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Commission to Hold Water Workshops

(Phoenix) The Arizona Corporation Commission will host a series of Water Workshops this summer which will address key topics for responsible water policy for Arizona's Future. This comes after Commissioners Andy Tobin and Boyd Dunn recently opened a docket to explore how regulated water companies are granted extensions for compliance deadlines. That is one topic that will be discussed in the workshops.

Commissioner Andy Tobin announced the workshops at a Water Emergency Team meeting at the Corporation Commission on Wednesday, May 17th.

"The opportunity for the Commission and Water Community to have a meaningful and fair conversation to focus on best practices for water quality and water loss issues is long overdue," said Commissioner Tobin.

Two workshops on the Contributions in Aid of Construction (CIAC) are scheduled for June 8th and July 25th. These will explore the current regulatory treatment of surcharges for a company's infrastructure improvements to ensure fairness to ratepayers and adequate cash flow finances for the company to maintain safe and reliable water.

Workshops on June 12th and August 9th will address policies for companies who have applied to extend their service territories but have had delays in meeting their deadlines for those expansions. Commissioners Tobin and Boyd Dunn opened a docket recently to investigate how regulated companies are granted extensions for compliance deadlines.

"We need a consistent and fair policy for dealing with these requests that don't just keep pushing the orders and the issues the companies are facing farther and farther down the road," said Commissioner Boyd Dunn. "How much longer must the Commission protect a utility's turf when it has been unable to move forward with the plans to provide service?"

The docket can be viewed at the Commission's website at www.azcc.gov and clicking eDocket. The docket number is WS-00000A-17-0094.

The last of the series of workshops will take place on June 15th and July 28th and will address water loss and the appropriate water loss calculation methodology. These workshops will explore ways to develop a better process for water systems to comply with water loss reporting water policies that can promote conservation on the part of the company.

All the workshops will take place at the Arizona Corporation Commission at 1200 W. Washington Street in Phoenix. The workshops will also be live online at www.azcc.gov.

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