

SUPERIOR COURT OF ARIZONA
APACHE COUNTY

May 27, 2025

CLERK OF THE COURT

SPECIAL WATER MASTER
SHERRI ZENDRI

A. Parmar
Deputy

FILED: May 27, 2025

In re: the General Adjudication
Of All Rights to Use Water in the
Little Colorado River System and Source
Contested Case No. CV6417-33-5690

In Re: Church of Jesus Christ - LDS

MINUTE ENTRY

Central Court Building – Courtroom 301

10:00 a.m. This is the time set for Status Conference to discuss missing or outdated information on SOC's, what type of basis of right the claimants intend to assert, and how to address the objections before Special Water Master Sherri Zendri.

The following attorneys and parties appear virtually through Court Connect:

- Riley Snow on behalf of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (“LDS”)
- Katrina Wilkinson on behalf of the Salt River Project (“SRP”)
- Garrett Perkins observing on behalf of the Little Colorado River Coalition (“LCRC”) and Silver Creek Irrigation District
- Karen Nielsen on behalf of Arizona Department of Water Resources (“ADWR”)

A record of the proceedings is made digitally in lieu of a court reporter.

The Court notes that the Hopi Tribe, Navajo Nation and the San Juan Southern Paiute Tribe have withdrawn their objections. The Court is unsure if the United States is still maintaining their objections and notes that they have failed to appear for this conference.

The Court inquires what SOC's the Church would like to pursue.

Counsel Snow provides an update to the Court. He informs the Court that the Church has sold the property associated with filing, 39-81398 and that is the only SOC that they will not be pursuing. There are seven other remaining SOC's that they will be moving forward with. He submitted updated maps showing some variances to ADWR so the Department can provide updated abstracts. He further notes that 39-81393 is not located on Church's land at this time. There was a land swap years ago with a neighboring property owner and they are working on formalizing the deed transfer now.

Discussion is held regarding how to proceed. SRP indicates that they will wait to review the new draft abstracts before addressing their objections.

Based on the discussion held,

IT IS ORDERED that ADWR prepare and circulate draft abstracts **by August 28, 2025.**

LET THE RECORD REFLECT that the Court received a letter of interest from Trenton C. and Amber Reidhead on January 27, 2025. The property owners have failed to appear for today's Status Conference despite indicating that they are interested in participating. The Reidheads are admonished that their continued failure to appear/participate in this matter will result in them being removed from the Court approved mailing list.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED setting a Status Conference to receive an update from Counsel Snow, discuss any remaining objections and obtain an update from property owners, Trenton C. and Amber Reidhead, regarding whether they will be pursuing potential water rights in this matter on **September 11, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.** before Special Water Master Sherri Zendri.

The Status Conference shall be held using the Court Connect program. Instructions for Court Connect are attached to this Order. If you receive this Order by email, click on the red box "Join Court Connect Hearing" on the attached instructions to make an appearance. If you do not receive this Order by email, log into the Court Connect program on the internet by typing <https://tinyurl.com/specialwatermaster>. If you do not have access to the internet, you may attend telephonically using the telephone number and access code included in the instructions for Court Connect.

10:11 a.m. Matter concludes.

LATER:

In an undated January 2025 letter, received by the Office of the Special Master on January 27, 2025, and a letter from February 5, 2025, Trent and Amber Reidhead expressed interest in pursuing potential water rights for stockwatering. A March 28, 2025, Order set this status conference for May, 27, 2025. Despite repeated claims by the Reidheads that they are interested in pursuing a water right, they again failed to attend a status conference.

IT IS ORDERED that should Trent and Amber Reidhead fail to attend the September 11, 2025, status conference they will be removed from the mailing list and any potential water rights associated with this contested case will be forfeited.

A copy of this minute entry is provided to all parties on the Court approved mailing list.



Court Connect Hearing Notice for In re Church of Jesus Christ - LDS

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