



## International Boundary and Water Commission United States Section

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### **SOLUTIONS TO ADDRESS CROSS-BORDER SANITATION ISSUES TO BE DISCUSSED AT FEBRUARY 11 WEBINAR**

[The United States Section of the International Boundary and Water Commission](#)

[\(USIBWC\)](#) has scheduled a public meeting of the Southeast Arizona Citizens Forum (SEAZCF) on **February 11, 4:00-6:00 p.m. MST via webinar**. The meeting will cover efforts to eliminate Sanitary Sewer Overflows (SSO's) from Naco, Sonora to Naco, Arizona.

Gerardo Calza, P.E., Project Manager, North American Development Bank, will discuss the sanitary sewer discharges from Naco, Sonora to Naco, Arizona. The presentation will focus on emergency repairs and activities performed to eliminate SSO's from entering the United States. He will also discuss the Naco Diagnostic Study to identify alternatives to solve the problem of SSO discharges into the United States. Currently, the study is not fully complete, however, identification of alternatives on the U.S. side is complete, including the potential conveyance of raw sewage to Naco and Bisbee, Arizona, existing wastewater treatment plants. All alternatives will be included in an alternatives matrix and ranked to determine the best alternative(s) for implementation.

[The Southeast Arizona Citizens Forum](#) was established to facilitate the exchange of information between the USIBWC and the community about Commission projects and related activities in Santa Cruz, Cochise, and Pima Counties. A complete meeting agenda follows.

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For those connecting via phone, the presentations will be available before the start of the meeting here. Look for the links for the 2/11/21 meeting. If you would like to speak during public comment, then please sign up ahead of time by contacting Lori Kuczanski at [lori.kuczanski@ibwc.gov](mailto:lori.kuczanski@ibwc.gov) or (915) 494-6027 by noon on Feb. 11.

Members of the public who would like more information about the meeting may call (520) 281-1832 or the Public Affairs Office at [lori.kuczanski@ibwc.gov](mailto:lori.kuczanski@ibwc.gov).

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**SOUTHEAST ARIZONA CITIZENS FORUM**  
**Thursday, February 11, 2021**  
**4:00 – 6:00 p.m. MST**

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**Agenda**

- **Welcome and Introductions**—Mark Taylor, Citizens Forum Co-Chair
  - **Opening Remarks**—Jayne Harkins, Commissioner, USIBWC
  - **Introduction of USIBWC staff**
  
- **Naco, Sonora Wastewater Discharges to Naco, Arizona**— Gerardo Calza, Professional Engineer and Project Manager, North American Development Bank
  
- **Naco, Sonora Diagnostic Study (Mexico and U.S. Alternatives)**—Gerardo Calza, Professional Engineer and Project Manager, North American Development Bank
  
- **Public Comment** (To make public comment, RSVP by noon on Feb. 11 to [lori.kuczanski@ibwc.gov](mailto:lori.kuczanski@ibwc.gov) or call 915-494-6027)
  
- **Board Discussion**
  
- **Suggested Future Agenda Items**

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