

Water We Up To?

AVRA WATER CO-OP, INC. - NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

Wednesday, November 17, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

This meeting will be held in person at Picture Rocks Elementary School
5875 N Sanders Rd. Tucson, AZ 85743

The Avra Water Co-op Board of Directors will hold their Annual Meeting on Wednesday, November 17, 2021, for the purpose of electing directors and for the transaction of other business as may come before the meeting. ALL MEMBERS OF THE CO-OP ARE INVITED AND ENCOURAGED TO JOIN US! The meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m. We will have more information on our website and in the billing for October and November. We look forward to seeing you there!

If you are interested in serving on the board as a director, please provide us with a Letter of Interest in order to be on the ballot for the annual meeting election.

- Directors must be members of the Co-op in good standing.
- A regular term of office is three years.
- Directors are expected to prepare for and attend board meetings on a regular basis.
- No special education or experience in water systems is needed, only the desire to be a contributing member of a team working to fulfill the mission of the Co-op.
- The board carries out its job with discipline, emphasizing long-term rather than short-term issues, policy rather than single events, and group rather than individual decisions.
- Directors are not paid, however directors do receive the satisfaction that comes from having made a positive difference in the life of their community.

If this sounds like you, please send your Letter of Interest to Avra Water Co-op, Inc., 11821 W. Picture Rocks Rd., Tucson, AZ 85743, attention: Board Secretary by October 19, 2021 or you may email it to annualmeeting@avrawater.com.



September 6, 2021	Office Closed in Observance of Labor Day
September 15, 2021	Board Meeting
September 20-24	Septic Smart Week
September 30, 2021	Bills Are Due
October 20, 2021	Board Meeting
October 31, 2021	Bills Are Due
November 11, 2021	Office Closed in Observance of Veteran's Day
November 17, 2021	ANNUAL MEETING
November 25 & 26, 2021	Office Closed in Observance of Thanksgiving
November 30, 2020	Bills Are Due

SERVICE AREA MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS

MONSOON SEASON can wreak havoc on our roads and water system. Every year after heavy rains, our operations team spends many hours cleaning up the roads and easements within our system and repairing washed out lines and meters. This monsoon season has really taken its toll on our service area. We have had lines and meters wash out throughout the system, but Ina Road east of Sandario and up to Ellexon has been especially affected by the rains. There is up to four feet of erosion in spots along the route and meter boxes, water lines, cable lines, and other areas require costly repairs. Vehicles are getting stuck in the sand all along Ina Road and other roads coming off of Ina. **A big reason for the problem is water diversion.**



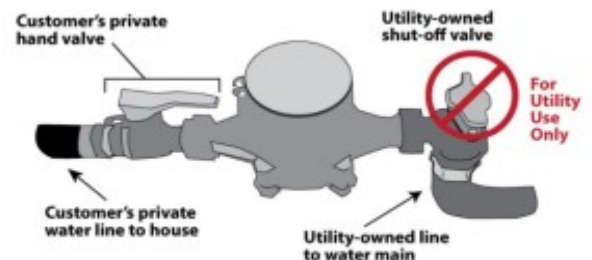
Water flows a natural course and it is a detriment to our water system, as well as a county violation, to divert, retard, or obstruct its natural flow. Diverting the flow jeopardizes the safety and function of the co-op's infrastructure, and it costs the co-op time and money by having to go out to repair and/or replace it. The end result is increased rates to cover the costs of these problems. Monsoon season is still going strong and we anticipate more rain and are trying to prepare for the storms. Water will be shut off if it is necessary to make the repairs, but it

is always our goal to have it restored as quickly as possible. We have had many customers contact us with leaks, exposed lines, and washed out meters. We appreciate the calls and ask that anyone who thinks there might be a problem, please continue to call 520-682-7331. If it is after normal hours and you believe it is an emergency water line break or leak, you can be transferred to our after-hours call service. If you don't feel it is an emergency, you can leave a voicemail and we will follow up the next business day. Again, we appreciate your help!



KNOW YOUR METER'S LOCATION

It's important to know where your meter, private hand valve (or gate valve on the customer's side of the meter), and shut off valve at the house are located in the event of an emergency. We are available during normal business hours to assist you, but if you call after hours, there will be a \$50 service fee. Be pro-active, not re-active. Know your meter and its location before an emergency happens!



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Hours : Mon–Fri 8-4:30 p.m.
Closed 12-1 p.m. for lunch

Board of Directors

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We're on the web.
Visit us at www.avrawater.com

Avra Water Co-op's Board of Directors meet the third Wednesday of each month. Board Meetings are open to all Co-op members. Please call for the meeting link.