



International Boundary and Water Commission United States Section

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COLORADO RIVER HABITAT RESTORATION AND WATER CONSERVATION ON AGENDA FOR CITIZENS FORUM VIRTUAL MEETING ON MAY 17

The United States Section of the [International Boundary and Water Commission](#) (USIBWC) Colorado River Citizens Forum is pleased to announce that it will host a virtual public meeting on **May 17, from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. MST/PDT**. The event will focus on restoration efforts in the Colorado River Delta region and the water conservation efforts of the Southern Nevada Water Authority (SNWA). The purpose of the Citizens Forum is to promote the exchange of information between the USIBWC and the community about Commission projects and related activities.

Dr. Francisco Zamora, Senior Director of Programs at the Sonoran Institute and a member of the Raise the River Coalition, will present on "Restoration Efforts in the Colorado River under Minute 323/." He will include a brief description of accomplishments and plans for each active habitat restoration site (Miguel Aleman/Janitzio, Chausse/Don Parna, and Laguna Grande). Dr. Zamora will also share information about the implementation of the 2021-2022 in-channel water deliveries that are part of Minute 323, the Commission's international agreement on Colorado River issues.

In addition, Steven Anderson from the Southern Nevada Water Authority (SNWA) will present the organization's water conservation efforts, including reductions over time. Anderson's presentation will provide insight into the efforts of the SNWA to manage water usage and promote conservation in Southern Nevada.

The public meeting will be held virtually. To join the Microsoft Teams meeting, go to: https://bit.ly/CRCF_51723. Click on the "Join" button. If you do not have Teams installed on the device you will use to attend the meeting, it will work through any internet browser. If possible, it may be helpful for you to test connectivity on your own prior to the meeting by clicking on the "Join" link and ensuring your camera and microphone are functioning. Or join by phone: 1-872-240-1286 Conference ID: 879 472 095#

For those connecting via phone, the presentations will be available before the start of the meeting. Go to the Colorado River Citizens Forum page https://bit.ly/CRCF_51723. Look for the links for the 5/17/2023 meeting. If you would like to speak during public comment, please sign up ahead of time by contacting Leslie Grijalva at leslie.grijalva@ibwc.gov or 915-832-4770 by noon on May 17.

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Teams Webinar

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Agenda

- **Welcome and Introductions** – G. Patrick O’Dowd, Citizens Forum Co-Chair
- **Remarks from the Commissioner** – Dr. Maria-Elena Giner, P.E., Commissioner, USIBWC
- **Restoration Efforts in the Colorado River Under Minute 323** – Francisco Zamora, PhD, Senior Director of Programs, Sonoran Institute
- **SNWA Conservation Efforts** – Steven Anderson, Associate General Counsel, Southern Nevada Water Authority
- Public Comment
- Board Discussion
- Suggested Future Agenda Items

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