



PIMA COUNTY

PIMA COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ADVISORY COUNCIL

33 N. Stone Avenue, Suite 700

Tucson, AZ 85701

Summary Minutes – March 18, 2015
Bank of America Building, Conference Room, 7th floor
33 N. Stone, Tucson, AZ
1:30 p.m.

Members Present:

Dr. Eric Betterton
Mr. Daniel G. Rowe
Ms. Denise Moreno Ramírez
Mr. Jeff Yockey
Ms. Kylie Walzak
Ms. Sandi Richey

Members Absent:

Mr. Richard W. Murphy
Dr. Peter Livingston

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Others Present:

Ursula Nelson, Director, PDEQ
Richard Grimaldi, Deputy Director, PDEQ
Beth Gorman, Sr. Program Manager, PDEQ
Vicki Bennie, Council Secretary, PDEQ
Colleen McKaughan, U.S. EPA
Krishna Viswanathan, U.S. EPA
Heather Spitzer, Raytheon
Susanne Cotty, PAG

I. CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS

Dr. Betterton, Chair, called the meeting to order after a quorum was established. Everyone introduced themselves.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Dr. Betterton led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. APPROVAL OF THE JANUARY 21, 2015 MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Rowe, seconded by Ms. Richey, to approve the minutes as written. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. OZONE PRESENTATION

Colleen McKaughan, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, presented information regarding EPA's new, proposed standard for ozone. Ms. McKaughan's presentation is at the link below:

[EPA Ozone Presentation-C_McKaughan-EPA.pdf](#)

Ms. McKaughan told the group about the Ozone Advance Program which encourages voluntary measures to reduce pollution. Their website is: <http://epa.gov/ozonepadvance/>

V. EPA CLEAN POWER PLANT 111(d.)

Jeff Yockey, TEP and EQAC member, talked about the Clean Power Plan, a provision of the Clean Air Act, new source standards. His presentation is below:

[Yockey EQAC 111\(d\)031815.pdf](#)

VI. STAFF REPORT

Ms. Nelson, PDEQ Director, announced that the Department has hired 3 new air inspectors that will start work on March 23, 2015. These three positions are funded by fees.

With the State transferring approximately \$23 million in State expenses to Pima County, we expect to see cuts to expenditures. We are unsure of the impact to the Department at this time.

Dr. Betterton, Ms. Nelson and Mr. Grimaldi attended a meeting of the Sunnyside School Board recently regarding beryllium monitoring at Materion. Unless PDEQ detects beryllium in the next six months, a motion was made by and seconded by the School Board to discontinue monitoring for beryllium. The monitoring has been ongoing for 15 years.

VIII. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Dr. Betterton made a call to the public.

Ms. Walzak distributed bookmarks that promote Cyclovia Tucson on April 19, 2015, from 10 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. This event takes place on five miles of car-free city streets between downtown to South Tucson for walking, biking, etc. The route can be viewed at <http://www.cycloviatucson.org/>.

Bikefest is a month-long event beginning on April 1. Please visit the website at <http://www.bikefesttucson.com/> and register your workplace to see which employees can reduce the most number of trips.

IX. NEXT EQAC MEETING AND AGENDA ITEMS

The next meeting will be Wednesday, May 20, 2015 at 1:30 p.m. Agenda items include:

Proposed Public Transportation for Mt. Lemmon – Benjamin Blonder

X. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Rowe, and seconded by Ms. Richey, to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously.