

SUPERIOR COURT OF ARIZONA
MARICOPA COUNTY

07/13/2020

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SPECIAL WATER MASTER
SUSAN WARD HARRIS

L. Stogsdill
Deputy

In re: Virgil T. Mercer
Contested Case No. W1-11-2444

FILED: 7/31/2020

In Re: The General Adjudication
of all Rights to Use Water in the
Gila River System and Source
W-1, W-2, W-3 and W-4 (Consolidated)

In re: Status Conference

MINUTE ENTRY

Central Court Building – Courtroom 301

1:55 p.m. This is the time set for a Status Conference before Special Water Master Susan Ward Harris.

The following attorneys and parties appear telephonically: Carrie Brennan on behalf of the Arizona State Land Department, John Burnside on behalf of BHP Copper, Mia A. Hammersley on behalf of the Yavapai-Apache Nation and observing on behalf of the Pascua Yaqui Tribe, Laurel A. Hermann and Joe P. Sparks on behalf of the San Carlos Apache Tribe, Mark McGinnis on behalf of the Salt River Project, Richard Palmer on behalf of the Tonto Apache Tribe, Kimberly R. Parks on behalf of ADWR, Michael J. Pearce on behalf of the Mercer family, Mercer Ranch Land Holdings, LLC, and Sombrero Butte Cattle LLC, Michael J. Mercer, Bradley Pew on behalf of ASARCO and James Meza on his own behalf

A record of the proceedings is made digitally in lieu of a court reporter.

Mr. Pearce addresses the Court regarding the wells in question. It appears that all three subject wells are within the sub flow zone. He requests that this matter be stayed until there is a ruling in the Town of Huachuca and Whiting Ranch case on the issue of

broad legal importance concerning wells drilled and operated with the belief that they were withdrawing percolating groundwater.

Counsel has no objections to staying these claims.

IT IS ORDERED staying this case until further Order of the Court.

2:05 p.m. Matter concludes.

A copy of this order is mailed to all parties listed on the Court approved mailing list.