



International Boundary and Water Commission United States Section

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USIBWC SEEKS APPLICANTS FOR CITIZENS FORUM BOARD IN SAN DIEGO

The United States Section of the International Boundary and Water Commission (USIBWC) is seeking applicants to serve on the USIBWC Citizens Forum Board. 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 in San Diego County, California.

The Commission is responsible for applying the boundary and water treaties between the United States and Mexico and settling differences that arise in the application of the treaties. The Commission is the official entity that determines the location of the international boundary and demarcates the boundary by erecting and maintaining monuments along the land boundary and demarcation plaques and traffic buttons at the ports of entry. In San Diego County, the USIBWC operates the South Bay International Wastewater Treatment Plant and the Tijuana River Flood Control Project. It also coordinates international efforts to address sediment, solid waste, and water quality in the Tijuana River Basin. In addition, the Commission conducts various studies and engages in planning regarding water resources along the U.S.-Mexico border, including response to the Colorado River drought.

The Citizens Forum is intended to bring together community members, enabling the early and continued two-way flow of information, concerns, values, and needs between the USIBWC and the general public, water users, environmentalists, government agencies, municipalities, etc. The Board will conduct regular public meetings, approximately three to four times per year, to discuss plans and issues related to ongoing and future USIBWC projects and related activities. Meetings will be held in San Diego County or via webinar.

Applications are available at <https://bit.ly/SDCFApplication>. Application forms may also be requested by contacting Leslie Grijalva at leslie.grijalva@ibwc.gov or 915-832-4770. The deadline to submit your application is **May 5, 2023**. Board members to the Citizens Forum will

be selected by the USIBWC in consideration of the agency's interest in encouraging participation by diverse interests and individuals and organizations most likely to be directly affected by USIBWC activities. Additional information about the USIBWC is available at: www.ibwc.gov.

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