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## ICA Continues "On the Road" Commission Meetings

The Industrial Commission of Arizona held their commission meeting in Payson and met with multiple stakeholders over a two day period.

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The Industrial Commission of Arizona held its seventh commission meeting outside the Phoenix area last week. The commission Chairman, Dale Schultz, was joined by the four other commissioners as they held their meeting in Payson for the first time.

Over a two day period, August 30th-31st, the Commission toured a local business, spoke with local elected officials and state representatives from Legislative District 6, met with the Rim Country Chamber of Commerce, and spoke with Gila County and Town of Payson Risk Management representatives.

The trip began Wednesday afternoon with a tour of a Payson based business, Ammo Inc., where they were joined by Representative Bob Thorpe from LD 6, the Mayor of Payson, Craig Swartwood, and members of the Payson City Council. Ammo Inc. shared the impressive strides they have made to adhere to both worker safety and increased efficiency.



Ammo Inc. representative gives tour of Payson facility

The following day started with a meeting with Payson and Gila County Risk Management representatives. The discussion focused on the services, resources, and assistance the ICA can provide the public, worker safety and ADOSH's Voluntary Protection Program (VPP). VPP falls under the Consultation branch of ADOSH, which is a free service and

allows businesses the opportunity to identify and fix their safety hazards without fear of citations or fines.

Next, the commission met with LD 6 Representative, Brenda Barton, and members of the Rim Country Chamber of Commerce. This allowed the ICA to hear about local issues and to gauge how the new minimum wage and earned paid sick time law was impacting businesses in Gila county.

Finally, the ICA held its commission meeting. During the meeting the ICA reviewed ADOSH proposed penalties, discussed a scheduled benefit award for an injured worker, discussed agency improvements as a result of the Arizona Management System, and allowed time to hear public comments.



The ICA held their meeting at the Payson City Council Chamber

The Industrial Commission of Arizona will continue to move forward and be at the forefront of collaboration and working with stakeholders from across the state.

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