

# Paul A. Van Hofwegen

## Council Seat

### Voting Area 3



## Candidate Information

I'm Paul Van Hofwegen, and I ask for your continued support for my re-election to the SRP Council in District 3. My wife Sheila and I are proud fourth-generation Arizonans, and Tolleson is more than our home—it's where we've raised our four children and nine grandchildren. Our deep roots in this region reflect our lifelong commitment to agriculture, evident through our leadership of Paloma Dairy and Sunset Farms.

Agriculture is more than my profession; it's a way of life that has imbued in me the values of hard work, dedication, and community service. I have actively participated in local school boards, fundraising committees, and youth organizations such as FFA and 4-H, underscoring my dedication to nurturing future leaders. As a member and past chairman of the Maricopa County Farm Bureau and a current member of Governor Hobbs' Arizona Business Advisory Committee, I have consistently championed policies that support local farmers and bolster our state's economic health.

In Tolleson, we thrive under SRP's stewardship, benefiting from its reliable and affordable utilities. The success of our farms, a crucial part of our livelihood, is largely thanks to SRP's comprehensive irrigation systems and robust power infrastructure. These services not only support our farming, which feeds Arizonans, but also contribute to environmental sustainability, particularly in countering the urban heat island effect.

During my tenure on the SRP Council, I have been committed to delivering SRP's water and power services in a way that is affordable, reliable, and sustainable. This commitment is evident in my advocacy for the transition to cleaner energy sources, contributing significantly to SRP's 35% reduction in carbon intensity since 2005.

Beyond energy, I have promoted sustainable practices across all SRP operations. By 2035, we aim to embed sustainability criteria in our purchasing decisions and substantially reduce landfill waste. Initiatives like tree planting, conservation land management, and the SRP Solar for Nonprofits program exemplify my commitment to both our environment and community.

Faced with challenges like rapid population growth, rising operational costs, and the ambitious goal of a carbon-neutral future, my experience and forward-thinking leadership are essential. Balancing environmental responsibility with economic stability has always been central to my decision-making.

My unwavering commitment is to continue this balanced approach, ensuring that SRP's services remain affordable, reliable, and sustainable. With your support, I look forward to further serving our community and leading SRP towards a sustainable and prosperous future. Vote for me, Paul Van Hofwegen, for the SRP Council in District 3, as we advance together towards a brighter, more sustainable Arizona.

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