1 2 3 4 5 IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA 6 7 IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MARICOPA 8 IN RE THE GENERAL 9 W-1, W-2, W-3, W-4 (Consolidated) ADJUDICATION OF ALL RIGHTS TO USE WATER IN THE GILA 10 RIVER SYSTEM AND SOURCE Contested Case No. W1-11-1840 11 12 ORDER TO INITIATE CONTESTED CASE 13 AND ORDER FOR ADWR TO FILE MAP 14 15 16 CONTESTED CASE NAME: In re K-7 Development, Inc. 17 HSR INVOLVED: San Pedro River Watershed Hydrographic Survey Report 18 DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY: Case initiated and deadline of March 3, 2022 set for Arizona 19 Department of Water Resources to file map 20 **NUMBER OF PAGES: 13** 21 DATE OF FILING: February 16, 2022 22 **General Explanation** 23 This Order begins the process necessary to adjudicate claims made for rights to 24 appropriable water for use on land in Section 3 and Section 4 of Township 17S Range 20E. This 25 contested case is one of the many cases in the Arizona General Stream Adjudication for the San 26

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Pedro River Watershed to determine legal rights to water. Other cases in which claims have been

made for legal rights to water in the San Pedro River Watershed have been completed, are in the process of determining water rights, or are awaiting initiation. The purpose of the General Adjudication is to determine the rights of those persons who filed Statements of Claimant for rights to use appropriable water in Arizona. The General Adjudication will also determine water rights in the Upper Salt, Verde, Upper Gila, Lower Gila, Agua Fria, and Upper Santa Cruz watersheds.

At issue in this case are five Statements of Claimant ("SOCs"):

Statement of Claimant No.	Filed on:	Filed by:	Place of Use
39-6441	July 2, 1980	Bernard Kerley, Jr.	Section 4 Township 17S Range 20E - Ranchitos Los Alamos Unit No. 2
39-6442	July 2, 1980	Bernard Kerley, Jr.	Section 3 Township 17S Range 20E
39-6443	July 2, 1980	Bernard Kerley, Jr.	Section 3 Township 17S Range 20E
39-6444	July 2, 1980	Bernard Kerley, Jr.	Section 4 Township 17S Range 20E
39-11999	January 4, 1985	Mark M. and Marion B. Kartchner	The northeast quarter of the southeast quarter of Section 4 Township 17S Range 20 E and The southeast quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 4 Township 17S Range 20 E

The Arizona Department of Water Resources ("ADWR") investigated the claims, which it characterized as claims for irrigation and domestic uses, and prepared a report known as Watershed File Report No. 112-17-BA-084 ("WFR") published in the Final San Pedro River Watershed Hydrographic Survey Report (1991). A copy of the WFR is attached as Attachment A.

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The SOCs filed includes claims for domestic and irrigation uses. The table below breaks down the type of each claim as well as priority date and source of the claimed water.

Statement of Claimant No.	Type of use	Priority date	From a well located in:	
39-6441	Domestic & Irrigation	1951	The northeast quarter of the northeast quarter of the southeast quarter of Section 4 Township 17S Range 20 E	
39-6442	Domestic & Irrigation	1980	The northeast quarter of the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 3 Township 17S Range 20 E	
39-6443	Irrigation	1980	The northwest quarter of the southeast quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 3 Township 17S Range 20 E	
39-6444	Irrigation	1980	The southeast quarter of the northeast quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 4 Township 17S Range 20 E	
39-11999	Domestic & Irrigation	1952	The northeast quarter of the northeast quarter of the southeast quarter of Section 4 Township 17S Range 20 E	

The WFR found no irrigation or domestic watering uses on the land described in the WFR. After ADWR issued the WFR, objections were filed to the findings made in the WFR. The purpose of this case is to consider the claims made for water rights that are the subject of the WFR and resolve the objections to the WFR.

#### Claimants & Landowners

The WFR identified five SOCs relevant to the potential water right. The place of use that is listed on the SOCs encompasses Section 3 and Section 4 Township 17S Range 20E. A copy of the map prepared by the Cochise County Assessor showing the tax parcels that the Court believes may be included in this case is attached as Attachment B. A list of the owners of these parcels of land, according to the Cochise County Assessor, is attached as Attachment C. The Court does not currently have a map showing the boundaries of the WFR.

IT IS ORDERED that Arizona Department of Water Resources has until March 3, 2022, to file a map that includes the boundaries of the land included in Watershed File Report No. 112-17-BA-084.

#### IT IS FURTHER ORDERED

- 1. Contested Case. This contested case shall be known as *In re K-7 Development*, Inc. and it will determine appropriable water rights asserted in the Statement of Claimant and objections that were filed to Watershed File Report 112-17-BA-084 published in the Final San Pedro River Watershed Hydrographic Survey Report (1991). Copies of objections can be found under the number the following website: case and name on http://www.superiorcourt.maricopa.gov/SuperiorCourt/GeneralStreamAdjudication/whatsNew. asp
- 2. <u>Litigants</u>. The litigants in this contested case are the Claimants, the current landowners, all persons who filed objections to the WFR, and parties who are allowed to intervene by order.

### 3. <u>Court-Approved Mailing List.</u>

- A. The initial Court-approved mailing list for this case shall include all persons listed on Attachment D to this order. The list may be modified only by filing a motion with the Special Master to amend the Court-approved mailing list. 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.

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- 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.

  Upon request, the Clerk of the Court will provide copies by email. Parties may request emailed copies of minute entries and orders by completing and submitting a CONSENT FOR ELECTRONIC RECEIPT OF WATER CASE DOCUMENTS, which is attached as Attachment E.

SUSAN WARD HARRIS

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Special Master

On February 16, 2022, 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 hereto as Attachment C, and to all persons listed on the Court-approved mailing list for W-1, W-2, W-3, and W-4 (Consolidated).

Emily Natale

# **ATTACHMENT A**

LAND OWNER REPORT NUMBER

K-7 DEVELOPMENT, INC.

112-17-BA-084

### APPLICABLE FILINGS AND DECREES

### CLEARLY STATED INFORMATION FROM FILINGS AND DECREES W1-11-1840

FILING NUMBER	FILING STATUS	USES	QUANTITY IN AFA	USE LO			CLAIM DATE	DIVERSION SECTION	N LOCATION TWNP RNGE
39-0006441		IRRIGATION DOMESTIC	300.00	NEO4 NWO3		200E 200E	1951	NENESE04	170S 200E
39-0006442		IRRIGATION DOMESTIC	300.00	03		200E	1980	NENWNWO3	170S 200E
39-0006443		IRRIGATION	320.00	03	170S	200E	1980	NWSENWO3	170S 200E
39-0006444		IRRIGATION	300.00	04	1705	200E	1980	SENENEO4	170S 200E
39-0011999		IRRIGATION DOMESTIC	100.00 300.00	NESEO4 SENEO4		200E 200E	1952	NENESE04	170S 200E

#### DWR ANALYSIS OF FILINGS AND DECREES

FILING NUMBER	USES CLAIMED OR REFERENCED	USES FOUND BY DWR	APPLIES TO DIVERSIONS	APPLIES TO PWR NUMBERS
39-0006441	IRRIGATION	NONE		
	DOMESTIC	NONE		
39-0006442	IRRIGATION	NONE		
	DOMESTIC	NONE		
39-0006443	IRRIGATION	NONE		
39-0006444	IRRIGATION	NONE		
39-0011999	IRRIGATION	NONE		
	DOMESTIC	NONE		

#### PWR SUMMARY

APPLICABLE APPLICABLE \*APPARENT FIRST USE DATE\*

PWR # ADJ FILINGS PRE FILINGS DATE BASIS FOR DATE WATER SOURCES AND CLASSIFICATIONS

NONE 39-0006441 NONE

39-0006442

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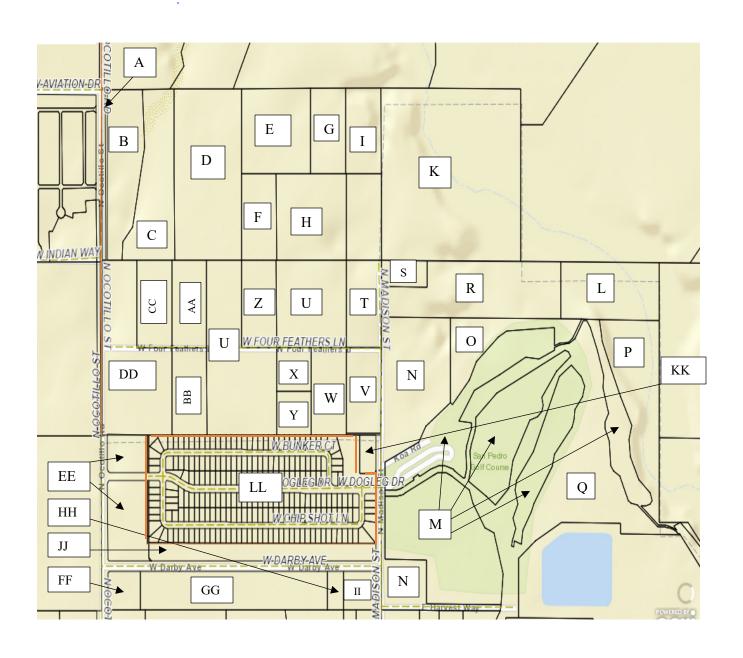
#### EXPLANATION

FILINGS AND DECREES

FILINGS 39-6441, 39-6442 & 39-11999 - CLAIM IRRIGATION AND DOMESTIC WATER USES. NO IRRIGATION OR DOMESTIC USES WERE FOUND AT THE CLAIMED LOCATIONS.
FILINGS 39-6443 & 39-6444 - CLAIM IRRIGATION WATER USES. NO IRRIGATION WAS FOUND AT THE CLAIMED LOCATIONS.

DISPOSITION OF LAND OWNER/CLAIMANT COMMENTS
A COMMENT WAS RECEIVED FROM THE LAND OWNER WHICH VERIFIED LAND OWNERSHIP.

## **ATTACHMENT B**



## **ATTACHMENT C**

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2 3 Marked 4 Owner Tax Parcel(s) on map Unit/Lot number info as: 5 Α 123-08-003B0 Dimond II Bar Group LLC В 123-08-003Q2 6  $\mathbf{C}$ 123-08-003P3 7 STOA Farming LLC Ranchitos Los Alamos #1 Lot CC123-09-00707 8 D 123-08-003M6 Lot C Sec 4 T17S R20E Е 9 123-08-003L7 Lot D Sec 4 T17S R20E Camco AZ, LLC G 123-08-003J9 10 I 123-08-003H4 11 In Lot 1 or W2SWNENE Sec 4 F 123-08-00106 T17S R20E Benson RV Resort LLC 12 Ranchitos Los Alamos #1 Lot Z 123-09-00408 13 Η 123-08-003N5 123-08-003E7 14 Lot G NWNW Sec 3 T17S Cody & Alexandria Malboeuf K 15 123-07-022E9 R<sub>30</sub>E Ranchitos Los Alamos #1 Lot 16 T 123-09-00109 L 123-07-022H6 17 M 123-07-02503 18 N 123-07-010B7 City of Benson 0 123-07-024A9 19 Ranchitos Los Alamos #1 Lot V 20 123-09-016E8 16 P 123-07-024C7 San Pedro Real Estate LLC 21 Q 123-07-024B8 R 22 Benjamin Arvin Kilpatrick 123-07-002J1 Danny Max & Jennifer S 23 Pickering 123-07-022K0 Ranchitos Los Alamos #1 Lots IJ 24 123-09-016D9 2, 3, 5, 12, &13 Cochise Caverns 25 Ranchitos Los Alamos #1 Lots DD 8-10 123-09-010A4 26 Ranchitos Los Alamos #1 Lot W 123-09-01500 Robert O. & Delores M. Jones 27 Living Trust Ranchitos Los Alamos #1 S2 Y 28 123-09-01407 of Lot 14

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3	Karen Mulholland	123-09-014A6	X	Ranchitos Los Alamos #1 N2 of Lot 14
4	Anthony Guida	123-09-00604	AA	Ranchitos Los Alamos #1 Lot 6
5	Kathy Glidewell	123-09-01108	BB	Ranchitos Los Alamos #1 Lot 11
6	Gateway Trade Park	123-09-080F2	EE	Ranchitos Los Alamos #2 Lots 59-64
7	Cateway Trade Tark	123-09-074B9	FF	Ranchitos Los Alamos #2 Lot 57
8    9		123-09-074C8	GG	Ranchitos Los Alamos #2 Lots 46-56
0	Gail M. Hartley Exempt	123-09-06103	НН	Ranchitos Los Alamos #2 Lot 45
1	Marital Trust	123-09-060A9	II	Ranchitos Los Alamos #2 Lots 43 & 44
2		123-09-080D4	JJ	Ranchitos Los Alamos #2 Lots 29-42
.3	Woodland Trust	123-09-01706	KK	Ranchitos Los Alamos #2 Lot
4	First American Title Insurance Co Trust #8628	many	LL	San Pedro Golf Estates (all lots)
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#### ATTACHMENT D 1 2 3 Arizona Department of Water Resources Gail M Hartley Exempt Marital Trust 4 Kimberly Parks Ryley Carlock & Applewhite One North Central P. O. Box 36020 5 Phoenix, AZ 85067 **Suite 1200** Phoenix, AZ 85004-4417 6 Bernard Kerley, Jr. Santo Tomas Gateway Trade Park 7 Route Box 60 C/O Dr Mark M Kartchner 8 Sahuarita, AZ 85629 3040 Bear Canyon Tucson, AZ 85749 9 City of Benson City Attorney Gila River Indian Community 10 P.O. Box 2223 Thomas L. Murphy Benson, AZ 85602 Office of the General Counsel 11 P. O. Box 97 12 City of Benson Sacaton, AZ 85147 Paul Loucks 13 DeConcini McDonald Yetwin & Lacy, PC Mark M. and Marion B. Kartchner 2525 East Broadway Blvd., Suite 200 3040 N. Bear Canyon Rd 14 Tucson, AZ 85716-5300 Tucson, AZ 85749 15 San Carlos Apache Tribe Clerk of the Superior Court 16 Maricopa County Joe P. Sparks and Laurel A. Herrmann Attn: Water Case The Sparks Law Firm, P.C. 17 7503 First Street 601 West Jackson Street Scottsdale, AZ 85251-4573 Phoenix, AZ 85003 18 19 San Pedro Real Estate LLC Cochise Caverns LLC C/O Tom Barenberg 3040 North Bear Canyon Road 20 1745 Shea Center Dr Ste 370 Tucson, AZ 85749 Highlands Ranch, CO 80129 21 First American Title Insurance Co 22 Trust #8628 Special Master Susan Ward Harris Superior Court of Arizona Trust Department PO Box 52023 23 201 W. Jefferson Street Phoenix, AZ 85072 Courtroom 301 24 Phoenix, AZ 85003 Gail M. Hartley Exempt Marital Trust 106 Brays Island Dr 25 Sheldon, SC 29941 26 27

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