

# MOHAVE VALLEY IRRIGATION & DRAINAGE DISTRICT

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN**, that there may be a quorum of the Mohave Valley Irrigation & Drainage District board members present at the following event:

Legislative Committee Meeting in Kingman, AZ  
Wednesday, June 13, 2018 at 2:00pm  
Mohave County General Government Building  
700 W Beale Street, Kingman, Arizona

**NOTE:** No legal action will be taken at the above-mentioned meetings or events.

This notice is posted in accordance with the requirements of the Arizona Open Meeting Act.

Dated this 8<sup>th</sup> day of June 2018

Mohave Valley Irrigation & Drainage District

  
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Mark R. Clark, CCM  
Manager

# MOHAVE COUNTY NEWS



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## LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETS IN KINGMAN TO RECEIVE PUBLIC TESTIMONY ON WATER ISSUES

**When:** Wednesday, June 13, 2018 at 2:00 PM  
**Where:** Mohave County General Government Building  
700 W Beale Street, Kingman, Arizona

**KINGMAN, AZ.** The public is cordially invited to attend the June 13, 2018 Arizona House of Representatives Committee on Energy, Environment and Natural Resources at 2 pm in the Board of Supervisors Auditorium. The Committee will hear Public Testimony and Discussion, and receive Information Regarding Water Issues important to you, the Mohave County residents.

Representative Rusty Bowers and Senator Gail Griffin will chair the meeting, and Legislators will attend. The Committee's Agenda is enclosed.

All citizens wishing to make their views known are encouraged to attend, fill out a speaker slip and present their views. Of particular interest will be these issues:

- Senate Bill 1525, as sponsored by Representative Regina Cobb, and as amended by the Legislature, that passed in May of 2018. In SB 1525 the Legislature appropriated \$100,000 to the Arizona Department of Water Resources (ADWR) "for the purposes of contracting with an independent consultant to estimate the rate of groundwater depletion in the Northwest basins planning area and estimate the number of years of groundwater remaining in the basin." This bill covers the Hualapai Valley Basin in particular.
- The Central Arizona Project (CAP) Board of Directors' plan to negotiate a purchase and sale agreement with Water Asset Management, LLC ("WAM") to acquire real property with water rights and certain farm leases located in Mohave Valley Irrigation and Drainage District ("MVIDD") in Mohave County. The proposal calls for CAP to acquire about 2,203 total acres of farmland with approximately 13,929 acre feet of diversion water rights, and to transfer about 5,508 acre feet of water annually from Mohave County to Central Arizona.
- The Lower Basin States of Arizona, California and Nevada have been diligently working on a Drought Contingency Plan (DCP) to stave off shortages in the Colorado River, an effort which Mexico has also joined. It is critical that ADWR be authorized by the Legislature to sign Arizona onto the DCP, and to speak as "the one voice" for Arizona's Colorado River users. Our efforts to oppose water transfers out of Mohave County will be for naught if there is no water left in the Colorado River for us.
- The ongoing US Geological Survey (USGS) study, funded jointly by the Mohave County Board of Supervisors and the City of Kingman, where the USGS is assessing the impacts from additional groundwater withdrawals and enhanced recharge in the Hualapai Valley Basin through both Groundwater Monitoring and Groundwater Modeling.
- The ongoing work of the ADWR as it is making an extensive effort to measure water levels in wells in the Northwestern Region Basins of Arizona. ADWR has been conducting water level measurements in wells located in the Sacramento Valley, Detrital Valley, Hualapai Valley and Meadview Groundwater Basins since February 2018. These measurements are being conducted as part of ADWR's annual and periodic basin-wide water-level data collection program, which measures groundwater levels throughout the state.

Attendance at this meeting is paramount if we wish to preserve Mohave County's water resources, its future and our destiny. The agenda for the Committee on Energy, Environment and Natural Resources can be accessed at: <https://www.azleg.gov/agendas/06130126119.pdf>.