# Water We Up To?

# AVRA WATER CO-OP, INC. - NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING Wednesday, November 15, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. Picture Rocks Elementary School—5875 N. Sanders Road

The Avra Water Co-op Board of Directors will hold their Annual Meeting on Wednesday, November 15, 2023 at the Picture Rocks Elementary School located at 5875 N. Sanders Road, 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 COME! REFRESHMENTS AND PRIZES WILL BE GIVEN. The meeting will be in the school's cafeteria and will begin at 7:00 p.m. Come early and visit with staff and friends, pick up informational materials, ask questions, and help yourself to refreshments. We look forward to seeing you there!

Master Meter Survey - We have completed a survey of our service area to see if there are meters servicing more than one dwelling or structure. We cannot always tell if there are two or more structures that are connected to one meter and so we do the survey to confirm that information with our members as stated in The Arizona Corporation Commission Decision 69681 "Multiple Dwellings on one meter: All dwellings, beyond direct connection which cross property lines, will be charged 100% of the monthly minimum and/or are required to have their own meter. If the meter services more than one dwelling on the same property, the second and each additional connection shall each pay 50% of monthly minimum for the size meter. Responsibility for payment remains with master meter customer".

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If you do have more than one mobile home, guest house, RV, travel trailer, workshop/garage etc. that is connected to the water line and is serviced by your Avra Water meter, it should be considered a Master Meter and charged the appropriate rate. If you receive a letter and have any questions, please contact the office and we will be happy to help you.

#### SAVE THE DATE!

## SepticSmart Week 2023

September 18-22, 2023

Get Ready For SepticSmart Week!

EPA's annual event, centered on encouraging homeowners and communities to care for and maintain their septic systems.

For more information, visit www.epa.gov/septic



September 4, 2023	Office Closed in Observance of Labor Day
September 18–22, 2023	Septic Smart Week
September 20, 2023	Board Meeting
September 30, 2023	Bills Are Due
October 18, 2023	Board Meeting
October 31, 2023	Bills Are Due
November 10, 2023	Office Closed in Observance of Veteran's Day
November 15, 2023	ANNUAL MEETING
November 23 & 24, 2023	Office Closed in Observance of Thanksgiving
November 30, 2023	Bills Are Due

### Avra Water Toilet Rebate Program



Don't forget to take advantage of the High Efficiency Toilet Rebate Program that went into effect on January 1st of this year. If you replace your old, single, 1.6 gallon per flush or higher toilet with a new, high efficiency or dual flush toilet, you will receive a \$50.00 rebate that comes back as a credit on your water bill. We are offering this rebate to all residential members in good standing. Call the office or email customerservice@avrawater.com for more details and an application.

### **Water Saving Tips at Home**

**Toilets** - Replacing an older toilet that uses 3.5 gallons per flush (gpf) with a high-efficiency toilet that uses 1.28 gpf will save about 2.22 gpf. If the toilet is used an average of six times each day it will save about 13 gallons per day or 4,745 gallons per year. Make sure the water level is not too high, the fill valve is working properly, and the flapper is not leaking. A running toilet can waste hundreds of gallons of water per day. The number one culprit for leaks are toilets. Throw a dye tablet or food coloring in the toilet tank and if it moves to the toilet bowl, you need to replace your toilet flapper.

**Laundry** - When it's time to replace the clothes washer, choose a high-efficiency washer with a low water factor and always wash full loads.

**Faucets** - Install efficient faucets and/or faucet aerators (those that use 1.5 gallons per minute). Find and fix any leaky faucets. A faucet leaking 60 drops per minute will waste about 200 gallons per month which is equal to 240 gallons per year.

**Shower** - Replace showerheads that have a flow rate greater than 2.5 gallons per minute - the current National Energy Policy Act standard. Take shorter showers. Reducing a 10-minute shower to 5 minutes saves 12.5 gallons of water if the showerhead has a flow rate of 2.5 gallons per minute.

**Kitchen** - Install an efficient dishwasher and only wash full loads of dishes. If you are washing dishes by hand, fill the sink with water rather than continually running the tap. Avoid using running water to thaw frozen foods. Composting food waste saves water by reducing the water needed to run the garbage disposal.

Leaks - Check your water bills for any instances of high water use as this may be an indication of a leak. If your monthly usage seems higher than your norm or what you have been using, check around for leaks. You can turn all water off and then go check the Leak Indicator on your meter. If it is moving, you probably have a leak.





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

#### **Board of Directors**

Dayv Marlow, President Nils Julin, Vice President
Jack Wheat, Treasurer Colleen McDonald, Secretary
Doug Schneider, Director Keith Winans, Director
Geoff Caron, Director

Avra Water Co-op's Board of Directors meet the third Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. Board Meetings are open to all Co-op members.