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6 IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA
7 IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MARICOPA
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9 **IN RE THE GENERAL**
10 **ADJUDICATION OF ALL RIGHTS**
11 **TO USE WATER IN THE GILA**
12 **RIVER SYSTEM AND SOURCE**

W1-00-001234 (Consolidated)

Case No. **W1-00-000106**

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15 **ORDER GRANTING ADWR REQUEST**

16 **CASE NAMES:** *In re The General Adjudication of All Rights to Use Water in the*
17 *Gila River System and Source; In re Subflow Technical Report, Verde River Watershed*

18 **HSR INVOLVED:** *Verde River Watershed HSR*

19 **DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY:** This order grants the Arizona Department of Water
20 Resources to file electronic copies of the Hydrographic Survey Reports ("HSR") for
21 the Verde River Watershed to satisfy the notice and inspection requirements for
22 HSRs.

23 **NUMBER OF PAGES:** 2

24 On December 31, 2025, the Arizona Department of Water Resources
25 ("ADWR") filed a request to permit electronic copies of the Hydrographic Survey Reports
26 ("HSR") for the Verde River Watershed to satisfy the notice and inspection requirements
27 for HSRs under the Arizona Revised Statutes, the Gila River Adjudication Pretrial Order
28 #5, and the Rules for Proceedings Before the Special Master. ADWR estimates the
upcoming Sycamore Subwatershed preliminary HSR would cost close to \$1,500 for each
printed copy. The agency's request to provide electronic copies outlines a number of

1 notable functional advantages:

- 2 • Development of an online application that allows individuals to filter data
3 for specific watershed file reports ("WFRs") by WFR Number, county
4 parcel number, street address, landowner name, lessee name, ADWR filing
5 number, water use type, and whether or not the right has been recommended
6 by the Department, ,
- 7 • Online searching by pinpointing a location on the map.
- 8 • Online searching of ADWR's imaged records by WFR number, claim
9 owner, lessee, parcel owner, associated mailing address, city, and zip code.
- 10 • Additionally, all data is downloadable and printable.

11 The Arizona Revised Statutes, the Gila River Adjudication Pretrial Order #5, and
12 the Rules for Proceedings Before the Special Master all require "copies" of the HSR to be
13 available or distributed. Electronic copies will meet that requirement. Therefore,

14 **IT IS ORDERED** granting the Arizona Department of Water Resources
15 permission to file electronic copies of the Hydrographic Survey Reports ("HSR") for the
16 Verde River Watershed.

17 Signed this 9th day of January 2026

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21 Sherri L. Zendri
22 Special Water Master

23 On January 9, 2026 the
24 original of the foregoing was delivered to the
25 Clerk of the Maricopa County Superior Court
26 for filing and distributing a copy to all persons
27 listed on the Court approved mailing list for
28 this contested case.

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