

SONOITA CREEK FLOOD and FLOW STUDY COMMITTEE

MISSION: The watershed is a vital component of this community's well being. The Sonoita Creek Flood and Flow Study Committee will (i) make recommendations to the Patagonia Town Council with respect to best practices within its jurisdiction to manage erosion, to enhance water flow, to create optimal flood mitigation and to promote the long-term health of the riparian corridor, (ii) look at the entire watershed area to influence upstream conditions and to mitigate downstream consequences, and (iii) educate the public.

REVISED AGENDA for August 13, 2020 Meeting via ZOOM

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Correction and/or Approval of Minutes from July 9, 2020
4. Call to Public A. R. S. §38-431-01(H): AT THIS TIME, ANY MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC IS ALLOWED TO ADDRESS THE TOWN COMMITTEE, SUBJECT TO REASONABLE TIME AND MANNER RESTRICTIONS. THE PUBLIC WILL ONLY BE RECOGNIZED TO SPEAK ON AGENDA ITEMS LISTED FOR PUBLIC INPUT PURSUANT TO TOWN CODE SECTION 2-5-6. PURSUANT TO THE ARIZONA OPEN MEETING LAW, AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE CALL TO THE PUBLIC, INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL MAY RESPOND TO CRITICISM MADE BY THOSE WHO HAVE ADDRESSED THE COUNCIL, MAY ASK STAFF TO REVIEW THE MATTER, OR MAY ASK THE MATTER BE PLACED ON A FUTURE AGENDA. HOWEVER, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC BODY SHALL NOT DISCUSS OR TAKE LEGAL ACTION ON MATTERS RAISED DURING AN OPEN CALL TO THE PUBLIC UNLESS THE MATTERS ARE PROPERLY NOTICED FOR DISCUSSION AND LEGAL ACTION.

OLD BUSINESS

5. Status of funding of formalized "watershed management group" (Howard Buchanan)
6. Town of Patagonia Town Council actions at its August 12 meeting on letter to Forest Service for water study and letter to South32 again asking for all its water data. (Carolyn)

NEW BUSINESS

7. The Nature Conservancy in partnership with Borderlands, Tucson Audubon, and Circle Z Dude Ranch have released the "Sonoita Creek Watershed Conservation Plan" (Marty Lawrence)
8. FEMA's Notice of Funding Opportunities for FMA and BRIC Grants (Kurt Vaughn)
9. Discussion and possible action regarding Forest Service Watershed Restoration Action Plans for Patagonia's official FS municipal watershed, including definition of the sub-watersheds that are part of the 128,000 acre official municipal watershed. (Jennifer Varin)
10. Next Regular Monthly Meeting: September 10, 2020 at 10 a.m.
11. Future Agenda Items: At this time the committee members may bring forth topics for future agendas
12. Adjourn

PARKING LOT (future agenda items)

Joint Meeting with Planning & Development Committee
PAWS / Sonoita Creek flow meters / ADOT Bridge work / South32 well data from ADWR (Dave Ellis)
Flood Mitigation and Recharge Basin
Town of Patagonia watershed designation by FS
Town of Patagonia water improvement projects

Public education program on water related issues

AZ Municipal Water Users Association

RADAR SCREEN

Hudbay property ownership