



## **BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA ITEM REPORT**

**Requested Board Meeting Date:** 1/2/2018

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**Title:** Reappointment to Environmental Quality Advisory Council

### **Introduction/Background:**

The Environmental Quality Advisory Council (EQAC) has been established pursuant to A.R.S. 49-477 and the Pima County Code, Title 17.04.110, to serve in an advisory capacity to the Board of Supervisors and the Department of Environmental Quality. The Board of Supervisors' appointments to the EQAC are made pursuant to state law and county ordinance.

### **Discussion:**

In accordance with state and local regulations, the composition of the Environmental Quality Advisory Council shall consist of ten members serving three-year, staggered terms. The ten members shall be knowledgeable in the field of environmental protection including air pollution and its control, water quality protection and solid waste/hazardous materials management. One member shall be from each of the following range of fields:

general business/industry including manufacturing, real estate, tourism or development;  
mining industry or utilities;  
automotive industry or small business;  
consumer protection or public environmental interest;  
environmental conservation or resource management;  
science or engineering;  
health or education;  
transportation and land use planning;  
hydrology, water resources or waste management; and  
environmental planning or environmental law.

### **Conclusion:**

Dr. Eric Betterton, Professor for the Department of Atmospheric Sciences for the University of Arizona, represents the area of environmental planning. Mr. Jeff Yockey, Tucson Electric Power Company, represents the area of mining industry or utilities. Both of these member's education and experience make them valuable assets to the Council. Both have agreed to serve on the Environmental Quality Advisory Council.

### **Recommendation:**

Staff recommends the reappointment of Dr. Eric Betterton and Mr. Jeff Yockey to the Environmental Quality Advisory Council.

**Fiscal Impact:**

Dr. Betterton and Mr. Yockey serve as volunteers on the EQAC, providing the residents of the County with the benefit of their expertise at no cost to Pima County.

**Board of Supervisor District:**

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