

## EQAB SALINITY RECOMMENDATIONS

Support Scottsdale Water's efforts to develop and implement a water softener "tune-up" program (possibly with rebate) to optimize the salt and water efficiency settings of existing and new residential-scale water softener installations.

Direct the City's Government Relations Director to support state legislation to establish efficiency standards for the prospective sale, installation and operation of demand-initiated regeneration water softeners in Arizona.

Support a commercial water softener pilot study.

Direct the Planning Department to establish a building permit for the installation of new and replacement water softeners.

Direct Scottsdale Water to encourage and support efforts to improve water softener efficiency labeling. [Examples: Energy Guide Label ([www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/0072-shopping-home-appliances-use-energyguide-label](http://www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/0072-shopping-home-appliances-use-energyguide-label)), Energy Star logo, WaterSense logo).

Direct Scottsdale Water to continue to monitor salt-free water conditioning technologies and products, including development of performance standards, third-party product certification and product availability.

Direct Scottsdale Water and the City's Government Relations Director to continue working with regional jurisdictions, agencies and organizations to find and implement regional solutions to our regional salinity problem.

Direct Scottsdale Water to continue proactive public education regarding the cost impacts of increasing salinity and actions Scottsdale residents and businesses can take to reduce these impacts.