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NOGALES STORM WATER INFRASTRUCTURE TO BE DISCUSSED DURING DECEMBER 15 PUBLIC MEETING IN NOGALES, ARIZONA

The condition of storm water tunnels near the international border in Nogales, Arizona and Nogales, Sonora, and Pima County’s experience using Cured in Place Pipe technology to rehabilitate sewer lines will be discussed at the next public meeting of the Southeast Arizona Citizens Forum of the U.S. Section of the International Boundary and Water Commission (USIBWC) on Thursday, December 15, 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the City of Nogales Council Chambers, 777 N. Grand Avenue, Nogales, Arizona.

The U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) recently conducted a study to determine the condition of the aged storm water tunnel directly underneath the DeConcini Port of Entry in downtown Nogales. Anthony Kleppe, Lead Asset Management Specialist with GSA, will provide an overview of the study, the results, and recommended actions.

Discussing conditions on the Mexican side of the border, Jose de Jesus Quintanar Guadarrama with the Mexican Section of the International Boundary and Water Commission will present on the rehabilitation of the Nogales Wash tunnel in Sonora. The tunnel starts in Nogales, Sonora and crosses the international boundary at the Port of Entry. The project objective is to determine the structural stability of 200 meters of the tunnel in Mexico closest to the international boundary and to develop a preliminary design for its structural rehabilitation.
In other business, Jaime Rivera, Program Manager for the Pima County Regional Wastewater Reclamation Department, will discuss the background and development of the Cured in Place Pipe (CIPP) technology, which uses a type of liner to rehabilitate pipelines. The presentation will cover the typical design and installation process followed in sanitary pipeline rehabilitation using the CIPP method and sample projects in Pima County recently completed using this method, including the 3.8 mile South Rillito Interceptor Rehabilitation, the 10 mile North Rillito Interceptor Rehabilitation, and an example of an Ultra Violet (UV) Cured CIPP repair.

The Citizens Forum will also hear from Shay Saucedo from Senator John McCain’s Office and Ruben Reyes from Congressman Raul Grijalva’s Office who will give an update on legislation that may affect funding for an international sewer line in Nogales, Arizona that is proposed for rehabilitation using the CIPP technology.

The USIBWC established the Southeast Arizona Citizens Forum in 2003 to facilitate the exchange of information between the USIBWC and members of the public about Commission projects and related activities in the Southeast region of Arizona.

A complete agenda follows. Members of the public who would like more information about the meeting may call 520-281-1832 or email lori.kuczmanski@ibwc.gov.

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SOUTHEAST ARIZONA CITIZENS FORUM
Thursday, December 15, 2016
5:00 - 7:00 P.M.
City of Nogales – Council Chambers
777 N. Grand Avenue*
Nogales, AZ 85621

AGENDA

• Welcome and Introductions – Rosanna Gabaldón, Citizens Forum Co-Chair

• Nogales DeConcini Tunnel Study – Anthony Kleppe, Lead Asset Management Specialist, United States General Services Administration

• Results of the Engineering Study of the International Tunnel in Nogales, Sonora – Jose de Jesus Quintanar Guadarrama, Mexican Representative of the International Boundary and Water Commission in Nogales, Sonora

• Legislative Update Related to Funding for the Rehabilitation of the International Sewer Line in Nogales, Arizona – Shay Saucedo, Office of Senator John McCain, and Ruben Reyes, Office of Congressman Raul Grijalva

• Cured in Place Pipe Technology and Pima County Applications in Pipeline Rehabilitation –Jaime Rivera, P.E., Program Manager, Pima County Regional Wastewater Reclamation Department

• Public Comment

• Board Discussion

• Suggested Future Agenda Items

*Directions: Directions: Take I-19 south to Exit 4 (AZ-189) toward Border Truck Route. Turn left on AZ-189/W. Mariposa Road. Go 0.8 miles to Grand Avenue. Turn right and travel 1.6 miles to City Hall, on the right.

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