IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MARICOPA IN RE THE GENERAL ADJUDICATION OF ALL RIGHTS TO USE WATER IN CIVIL NO. W1-11-3317 THE GILA RIVER SYSTEM AND SOURCE ORDER TO INITIATE CONTESTED CASE CONTESTED CASE NAME: In re Lester Young HSR INVOLVED: San Pedro River Watershed Hydrographic Survey Report DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY: The Special Master initiates contested case W1-11-3317 to address objections to watershed file reports 115-04-ADB-008. NUMBER OF PAGES: 9 DATE OF FILING: September 20, 2017 

This Order initiates a contested case to resolve objections to watershed file report 115-04-ADB-008 that sets forth potential water rights to Aravaipa Creek for domestic use and irrigation totaling less than two acres associated with a domestic use.

On June 24, 1980, Lester Young filed Statements of Claimant 39-5845, and 39-5862 claiming rights to water for domestic and irrigation use on the SWSW section 34, T6S R17E.

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On October 19, 1988, Lester and Thelma Young submitted a Uniform Questionnaire that included a diagram showing an instream pump in Aravaipa Creek that delivered water for irrigation. In 1991 the Arizona Department of Water Resources issued Watershed File Report 115-04-ADB-008 (WFR) as part of the San Pedro Hydrographic Survey Report. It listed potential water rights for domestic use on SESWSW section 34 T6S R17E and irrigation use on SWSW section 34 T6S R17E. A copy of the WFR is attached as Attachment A.

On August 14, 2015, Thelma Lee Young, a widow, signed a Warranty Deed in favor of Aravaipa Ranch, L.L.C. for a parcel of land located in the southwest quarter of section 34 T6S R17E. The public records maintained by the Arizona Department of Water Resources do not contain an assignment of the Statements of Claimant. Pre-Trial Order No. 1, filed May 30, 1986 provided that successors in interest to individuals who filed a Statement of Claimant shall automatically be substituted as parties. Thus, Aravaipa Ranch, L.L.C. is a party to this case.

#### IT IS ORDERED:

- Contested Case. This contested case shall be known as In re Lester Young and it 1. will address the objections that were filed to the watershed file report 115-04-ADB-008 published in the Final San Pedro River Watershed Hydrographic Survey Report (1991).
- Litigants. The litigants in this contested case are the claimant, namely Thelma 2. Young, all persons who filed objections to the listed watershed file reports who are listed on Attachment B, and claimants who are allowed to intervene by order.

#### 3. Court-Approved Mailing List.

The initial Court-approved mailing list for this case shall include all A. persons listed on Attachment B to this order. The list may be modified only by

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filing a motion with the Special Master to amend the Court-approved mailing list. Litigants are responsible for using the current Court-approved mailing list.

- B. A copy of any pleading filed with the Clerk of the Maricopa County Superior Court in this case shall be served upon each person listed on the Courtapproved mailing list.
- C. Claimants wishing to be added or removed from the mailing list shall file a motion with the Special Master. Parties allowed to intervene will be automatically added to the mailing list.

#### 4. <u>Courtesy Email List.</u>

The Special Master's office will email courtesy copies of orders and minute entries entered in this case to persons listed on Attachment B. Requests for inclusions on the email list should be sent to Barbara Brown at <a href="mailto:brownb099@superiorcourt.maricopa.gov">brownb099@superiorcourt.maricopa.gov</a>.

An initial scheduling conference shall be held to determine the process to resolve the objections made to the claims for water rights at issue on **October 24, 2017**, at 2:00 p.m. before:

Special Master Susan Ward Harris Superior Court of Arizona 201 West Jefferson Street Courtroom 301 Phoenix, AZ 85003-2202

Instructions for telephonic appearance:

Dial: 602-506-9695 (local)

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SUSAN WARD HARRIS

Special Master

On September 20, 2017, 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.

Barbara Brown

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# **ATTACHMENT A**

LAND OWNER

WATERSHED FILE REPORT NUMBER

YOUNG, LESTER & THELMA LEE

115-04-ADB-008

# APPLICABLE FILINGS AND DECREES

### CLEARLY STATED INFORMATION FROM FILINGS AND DECREES

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| 36-0045013<br>36-0045014<br>36-0046570<br>39-0005683 |                      | IRRIGATION IRRIGATION IRRIGATION DOMESTIC | 8.00<br>14.00<br>6.00 |                      | 0605          | 170E<br>170E<br>170E | 1915<br>1915<br>1920 | 5WSW34<br>SWSW34               | 060S<br>060S | 170E          |
| 39-0005845<br>39-0005846                             | QUE.RECD<br>QUE.RECD | IRRIGATION<br>DOMESTIC                    | 4.00                  | NESWSW34<br>SESWSW34 | 060S<br>060S  | 170E<br>170E         | 1919<br>1921         | NESWSW34<br>SESWSW34           | 0605         | 170F          |
| 39-0005849<br>39-0005862                             | QUE.RECD             | IRRIGATION<br>IRRIGATION<br>DOMESTIC      | 14.00                 |                      | 0605          | 170F                 | 1913<br>1913<br>1913 | SESWSW34<br>SWSW34<br>SESWSW34 | 0605         | 170E          |
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## DWR ANALYSIS OF FILINGS AND DECREES

| FILING NUMBER                          | USES CLAIMED OR<br>REFERENCED                      | USES FOUND<br>BY DWR                                     | APPLIES TO<br>DIVERSIONS | APPLIES TO PWR NUMBERS  |
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| 36-0045013<br>36-0045014<br>36-0046570 | IRRIGATION<br>IRRIGATION<br>IRRIGATION<br>DOMESTIC | IRRIGATION IRRIGATION IRRIGATION NOT APPLICABLE          | P02<br>P01<br>P01        | 0T001<br>0T001<br>0T001 |
| 39-0005683<br>39-0005845<br>39-0005846 | IRRIGATION<br>IRRIGATION<br>DOMESTIC               | IRRIGATION<br>IRRIGATION<br>DOMESTIC                     | P01,P01<br>P01           | 0T001<br>DM001,0T001    |
| 39-0005849<br>39-0005862               | IRRIGATION<br>IRRIGATION<br>IRRIGATION<br>DOMESTIC | IRRIGATION<br>IRRIGATION<br>IRRIGATION<br>NOT APPLICABLE | P02<br>P01,P02<br>P01    | 0T001<br>0T001<br>0T001 |

#### DIVERSIONS

|     | LOCATION<br>SECTION TWNP RNG<br>SESWSW34 060S 170 | DIVERSION NAME | WATER SOURCE AND CLASSIFICATION                   |
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|     |   |                | SURFACE WATER: ARAVAIPA CREEK                     |
| P02 | SESWSW34 060S 170                                 | UNNAMED        | SHARED<br>SURFACE WATER: ARAVAIPA CREEK<br>SHARED |

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| DMO01<br>0T001 | SESWSW34 | 060\$ | 170E | 201                    | GROUND |         | ZONE 1 |       |        | FACILITY | NAME |

### SHARED USES AND DIVERSIONS

<sup>\*\*</sup> WATER FROM PO1 IS SHARED WITH THESE ADDITIONAL FILES:
115-04-ADB-6, 115-04-ADB-7
\*\* WATER FROM PO2 FOUND IN FILE (115-02ADB-10) IS USED IN THIS FILE

FILE 115-04-ADB-008 (CONTINUED) PWR SUMMARY

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APPLICABLE APPLICABLE \*APPARENT FIRST USE DATE\* PWR # ADJ FILINGS PRE FILINGS DATE BASIS FOR DATE WATER SOURCES AND CLASSIFICATIONS DMOO1 39-0005845 NONE GROUNDWATER : ZONE 1 OF THE 0T001 39-0005683 36-0045013 39-0005845 36-0045014 ARAVAIPA CREEK 1913 FILING 39-5846 SURFACE WATER: ARAVAIPA CREEK 39-0005846 36-0046570 39-0005849 39-0005862

QUANTITIES OF USE

| PWR # | QUANTIFICATION<br>TYPE | ACRES | CROP TYPE | EFF | WATER DUTY | ESTIMATED<br>VOLUME | REMARKS            |
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| OTOO1 | REGIONAL               | 1.1   | AVE. CROP | 50% | 5.4 AF/AC  | 5.9 AFA             | GENERAL ASSESSMENT |

EXPLANATION

FILINGS AND DECREES

FILINGS 36-46570 & 39-5862 - CLAIM DOMESTIC WATER USES WHICH DO NOT APPLY TO THIS PROPERTY. FILINGS 39-5683, 39-5845, 39-5846, 39-5849 & 39-5862 - UNIFORM QUESTIONNAIRES WERE RECEIVED WHICH PROVIDED INFORMATION ABOUT POINTS OF DIVERSION, PLACES OF USE AND SHARED WATER USES.

DIVERSIONS

P1 & P2 - INSTREAM PUMPS DIVERT WATER FROM ARAVAIPA CREEK INTO A PIPELINE SYSTEM.

USES AND RESERVOIRS

DM1 - DOMESTIC USE.

OT1 - IRRIGATION TOTALING LESS THAN TWO ACRES ASSOCIATED WITH A DOMESTIC USE.

SHARED USES AND DIVERSIONS

P1 - INSTREAM PUMP IS SHARED WITH W.F.R.'S #115-04-ADB-6 & 115-04-ADB-7.
P2 - INSTREAM PUMP IS SHARED WITH W.F.R. #115-04-ADB-10.

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# **ATTACHMENT B**

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