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**DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE TO PURSUE CASE ON FISSURES IN QUEEN  
CREEK AREA**

PHOENIX –Real Estate Commissioner Elaine Richardson revealed today that she initiated action so that an investigation could be opened to investigate the fissure situation that is occurring in the Queen Creek area and Santan area.

Although the Department does require Developers to disclose if there are any geological or environment hazards in the Subdivision Public Report Application; however, it does not require the Developer to conduct geological studies. Under Real Estate law, a real estate agent is required to disclose if a condition exists in the property that can pose a health hazard.

To date the Department had not received any formal complaints on this issue; however, the Commissioner can request that a case be opened whenever the situations present an eminent danger to the public.

“The Department mission is to protect the public interest and I feel that this current situation merits our involvement,” said Richardson.

ADRE staff will be actively investigating this matter and will be meeting with those affected over the next few weeks.