



**Pima County
Department of Environmental
Quality**

Public Water Systems

***Proposed Fee Adjustments
Pima County Code Title 7, Chapter 3***



Stakeholders Meetings March 6, 2009 & March 10, 2009

Public Water Systems Program Authority

- **Federal Safe Drinking Water Act, 1974**
 - ***Authorizes US EPA to Set Standards***
 - ***Gives States Primary Enforcement Responsibility***
- **Arizona Administrative Code, Title 18, Chapters 4 & 5**
 - ***Enforceable Standards for Public Water Systems***
- **Arizona Revised Statutes, 49-107, 11-201(A)(3), 11-952**
 - ***Allows ADEQ to Delegate Functions & Responsibilities to PDEQ***
- **ADEQ/PDEQ Delegation Agreement, 06-0027 (June 2007- June 2011)**
 - ***Over 20 Years of Delegation History***
- **Pima County Code Title 7, Chapter 3 (7.03.130)**
 - ***Operating Permit Requirements***



Public Water Systems

ADEQ Delegation Agreement

- **Delegated Functions & Duties**
- **PDEQ Standards of Performance**
- **PDEQ Personnel Qualifications**
- **PDEQ Recordkeeping & Reporting Requirements**
- **Oversight Activities**
- **Delegation of Enforcement Authorities**
- **Action Appeals**



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Public Water Systems *Program Activities*

- **Business Assistance**
- **Public Notification**
- **Complaint Response**
- **Enforcement Activity**
- **Recordkeeping**
- **Monthly ADEQ Reports**
- **Inspections for Operations & Maintenance**



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Public Water Systems *Inspection Activities*

- **On-Site Operations Assessment**
- **On-Site Maintenance Assessment**
- **Regulatory Requirements Compliance**
 - ***Monitoring (Site Sampling Plan)***
 - ***Record Keeping***
 - ***Public Notification***
 - ***Operator Certification***
 - ***Conformance With Compliance Schedules***



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Public Water Systems *Common Issues*

- **Inadequate Storage**
- **Recordkeeping**
- **Unable to maintain 20 psi**
- **Certified Operator**
- **Facility Expansion**



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Public Water Systems *Corrective Tools*

- **Notice of Violation (NOV)**
- **Penalties**
 - *Not PDEQ Goal, Money Better Spent on Infrastructure*
- **Restraining Order**
 - *Threat to Public Health*



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Public Water Systems *Program Costs*

- **Total Program Cost**
 - *Total Cost Of PDEQ Personnel & Supplies*
- **Fees**
 - *Distribution of Total Program Cost By System Size Based on Wells & Population*
- **Timing**
 - *Fee Adjustment in Two Increments*
- **History**
 - *Last Fee Adjustment 17 Years Ago*



Public Water Systems Program Costs

	Phase I July 2009	Phase II July 2010
Personnel <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Civil Engineering Assistant • Civil Engineer • Environmental Planning Manager • Other 	\$ 69,244	\$ 118,660
Supplies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Office Supplies • Equipment 	\$ 339	\$ 452
Overhead <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Telephone • Training • Vehicles 	\$ 42,267	\$ 70,188
Total	\$ 111,850	\$ 189,300



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Public Water Systems Fee Adjustment Proposal

	Existing Fee	Proposed July 2009 Fee ³	Proposed July 2010 Fee ³
Fee per Source ¹	\$ 100	\$ 200	\$ 200
Size/Population Fees ²			
0 - 99	\$ 25	\$ 50	\$ 100
100 - 199	\$ 50	\$ 150	\$ 300
200 - 499	\$ 50	\$ 250	\$ 500
500 - 999	\$ 75	\$ 250	\$ 500
1,000 - 1,999	\$ 100	\$ 500	\$ 1,000
2,000 - 4,999	\$ 100	\$ 1,000	\$ 2,000
5,000 - 9,999	\$ 125	\$ 1,500	\$ 3,000
10,000 +	\$ 125	\$ 3,000	\$ 6,000
Revenue	\$ 39,050	\$ 111,850	\$ 189,300

¹ For this purpose, “source” is defined as a well or connection to another Public Water System, if the connection is the primary means for water delivery. A connection for backup or emergency purposes is not considered a “source.”

² Size fees will move from connections-based to population-based.

³ Fee adjustments are to be completed in two increments.



Public Water Systems ***Timeline of Proposed Fee Revision***

- **Stakeholder Information Sent:**
January 29, 2009
- **Public Comment Period:**
February 23 – March 27, 2009
- **Stakeholders Meetings:**
March 6 & March 10, 2009
- **Board of Supervisors Hearing:**
April 21, 2009
- **First Fee Adjustment Effective:**
July 2009
- **Second Fee Adjustment Effective:**
July 2010



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