

SUPERIOR COURT OF ARIZONA  
MARICOPA COUNTY

August 31, 2023

CLERK OF THE COURT  
A. Parmar  
Deputy

SPECIAL WATER MASTER  
SHERRI ZENDRI

FILED: September 7, 2023

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: Riley West, Inc.  
Contested Case No. W1-11-1502

**MINUTE ENTRY**

Courtroom 301 – Central Court Building

11:01 a.m. This is the time set for a Status Conference to discuss the comments on the proposed abstracts distributed by Cross Y, LLC.

The following parties/attorneys appear virtually through Court Connect:

- Mark McGinnis on behalf of Salt River Project (“SRP”)
- Kimberly Parks on behalf of Arizona Department of Water Resources (“ADWR”)
- Anthony Proano on behalf of the Tonto Apache Tribe
- Joe Sparks and Laurel Herrmann on behalf of the San Carlos Apache Tribe
- Brian Heiserman on behalf of American Smelting and Refining Company (“ASARCO”)
- Sue Montgomery and Kristyne Schaaf-Olson on behalf of the Yavapai Apache Nation (and observing on behalf of Pascua Yaqui Tribe)
- Thomas Murphy on behalf of the Gila River Indian Community
- John D. Burnside on behalf of BHP Copper, Inc.
- Rhett Billingsley on behalf of Cross Y, LLC
- Charmayne G. Staloff on behalf of the United States Department of Justice
- Katya Lancero observing on behalf of the Navajo Nation

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

Counsel for Cross Y, LLC, Mr. Billingsley, addresses the Court regarding the status of the case. He reports that they have filed updated Statement of Claim of Right and new Statements of Claimant. They have circulated draft abstracts and set up meetings to address the comments provided. They have met with numerous objectors but need additional time to schedule meetings with other objectors and address their comments. He requests an additional 90 days for settlement discussions and to work towards stipulated abstracts.

Counsel for ASARCO, Mr. Heiserman, agrees with the request for additional time.

Counsel for SRP, Mr. McGinnis, agrees with the request. He notes that this particular case is one of the larger irrigation cases for the San Pedro and thinks 90 days is appropriate.

**IT IS ORDERED** that the parties submit a Joint Status Report or Stipulated Abstracts no later than **November 30, 2023**.

11:10 a.m. Matter concludes.

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