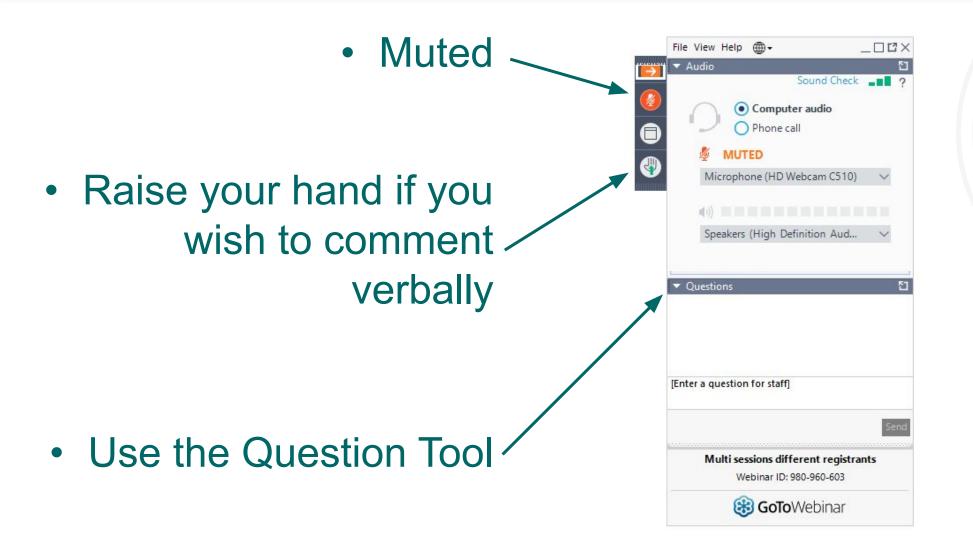
ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY PUBLIC HEARING FOR AQUIFER WATER QUALITY STANDARDS (AWQS) RULEMAKING: NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING (NPRM)

Date: December 16, 2024 11:00 a.m. Hearing Officer: David Lelsz, Ph.D.











Today's Agenda:

- AWQS NPRM Outline
- Instructions on the conduct of the Hearing
- Oral Comments on the Record for the AWQS NPRM

AWQS – NPRM Outline



- 5 NPRMs
 - 18 AAC 9, Articles 1 & 2 APP Program Implementation
 - 18 AAC 11, Article 4 AWQS Arsenic
 - 18 AAC 11, Article 4 AWQS Uranium
 - 18 AAC 11, Article 4 AWQS Microbiological Contaminants
 - 18 AAC 11, Article 4 AWQS Disinfection Byproducts

Implementation Rule - 18 AAC 9, Articles 1 & 2

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- Amendment Schedule
 - practical approach to amending 100s of INDV APPs
- Amendment Application Requirement
 - No later than 4 Years after effective date
- Baseline Discharge &/or Groundwater Monitoring Req.
 - Discharge: Monthly for 1 Year
 - Groundwater: Quarterly for 2 Years
 - Generate Report, thereafter
- No monitoring if pollutant is "unlikely" to be in discharge
 - Requires demonstration through characterization
 - Mines: unlikely to have Microbiologicals
 - WWTPs: unlikely to have certain metals
- ADEQ sets ALs, DLs &/or AQLs, if necessary
 - Set through amendment process, based on report



Arsenic AWQS - 18 AAC 11, Article 4



Pollutant	Current AWQS	Current MCL / Proposed AWQS	
Arsenic	0.05 mg/L	0.010 mg/L	



Uranium AWQS - 18 AAC 11, Article 4

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Pollutant	Current AWQS	Current MCL / Proposed AWQS	
Uranium	None	0.030 mg/L	1912

Microbiological Contaminants AWQS - 18 AAC 11, Article 4



Pollutant	Current AWQS	Current MCL / Proposed AWQS
Microbiological	A.A.C.	40 CFR 141.63(C) /
Contaminants	R18-11- 406(F)	Alternative

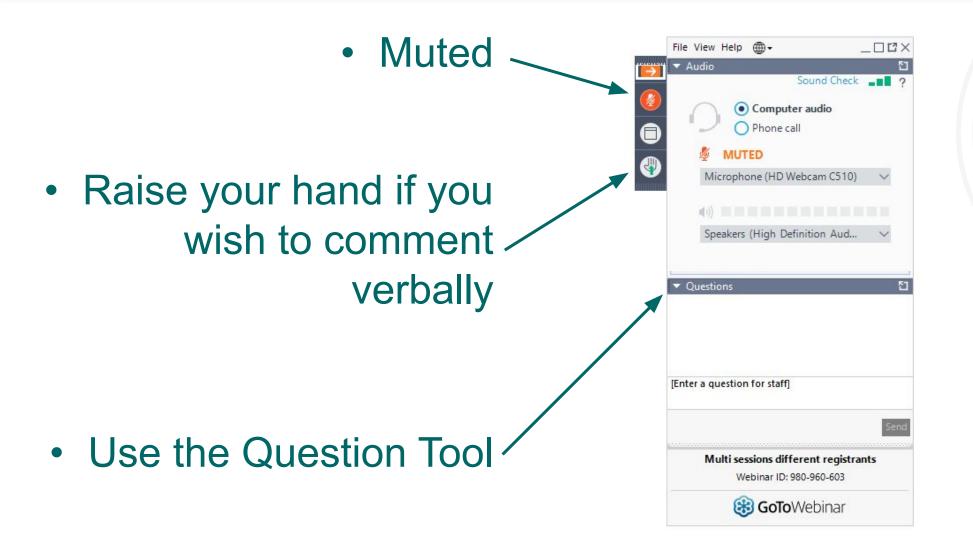
- F. Aquifer water quality standard for microbiological contaminants. The aquifer water quality standard for microbiological contaminants is based upon the presence or absence of either Fecal Coliform or *E.coli* in a 100-milliliter sample, depending on the requirement in the permit.
 - 1. If a routine sample of Fecal Coliform is positive, a 100-milliliter repeat sample of either Fecal Coliform or *E.coli* shall be taken within five (5) days of becoming aware of the exceedance. A Fecal Coliform or *E.coli*-positive repeat sample following a Fecal Coliform-positive routine sample constitutes a violation of the aquifer water quality standard for microbiological contaminants.
 - If a routine sample of *E.coli* is positive, a 100-milliliter repeat sample of *E.coli* shall be taken within five (5) days of becoming aware of the exceedance. An *E.coli*-positive repeat sample following a *E.coli*-positive routine sample constitutes a violation of the aquifer water quality standard for microbiological contaminants.



Pollutant	Current AWQS	Current MCL / Proposed AWQS
Bromate	None	0.010 mg/L
Chlorite	None	1.0 mg/L
Haloacetic Acids	None	0.060 mg/L
Total Trihalomethanes	0.1 mg/L	0.080 mg/L









Thank you for attending today's Public Hearing.

If you were unable to make your comment during this hearing, or if you prefer, you may submit written comments via email to:

awqs@azdeq.gov

Written comments will end tonight, December 16th at midnight.