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## **Proper Community Engagement in Future Community Forum**

In the last community forum in November that was held in various sites, it was not very efficient in regards of planning for public input. I appreciate that more time was added at the end but the issue in the Calipatria site was that by that time about 70% of the participants were gone. The 2 issues that may need to be addressed if further forums are held are: 1. A firm time to begin public input set. 2. Minimize Commissioners introductions and/or discussions.

Most of the attendees that worked all day in the fields made a great effort to attend and sat there for about an 1 1/2 and just listened to the commissioners talk for the most part. In these such forums if possible the meetings should not mimic what usually happens in a Lithium Commission Meetings where the public viewing it understands the the majority of the time the Commissioners will have the floor.

Let's respect and have empathy for these community members that are making strides to involve themselves in spaces they rarely venture out to. Let's make community engagement as direct and immediate as possible.

Thank you for your understanding.