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**NOTICE AND AGENDA OF THE REGULAR  
MEETING OF THE ARIZONA WATER  
QUALITY APPEALS BOARD**

Pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes (A.R.S.) § 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the Water Quality Appeals Board and general public that the Arizona Water Quality Appeals Board (WQAB) will hold a **regular meeting** open to the public commencing on **November 05, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.** The meeting will be held virtually.

**The following options will be available for public attendance. Details on available options and associated instructions are included below:**

**Google Meet - Join by phone**

+1 470-228-6291 PIN: 262 078 567#

**Google Meet - Video link**

<http://meet.google.com/uwb-gcvn-abx>

**\*\*NOTE: Members of the public do not need to have a Google account to participate in this meeting. \*\***

***\*Please note that members of the public that choose to utilize Google Meet must keep their microphone muted for the duration of the meeting. If a member of the public wishes to speak, they may unmute their microphone by pressing \*6.***

The agenda for this meeting follows. Any amendments or additions to the agenda will be available at least 24 hours prior to the meeting. The Board officer presiding at the meeting reserves the right to change the order of items on the agenda, except for public hearings set for a specific time. Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3), the Board may vote to go into Executive Session to obtain legal advice from its attorney on any matter listed on the agenda. Executive sessions are not open to the public.

Pursuant to Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), the WQAB will not discriminate on the basis of disability in admission to and observation of its public meetings. Persons with a disability may request a reasonable accommodation such as a sign language interpreter, by contacting the Board's Office at (602) 359-5386. Requests should be made as early as possible to allow time to arrange the accommodation.

1. Call to order and roll call.

2. *Patagonia Area Resource Alliance v. Department of Environmental Quality; South 32 Hermosa Inc., WQAB Appeal #25-001:*
  - a. Board to review and discuss legal and factual issues raised in this appeal including, but not limited to, the matters to be resolved by the Board under A.R.S. § 49-323. Board may make interim or final decisions regarding any issue raised in the appeal, and determine any matters for further hearing.
  - b. Board consideration and decision on Appellant Patagonia Area Resource Alliance's Motion to Reschedule Hearing submitted on September 23, 2024
  - c. Any other procedural issues may be discussed and decided by the Board, including whether to refer this case to the Office of Administrative Hearings for hearing.
3. Adjourn

DATED AND POSTED this 31st day of October, 2024 at 4:00 p.m.

**ARIZONA WATER QUALITY APPEALS BOARD**

By: *Connie Castillo*

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Connie Castillo, Clerk of the Board

A copy of the foregoing was emailed

This 31<sup>st</sup> day of October, 2024

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