

International Boundary and Water Commission United States Section

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SANITATION INFRASTRUCTURE TO BE DISCUSSED AT SEPTEMBER 15 PUBLIC MEETING IN SAHUARITA, AZ

Sanitation infrastructure along the U.S.-Mexico border will be discussed at the next public meeting of the Southeast Arizona Citizens Forum of the United States Section of the International Boundary and Water Commission (USIBWC) on Thursday, September 15, 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. at the Town of Sahuarita Council Chambers, 375 W. Sahuarita Center Way, Sahuarita, AZ.

USIBWC Principal Engineer Jose Nuñez will present the proposed rehabilitation improvements for the Nogales International Outfall Interceptor (IOI) and trunkline, the pipeline system that conveys sewage from Nogales, Sonora and Nogales, Arizona to the Nogales International Wastewater Treatment Plant (NIWTP). The NIWTP is located approximately nine miles north of the international border. The USIBWC has hired a contractor to prepare the design to rehabilitate this decades-old infrastructure to repair structural damage and eliminate groundwater infiltration into the pipeline. The rehabilitation project would utilize a Cured-in-Place Pipe (CIPP) process to insert a liner into the existing pipe; the resulting pipe inside of a pipe is a structural replacement of the host pipe. CIPP is considered a trenchless technology with little or no disruption to the existing ground conditions.

In other business, Elizardo (Lee) Jacobs, P.E., CPM, Utility Director, City of Nogales, Arizona, will give an update on the Peña Blanca Highlands Force main repair at Potrero Creek.

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, September 15, 2016 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. Town of Sahuarita – Council Chambers 375 W. Sahuarita Center Way* Sahuarita, AZ 85629

AGENDA

- Welcome and Introductions John Light, Nogales Area Operations Manager and Citizens Forum Co-Chair, USIBWC
- Update on Peña Blanca Highlands Force Main Repair at Potrero Creek Elizardo (Lee) Jacobs, P.E., CPM, Utility Director, City of Nogales, Arizona
- Rehabilitation Improvements for the Nogales International Outfall Interceptor (IOI) and Trunkline Jose Nuñez, Principal Engineer, Engineering Department, USIBWC
- Public Comment
- Board Discussion
- Suggested Future Agenda Items

*Directions: From I-19 take exit 75, Sahuarita Road. Go east on Sahuarita Road to S. Starlight View Lane and turn right. Then turn left on W. Sahuarita Center Way.

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