



# ADEQ 2017 Triennial Review Outstanding Arizona Waters Workgroup Meeting 3

December 21, 2017



- **12:30 pm – 12:45 pm: General Updates**
  - Review action items from last meeting
  - Good water quality in other states
    - Not yet able to compile state information; will compile and share with group prior to next meeting.
- **12:45 pm – 1:45 pm: Discussion:**
  - Once a water has become an OAW what action should be undertaken to ensure that it is being maintained and protected as a Tier 3 water under R18-11-107(D)?
  - What actions should ADEQ take if data shows that water quality is degrading in or if impairment status is determined on a water that is listed as an OAW?
- **1:45 – 1:55: Wrap up, next meeting**

**Question 1:** Once a water has become an OAW what action should be undertaken to ensure that it is being maintained and protected as a Tier 3 water under R18-11-107(D)?

- *R18-11-107(D): Tier 3: Existing water quality shall be maintained and protected in a surface water that is classified as an OAW under R18-11-112. Degradation of an OAW under subsection (C) is prohibited.*

**Question 2:** What actions should ADEQ take if data shows that water quality is degrading in or if impairment status is determined on a water that is listed as an OAW?

- **Current State**
  - OAWs are subject to Antidegradation protections
  - Outside of what is required under permits, ADEQ does not have a standard practice for long term monitoring of OAWs
  - ADEQ does not have a standard response to indications of diminished water quality in an OAW
- **What should the “future state” be? Are there areas of consensus?**

- Action item overview
- Reviewing Doodle Poll results and scheduling January meetings this afternoon
- Planned: Two January meetings-
  - one meeting to discuss flow regime language
  - one “wrap up” meeting to define points of consensus and assign workgroup members to write up any differing positions for the workgroup deliverable
- Distribute deliverable for workgroup review late Jan/early Feb
- Final meeting to discuss final deliverable in Feb