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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** (Consolidated)

Contested Case No. **W1-11-000474**

**ORDER INITIATING CONTESTED  
CASE**

CONTESTED CASE NAME: *In re ASLD – Hull*

HSR INVOLVED: San Pedro Hydrographic Survey.

DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY: The Clerk of the Maricopa County Superior Court is directed to initiate W1-11-000474. Arizona State Land Department shall file with the Special Master a statement declaring the claims that it intends to pursue by **May 22, 2026**, and draft abstracts by **June 22, 2026**.

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This order opens a case to determine rights to use water on land owned by the Arizona State Land Department ("ASLD").

In this case, ASLD filed statement of claimant ("SOC") 39-13464. The Arizona Department of Water Resources ("ADWR") investigated the claims and prepared Watershed File Report ("WFR") 111-21-033, published in the San Pedro River Hydrographic Survey Report ("HSR"). A copy of the WFR is attached as Attachment A. A map illustrating the area investigated in the WFR is attached as Attachment B. The

1 WFR describes stock watering in SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> Section 7 Township 20S, Range 23E.

2 WFR 111-21-033 lists the Arizona State Land Department ("ASLD") as the owner  
3 of the land investigated. ASLD records indicate that the property investigated currently  
4 comprises ASLD parcel 05-632. A map depicting the parcel is attached as Attachment C.  
5 The public records of ADWR do not contain any assignments of the SOC listed in the  
6 WFR. Further, neither the state nor lessees appear to have filed any additional SOCs since  
7 the issuance of the HSR.

8 Objections were timely filed to the findings made in the WFR by ASLD, the Gila  
9 River Indian Community, San Carlos Apache Tribe, Tonto Apache Tribe, and the  
10 Yavapai-Apache Nation.

11 **IT IS ORDERED:**

- 12 **1. Case Initiation.** This order initiates contested case W1-11-000474.
- 13 **2. Declaration.** By **May 22, 2026**, ASLD shall review all SOCs relevant to this  
14 contested case, file with ADWR all amendments or additional claims that it intends  
15 to pursue, and declare all such claims to the Court.
- 16 **3. Draft Abstracts.** By **June 22, 2026**, ASLD shall file draft abstracts for claims  
17 eligible for summary adjudication. The Parties shall file any comments to the draft  
18 abstracts by **June 29, 2026**.
- 19 **4. Parties.** The litigants in this contested case are the claimant and current landowner,  
20 lessees, and all parties who filed objections to the watershed file report. The  
21 objectors are ASLD, Gila River Indian Community, San Carlos Apache Tribe,  
22 Tonto Apache Tribe, and the Yavapai-Apache Nation.
- 23 **5. Objections.** Copies of objections filed to this case can be found under the case  
24 name and number on the following website:  
25 <http://www.superiorcourt.maricopa.gov/SuperiorCourt/GeneralStreamAdjudicati>  
26 [on/whatsNew.asp](http://www.superiorcourt.maricopa.gov/SuperiorCourt/GeneralStreamAdjudication/whatsNew.asp).
- 27 **6. Court Approved Mailing List.**
  - 28 **A.** The initial Court Approved Mailing List for this case shall include all persons

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listed on Attachment D to this order. The list may be modified only by filing a motion with the Special Master. Litigants are responsible for using the current Court-approved mailing list.

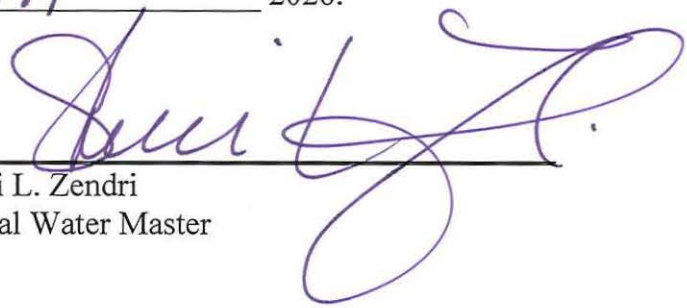
**B.** A copy of any pleading filed with the Clerk of the Maricopa County Superior Court in this case shall be served upon each person listed on the Court Approved Mailing List.

**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 Court Approved Mailing List.

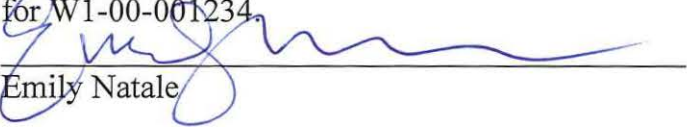
**D.** The Clerk of the Court will send copies of all minute entries and orders issued in this case to the parties listed on the Court Approved Mailing List.

**E.** Claimants who would like to receive courtesy copies of minute entries and orders may request inclusion on an email list by sending a request to emily.natale@jbazmc.maricopa.gov.

Signed this 9<sup>th</sup> day of April 2026.

  
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Sherri L. Zendri  
Special Water Master

On April 9, 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, and to all persons listed on the Court-approved mailing list for W1-00-001234.

  
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Emily Natale

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**ATTACHMENT A**  
**Watershed File Report**

| LAND OWNER | WATERSHED FILE REPORT NUMBER | LESSEE/ALLOTTEE              | LEASE-PERMIT ID |
|------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------|
| SLD        | 111-21-033                   | HULL, BUDD<br>HULL, CAROLINA | 05-632          |

A P P L I C A B L E F I L I N G S A N D D E C R E E S

CLEARLY STATED INFORMATION FROM FILINGS AND DECREES

| FILING NUMBER | FILING STATUS | USES                   | QUANTITY IN AFA | USE LOCATION SECTION | TWNP | RNGE | CLAIM DATE | DIVERSION SECTION | LOCATION TWNP | RNGE |
|---------------|---------------|------------------------|-----------------|----------------------|------|------|------------|-------------------|---------------|------|
| 36-0005676    |               | STOCK<br>REC/FISH/WLDF | .37             | SENE07               | 200S | 230E | 1884       | SENE07            | 200S          | 230E |
| 36-0011744    |               | STOCK                  | 1.00            | SWNE07               | 200S | 230E | 1963       | SWNE07            | 200S          | 230E |
| 39-0013464    |               | STOCK<br>REC/FISH/WLDF | .34<br>.03      | SENE07               | 200S | 230E | 1884       | SENE07            | 200S          | 230E |

D W R A N A L Y S I S O F F I L I N G S A N D D E C R E E S

| FILING NUMBER | USES CLAIMED OR REFERENCED | USES FOUND BY DWR   | APPLIES TO DIVERSIONS | APPLIES TO PWR NUMBERS |
|---------------|----------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| 36-0005676    | STOCK<br>WILDLIFE          | STOCK<br>INCIDENTAL |                       | SW001                  |
| 36-0011744    | STOCK                      | STOCK               |                       | SW001                  |
| 39-0013464    | STOCK<br>WILDLIFE          | STOCK<br>INCIDENTAL |                       | SW001                  |

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| PWR # | LOCATION SECTION TWNP RNGE | SUPPLIED BY DIVERSIONS | WATER SOURCES | PHOTO DATE | SOURCE CHANGE | FACILITY NAME |
|-------|----------------------------|------------------------|---------------|------------|---------------|---------------|
| SW001 | SESESE07 200S 230E         |                        | SURFACE WATER |            | NO            | INSTREAM USE  |

P W R S U M M A R Y

| PWR # | APPLICABLE ADJ FILINGS | APPLICABLE PRE FILINGS   | *APPARENT FIRST USE DATE DATE BASIS FOR DATE | WATER SOURCES AND CLASSIFICATIONS |
|-------|------------------------|--------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|
| SW001 | 39-0013464             | 36-0005676<br>36-0011744 | 1884 FILING 36-5676                          | SURFACE WATER: SAN PEDRO RIVER    |

Q U A N T I T I E S O F U S E

| PWR # | QUANTIFICATION TYPE | ACRES | CROP TYPE | EFF | WATER DUTY | ESTIMATED VOLUME | REMARKS                           |
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| SW001 |                     |       |           |     |            |                  | SEE VOLUME 1 - GENERAL ASSESSMENT |

E X P L A N A T I O N

USES AND RESERVOIRS

SW1 - INSTREAM STOCKWATERING AND WILDLIFE USES FROM WALNUT GULCH.

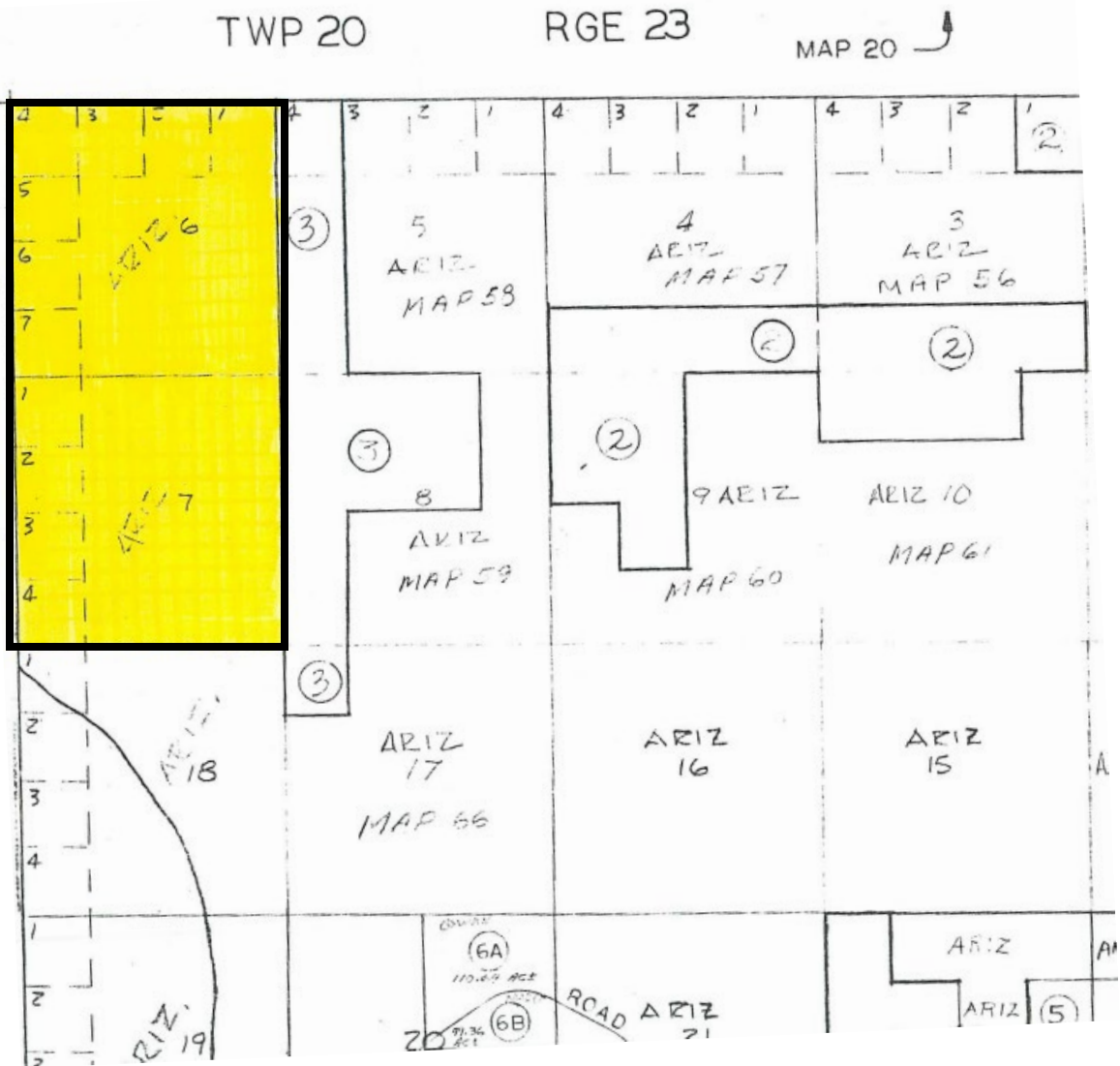
DISPOSITION OF LAND OWNER/CLAIMANT COMMENTS

A COMMENT WAS RECEIVED FROM THE LAND OWNER WHICH STATED THAT FILING 39-13464 SHOULD BE ADDED TO THIS W.F.R. FILING 39-13464 HAS BEEN ADDED AND MATCHED TO SW1.

ATTACHMENT B

Map Illustrating Area Investigated in WFR

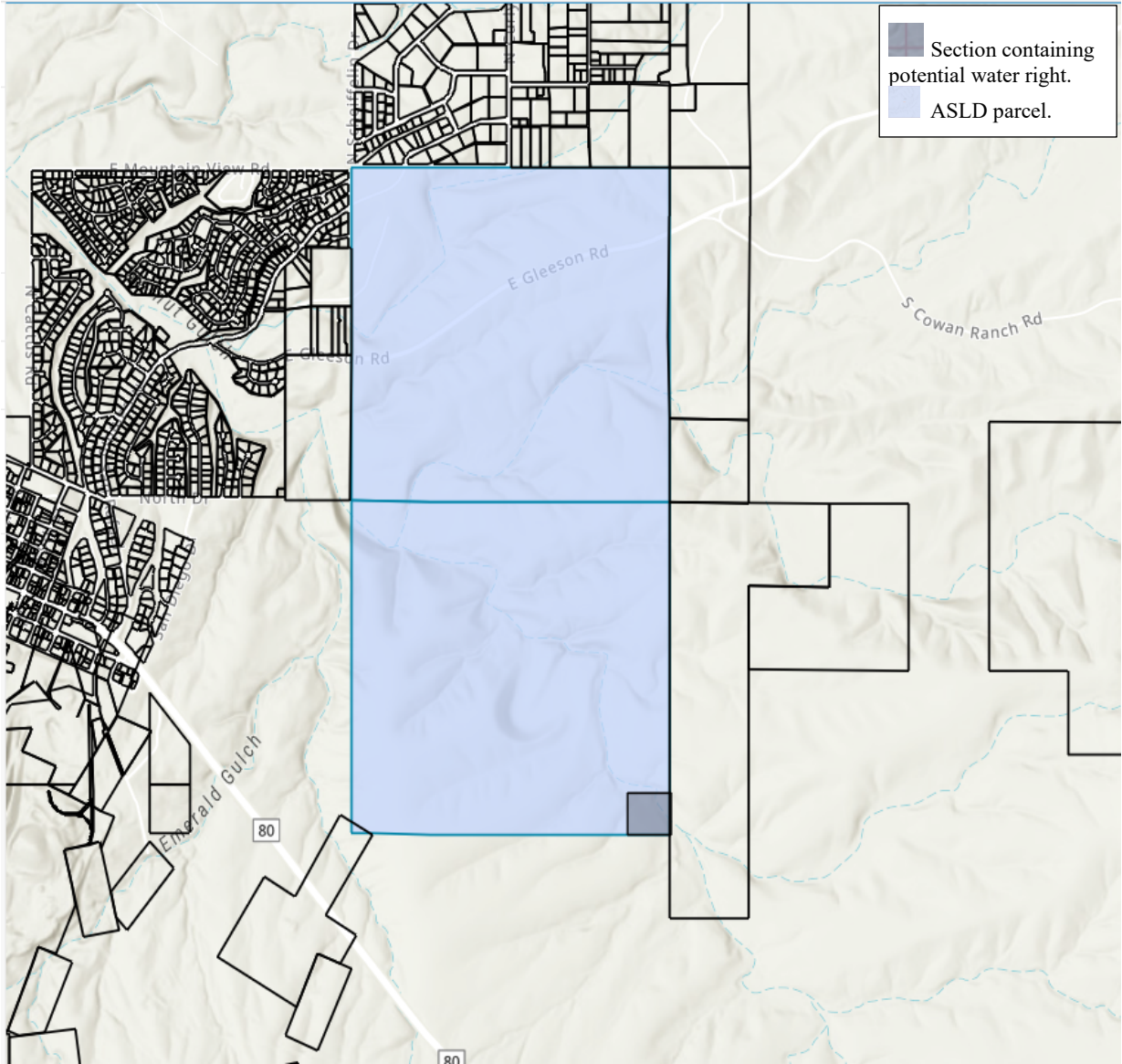
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**ATTACHMENT C**

**Parcel Map**

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**ATTACHMENT D**

**Initial Court-Approved Mailing List**

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