

**Floodplain Management Plan Planning Committee Meeting Agenda  
For  
July 22, 2019**

Invitees:

Allyson Solomon, Metropolitan Pima Alliance  
Arlan Colton, University of Arizona Planning Program  
Brian Powell, Natural Resources Parks and Recreation Department  
Carolyn Campbell, Coalition for Sonoran Desert Protection  
Catlow Shipek, Watershed Management Group  
Chris Gurton, Country Financial  
Christina McVie, Tucson Audubon Society  
Diana Durazo, County Administrator's Office  
Eric Holler, Community Water Coalition  
Eric Shepp, Pima County Regional Flood Control District  
Griselda Moya-Flores, Pima County Office of Emergency Management  
Ian Sharp, Farmers Investment Company  
Ivy Schwartz, Tucson Mountain Association  
Jason Ground, Pima County Communications  
Jeff Guthrie, Pima County Office of Emergency Management  
Jim Cunningham, Pima County Department of Transportation  
Jonathan Horst, Tucson Audubon Society  
Lola Graeme, Catalina Foothills Association  
Matt McGlone, Pima County Office of Emergency Management  
Nicole Fyffe, Pima County Administrator's Office  
Patrick Marum, Southern Arizona Homebuilders Association  
Peter Chesson, Tucson Mountain Association  
Sandra Espinoza, Pima County Office of Emergency Management  
Shane Clark, Pima County Office of Emergency Management  
Shawn Cote, Southern Arizona Homebuilders Association  
Steve Dolan, Tucson Mountain Association  
Steve Huffman, Tucson Association of Realtors  
Terri Tillman, Pima County Development Services Department  
Tim Campbell, Farmers Investment Company

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- 1) Welcome & Introductions
- 2) Project Schedule Review
  - a) Results if Step 1-3 (Committee, neighborhood meetings, stakeholder interviews, survey)
  - b) Summary of additional hazards identified by stakeholders in Step 4 (debris flows, fire vulnerability, habitat with no underlying floodplain)
- 3) Presentation of Problem Assessment
  - a) Problems identified in working sessions (developments designed under outdated standards and modelling and pre-firm structures, dips, scour critical bridges, critical facilities, erosion on private property)
  - b) Regional Problem Summary (Fact Sheet)
  - c) Watershed Specific Problem Summary (Fact Sheets)
  - d) Detailed Problem Assessment (Draft Plan Availability)
- 4) Next Steps
- 5) Questions
- 6) Adjournment

**Notes:**

## FMP Project Update and Hazard Assessment (Step 4) Results

Since the second Committee meeting held April 15, 2019, District staff has hosted work sessions as recommended by the Committee. These sessions provided interested members with access to senior District staff and the full suite of Geographic Information System (GIS) data available. This process helped identify site specific hazards and problems to be assessed in Step 5. In total four sessions were held. Participants included:

- Audubon Society
- Community Water Coalition
- Country Financial
- Pima County Administration
- Pima County Development Services Department
- Pima County Office of Emergency Management
- San Xavier District of the Tohono O’odham Nation
- Tucson Mountain Association
- Pima County Transportation Department
- University of Arizona – Planning Program
- Watershed Management Group

Hazard assessment maps and associated studies are available on the project webpage.

Staff has also conducted one-on-one interviews with partner agencies and neighboring communities including:

- Cadden Property Management/SAHBA
- Coronado National Forest
- National Weather Service
- Pima Association of Governments
- Sonoran Institute
- Tohono O’odham Nation
- Town of Marana
- United States Fish and Wildlife Service

Additional interviews are planned. Lastly the District mailed a brochure to all floodplain residents in unincorporated Pima County informing them of the planning process and encouraging them to fill out the survey available on-line at:

[https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PCFC\\_survey](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PCFC_survey)

Results will be reported in step 7, review of activities.

## Step 5 Problem Assessment

Using best available data, the District has conducted GIS queries for each of the watersheds to be included in the plan. Staff has prepared fact sheets for the county as a whole, and each watershed that are available on the project website at [www.pima.gov/fmp](http://www.pima.gov/fmp) and are attached. Based in part on the committee’s reaction to this information, greater detail will be provided in the draft plan.

While we look forward to Step 6, setting goals, and Step 7 review of possible activities, as well as drafting an action plan in step 8, the best way to present the problem assessment information for Committee and public review will be as a draft plan on the project webpage. It will contain drafts of all chapters up through Step 5.

In addition to the hazard maps the fact sheets provide the following problem indicators:

- Floodplain population
- Buildings in the floodplain
- Insurance claims paid
- Distribution of insurance claims
- Critical facilities in the floodplain

The District requests that the Committee review these fact sheets to become familiar with the basic exposure problem so that when greater detail is provided it can be digested and appropriate activities considered in the next step. It may also inspire questions and guide further assessment that is needed.

