

6.1 Water Rate Advisory Ad Hoc Committee Outreach Report

October 26, 2023

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Presentation Overview

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- Bill Inserts
- City Digital Newsletter
- Social Media
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Background

At the April 6, 2023 meeting staff provided the Committee with multiple options for outreach including:

- Committee webpage that serves as central location for all materials and allows for members of the public to submit questions
- Social media including Facebook, Instagram and Twitter
- The City's digital newsletter
- Flyers
- Community presentations and information at events
- Social media ads (cost associated)
- Videos explaining the water system/key points (cost associated)
- Bill inserts (cost associated)
- Mailed post cards (cost associated)

Background

The Committee selected:

- Social media postings
- Bill inserts
- Community presentations later in the committee process

Staff have included the committee information:

- In the City's digital newsletter
- In regular updates to community groups such as the Chamber of Commerce.

Website

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Water Rate Advisory Ad Hoc Committee

The Water Rate Advisory Ad Hoc Commission is an advisory body to the City Council on matters pertaining to water rates. The goal of the committee is to to provide a recommendation to the City Council regarding appropriate new water rates. The Committee shall deliver a recommendation by January of 2024 but no later than April of 2024. The proposed Resolution provides for the natural expiration of the Committee after April of 2024.

City Council Staff Reports and Resolutions Establishing the Committee

Staff Report	Meeting Recording	Resolution
February 21, 2023	February 21, 2023 Meeting Recording	Resolution 23-036
March 7, 2023	March 7, 2023 Meeting Recording	
March 21, 2023	March 21, 2023 Meeting Recording	

Meeting Schedule

All meetings begin at 7pm. Meetings are held at City Hall (600 East A St.) in Council Chambers. Meetings can also be streamed on Zoom, online, or watched on Channel 20. To view agendas and streaming information click here.

- April 6, 2023
- April 27, 2023
- May 25, 2023
- June 22, 2023
- July 27, 2023
- August 24, 2023
- September 28, 2023
- October 26, 2023
- November 30, 2023 January 25, 2024
- February 22, 2024
- March 28, 2024

Parks & Recreation

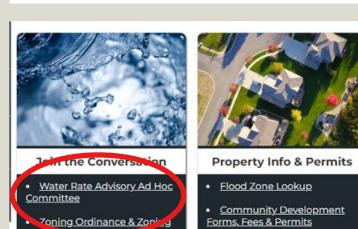
Pay Utility Bill Online

Water Conservation

Trash & Recycling Schedule

Reducing Food Waste

Regulations



Engineering Forms, Fees &





Government Resources

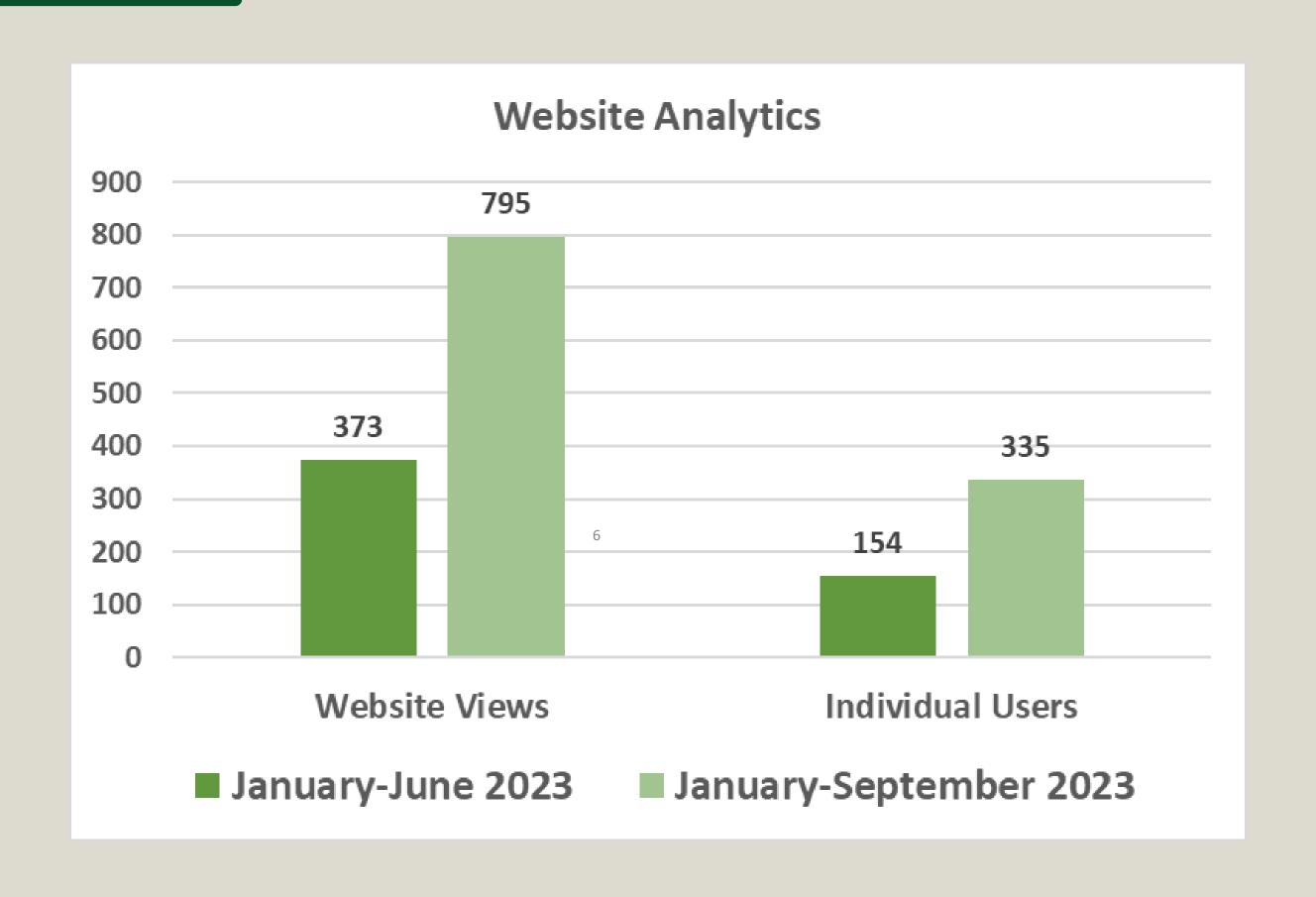
- Records Request
- Council Meeting Schedule
- Agendas & Minutes



Public Safety

- COVID-19 Info
- County Testing Sites
- Emergency Preparedness

Website



Bill Inserts



Current Cost: \$412.87 per month

Reach: 3,649 paper bills and 112 digital bills

Digital Newsletter

Edition 3 Front Page:

WATER RATE ADVISORY AD HOC COMMITTEE

City Council has established a Water Rate Advisory Ad Hoc Committee to provide a recommendation on matters pertaining to the Dixon water service.

The seven-member committee meets on the 4th Thursday of the month at 7pm.

The committee is accepting questions related to the water system and questions will be answered at each committee meeting. Submit your questions online or in person at City Hall.

To view meeting agendas and information about the committee visit: www.cityofdixon.us/watercommittee

Upcoming Meetings:

- May 25, 2023
- June 22, 2023
- July 27, 2023
- August 24, 2023
- September 28, 2023
- October 26, 2023
- November 30, 2023
- January 25, 2024
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You can view meetings in person at City Hall, on Channel 20, on the City website and on Zoom.

Edition 3:

UPCOMING MEETINGS

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Special City Council Meeting- Goal Setting Workshop	04/29/2023
City Council Meeting	05/02/23
Planning Commission Meeting	05/09/23
City Council Meeting	05/16/23
Parks & Recreation Commissio Meeting	n 08/23/23
Water Rate Advisory Ad Hoc Committee Meeting	05/25/23

Edition 4:

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Water Rate Advisory Ad Hoc Committee Meeting	05/25/23
City Council Meeting	06/06/23
Planning Commission Meeting	g 06/13/23
City Council Meeting	06/20/23
Transportation Advisory Commission	06/21/23
Water Rate Advisory Ad Hoc Committee Meeting	06/22/23
Parks & Recreation Commission	on 06/27/23

Reach: Approximately 220 email accounts per month

In-Person Outreach





Social Media

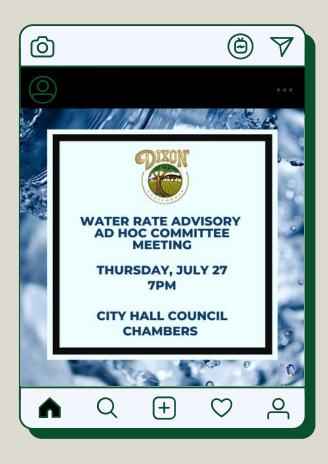
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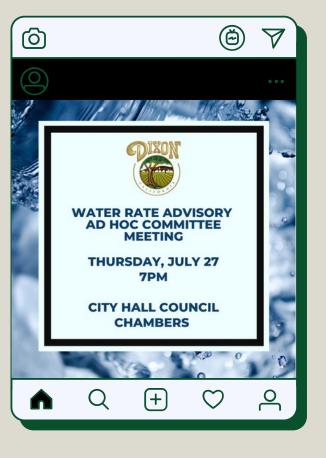


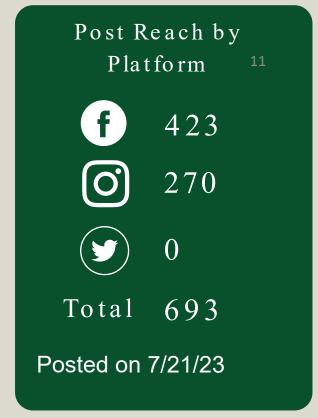




Social Media: July

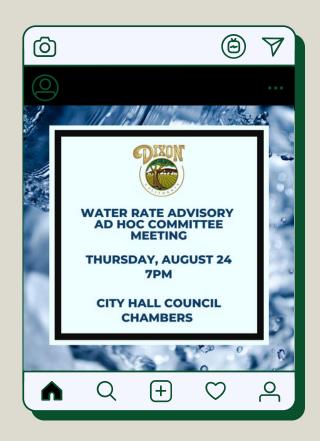


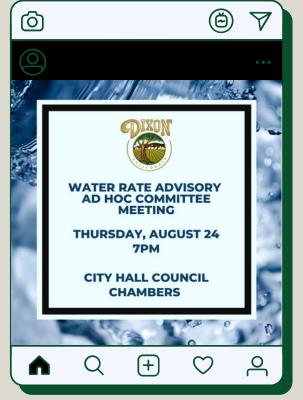






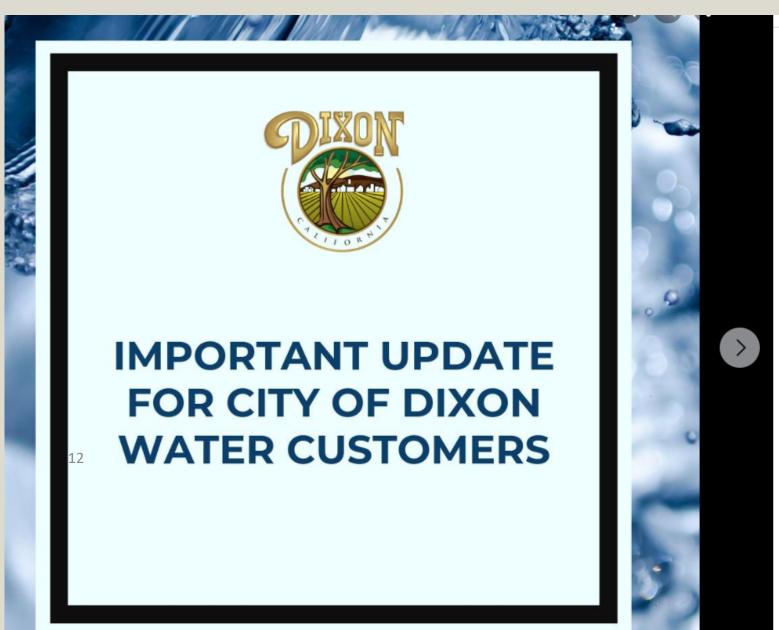
Social Media: August





Post Reach by Platform 1,0 19 241 Posted on 8/19/23

Post Reach by Platform 275 Total 715 Posted on 8/23/23





The City of Dixon relies on groundwater pumped from City-owned wells to meet 100% of its potable water demands. We are currently experiencing a major well maintenance issue that has reduced our water system capacity. We are asking city water customers to help our water

system by voluntarily conserving water while the

system is undergoing required improvements.

Although this is not an emergency, the city is notifying customers as a precautionary measure and asking for your help to reduce our demand by conserving water when possible.

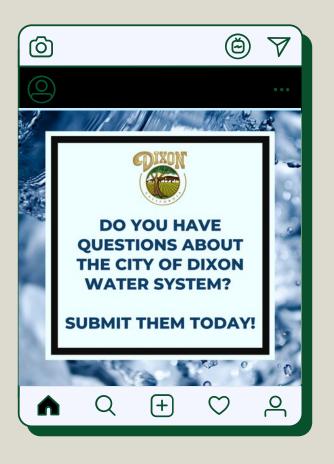
To help reduce demand on the system the city is reducing irrigation in city parks & landscaping within the city water service area by 50-75%. Please excuse turf browning at city parks during

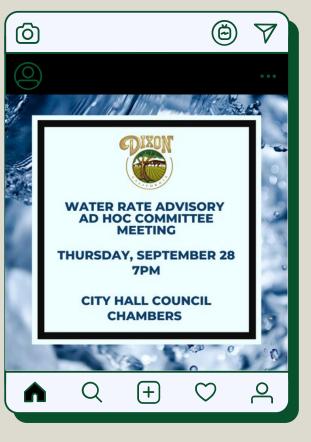
This request only applies to City of Dixon water customers. To check if you are in the City of Dixon or Cal Water service area click here: https://www.cityofdixon.us/.../water%20service%2 Oarea...

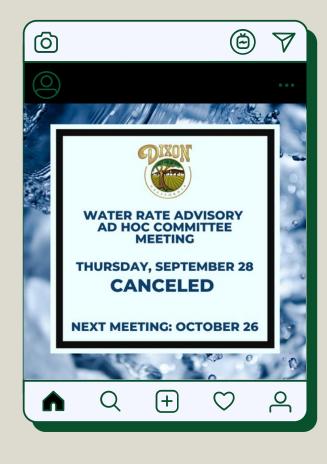
To view conservation resources visit: https://www.cityofdixon.us/.../utilities/WaterCons ervation

If you are interested in learning more about the City of Dixon water system, please visit: https://www.cityofdixon.us/watercommittee or

Social Media: September







Post Reach by
Platform

465
202

Total 712

Posted on 9/11/23

Post Reach by

13Platform

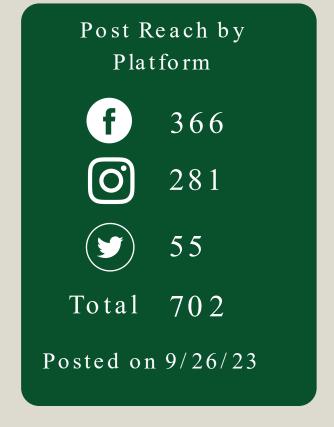
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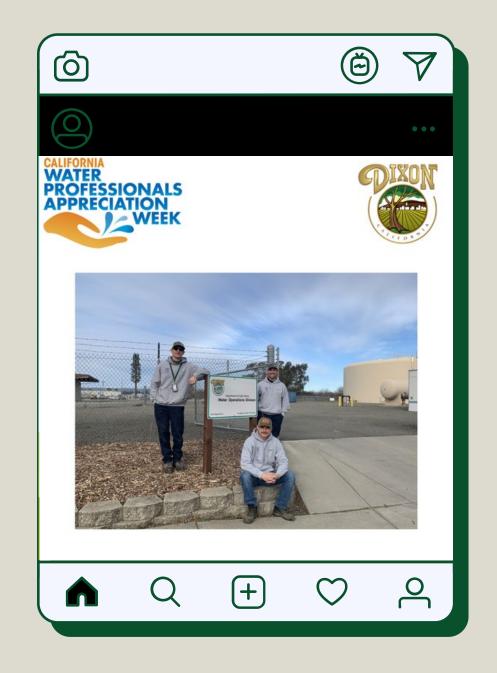
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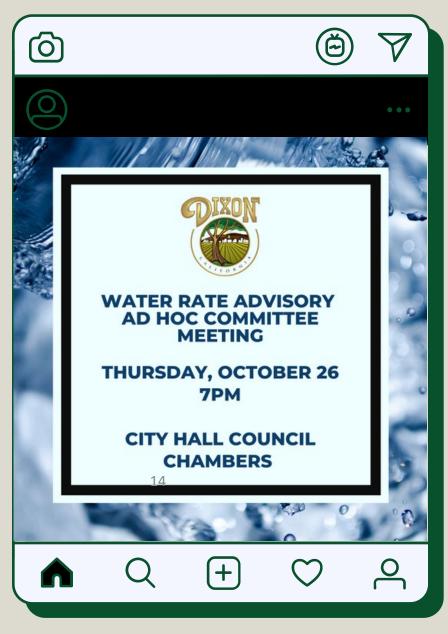
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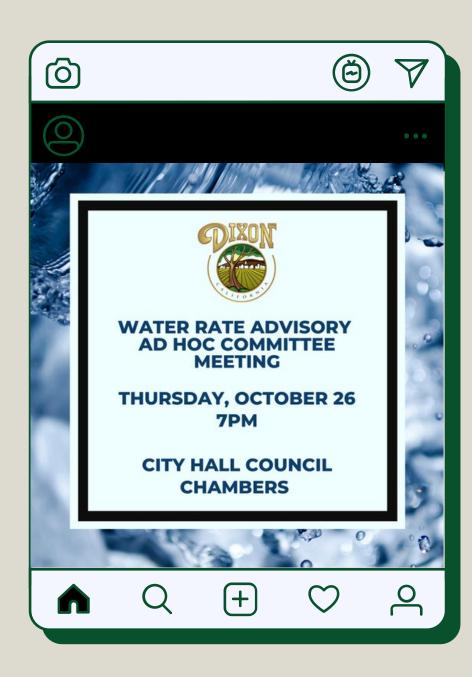
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Social Media: October







Posted on 10/25/23

Posted on 10/21/23

Posted on 10/25/23

Next Steps

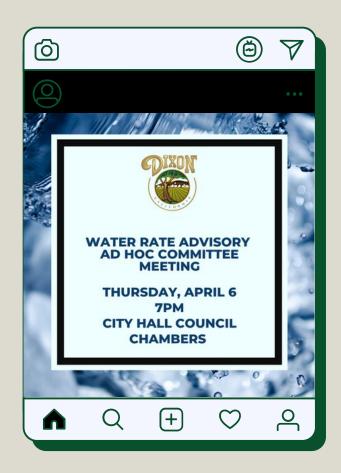
- Continue outreach
 - Bill Inserts
 - o Newsletter
 - o Social Media
- Monthly updates posted to webpage
- Updated presentation quarterly

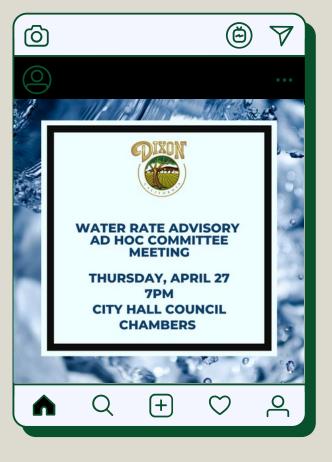
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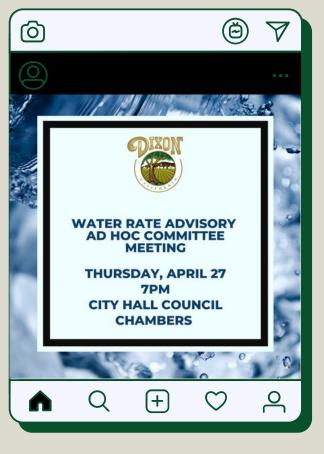
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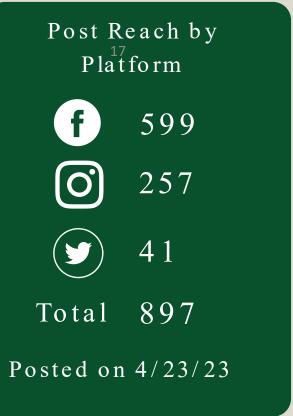
Social Media: April

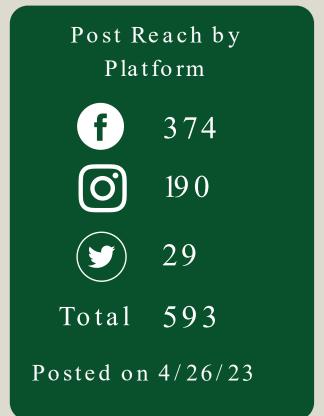




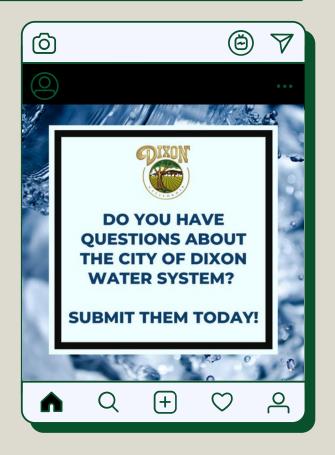


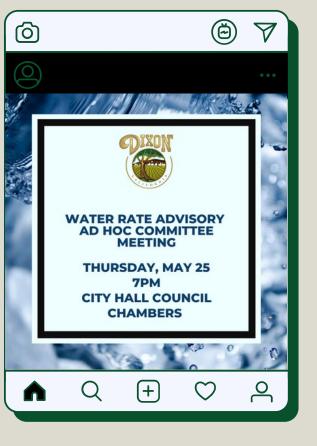


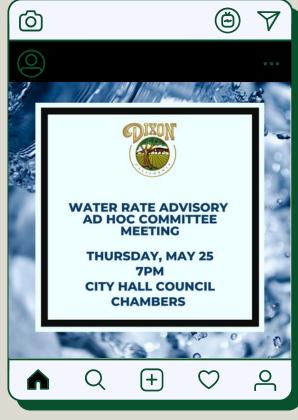




Social Media: May







Post Reach by
Platform

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Total 771
Posted on 5/6/23

Platform

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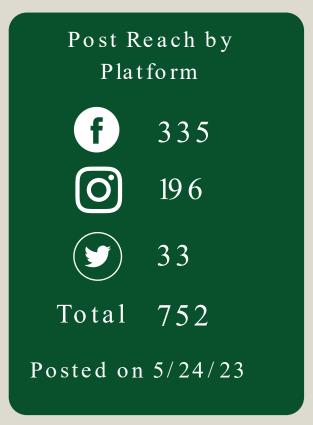
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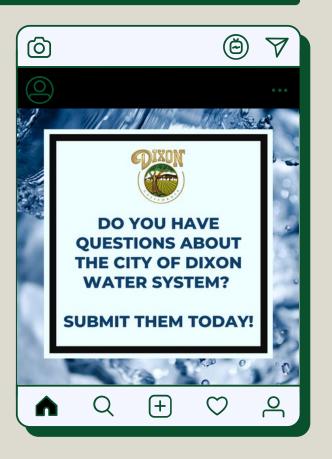
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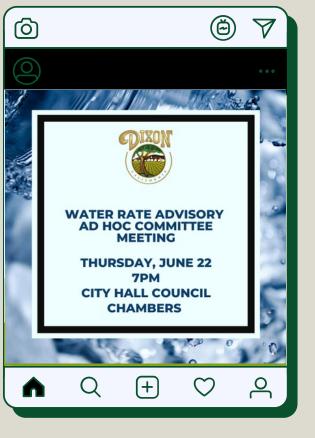
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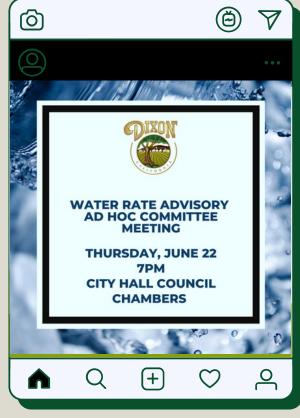
Posted on 5/20/23



Social Media: June







Post Reach by
Platform

511

193

48

Total 752

Posted on 6/12/23

Post Reach by
Platform

775

165

70

Total 1,010

Posted on 6/18/23

