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 THE GILA RIVER SYSTEM AND SOURCE

W-1, W-2, W-3, W-4 (Consolidated)

Contested Case No. W1-11-3119

ORDER TO STAY CASE

CONTESTED CASE NAME: In re Augustine and Martha Avechuco

HSR INVOLVED: San Pedro River Watershed Hydrographic Survey Report

DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY: Case stayed.

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DATE OF FILING: March 31, 2020

The Arizona Department of Water Resources filed a Meeting Report on March 25, 2020. It reports that no parties have offered any historical evidence that there may be a pre-1919 water use on the property owned by Augustine and Martha Avechuco and James and Sandra Goad.

The source of water for the claimed water right in this case are wells that ADWR has determined are located in the subflow zone. Thus, an issue arises as to whether the owner of a well who began pumping water after 1919 in the subflow zone but did not take the action

necessary to secure an appropriable water right under applicable Arizona law has an existing appropriative water right. Similar issues are pending in *In re Town of Huachuca*, W1-11-0245 and *In re Whiting Ranches*, W1-11-3397. Arizona Department of Water Resources requested on behalf of the parties that this case be stayed and no further action taken until the issue or a substantially similar issue is decided in *In re Town of Huachuca*, W1-11-0245 and *In re Whiting Ranches*, W1-11-3397.

For good cause shown, it is ordered that this contested case is stayed and no further action shall be taken in this case to determine the claims for water rights made by Augustine and Martha Avechuco and James and Sandra Goad until a determination is made *In re Town of Huachuca*, W1-11-0245 and *In re Whiting Ranches*, W1-11-3397 about the action that the owner of a well located in the subflow zone who begins pumping water after 1919 must take to have a right to appropriable water.

SUSAN WARD HARRIS

Special Master

On March 31, 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.