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	W1-00-001234 Contested Case No. **W1-11-000232** **ORDER FOR STATUS REPORT**

CONTESTED CASE NAME: *In re San Pedro Riparian National Conservation Area*

HSR INVOLVED: San Pedro River Watershed Hydrographic Survey Report

DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY: The United States and the Arizona Department of Water Resources are ordered to file a joint status report no later than **April 30, 2027.**

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On October 19, 2026, the United States ("US"), the Arizona Department of Water Resources ("ADWR") filed a joint status report for the resolution of state law water rights claims for the San Pedro Riparian National Conservation Area ("SPRNCA"). That status report stated on page 2, "ADWR believes that [statement of claimant] 39-2612 should be reinstated." As stated in the Special Master's June 25, 2026, order for this contested case, statement of claimant ("SOC") 39-2612 appears to have been withdrawn by the US on January 6, 2025.[1]

IT IS ORDERED that if the US wishes to reinstate SOC 39-2612 a very clear

[1]W1-11-232, U.S. Response to Order of December 5, 2024, and Clarifying Order of December 18, 2024 (January 6, 2025); *see also* W1-11-232, US Second Response to Order of December 5, 2024, and Proposed Schedules (February 7, 2025).

request to the Special Master from the **US** must be filed no later than **November 30, 2027**.

The joint status report also noted that a revised watershed file report ("WFR") is needed for WFR #112-17-063, however it has not yet been requested by the Special Master. Such report will be requested once basis of right documentation for all potential water rights claims within the WFR #112-17-063 investigation area has been completed.

IT IS ORDERED the US and ADWR shall file a joint status report no later than **April 30, 2027,** updating the Court on all remaining claims, including timelines for final resolution.

Signed this 28th day of October 2026

Sherri L. Zendri
Special Water Master

On October 28, 2026, 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, a copy of which is attached.

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