water, healthy neighborhoods and a safe climate for generations to come.*

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