



International Boundary and Water Commission United States Section

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OCTOBER 11 PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS NEW WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT IN NOGALES, SONORA AND FLOODING AT DOUGLAS-AGUA PRIETA

Regional sanitation and flooding issues will be discussed at the next public meeting of the Southeast Arizona Citizens Forum sponsored by the United States Section of the International Boundary and Water Commission (USIBWC). The meeting will take place on Thursday, October 11, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. at the Mariposa Room, Esplendor Resort, 1069 Camino Caralampi, Rio Rico, Arizona. The purpose of the forum is to promote the exchange of information between the USIBWC and the community regarding Commission projects and related activities in Pima, Cochise, and Santa Cruz Counties, Arizona.

Civil Engineer Cesar Campa from the Municipal Potable Water and Sewer Utility of Nogales, Sonora (OOMAPAS) will give a presentation about the Los Alisos Wastewater Treatment Plant in Nogales, Sonora, which recently began operations.

Gerry Gonzalez, District Conservationist with the USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service, will discuss the flooding problems in the area of Douglas, Arizona and Agua Prieta, Sonora. The Douglas-Agua Prieta watershed encompasses 5,300 acres that straddle the international boundary immediately east of the two cities. Approximately 70% of this watershed is on the U.S. side of the border, which affects flooding in Agua Prieta, Sonora.

A complete agenda follows. Members of the public who would like more information about the meeting may call 520-281-1832 or e-mail sally.spener@ibwc.gov.

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SOUTHEAST ARIZONA CITIZENS FORUM

Thursday, October 11, 2012

5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Mariposa Room, Esplendor Resort

1069 Camino Caralampi*

Rio Rico, AZ 85648

Agenda

- Welcome and Introductions – Alejandro Barcenas, Citizens Forum Co-Chair
- Los Alisos Wastewater Treatment Plant in Nogales, Sonora - Cesar Campa, Civil Engineer, Municipal Potable Water and Sewer Utility of Nogales, Sonora (OOMAPAS)
- Flooding Problems in the Douglas and Agua Prieta Area- Gerry Gonzalez, District Conservationist, USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service
- Public Comment
- Board Discussion
- Suggested Future Agenda Items

If you have a disability that you wish to self-identify confidentially that requires accommodation, please advise us ahead of time. For information, call 520-281-1832 or e-mail sally.spener@ibwc.gov.

***Directions:** From Tucson, take I-19 south approx 45 minutes to Exit # 17 onto Rio Rico Drive. At the top of the exit ramp take a right onto Rio Rico Drive and go 1/4 mile. Make a left turn onto Camino Caralampi and look for the bell tower of Esplendor Resort on the right, and then turn right into the hotel complex in Rio Rico.