

Streamlining of the MAG 208 Plan Small Plant Review and Approval Process



MAG Management Committee
November 18, 2015

208 Streamlining Efforts

ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS

- **MAG Regional Council approved the Proposal for Streamlining the 208 Water Quality Management Plan Process on August 26, 2015.**
- **As recommended by the Stakeholder Group for 208 Streamlining on June 30, 2015, corresponding changes are now being made to the Small Plant Review and Approval Process.**

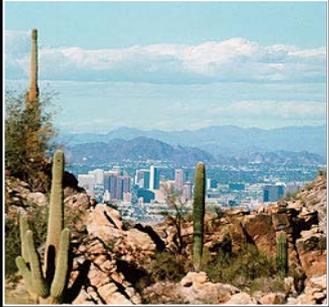


Stakeholder Group for 208 Streamlining

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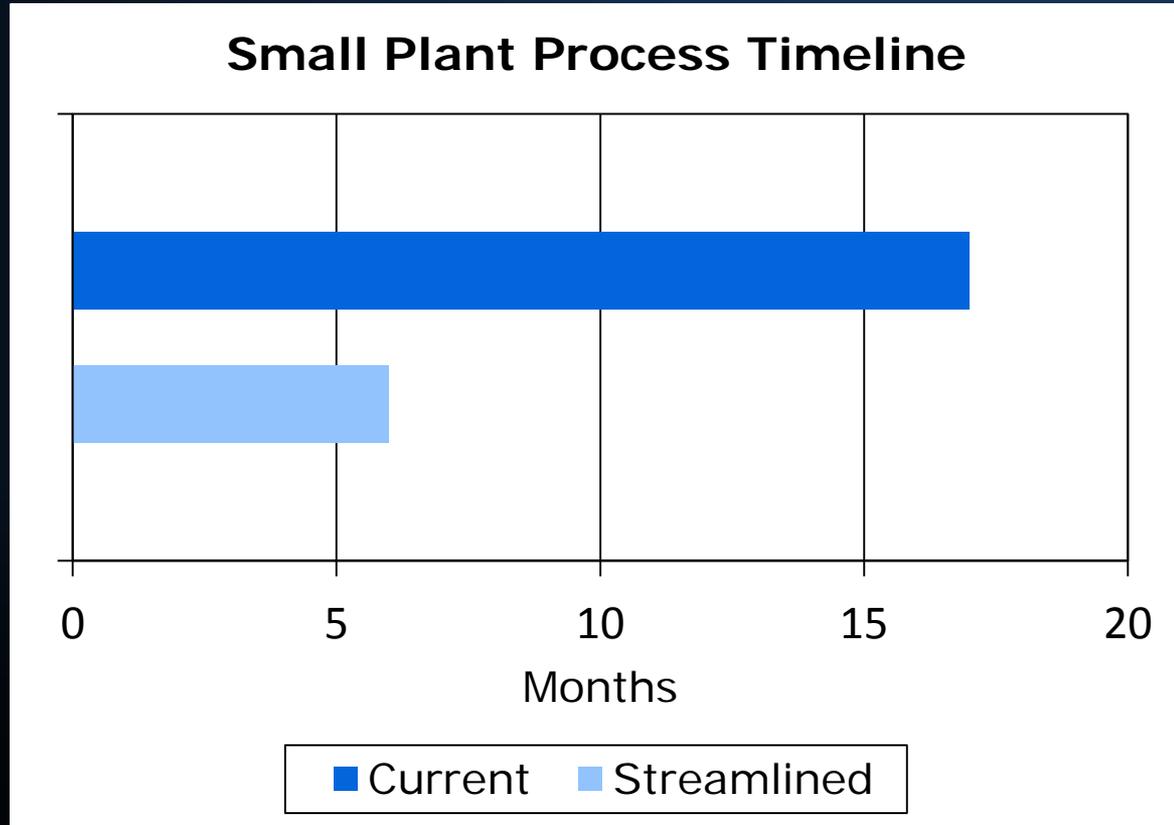
- **MAG Member Agencies**
 - City of Buckeye
 - City of Glendale
 - City of Phoenix
 - Town of Queen Creek
 - Maricopa County
- **EPCOR**
- **Liberty Utilities**
- **Homebuilders Association of Central Arizona**
- **Arizona Department of Environmental Quality**

A representative from the Governor's Office was invited to participate.



Small Plant Process Streamlining Results

- **Current Small Plant Process - approximately 12 to 17 months.**
- **Streamlined Small Plant Process - approximately 6 months.**
- **Changes result in a 50 to 65 percent reduction in the overall timeline.**

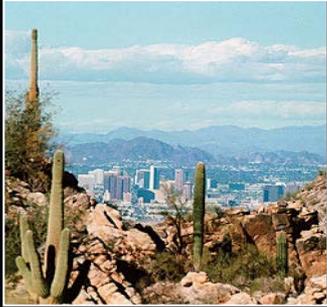


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- **Improvements on the MAG Member Agency Portion of the 208 Process**

- Applicant would contact the jurisdiction in which the facility would be located.
- Deadline of 60 days for completeness determination.
- Deadline of 60 days for application review and submittal to MAG.
- A workshop would be held with jurisdictions within three miles.
- Updates would be provided to MAG staff on timelines.
- Private utilities within three miles would be contacted by the applicant.



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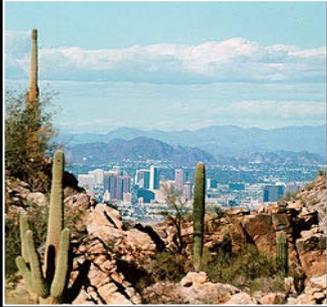
- **MAG has develop a pre-application packet that includes:**
 - **Business friendly fact sheet.**
 - **Guidelines/criteria for Small Plant Review and Approval document.**
 - **Links to previously approved Small Plant Review and Approvals to use as an example.**



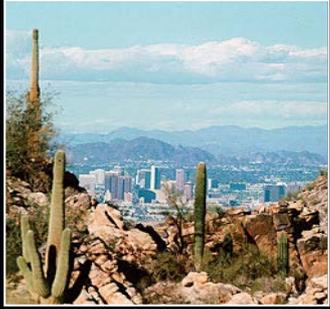
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- **Improvements on the ADEQ Portion of the 208 Process**
 - **ADEQ could issue a conditional Aquifer Protection Permit that would allow for parallel processing and concurrent reviews with the Small Plant Review and Approval Process.**
 - **Within 15 days, ADEQ will make its certification decision on the Small Plant Review and Approval.**



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Next Step

- **Conduct an annual evaluation of the streamlined Small Plant Review and Approval Process to determine if additional improvements are necessary.**





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