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**ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES  
BEFORE THE DIRECTOR**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE ADOPTION OF  
THE MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE  
SANTA CRUZ ACTIVE MANAGEMENT  
AREA FOR THE FOURTH  
MANAGEMENT PERIOD**

**ORDER OF ADOPTION  
Date: October 20, 2020**

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**I. Order of Adoption**

In accordance with the requirements of Arizona Revised Statutes (“A.R.S.”) § 45-571, Thomas Buschatzke, Director of the Arizona Department of Water Resources (“Director”), hereby adopts the attached document as the management plan for the Santa Cruz Active Management area (“SCAMA”) for the fourth management period (“Fourth Management Plan”). The Fourth Management Plan contains the following chapters: Chapter 1 (Introduction), Chapter 2 (Hydrology), Chapter 3 (Water Demand and Supply), Chapter 4 (Agricultural), Chapter 5 (Municipal), Chapter 6 (Industrial), Chapter 7 (Water Quality), Chapter 8 (Underground Water Storage, Savings and Replenishment), Chapter 9 (Water Management Assistance), Chapter 10 (Implementation), and Chapter 11 (Water Management Strategy).

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On August 20, 2020, the Director issued the proposed Fourth Management Plan for the Santa Cruz AMA (“proposed plan”). A public hearing on the proposed plan was held in Tubac, Arizona and via webinar on September 22, 2020. The comment record remained open for the submission of written comments until September 22, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.

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Simultaneously with this order, the Director is filing in the Department of Water Resources (“Department”) a written summary and findings with respect to matters considered during the hearing record period. As a result of additional review by the Director, the Director

1 has made non-substantive modifications to the proposed plan to make typographical and  
2 technical corrections, as described below.

### 3 **II. Modifications Made to Proposed Fourth Management Plan**

4 The following modifications have been made to the proposed plan:

5 A. Minor numbering and formatting corrections.

6 B. Typographical and technical corrections have been made to Chapter 6, Section 6.1  
7 and Chapter 8, Section 8.4.1.

### 8 **III. Effective Date of Order for Purposes of Motions for Rehearing or Review**

9 Pursuant to A.R.S. § 45-571(C), a summary of this order, the management plan adopted  
10 by this order and the Director's findings with respect to matters considered during the public  
11 hearing will be published once each week for two consecutive weeks in the Nogales International  
12 beginning on October 20, 2020. This order shall be effective for purposes of motions for  
13 rehearing or review on October 27, 2020, the date of the last publication.

14 Pursuant to A.R.S. § 45-114(C), any person may file a motion for rehearing or review of  
15 this order and the management plan adopted by this order no later than November 26, 2020 at  
16 5:00 p.m. Any motion for rehearing or review must be filed with the Docket Supervisor, Arizona  
17 Department of Water Resources, 1110 W. Washington Street, Suite 310, Phoenix, Arizona  
18 85007. A party is not required to file a motion for rehearing or review in order to exhaust  
19 administrative remedies and may seek judicial review of the Fourth Management Plan once the  
20 director's decision becomes final as provided in section IV.

### 21 **IV. Judicial Review**

22 This order shall become final for the purpose of judicial review as follows:

23 1. If no person files a motion for rehearing or review within the time allowed by section  
24 III of this order, this order shall become final for the purpose of judicial review on November  
25 26, 2020 and the Department shall post notice on its website that the order is final as of that date.

2. If any person files a timely motion for rehearing or review, the Director will issue a  
decision on the motion and may modify the management plan after rehearing or review. After

1 the Director issues decisions on all motions for rehearing or review, the Director shall publish  
2 notice that the management plan is final once each week for two consecutive weeks in the  
3 Nogales International. The notice will include a description of any modifications made after  
4 rehearing or review. The management plan shall be final for the purpose of judicial review when  
5 the notice is published for the second time.

6 IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the attached document is adopted as the Fourth  
7 Management Plan.

8 Dated this 20<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2020.

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14 Thomas Buschatzke  
15 Director, Arizona Department of Water Resources  
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