



PIMA COUNTY

WASTEWATER RECLAMATION

REGIONAL WASTEWATER RECLAMATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
201 NORTH STONE AVENUE
TUCSON, ARIZONA 85701-1207

November 21, 2018

The Honorable Chair and Members
Pima County Board of Supervisors
130 West Congress Street, 11th Floor
Tucson, Arizona 85701

RE: Proposed Revision of the Pima County Code Regarding Mt. Lemmon

Dear Honorable Chair and Members:

The Pima County Regional Wastewater Reclamation Advisory Committee (RWRAC) was established by the Pima County Board of Supervisors, in part, to act as an official advisory body on the Regional Wastewater Reclamation Department's proposals for significant changes regulating RWRD's business processes. Following a Mt. Lemmon Stakeholder Meeting on October 20, 2018, the RWRAC sponsored a public meeting at 6:00 p.m. on November 15, 2018. The proposal to modify Title 13 – Public Services, Division II, Sewers, Chapter 13.28 – Mt. Lemmon Sewer Connections and Chapter 13.32 – Mt. Lemmon Conservation Fees were presented.

There were 11 County constituents in attendance at the public meeting and four (4) individuals addressed the RWRAC during Public Call to the Audience. All speakers voiced concerns about the economic development of the Summerhaven area being limited by the Mt. Lemmon Wastewater Reclamation Facility (WRF). Director Jackson Jenkins stated that the WRF currently has ample capacity for growth and that RWRD welcomes discussions on future long range planning for the area. The public had no specific concerns about the proposed amendments.

In a vote of six (6) to one (1), with one (1) member abstaining, the RWRAC recommends to the Pima County Board of Supervisors to adopt the proposed revisions of Chapters 13.28 and 13.32 with a minor adjustment to refer to the United States Forest Service Permit for the limitations on connections and plant flow. The dissenting opinion opposed the current use of the Conservation Surcharge in the Mt. Lemmon service area that promotes water conservation while none of other sub-regional wastewater reclamation facilities have this surcharge.

The members of the RWRAC look forward to continuing a close working relationship with the Board of Supervisors and the Regional Wastewater Reclamation Department. All committee members are available at your convenience for any questions or further discussion.

Sincerely,

Corin Marron, Chair

Charles Matthewson, Vice Chair

- c: C.H. Huckelberry, County Administrator, Pima County
- Tom Burke, Deputy County Administrator – Administration, Pima County
- Carmine DeBonis, Deputy County Administrator – Public Works, Pima County
- Jackson Jenkins, Director, Regional Wastewater Reclamation Department
- Michelle Campagne, Director, Finance and Risk Management Department
- Julie Castaneda, Clerk of the Board, Pima County
- Charles Wesselhoft, Deputy County Attorney, Pima County Attorney's Office
- Members, Regional Wastewater Reclamation Advisory Committee

**CLERK'S NOTE:
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COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

cc: Jackson Jenkins
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