1 2 3 4 5 6 IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA 7 IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MARICOPA 8 9 IN RE THE GENERAL ADJUDICATION W-1 (Salt) 10 OF ALL RIGHTS TO USE WATER IN THE W-2 (Verde) GILA RIVER SYSTEM AND SOURCE 11 W-3 (Upper Gila) W-4 (San Pedro) 12 Consolidated Contested Case Nos. W1-11-3386 13 14 ORDER SETTING STATUS CONFERENCE 15 16 17 CONTESTED CASE NAMES: In re Rueben and Delta Bryce 18 HSR INVOLVED: San Pedro River Watershed Hydrographic Survey Report. 19 DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY: Status Conference shall be held on April 2, 2020 at 1:30 p.m. 20 NUMBER OF PAGES: 4 21 DATE OF FILING: February 7, 2020 22 23 24 Summary of Filings with Arizona Department of Water Resources 25 Delta Bryce filed Statement of Claimant 39-2579 in 1979 claiming a right to water for 26 irrigation use and listed the source of water as the Aravaipa Creek and a well constructed in January

1974. She also reported that the purpose of the well was irrigation and domestic use. The public

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records of the Arizona Department of Water Resources ("ADWR") do not contain an assignment of the Statement of Claimant.

In 1982, Delta Bryce filed an application for a well for domestic use that was constructed in 1974. That well was assigned Well Registration No. 55-645898. On September 26, 2019, ADWR filed a map showing the location of the Well 55-645898 as outside the boundaries of the subflow zone.

Meetings Organized by ADWR

Following the initial status conference held in this case, ADWR organized a meeting between the current owners of the property and the Objectors. On October 8, 2019, ADWR filed a Meeting Report. It reported that the well identified as W1 in Watershed File Report 115-05-AC-007 that ADWR had listed as the source of water used on the property included within the boundaries of Watershed File Report 115-05-AC-007 was located on the adjoining property that had been owned by Elizabeth Hilliard.

According to the Meeting Report, in the early 1970s another well was dug on the property that is the subject of the Watershed File Report 115-05-AC-007 because the owner did not want to share the well identified as W1 with the owners of the property included in Watershed File Report 115-05-AC-006. The Meeting Report conveyed information received from the meeting participants that that the newly dug well and the well identified as W1 had been destroyed in the 1983 flood. Finally, the Meeting Report stated that the parties requested a second meeting to be scheduled to allow the landowners additional time to gather information and consider claims.

On January 29, 2020, ADWR filed a notice that the second meeting had been cancelled. As a result of the cancellation, no further action is required by ADWR to schedule a second meeting.

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A status conference will be held to determine if claims will be pursued for rights to use water on the property which is Graham County Assessor tax parcel no. 110-14-012. According to the records of the Graham County Assessor, the property is owned by the trustee of the Logene Allen Living Trust and the trustee of the Greta Bergan Trust.

IT IS ORDERED that a Status Conference shall be held on **April 2, 2020** at **1:30 p.m.** in the Superior Court of Arizona, 201 West Jefferson Street, Courtroom 301, Phoenix, Arizona 85003-2202.

Instructions for telephonic appearance: Dial: 602-506-9695 (local) 1-855-506-9695 (toll free long distance) Dial Participant Pass Code 357264#

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the current trustees of the Logene Allen Living Trust and the Greta Bergan Trust shall either file no later than **March 19, 2020** or shall bring to the Status Conference those documents that appoint the current trustees of the Logene Allen Living Trust and the Greta Bergan Trust.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the current trustees shall be prepared to state their intent to proceed with claims for water right on Graham County Assessor tax parcel no. 110-14-012 and shall identify their claims.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that if the current trustees intend to pursue claims for water rights, they shall be prepared to state the actions taken to either assign Statement of Claimant 39-2579 to the trustees of the Logene Allen Living Trust and the Greta Bergan Trust or to file a Statement of Claimant for rights to water on Graham County Assessor tax parcel no. 110-14-012.

Susan Ward Harris Special Master T. Hann

On February 7, 2020 the original of the foregoing was delivered to the Clerk of the Maricopa County Superior Court for filing and distributing a copy to all persons listed on the Court-approved mailing list for this contested case.

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