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AN ACT

AMENDING SECTIONS 45-133, 45-402, 45-454, 45-464, 45-469, 45-480, 45-492, 45-498, 45-514, 45-515 AND 45-561, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; AMENDING TITLE 45, CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE 9, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING SECTION 45-563.03; AMENDING SECTIONS 45-565.01, 45-566.01 AND 45-567.01, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; AMENDING TITLE 45, CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE 9, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING SECTION 45-569.01; AMENDING SECTIONS 45-576, 45-576.01, 45-576.02, 45-576.03, 45-576.06 AND 45-578, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; AMENDING TITLE 45, CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE 9, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING SECTIONS 45-579, 45-580 AND 45-581; AMENDING SECTION 45-596, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, AS AMENDED BY LAWS 2000, CHAPTER 85, SECTION 2; AMENDING SECTION 45-596, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, AS AMENDED BY LAWS 1994, CHAPTER 291, SECTION 27 AND CHAPTER 300, SECTION 2; AMENDING SECTION 45-599, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; AMENDING TITLE 45, CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE 10, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING SECTION 45-599.01; AMENDING SECTIONS 45-604, 45-611, 45-613, 45-615, 45-632, 45-802.01, 45-832.01 AND 45-834.01, ARIZONA REVISED

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STATUTES; AMENDING TITLE 45, CHAPTER 3.1, ARTICLE 3, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING SECTION 45-837.01; AMENDING SECTIONS 45-852.01, 45-854.01 AND 45-859.01. ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES: REPEALING SECTION 45-860.01. ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; AMENDING SECTIONS 45-871.01 AND 45-877.01, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; REPEALING SECTION 45-878.01, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; AMENDING SECTIONS 45-896.01, 45-2104, 45-2113, 45-2114, 45-2427, 45-2457, 48-264, 48-909. 48-2978 AND 48-3701, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; AMENDING SECTION 48-3713. ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES. AS AMENDED BY LAWS 2000. CHAPTER 142. SECTION 2; AMENDING SECTION 48-3713, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, AS AMENDED BY LAWS 2000. CHAPTER 142. SECTION 3: REPEALING SECTION 48-3713. ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, AS AMENDED BY LAWS 2000, CHAPTER 145, SECTION 1; AMENDING SECTIONS 48-3771, 48-3772 AND 48-3774, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; AMENDING TITLE 48, CHAPTER 22, ARTICLE 4, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING SECTIONS 48-3774.01, 48-3774.02 AND 48-3774.03; AMENDING SECTIONS 48-3775, 48-3776, 48-3777. 48-3778 AND 48-3780. ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES: AMENDING TITLE 48. CHAPTER 22, ARTICLE 4, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING SECTIONS 48-3780.01, 48-3780.02 AND 48-3780.03; AMENDING SECTIONS 48-3781, 48-3782 AND 48–3783, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; REPEALING TITLE 48, CHAPTER 28, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; PROVIDING FOR CONDITIONAL ENACTMENT; RELATING TO WATERS.

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Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona: Section 1. Section 45-133, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

45-133. Permit for interim water use; application; fee; surcharge on use of groundwater

- A. A person otherwise subject to the prohibitions of section 45-132 may use groundwater withdrawn pursuant to a type 1 or type 2 non-irrigation grandfathered right or water other than groundwater to fill or refill all or a portion of a body of water until sufficient effluent is available to fill or refill the body of water if the person applies for and obtains a permit for interim water use from the director. The director may issue a permit if the applicant demonstrates to the satisfaction of the director that all of the following apply:
- 1. The applicant otherwise has a right to use the water for the proposed purpose.
- 2. Sufficient effluent to fill or refill the body of water is not reasonably available but it has been demonstrated by clear and convincing evidence that sufficient effluent will be available no later than five years from the date the permit is issued.
 - 3. The applicant has:
- (a) Provided the necessary easements for an on-site treatment facility or access to an off-site treatment facility and for transportation of a permanent effluent supply to the body of water.
- (b) Provided the site location for the facility and received approval for the facility from the department of environmental quality, if an on-site treatment facility will be used.
- (c) Recorded the easements and any site location for an on-site treatment facility on the plat of record for the subdivision or development within which the body of water is located.
- 4. The body of water will store effluent that will be applied to grow landscaping plants on common areas or will be used for other beneficial purposes that would otherwise require use of surface water or groundwater.
- 5. The development or facility in which the body of water is located will include an effective water conservation program. The specific conservation requirements in the water conservation program shall be consistent with and shall not by this paragraph be required to be more strict than any specific conservation requirements in the applicable management plan.
 - 6. The body of water otherwise complies with this article.
- B. The director may issue a permit under this section for a period of up to three years. The director shall specify the amount of water that may be used each year pursuant to the permit. The director shall determine the duration of the permit and the amount of water that may be used pursuant to the permit on the basis of the estimated time until sufficient effluent will be available to fill and refill the body of water. The director shall

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monitor the use of water pursuant to the permit and shall modify the terms of the permit as necessary and terminate the permit if any of the conditions for issuance of the permit no longer apply. The director may renew a permit for no more than two successive one-year periods subject to the same criteria used in granting the original permit.

- C. An application for a permit under this section shall be made on a form prescribed and furnished by the director. The director shall levy and collect a reasonable application fee to cover the costs of administrative services and expenses, which shall be remitted to the augmentation and conservation assistance fund described in section 45-615, paragraph 1.
- D. The director shall levy and collect an annual surcharge from each holder of a permit for interim groundwater use. The amount of the surcharge shall be as follows:
- 1. For the first year following issuance of the permit, twenty-five dollars per acre-foot of groundwater withdrawn pursuant to the permit.
- 2. For the second year following issuance of the permit, fifty dollars per acre-foot of groundwater withdrawn pursuant to the permit.
- 3. For the third year following issuance of the permit, one hundred dollars per acre-foot of groundwater withdrawn pursuant to the permit.
- 4. For the fourth year following issuance of the permit, two hundred dollars per acre-foot of groundwater withdrawn pursuant to the permit.
- 5. For the fifth year following issuance of the permit, four hundred dollars per acre-foot of groundwater withdrawn pursuant to the permit.
- E. All monies collected pursuant to subsection D of this section shall be remitted as follows:
- 1. Fifty per cent to the augmentation and conservation assistance fund described in section 45-615, paragraph 1, or if a water district is organized in the active management area under title 48, chapter 28, to the general fund of the district.
- 2. Fifty per cent to the purchase and retirement fund described in section 45-615, paragraph 2.
- F. If the holder of a permit for interim groundwater use fails to pay the surcharge levied pursuant to subsection D of this section by the date set by the director, the director shall revoke the permit.
 - Sec. 2. Section 45-402, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read: 45-402. <u>Definitions</u>

In this chapter, unless the context otherwise requires:

- 1. "Accounting period" means the calendar year, except such other twelve-month period as may be otherwise agreed upon by the director and the owner of a farm or a district on behalf of its landowners.
- 2. "Active management area" means a geographical area which has been designated pursuant to article 2 of this chapter as requiring active management of groundwater or, in the case of the Santa Cruz active management area, active management of any water, other than stored water, withdrawn from a well.

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- 3. "Animal industry use" means the production, growing and feeding of livestock, range livestock or poultry, as such terms are defined in section 3-1201. Animal industry use is included in the term and general treatment of industry in this chapter, unless specifically provided otherwise.
- 4. "City" or "town" means a city or town incorporated or chartered under the constitution and laws of this state.
- 5. "Conservation district" means a multi-county water conservation district established under title 48, chapter 22.
- 6. "Convey" means to transfer the ownership of a grandfathered right from one person to another.
 - 7. "Date of the designation of the active management area" means:
 - (a) With respect to an initial active management area, June 12, 1980.
- (b) With respect to a subsequent active management area, the date on which the director's order designating the active management area becomes effective as provided in section 45-414 or the date on which the final results of an election approving the establishment of the active management area pursuant to section 45-415 are certified by the board of supervisors of the county or counties in which the active management area is located.
- 8. "Exempt well" means a well having a pump with a maximum capacity of not more than thirty-five gallons per minute which is used to withdraw groundwater THAT IS EXEMPT FROM THIS CHAPTER pursuant to section 45-454, SUBSECTION A OR B.
- 9. "Expanded animal industry use" means increased water use by an animal industrial enterprise on the land in use by the enterprise on June 12, 1980 or on immediately adjoining land, excluding irrigation uses.
- 10. "Farm" means an area of irrigated land which is under the same ownership, which is served by a water distribution system common to the irrigated land and to which can be applied common conservation, water measurement and water accounting procedures.
 - 11. "Farm unit" means:
- (a) With respect to areas outside an active management area and with respect to an active management area other than the Santa Cruz active management area, one or more farms which are irrigated with groundwater and which are contiguous or in proximity to each other with similar soil conditions, crops and cropping patterns.
- (b) With respect to the Santa Cruz active management area, one or more farms which are irrigated with water, other than stored water, withdrawn from a well and which are contiguous or in proximity to each other with similar soil conditions, crops and cropping patterns.
- 12. "Grandfathered right" means a right to withdraw and use groundwater pursuant to article 5 of this chapter based on the fact of lawful withdrawals and use of groundwater prior to the date of the designation of an active management area.
- 13. "Groundwater basin" means an area which, as nearly as known facts permit as determined by the director pursuant to this chapter, may be

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designated so as to enclose a relatively hydrologically distinct body or related bodies of groundwater, which shall be described horizontally by surface description.

- 14. "Groundwater replenishment district" or "replenishment district" means a district that is established pursuant to title 48, chapter 27.
- 15. "Groundwater withdrawal permit" means a permit issued by the director pursuant to article 7 of this chapter.
- 16. "Initial active management area" means the Phoenix, Prescott or Pinal active management area established by section 45-411, the Tucson active management area established by section 45-411 and modified by section 45-411.02 and the Santa Cruz active management area established by section 45-411.03.
 - 17. "Integrated farming operation" means:
- (a) With respect to land within an irrigation non-expansion area, more than ten acres of land that are contiguous or in close proximity, that may be irrigated pursuant to section 45-437, that are not under the same ownership and that are farmed as a single farming operation.
- (b) With respect to land within an active management area, two or more farms that are contiguous or in close proximity, that collectively have more than ten irrigation acres and that are farmed as a single farming operation.
- 18. "Irrigate" means to apply water to two or more acres of land to produce plants or parts of plants for sale or human consumption, or for use as feed for livestock, range livestock or poultry, as such terms are defined in section 3-1201.
- 19. "Irrigation acre" means an acre of land, as determined in section 45-465, subsection B, to which an irrigation grandfathered right is appurtenant.
- 20. "Irrigation district" means a political subdivision, however designated, established pursuant to title 48, chapter 17 or 19.
- 21. "Irrigation grandfathered right" means a grandfathered right determined pursuant to section 45-465.
- 22. "Irrigation non-expansion area" means a geographical area which has been designated pursuant to article 3 of this chapter as having insufficient groundwater to provide a reasonably safe supply for the irrigation of the cultivated lands at the current rate of withdrawal.
 - 23. "Irrigation use" means:
- (a) With respect to areas outside an active management area and with respect to an active management area other than the Santa Cruz active management area, the use of groundwater on two or more acres of land to produce plants or parts of plants for sale or human consumption, or for use as feed for livestock, range livestock or poultry, as such terms are defined in section 3-1201.
- (b) With respect to the Santa Cruz active management area, the use of water, other than stored water, withdrawn from a well on two or more acres of land to produce plants or parts of plants for sale or human consumption, or

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for use as feed for livestock, range livestock or poultry, as such terms are defined in section 3-1201.

- 24. "Irrigation water duty" or "water duty" means the amount of water in acre-feet per acre that is reasonable to apply to irrigated land in a farm unit during the accounting period, as determined by the director pursuant to sections 45-564 through 45-568.
- 25. "LIMITED GROUNDWATER RIGHT" MEANS A RIGHT TO WITHDRAW AND USE GROUNDWATER UNDER THIS CHAPTER AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 45-464, SUBSECTION J, SECTION 45-480, SUBSECTION H, SECTION 45-514, SUBSECTION E AND SECTION 45-515, SUBSECTION E. THE RIGHTS TO WITHDRAW AND USE GROUNDWATER UNDER THIS CHAPTER BY CITIES, TOWNS AND PRIVATE WATER COMPANIES THAT HAVE BEEN DESIGNATED AS HAVING AN ASSURED WATER SUPPLY UNDER SECTION 45-576 BY LARGE UNTREATED WATER PROVIDERS, BY PERSONS WHOSE USE OF WATER IS FOR METAL MINING AND METALLURGICAL RECOVERY PURPOSES AND BY PERSONS WHOSE USE OF WATER IS FOR IRRIGATION PURPOSES ARE NOT LIMITED GROUNDWATER RIGHTS.
- 26. "LIMITED MEMBER LAND" MEANS REAL PROPERTY THAT QUALIFIES AS A LIMITED MEMBER LAND OF A CONSERVATION DISTRICT AS PROVIDED BY TITLE 48, CHAPTER 22.
- 27. "LIMITED MEMBER SERVICE AREA" MEANS THE LIMITED SERVICE AREA OF A MUNICIPAL PROVIDER THAT QUALIFIES AS A LIMITED MEMBER SERVICE AREA OF A CONSERVATION DISTRICT AS PROVIDED BY TITLE 48, CHAPTER 22.
- 28. "LIMITED SERVICE AREA" MEANS AN AREA TO WHICH BOTH OF THE FOLLOWING APPLY:
- (a) A MUNICIPAL PROVIDER THAT HAS NOT BEEN DESIGNATED AS HAVING AN ASSURED WATER SUPPLY UNDER SECTION 45-576 HAS SUBMITTED A MAP TO THE DIRECTOR IDENTIFYING THE AREA AS AN AREA THAT IS OR IS FORESEEABLY LIKELY TO BECOME PART OF THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER'S SERVICE AREA.
 - (b) ONE OF THE FOLLOWING APPLIES:
- (i) WITH RESPECT TO A CITY OR TOWN THAT SUPPLIES WATER FOR NON-IRRIGATION USE, AN AREA OUTSIDE THE CITY OR TOWN'S CORPORATE BOUNDARIES AS THOSE BOUNDARIES EXISTED ON THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS AMENDMENT TO THIS SECTION OR OUTSIDE THE SERVICE AREA OF THE CITY OR TOWN AS THE SERVICE AREA EXISTED ON THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS AMENDMENT TO THIS SECTION, IF THE SERVICE AREA ON THAT DATE EXTENDS BEYOND THE CORPORATE BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY OR TOWN.
- (ii) WITH RESPECT TO A PRIVATE WATER COMPANY THAT IS REGULATED BY THE CORPORATION COMMISSION, ANY AREA INCLUDED IN AN EXTENSION OF ITS CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY THAT IS GRANTED BY THE CORPORATION COMMISSION PURSUANT TO AN APPLICATION FILED WITH THE CORPORATION COMMISSION ON OR AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS AMENDMENT TO THIS SECTION.
- (iii) WITH RESPECT TO A MUNICIPAL PROVIDER THAT IS NOT A CITY, TOWN OR PRIVATE WATER COMPANY REGULATED BY THE CORPORATION COMMISSION, AN AREA OUTSIDE THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER'S SERVICE AREA AS THE SERVICE AREA EXISTED ON THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS AMENDMENT TO THIS SECTION.

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- 25. 29. "Member land" means real property that qualifies as a member land of a conservation district as provided by title 48, chapter 22.
- 26. 30. "Member service area" means the service area of a city, town or private water company that qualifies as a member service area of a conservation district as provided by title 48, chapter 22.
- 27. 31. "Non-irrigation grandfathered right" means a grandfathered right determined pursuant to section 45-463, 45-464, 45-469 or 45-472.
 - 28. 32. "Non-irrigation use" means:
- (a) With respect to areas outside an active management area and with respect to an active management area other than the Santa Cruz active management area, a use of groundwater other than an irrigation use.
- (b) With respect to the Santa Cruz active management area, a use of water, other than stored water, withdrawn from a well, other than an irrigation use.
- 29. 33. "Person" means an individual, public or private corporation, company, partnership, firm, association, society, estate or trust, any other private organization or enterprise, the United States, any state, territory or country or a governmental entity, political subdivision or municipal corporation organized under or subject to the constitution and laws of this state.
 - 30. 34. "Private water company" means:
- (a) With respect to areas outside an active management area and with respect to an active management area other than the Santa Cruz active management area, any entity which distributes or sells groundwater, except a political subdivision or an entity which is established pursuant to title 48 and which is not regulated as a public service corporation by the Arizona corporation commission under a certificate of public convenience and necessity. A city or town is not a private water company.
- (b) With respect to the Santa Cruz active management area, any entity which distributes or sells water, other than stored water, withdrawn from a well, except a political subdivision or an entity which is established pursuant to title 48 and which is not regulated as a public service corporation by the Arizona corporation commission under a certificate of public convenience and necessity. A city or town is not a private water company.
 - 31. "Service area" means:
- (a) With respect to a city or town, the area of land actually being served water, for a non-irrigation use, by the city or town plus:
- (i) Additions to such area which contain an operating distribution system owned by the city or town primarily for the delivery of water for a non-irrigation use.
- (ii) The service area of a city, town or private water company that obtains its water from the city pursuant to a contract entered into prior to the date of the designation of the active management area.

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- (b) With respect to a private water company, the area of land of the private water company actually being served water, for a non-irrigation use, by the private water company plus additions to such area which contain an operating distribution system owned by the private water company primarily for the delivery of water for a non-irrigation use.
 - 32. 36. "Service area of an irrigation district" means:
- (a) With respect to an irrigation district which was engaged in the withdrawal, delivery and distribution of groundwater as of the date of the designation of the active management area, the area of land within the boundaries of the irrigation district actually being served water by the irrigation district at any time during the five years preceding the date of the designation of the active management area plus any areas as of the date of the designation of the active management area within the boundaries of the irrigation district which contain an operating system of canals, flumes, ditches and other works owned or operated by the irrigation district. The service area may be modified pursuant to section 45-494.01.
- (b) With respect to an irrigation district which was not engaged in the withdrawal, delivery and distribution of groundwater as of the date of the designation of the active management area:
- (i) The acres of member lands within the boundaries of the irrigation district which were legally irrigated at any time from January 1, 1975 through January 1, 1980 for initial active management areas or during the five years preceding the date of the designation of the active management area for subsequent active management areas.
- (ii) Any areas as of the date of the designation of the active management area within the boundaries of the irrigation district which contain an operating system of canals, flumes, ditches and other works for the withdrawal, delivery and distribution of water.
- 33. "Stored water" means water that is stored underground for the purpose of recovery pursuant to a permit issued under chapter 3.1 of this title.
- 34. 38. "Sub-basin" means an area which, as nearly as known facts permit as determined by the director pursuant to this chapter, may be designated so as to enclose a relatively hydrologically distinct body of groundwater within a groundwater basin, which shall be described horizontally by surface description.
- 35. 39. "Subsequent active management area" means an active management area established after June 12, 1980 pursuant to article 2 of this chapter.
- 36. 40. "Subsidence" means the settling or lowering of the surface of land which results from the withdrawal of groundwater.
- 37. 41. "Transportation" means the movement of groundwater from the point of withdrawal to the point of use.
- 38. 42. "Type 1 non-irrigation grandfathered right" means a non-irrigation grandfathered right associated with retired irrigated land and determined pursuant to section 45-463, 45-469 or 45-472.

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39. 43. "Type 2 non-irrigation grandfathered right" means a non-irrigation grandfathered right not associated with retired irrigated land and determined pursuant to section 45-464.

40. "Water district" means an active management area water district that is established under title 48, chapter 28 and that has adopted an ordinance or resolution to undertake water district groundwater replenishment obligations as defined and used in title 48, chapter 28, article 7.

41. "Water district member land" means real property that qualifies as water district member land of a water district as provided by title 48, chapter 28.

42. "Water district member service area" means the service area of the city, town or private water company that qualifies as a water district member service area of a water district as provided by title 48, chapter 28.

43. 44. "Well" means a man-made opening in the earth through which water may be withdrawn or obtained from beneath the surface of the earth except as provided in section 45-591.01.

Sec. 3. Section 45-454, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read: 45-454. Exemption of small non-irrigation wells; definitions

A. Withdrawals of groundwater for non-irrigation uses from wells having a pump with a maximum capacity of not more than thirty-five gallons per minute which were drilled before April 28, 1983 or which were drilled after April 28, 1983 pursuant to a notice of intention to drill which was on file with the department on such date are exempt from the provisions of this chapter, except that:

1. Wells drilled before June 12, 1980 which are not abandoned or capped or wells which were not completed on June 12, 1980 but for which a notice of intention to drill was on file with the Arizona water commission on such date are subject to subsections F, G, and F AND F of this section and must be registered pursuant to section 45-593. If two or more wells in an active management area are exempt under this paragraph and are used to serve the same non-irrigation use at the same location, the aggregate quantity of groundwater withdrawn from the wells shall not exceed fifty-six acre-feet per year.

- 2. Wells drilled between June 12, 1980 and April 28, 1983, except as provided in paragraph 1 of this subsection, and wells drilled after April 28, 1983 pursuant to a notice of intention to drill which was on file with the department on April 28, 1983 are subject to subsections $\frac{C}{C}$, $\frac{E}{C}$, D, F, and G AND H of this section.
- B. EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION C OF THIS SECTION, withdrawals of groundwater for non-irrigation uses from THE FOLLOWING WELLS ARE EXEMPT FROM THIS CHAPTER:
- 1. Wells having a pump with a maximum capacity of not more than thirty-five gallons per minute drilled on or PURSUANT TO A NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DRILL THAT IS FILED after April 28, 1983, except wells drilled after April 28, 1983 pursuant to a notice of intention to drill which was on

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file with the department on such date, are exempt from the provisions of this chapter, except that: AND BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2003.

- 2. WELLS HAVING A PUMP WITH A MAXIMUM CAPACITY OF NOT MORE THAN TWENTY GALLONS PER MINUTE DRILLED PURSUANT TO A NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DRILL THAT IS FILED ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2003.
- 3. A REPLACEMENT EXEMPT WELL DRILLED PURSUANT TO A NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DRILL THAT IS FILED ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2003.
- 4. A WELL HAVING A PUMP WITH A MAXIMUM CAPACITY OF MORE THAN TWENTY GALLONS PER MINUTE BUT NOT MORE THAN THIRTY-FIVE GALLONS PER MINUTE DRILLED PURSUANT TO A NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DRILL THAT IS FILED ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2003 IF THE PERSON WHO FILED THE NOTICE DEMONSTRATED TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE DIRECTOR BEFORE DRILLING THE WELL THAT PUMP CAPACITY IN EXCESS OF TWENTY GALLONS PER MINUTE WAS REQUIRED TO PROVIDE ADEQUATE FLOW RATES FOR THE INTENDED USE.
- 1. C. Such Wells EXEMPT UNDER SUBSECTION B OF THIS SECTION are subject to subsections 6 D through 6 H of this section AND ARE ALSO SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING, AS APPLICABLE.:
- 2. 1. In an active management area, other than a subsequent active management area designated for a portion of a groundwater basin in the regional aquifer systems of northern Arizona, withdrawals of groundwater from such wells for non-irrigation uses other than domestic purposes and stock watering shall not exceed ten acre-feet per year.
- 3. 2. In a subsequent active management area that is designated for a portion of a groundwater basin in the regional aquifer systems of northern Arizona, groundwater withdrawn from such wells may be used only for domestic purposes and stock watering.
- 3. BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2005, GROUNDWATER MAY NOT BE WITHDRAWN FROM AN EXEMPT WELL LOCATED WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF A RIPARIAN AREA PROTECTION ZONE DELINEATED ON THE MAP IDENTIFIED IN SECTION 45-599, SUBSECTION K UNLESS ONE OF THE FOLLOWING APPLIES:
- (a) THE WELL IS EXEMPT UNDER SUBSECTION A OF THIS SECTION OR THE NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DRILL THE WELL WAS FILED BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2005.
 - (b) THE WELL IS A REPLACEMENT EXEMPT WELL.
- (c) GROUNDWATER WITHDRAWN FROM THE WELL IS USED ONLY FOR STOCK WATERING.
- (d) THE DIRECTOR APPROVES CONSTRUCTION OF THE WELL PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-596, SUBSECTION I, PARAGRAPH 1.
- (e) THE DIRECTOR APPROVES CONSTRUCTION OF THE WELL PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-596, SUBSECTION I, PARAGRAPH 4 AND ALL OF THE FOLLOWING APPLY:
- (i) THE WELL IS EQUIPPED WITH A PUMP THAT HAS A MAXIMUM CAPACITY OF NOT MORE THAN TWENTY GALLONS PER MINUTE.
- (ii) WITHDRAWALS OF GROUNDWATER FROM THE WELL DO NOT EXCEED TWO ACRE-FEET PER YEAR.
- (iii) GROUNDWATER WITHDRAWN FROM THE WELL IS USED ONLY FOR DOMESTIC PURPOSES.

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- C. D. A person shall file a notice of intention to drill with the director pursuant to section 45-596 before drilling an exempt well or causing an exempt well to be drilled.
- $\frac{D}{C}$ E. The registered well owner shall file a completion report pursuant to section 45-600, subsection B.
- F. In an active management area only one exempt well may be drilled or used to serve the same non-irrigation use at the same location, except that a person may drill or use a second exempt well to serve the same non-irrigation use at the same location if the director determines that all of the following apply:
- 1. Because of its location, the first exempt well is not capable of consistently producing more than three gallons per minute of groundwater when equipped with a pump with $\frac{1}{2}$ THE maximum capacity $\frac{1}{2}$ THIS SECTION.
- 2. The second exempt well is located on the same parcel of land as the first exempt well, the parcel of land is at least one acre in size, all groundwater withdrawn from both exempt wells is used on that parcel of land and there are no other exempt wells on that parcel of land.
- 3. Combined withdrawals from both wells do not exceed five acre-feet per year.
- 4. If the second exempt well is drilled after January 1, 2000, the county health authority for the county in which the well is located or any other local health authority that controls the installation of septic tanks or sewer systems in the county has approved the location of the well in writing after physically inspecting the well site.
- 5. Use of two wells for the same non-irrigation use at the same location is not contrary to the health and welfare of the public.
- F. G. An exempt well is subject to sections 45-594 and 45-595. WELLS EXEMPT UNDER SUBSECTION B, PARAGRAPH 4 OF THIS SECTION AND EXEMPT WELLS APPROVED BY THE DIRECTOR PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-596, SUBSECTION I, PARAGRAPH 4 ARE SUBJECT TO SECTIONS 45-604 AND 45-632.
- G. H. Groundwater withdrawn from an exempt well may be transported only pursuant to the provisions of articles 8 and 8.1 of this chapter.
- H. I. A person who owns land from which exempt withdrawals were being made as of the date of the designation of the active management area is not eligible for a certificate of grandfathered right for a type 2 non-irrigation use for such withdrawals.
- J. NOTHING IN SUBSECTION C, PARAGRAPH 3 OF THIS SECTION SHALL BE CONSTRUED TO AFFECT DECREED AND APPROPRIATIVE WATER RIGHTS. NOTHING IN SUBSECTION C, PARAGRAPH 3 OF THIS SECTION SHALL BE CONSTRUED TO AFFECT THE DEFINITION OF SURFACE WATER IN SECTION 45-101 AND THE DESCRIPTION OF WATER SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATION IN SECTION 45-141 OR THE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 1, ARTICLE 9 OF THIS TITLE.
 - I. K. In this section:

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- 1. "Domestic purposes" means uses related to the supply, service and activities of households and private residences and includes the application of water to less than two acres of land to produce plants or parts of plants for sale or human consumption, or for use as feed for livestock, range livestock or poultry, as such terms are defined in section 3-1201.
- 2. "REPLACEMENT EXEMPT WELL" MEANS A WELL TO WHICH BOTH OF THE FOLLOWING APPLY:
- (a) THE WELL IS DRILLED TO REPLACE AN EXEMPT WELL ON THE SAME PARCEL OF LAND AND THE ORIGINAL WELL WAS EXEMPT UNDER SUBSECTION A OR SUBSECTION B, PARAGRAPH 1 OF THIS SECTION.
- (b) THE WELL IS EQUIPPED WITH A PUMP WITH A MAXIMUM CAPACITY NOT MORE THAN THE MAXIMUM CAPACITY OF THE PUMP IN THE ORIGINAL WELL.
- 2. 3. "Stock watering" means the watering of livestock, range livestock or poultry, as such terms are defined in section 3-1201.
 - Sec. 4. Section 45-464, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

 45-464. Type 2 non-irrigation grandfathered right not associated with retired irrigated land; determination of amount; definition; ownership
- A. In an active management area, a person who owns land from which groundwater was being legally withdrawn and used for a non-irrigation purpose as of the date of the designation of the active management area has the right to withdraw annually:
 - 1. If the person holds a certificate of exemption, the greater of:
- (a) The amount of groundwater established in proceedings on the application for certificate of exemption, subject to any modification as a result of a finding on appeal of a factual mistake by the state land department or Arizona water commission in computing the amount of the authorized withdrawal, less the amount of any right obtained by the person pursuant to section 45-463.
- (b) The maximum amount of groundwater legally withdrawn from such land and used by the person in any one of the five years preceding the date of the designation of the active management area, less the amount of any right obtained by the person pursuant to section 45-463.
- 2. If the person does not hold a certificate of exemption, the maximum amount of groundwater legally withdrawn from such land and used by the person withdrawing the groundwater in any one of the five years preceding the date of the designation of the active management area, less the amount of any right THAT IS obtained pursuant to section 45-463 by the person withdrawing groundwater from such land which AND THAT has not been subtracted by the person withdrawing the groundwater in calculating the amount of another right pursuant to this section.
- B. If the calculation in subsection A of this section results in an amount greater than zero, that amount is a grandfathered right in addition to any right obtained pursuant to section 45-463.
 - C. For the purposes of this section, "person" includes:

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- 1. A city, town or private water company which owns land outside of the service area of such city, town or private water company from which groundwater was being legally withdrawn for a non-irrigation use as of the date of the designation of the active management area.
- 2. A city, town or private water company withdrawing groundwater from within its service area pursuant to a certificate of exemption.
 - 3. Any other non-irrigation user.
- D. If a person has been using groundwater for less than one year during the twelve months immediately preceding the date of the designation of the active management area, the amount of the grandfathered right pursuant to this section is the annual amount determined by the director to be reasonable for a full year to meet the requirements for a facility owned by such person in existence as of the date of the designation of the active management area.
- E. If a person has received a certificate of environmental compatibility pursuant to title 40, chapter 2, article 6.2 for the construction of an electrical generating facility within a subsequent active management area for which expenditures or financial commitments for land acquisition, water development, materials, construction or engineering in excess of five hundred thousand dollars have been made before the date of the notice of the initiation of designation procedures or the call for the election for the area, the amount of the grandfathered right pursuant to this section is the annual amount determined by the director to be reasonable to meet the operational requirements for the facility for a full year.
- F. The right to withdraw groundwater pursuant to this section is a non-irrigation grandfathered right not associated with retired irrigated land, or a type 2 non-irrigation grandfathered right.
- G. A type 2 non-irrigation grandfathered right may be leased. Except as provided in subsection H of this section, the owner or lessee of a type 2 non-irrigation grandfathered right may withdraw groundwater pursuant to the right only from a location within the same active management area in which the certificate of grandfathered right is issued.
- H. Beginning July 1, 1994, the holder of a type 2 non-irrigation grandfathered right issued in the Tucson active management area prior to July 1, 1994, may withdraw groundwater pursuant to the right only from a location within the same active management area in which the well or wells listed on the certificate of grandfathered right on July 1, 1994, are located. If no well is listed on the certificate of grandfathered right on July 1, 1994, the holder of the right may withdraw groundwater pursuant to the right only from a location within the same active management area in which the land from which the originating withdrawals were made is located. For THE purposes of this subsection, the term "originating withdrawals" means the withdrawals of groundwater on which the issuance of a type 2 non-irrigation grandfathered right was based.
- I. If the user of a type 2 non-irrigation grandfathered right is different from the owner of the right, either the owner, or the user of the

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right on behalf of the owner, may apply for a certificate of grandfathered right pursuant to section 45-476.

- J. THE USE OF THE TYPE 2 NON-IRRIGATION GRANDFATHERED RIGHT SHALL BE A LIMITED GROUNDWATER RIGHT AND SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 45-579, IF ONE OF THE FOLLOWING APPLIES:
- 1. THE TYPE 2 NON-IRRIGATION GRANDFATHERED RIGHT IS USED IN THE PHOENIX, PRESCOTT, PINAL OR TUCSON ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA AND A CHANGE IN PLACE AND TYPE OF USE OCCURS ON OR AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS AMENDMENT TO THIS SECTION.
- 2. THE TYPE 2 NON-IRRIGATION GRANDFATHERED RIGHT IS USED IN THE SANTA CRUZ ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA, THE DIRECTOR HAS ISSUED THE ORDER DESCRIBED IN SECTION 45-581, SUBSECTION B AND THE CHANGE IN PLACE AND TYPE OF USE OCCURS AFTER THE DIRECTOR ISSUES THE ORDER.
 - Sec. 5. Section 45-469, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read: 45-469. Right to retire irrigation grandfathered right for

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- A. Except as provided in section 45-480, subsection SUBSECTIONS F AND H and subsection SUBSECTIONS I AND P of this section, except as provided in subsection I of this section, a person who owns land which is legally entitled to be irrigated with groundwater pursuant to an irrigation grandfathered right and which is located within an active management area and outside of the exterior boundaries of the service area of a city, town or private water company has the right to retire such land from irrigation in anticipation of a future non-irrigation use and shall not forfeit or abandon the right to withdraw from or receive for such land the amount of groundwater calculated pursuant to subsection F of this section for a non-irrigation use if:
 - 1. The land is held in the same ownership.
- 2. A development plan for the proposed non-irrigation use exists and is approved by the director within a reasonable time before or after the land is retired.
- B. Except as provided in subsection P of this section, the director shall approve the development plan required by subsection A of this section if it appears that the land:
- 1. Has been or will be retired for the bona fide purpose of conserving or using water for a non-irrigation use which would otherwise continue to be used for irrigation of such land.
- 2. Has not been sold or taken out of production primarily because it would have been uneconomical to continue to withdraw water for irrigation.
- C. The director shall not investigate the legality, other than pursuant to this chapter, feasibility or other factors involved in the

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proposed development plan and shall not disapprove a development plan on such grounds.

- D. A development plan may be amended and the director shall approve amendments if the criteria of this section are met.
- E. A person proposing to retire irrigated land which is located inside or outside of an active management area may apply to the director for approval of a proposed development plan prior to the retirement of such land.
- F. The amount of groundwater which may be withdrawn or received annually per acre pursuant to this section is the lesser of:
- 1. The current maximum amount of groundwater which may be used pursuant to the irrigation grandfathered right for the acre at the time it is retired, as calculated pursuant to section 45-465, subsection B.
- 2. Three acre-feet multiplied by the water duty acres in the farm in which the acre to which the right is appurtenant is located divided by the number of irrigation acres in the farm.
- G. The right to withdraw or receive groundwater pursuant to this section is a non-irrigation grandfathered right associated with retired irrigated land, or a type 1 non-irrigation grandfathered right as described in section 45-463.
- H. Whether the land to which an irrigation grandfathered right is appurtenant is within the exterior boundaries of the service area of a city, town or private water company shall be determined as of the date the development plan is filed with the director.
- I. A city or town in an initial active management area that holds a certificate of irrigation grandfathered right for acres of land that were acquired before January 1, 1989 in another initial active management area, and a groundwater replenishment district established under title 48, chapter 27 that purchases any of that land from the city or town, has the right, subject to subsections J, K, L and M of this section, to retire the land in anticipation of a future non-irrigation use and withdraw from any location on the land groundwater for non-irrigation use on the land or for transportation to another initial active management area for the purpose of demonstrating and providing an assured water supply if all of the following apply:
- 1. Before January 1, 1989, the city or town filed with the director a development plan pursuant to this section for all or a portion of the land.
- 2. Any withdrawals pursuant to this subsection from a new well, as defined in section 45-591, will comply with the rules adopted pursuant to section 45-598, subsection A to prevent unreasonably increasing damage to surrounding land or other water users from the concentration of wells.
- 3. Any withdrawals for transportation to another initial active management area for the purpose of demonstrating and providing an assured water supply are made from a depth to one thousand two hundred feet at the site or sites of the withdrawals, except that the wells may be drilled to any depth.

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- J. The amount of groundwater that may be withdrawn and used annually pursuant to subsection I of this section shall be determined pursuant to subsection F of this section. The maximum amount of such groundwater that may be included by the director in determining whether to designate or redesignate the city or town as having an assured water supply pursuant to section 45-576 equals one hundred times the total amount that may be withdrawn annually from the land.
- K. A city or town that is eligible for a type 1 non-irrigation grandfathered right under subsection I of this section may:
- 1. Before retiring the land under subsection I of this section, substitute for the acres of land described in subsection I of this section the same number of acres owned by the city or town to which irrigation grandfathered rights are appurtenant and located in the same sub-basin as the acres described in subsection I of this section.
- 2. At any time, elect to convert a type 1 non-irrigation grandfathered right appurtenant to land in the same sub-basin and acquired by the city or town before January 1, 1989 under subsection A of this section to a type 1 non-irrigation grandfathered right under subsection I of this section.
- L. In determining whether to designate or redesignate the city or town as having an assured water supply pursuant to section 45-576, based in whole or in part on groundwater transported from the active management area under subsection I of this section, the director shall include the amount of groundwater that may be included under subsection J of this section and can be withdrawn from a depth to one thousand two hundred feet at the site or sites of the proposed withdrawals at a rate that, when added to the existing rate of withdrawals in the area, is not expected to cause the groundwater table at the site or sites of the proposed withdrawals to decline more than an average of ten feet per year during the one hundred year evaluation period.
- M. In any designation or redesignation of an assured water supply pursuant to section 45-576, the projected use of the groundwater that is demonstrated to be available for assured water supply purposes under subsection L of this section is deemed to be consistent with achieving the management goal for the active management area. In any such designation or redesignation, the director shall determine whether the projected use is consistent with the management plan for the active management area by determining whether the projected use is consistent with the management plan of the active management area in which the city or town to be designated or redesignated is located.
- N. Subsections A, B and H of this section do not apply to type 1 non-irrigation grandfathered rights acquired under subsection I of this section.
- 0. The director may restore retired irrigation grandfathered rights to land that was retired from irrigation under this section according to the following conditions and procedures:

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- 1. Title to the retired land has reverted involuntarily, or voluntarily in lieu of foreclosure or forfeiture, from the person who retired it from irrigation, or a successor in title, to a previous owner.
- 2. The current owner of the retired land must apply to the director in writing stating:
- (a) The history of the original retirement from irrigation under this section.
- (b) The circumstances regarding the reversion of title to the current owner.
 - (c) Why restoring the irrigation grandfathered rights is necessary.
- 3. The director shall enter the application in the registry under section 45-479 and review the application. An administrative hearing shall be held in the active management area in which the use is located on whether to restore the irrigation grandfathered rights to the land.
- 4. The director must find that restoring the irrigation grandfathered rights:
- (a) Will not adversely impact the management of the active management area.
- (b) Is necessary to prevent unreasonable hardship to the current owner of the retired land.
- 5. If the director decides to restore the retired irrigation grandfathered rights to the land:
- (a) The retired irrigation land regains its original irrigation grandfathered rights, with the debits and credits in its flexibility account at the time of retirement.
- (b) The type 1 non-irrigation grandfathered right under this section is terminated.
- (c) The development plan required by this section is terminated for purposes of this section.
- P. Beginning January 1 of the calendar year following the year in which a groundwater replenishment district is required to submit its preliminary plan pursuant to section 45-576.02, subsection A, paragraph 1, the director shall withhold approval of a development plan that is submitted under this section by a person who seeks to obtain a non-irrigation grandfathered right associated with retired irrigated land located in the district unless at the time the plan is submitted:
- 1. The director has determined that the district's plan for operation is consistent with achieving the management goal, according to section 45-576.03, subsection E, and the designation has not expired.
- 2. The master replenishment account, as established in section 45-858.01, does not have a debit balance in an amount in excess of the amount allowed under section 45-576.01, subsection A, paragraph 3.
- Q. Section 45-114, subsections A and B govern administrative proceedings, rehearing or review and judicial review of final decisions of the director under this section.

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Sec. 6. Section 45-480, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read: 45-480. Review of applications; investigations; hearings; final determination; judicial review

- A. Except as provided in subsection F of this section, the director shall review each application for a certificate of grandfathered right or a restoration of a retired irrigation grandfathered right and may conduct such investigations as deemed necessary to determine whether the information contained in the application is correct and sufficient to issue a certificate or grant restoration. Except as provided in section 45-476, subsection C, in appropriate cases, including cases in which a written objection has been filed, an administrative hearing may be held before the director's decision on the application if the director deems a hearing necessary to determine whether the information contained in the application is correct and sufficient to issue a certificate or grant restoration. Thirty days prior to the date of the hearing, the director shall give notice of the hearing to the applicant and any person who has filed an objection to the application.
- B. If the director determines that the information contained in the application is correct and is sufficient to issue a certificate of grandfathered right or restore a retired irrigation grandfathered right, the director shall issue a certificate of grandfathered right pursuant to section 45-481 or restore a retired irrigation grandfathered right to the applicant. If the director determines that the information contained in the application is incorrect or is insufficient to issue a certificate or grant restoration, the director may return the application specifically stating the reasons for its return. The applicant may reapply within thirty days of receipt of the returned application. A reapplication relates back to the filing of the original application but otherwise shall be treated as a new application.
- C. If, before an administrative hearing, the director determines that the applicant is not entitled to a certificate of grandfathered right or a restoration of a retired irrigation grandfathered right or determines that the amount of a grandfathered right or a retired irrigation grandfathered right is less than that requested in the application, the director shall provide the applicant with notice and an opportunity for an administrative hearing.
- D. The applicant or any person entering a proper objection to the application may seek judicial review of the final decision of the director as provided in section 45-114, subsection B in the superior court in the county in which the irrigated land or the non-irrigation use is located.
- E. This section does not apply to late applications for certificates of grandfathered rights filed pursuant to section 45-476.01.
- F. Beginning January 1 of the calendar year following the year in which a groundwater replenishment district is required to submit its preliminary plan pursuant to section 45-576.02, subsection A, paragraph 1, the director shall withhold review of an application for a certificate for a

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type 1 non-irrigation grandfathered right appurtenant to land located in the district unless at the time the application is filed:

- 1. The director has determined that the district's plan for operation is consistent with achieving the management goal, according to section 45-576.03, subsection E, and the designation has not expired.
- 2. The master replenishment account, as established in section 45-858.01, does not have a debit balance in an amount in excess of the amount allowed under section 45-576.01, subsection A, paragraph 3.
- G. Section 45-114, subsections A and B govern administrative proceedings, rehearing or review and judicial review of final decisions of the director under this section. If an administrative hearing is held, it shall be conducted in the active management area in which the use is located.
- H. THE RETIREMENT OF AN IRRIGATION GRANDFATHERED RIGHT TO A TYPE 1 NON-IRRIGATION GRANDFATHERED RIGHT SHALL BE A LIMITED GROUNDWATER RIGHT AND SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 45-579, IF BOTH OF THE FOLLOWING APPLY:
- 1. THE GROUNDWATER WITHDRAWN WILL NOT BE USED IN A DAIRY OR CATTLE FEEDLOT.
 - 2. ONE OF THE FOLLOWING APPLIES:
- (a) THE TYPE 1 NON-IRRIGATION GRANDFATHERED RIGHT MAY BE USED IN THE PHOENIX, PINAL, PRESCOTT OR TUCSON ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA AND THE APPLICATION FOR THE RETIREMENT IS FILED ON OR AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS AMENDMENT TO THIS SECTION.
- (b) THE TYPE 1 NON-IRRIGATION GRANDFATHERED RIGHT MAY BE USED IN THE SANTA CRUZ ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA, THE DIRECTOR HAS ISSUED THE ORDER DESCRIBED IN SECTION 45-581, SUBSECTION B AND THE APPLICATION FOR RETIREMENT IS FILED AFTER THE DIRECTOR ISSUES THE ORDER.
 - Sec. 7. Section 45-492, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read: 45-492. Withdrawals by cities, towns and private water companies within service areas; contract to supply groundwater
- A. Except as provided in subsection D AND E of this section, in an active management area, a city, town or private water company shall have the right to withdraw and transport groundwater within its service area for the benefit of landowners and residents within its service area, and the landowners and residents are entitled to use the groundwater delivered, subject to:
- 1. The provisions of articles 8 and 8.1 of this chapter relating to transportation of groundwater.
- 2. Conservation requirements developed by the director pursuant to article 9 of this chapter.
- B. Claims of landowners to irrigation grandfathered rights or type 1 or 2 non-irrigation grandfathered rights shall be subject to the provisions of article 5 of this chapter.

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- C. A city, town or private water company may contract to supply groundwater to a city, town or private water company in the same active management area if it is consistent with the management plan for the active management area and section 45-576 and is approved by the director.
- In an active management area, a city, town or private water company whose service area has qualified as a member service area under title 48, chapter 22, or as a water district member service area under title 48, chapter 28, has the right to withdraw and transport groundwater within its service area for the benefit of landowners and residents within its service area, and the landowners and residents are entitled to use the groundwater delivered, subject to the provisions of subsection A of this section and, to the extent the groundwater delivered is considered excess groundwater as defined and used in title 48, chapter 22 or 28, as applicable, subject to the payment by the city, town or private water company of the replenishment tax levied from time to time by a conservation district under title 48, chapter 22, or a water district under title 48, chapter 28, whichever is applicable. A city, town or private water company shall be deemed to have failed to pay the replenishment tax only if the conservation district or the water district provides notice to the department of a delinquency in the payment of the replenishment tax pursuant to section 48-3781, subsection G or section 48-4982, subsection G, as applicable.
- E. IN THE PHOENIX, PRESCOTT AND TUCSON ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREAS, AND IN THE SANTA CRUZ ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA IF THE DIRECTOR HAS ISSUED THE ORDER DESCRIBED IN SECTION 45-581, SUBSECTION B, IN ADDITION TO ALL OTHER LIMITATIONS APPLICABLE TO SERVICE AREAS IN THIS ARTICLE, A CITY, TOWN OR PRIVATE WATER COMPANY SHALL NOT HAVE THE RIGHT TO WITHDRAW AND TRANSPORT GROUNDWATER WITHIN ITS LIMITED SERVICE AREA FOR THE BENEFIT OF LANDOWNERS AND RESIDENTS WITHIN ITS LIMITED SERVICE AREA UNLESS THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 45-580 ARE MET.
 - Sec. 8. Section 45-498, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read: 45-498. Maps of service areas
- A. Each city, town, private water company and irrigation district in an active management area shall maintain a current map clearly delineating its service area, ITS LIMITED SERVICE AREA, IF ANY, and distribution system in the director's office and shall furnish such other related data as the director may require. In addition:
- 1. Each city and town shall maintain a current map of its service area and distribution system in its city or town clerk's office.
- 2. Each private water company and irrigation district shall maintain a current map of its service area and distribution system in its offices.
- B. All maps required by this section shall be available for examination by the public at reasonable times.
- C. IN THE PHOENIX, PINAL, PRESCOTT AND TUCSON ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREAS, NOT LATER THAN APRIL 1, 2003:
 - WITH RESPECT TO A CITY OR TOWN THAT SUPPLIES WATER FOR

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NON-IRRIGATION USE AND THAT IS NOT DESIGNATED AS HAVING AN ASSURED WATER SUPPLY UNDER SECTION 45-576, EACH CITY AND TOWN SHALL FILE A MAP WITH THE DIRECTOR DELINEATING ITS CORPORATE BOUNDARIES AS THOSE BOUNDARIES EXISTED ON THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS AMENDMENT TO THIS SECTION AND ITS SERVICE AREA AS IT EXISTED ON THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS AMENDMENT TO THIS SECTION, IF THE SERVICE AREA ON THAT DATE EXTENDS BEYOND THE CORPORATE BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY OR TOWN

- 2. WITH RESPECT TO A PRIVATE WATER COMPANY THAT IS REGULATED BY THE CORPORATION COMMISSION AND THAT IS NOT DESIGNATED AS HAVING AN ASSURED WATER SUPPLY UNDER SECTION 45-576, EACH PRIVATE WATER COMPANY SHALL FILE A MAP WITH THE DIRECTOR DELINEATING ANY AREA COVERED BY A CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY FOR THE PRIVATE WATER COMPANY THAT WAS APPROVED BY THE CORPORATION COMMISSION AND THAT WAS IN EFFECT ON THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS AMENDMENT TO THIS SECTION.
- 3. WITH RESPECT TO A MUNICIPAL PROVIDER THAT IS NOT DESIGNATED AS HAVING AN ASSURED WATER SUPPLY AND THAT IS NOT A CITY, TOWN OR PRIVATE WATER COMPANY REGULATED BY THE CORPORATION COMMISSION, EACH MUNICIPAL PROVIDER SHALL FILE A MAP WITH THE DIRECTOR DELINEATING ITS SERVICE AREA AS IT EXISTED ON THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS AMENDMENT TO THIS SECTION.
- D. IN THE SANTA CRUZ ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA, IF THE DIRECTOR ISSUES THE ORDER DESCRIBED IN SECTION 45-581, SUBSECTION B, NOT LATER THAN APRIL 1 IN THE YEAR AFTER THE DIRECTOR ISSUES THE ORDER:
- 1. WITH RESPECT TO A CITY OR TOWN THAT SUPPLIES WATER FOR NON-IRRIGATION USE AND THAT IS NOT DESIGNATED AS HAVING AN ASSURED WATER SUPPLY UNDER SECTION 45-576, EACH CITY AND TOWN SHALL FILE A MAP WITH THE DIRECTOR DELINEATING ITS CORPORATE BOUNDARIES AS THOSE BOUNDARIES EXISTED ON JANUARY 1 OF THAT YEAR AND ITS SERVICE AREA AS IT EXISTED ON JANUARY 1 OF THAT YEAR, IF THE SERVICE AREA ON THAT DATE EXTENDS BEYOND THE CORPORATE BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY OR TOWN.
- 2. WITH RESPECT TO A PRIVATE WATER COMPANY THAT IS REGULATED BY THE CORPORATION COMMISSION AND THAT IS NOT DESIGNATED AS HAVING AN ASSURED WATER SUPPLY UNDER SECTION 45-576, EACH PRIVATE WATER COMPANY SHALL FILE A MAP WITH THE DIRECTOR DELINEATING ANY AREA COVERED BY A CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY FOR THE PRIVATE WATER COMPANY THAT WAS APPROVED BY THE CORPORATION COMMISSION AND THAT WAS IN EFFECT ON JANUARY 1 OF THAT YEAR.
- 3. WITH RESPECT TO A MUNICIPAL PROVIDER THAT IS NOT DESIGNATED AS HAVING AN ASSURED WATER SUPPLY AND THAT IS NOT A CITY, TOWN OR PRIVATE WATER COMPANY REGULATED BY THE CORPORATION COMMISSION, EACH MUNICIPAL PROVIDER SHALL FILE A MAP WITH THE DIRECTOR DELINEATING ITS SERVICE AREA AS IT EXISTED ON JANUARY 1 OF THAT YEAR.
- E. IF A MUNICIPAL PROVIDER FILES A MAP WITH THE DIRECTOR UNDER THIS SECTION IDENTIFYING A LIMITED SERVICE AREA, NO RIGHT OR PRESUMPTION OF A RIGHT TO SERVE WATER IN THE MAPPED AREA IS CREATED. THE RIGHT TO SERVE WATER TO THE AREA IS CONTROLLED BY THE OTHER PROVISIONS OF THIS ARTICLE, THE

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REQUIREMENTS OF THE CORPORATION COMMISSION AND OTHER RELEVANT PROVISIONS OF LAW.

Sec. 9. Section 45-514, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

45-514. Mineral extraction and metallurgical processing permit;

conditions for issuance; duration of permit

- A. Except as provided in subsection SUBSECTIONS D AND E of this section, a person who is engaged in or proposes to engage in the extraction and processing of minerals shall be issued a permit to withdraw groundwater in the required amount, if all of the following apply:
- 1. The amount of groundwater available for mineral extraction, metallurgical processing and compliance with applicable environmental controls under a dewatering permit is insufficient.
- 2. Uncommitted municipal and industrial central Arizona project water is not available at the point where the operator's wellhead or distribution system would otherwise be, at a cost which does not exceed the current municipal and industrial central Arizona project delivery rates.
- 3. Other surface water of adequate quality or effluent of adequate quality is not available at the point where the operator's wellhead or distribution system would otherwise be, at a cost, including treatment costs, which does not exceed by twenty-five per cent the cost the operator would otherwise incur in withdrawing groundwater.
- 4. The applicant does not own or lease type 2 non-irrigation grandfathered rights originally based on withdrawals of groundwater for the extraction or processing of minerals that the applicant is not using or leasing and that can be used at the proposed location without imposing an unreasonable economic burden on the applicant.
- B. A permit issued pursuant to this section shall be granted for a period of up to fifty years, subject to renewal under the same criteria used in granting the original permit.
- C. If, during the duration of a mineral extraction and metallurgical processing permit, the director determines that uncommitted municipal and industrial central Arizona project water is available or surface water of adequate quality or effluent of adequate quality is available to the permittee at a cost comparable to groundwater, the director may require the permittee to use such water in lieu of groundwater.
- D. Beginning January 1 of the calendar year following the year in which a groundwater replenishment district is required to submit its preliminary plan pursuant to section 45-576.02, subsection A, paragraph 1, and except for an application to renew a mineral extraction and metallurgical processing permit, on receiving a permit application the director shall not issue a permit for a well in the district unless at the time the application is filed:
- 1. The director has determined that the district's plan for operation is consistent with achieving the management goal, according to section 45-576.03, subsection E, and the designation has not expired.

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- 2. The master replenishment account, as established in section 45-858.01, does not have a debit balance in an amount in excess of the amount allowed under section 45-576.01, subsection A, paragraph 3.
- E. A MINERAL EXTRACTION AND METALLURGICAL PROCESSING PERMIT SHALL BE A LIMITED GROUNDWATER RIGHT AND SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 45-579, IF BOTH OF THE FOLLOWING APPLY:
- 1. THE WATER WILL NOT BE USED FOR METAL MINING AND METALLURGICAL RECOVERY PURPOSES.
 - 2. ONE OF THE FOLLOWING APPLIES:
- (a) IN THE PHOENIX, PINAL, PRESCOTT AND TUCSON ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREAS, THE APPLICATION FOR THE PERMIT WAS ORIGINALLY FILED BEFORE THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS AMENDMENT TO THIS SECTION AND AN APPLICATION TO MODIFY THE PERMIT TO ALLOW A CHANGE IN THE PLACE OF USE IS FILED ON OR AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS AMENDMENT TO THIS SECTION.
- (b) IN THE PHOENIX, PINAL, PRESCOTT AND TUCSON ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREAS, AN APPLICATION FOR THE PERMIT IS FILED ON OR AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS AMENDMENT TO THIS SECTION.
- (c) IN THE SANTA CRUZ ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA, IF THE DIRECTOR HAS ISSUED THE ORDER DESCRIBED IN SECTION 45-581, SUBSECTION B, THE APPLICATION FOR THE PERMIT WAS ORIGINALLY FILED BEFORE THE DIRECTOR ISSUED THE ORDER AND AN APPLICATION TO AMEND THE PERMIT TO ALLOW A CHANGE IN THE PLACE OF USE IS FILED AFTER THE DIRECTOR ISSUES THE ORDER.
- (d) IN THE SANTA CRUZ ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA, IF THE DIRECTOR HAS ISSUED THE ORDER DESCRIBED IN SECTION 45-581, SUBSECTION B, AN APPLICATION FOR THE PERMIT IS FILED AFTER THE DIRECTOR ISSUES THE ORDER.
 - Sec. 10. Section 45-515, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

 45-515. General industrial use permits; conditions for issuance; duration of permit
- A. Except as provided in subsection SUBSECTIONS D AND E of this section, the director shall issue a permit to withdraw groundwater from a point outside of the exterior boundaries of the service area of a city, town or private water company for a general industrial use outside of the exterior boundaries of such service area if the director determines that all of the following apply:
- 1. Uncommitted municipal and industrial central Arizona project water is not available at the point where the operator's wellhead or distribution system would otherwise be, at a cost which does not exceed the current municipal and industrial central Arizona project rates.
- 2. Other surface water of adequate quality or effluent of adequate quality is not available at the point where the operator's wellhead or distribution system would otherwise be, at a cost, including treatment costs, which does not exceed by twenty-five per cent the cost the operator would otherwise incur in withdrawing groundwater.
- 3. Irrigation grandfathered rights appurtenant to acres of land in reasonable proximity to the intended general industrial use are not available

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for purchase at a reasonable price or cannot be acquired by eminent domain and the applicant does not own or lease grandfathered rights that the applicant is not using or leasing, that may be used for the intended general industrial use and that can be used for the intended general industrial use without imposing an unreasonable economic burden on the applicant.

- 4. The intended general industrial use, if located within three miles of the exterior boundaries of the service area of a city, town or private water company, has been denied service by the city, town or private water company at the customary rate in the customary manner. The requirement of this paragraph does not apply to an expanded animal industry use.
- 5. The management plan for the active management area can be adjusted to accommodate the intended general industrial use consistent with the achievement of the management goal for the active management area.
- 6. There is an assured water supply for the intended use at the intended point of withdrawal. The director may waive this requirement if the director is unable to determine if there is an assured water supply because of hydrogeologic conditions underlying the point of withdrawal. For purposes of this section PARAGRAPH, "assured water supply" means that sufficient groundwater of adequate quality will be available to the applicant to satisfy the projected general industrial use for the duration of the permit.
- 7. If a new well or replacement well at a new location is to be constructed, a permit for the well has been issued pursuant to section 45-599.
- B. A permit issued pursuant to this section shall be granted for a period of up to fifty years, subject to renewal under the same criteria used in granting the original permit.
- C. If, during the life of the permit, the director determines that uncommitted municipal and industrial central Arizona project water is available or other water or effluent of adequate quality is available at a cost comparable to groundwater, the director may require the permittee to use such water in lieu of groundwater.
- D. Beginning January 1 of the calendar year following the year in which a groundwater replenishment district is required to submit its preliminary plan pursuant to section 45-576.02, subsection A, paragraph 1, and except for an application to renew a general industrial use permit, on receiving a permit application the director shall not issue a permit for a well in the district unless at the time the application is filed:
- 1. The director has determined that the district's plan for operation is consistent with achieving the management goal, according to section 45-576.03, subsection E, and the designation has not expired.
- 2. The master replenishment account, as established in section 45-676, does not have a debit balance in an amount in excess of the amount allowed under section 45-576.01, paragraph 3.
- E. A GENERAL INDUSTRIAL USE PERMIT SHALL BE A LIMITED GROUNDWATER RIGHT AND SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 45-579, IF ONE OF

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THE FOLLOWING APPLIES:

- 1. IN THE PHOENIX, PINAL, PRESCOTT AND TUCSON ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREAS, THE APPLICATION FOR THE PERMIT WAS ORIGINALLY FILED BEFORE THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS AMENDMENT TO THIS SECTION AND AN APPLICATION TO MODIFY THE PERMIT TO ALLOW A CHANGE IN THE PLACE OF USE IS FILED ON OR AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS AMENDMENT TO THIS SECTION.
- 2. IN THE PHOENIX, PINAL, PRESCOTT AND TUCSON ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREAS, AN APPLICATION FOR THE PERMIT IS FILED ON OR AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS AMENDMENT TO THIS SECTION.
- 3. IN THE SANTA CRUZ ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA, IF THE DIRECTOR HAS ISSUED THE ORDER DESCRIBED IN SECTION 45-581, SUBSECTION B, THE APPLICATION FOR THE PERMIT WAS ORIGINALLY FILED BEFORE THE DIRECTOR ISSUED THE ORDER AND AN APPLICATION TO AMEND THE PERMIT TO ALLOW A CHANGE IN THE PLACE OF USE IS FILED AFTER THE DIRECTOR ISSUES THE ORDER.
- 4. IN THE SANTA CRUZ ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA, IF THE DIRECTOR HAS ISSUED THE ORDER DESCRIBED IN SECTION 45-581, SUBSECTION B, AN APPLICATION FOR THE PERMIT IS FILED AFTER THE DIRECTOR ISSUES THE ORDER.
 - Sec. 11. Section 45-561, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read: 45-561. Definitions

In this article CHAPTER, unless the context otherwise requires:

- 1. "Aquifer" means a geologic formation that contains sufficient saturated materials to be capable of storing water and transmitting water in usable quantities to a well.
- 2. "Augmentation" means to supplement the water supply of an active management area and may include the importation of water into the active management area, storage of water or storage of water pursuant to chapter 3.1 of this title.
- 3. "Incidental recharge" means the percolation of water to an aquifer after the water has been withdrawn, diverted or received for delivery by a municipal provider for use within its service area, except water that is added to an aquifer pursuant to chapter 3.1 of this title.
 - 4. "Incidental recharge factor" means:
- (a) WITH RESPECT TO A MUNICIPAL PROVIDER, the ratio of the amount of incidental recharge attributable to a municipal provider during a calendar year to the amount of water withdrawn, diverted or received for delivery by the municipal provider for use within its service area during the year. The amount of incidental recharge attributable to a municipal provider during a calendar year is the amount of water that is incidentally recharged during the year after it is withdrawn, diverted or received for delivery by the municipal provider for use within its service area.
- (b) WITH RESPECT TO A LIMITED GROUNDWATER RIGHT HOLDER, THE RATIO OF THE AMOUNT OF INCIDENTAL RECHARGE ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE RIGHT HOLDER DURING A CALENDAR YEAR TO THE AMOUNT OF WATER WITHDRAWN, DIVERTED OR RECEIVED FOR USE BY THE RIGHT HOLDER DURING THE YEAR. THE AMOUNT OF INCIDENTAL RECHARGE ATTRIBUTABLE TO A LIMITED GROUNDWATER RIGHT HOLDER DURING A CALENDAR YEAR IS

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THE AMOUNT OF WATER THAT IS INCIDENTALLY RECHARGED AFTER IT IS WITHDRAWN, DIVERTED OR RECEIVED FOR USE BY THE RIGHT HOLDER.

- 5. "Industrial use" means a non-irrigation use of water not supplied by a city, town or private water company, including animal industry use and expanded animal industry use.
- 6. "Intermediate water duty" means an irrigation water duty, as defined in section 45-402, which is established by the director during a management period to apply for a specific number of years during the management period.
- 7. "Large untreated water provider" means a municipal provider that as of January 1, 1990 was serving untreated water to at least five hundred persons or supplying at least one hundred acre-feet of untreated water during a calendar year.
- 8. "Management period" means a period of years prescribed by sections 45-564 through 45-568 during which a prescribed management plan applies.
- 9. "Mined groundwater" means the amount of groundwater withdrawn or received by a municipal provider from within an active management area during a calendar year for use in its service area, minus both of the following, as applicable:
- (a) An amount of water computed by multiplying the amount of water supplied by the municipal provider for use within its service area during the calendar year by the incidental recharge factor established for the municipal provider pursuant to this article.
- (b) If the municipal provider is a city or town in the Tucson active management area, the amount of groundwater withdrawn by the municipal provider during the calendar year from land owned or leased by the municipal provider to which a type 1 non-irrigation grandfathered right under section 45-463, subsection A is appurtenant, up to the following amount:
- (i) If the municipal provider has made a request to the director as described in section 45-463, subsection F, the amount of groundwater computed by the director under section 45-463, subsection F, in determining whether to designate or redesignate the municipal provider as having an assured water supply, minus the amount of any groundwater withdrawn by the municipal provider from the land during the period beginning with January 1 of the year in which the request was made and ending on December 31 of the year immediately preceding the calendar year for which the calculation of mined groundwater is being made.
- (ii) If the municipal provider has not made a request to the director as described in section 45-463, subsection F, the amount of groundwater that the director would have been required to include in determining whether to designate or redesignate the municipal provider as having an assured water supply, as computed under section 45-463, subsection F, if the municipal provider had made a request to the director as described in that subsection on January 1 of the calendar year for which the calculation of mined groundwater is being made.

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- 10. "Municipal provider" means a city, town, private water company or irrigation district that supplies water for non-irrigation use.
- 11. "Municipal use" means all non-irrigation uses of water supplied by a city, town, private water company or irrigation district, except for uses of water, other than Colorado river water, released for beneficial use from storage, diversion or distribution facilities to avoid spilling that would otherwise occur due to uncontrolled surface water inflows that exceed facility capacity.
- 12. "Safe-yield" means a groundwater management goal which attempts to achieve and thereafter maintain a long-term balance between the annual amount of groundwater withdrawn in an active management area and the annual amount of natural and artificial recharge in the active management area.
- 13. "Small municipal provider" means a municipal provider that supplies two hundred fifty acre-feet or less of water for non-irrigation use during a calendar year. For purposes of this paragraph, the amount of untreated water that is supplied by a large untreated water provider during a year shall not be counted in determining whether the municipal provider supplied two hundred fifty acre-feet or less of water for non-irrigation use.
- 14. "Untreated water" means water that is not treated to improve its quality and that is supplied by a municipal provider through a distribution system other than a potable water distribution system.
- Sec. 12. Title 45, chapter 2, article 9, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended by adding section 45-563.03, to read:

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\frac{\text{A5-563.03.}}{\text{management areas; guidelines}} \frac{\text{Reports on water management conditions; active}}{\text{management areas; guidelines}}
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- A. AT THE SAME TIME THE DIRECTOR ADOPTS A MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR AN ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-567 OR 45-568 AND ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 1 OF THE FIFTH CALENDAR YEAR AFTER THE DIRECTOR ADOPTS A MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR AN ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-567 OR 45-568, THE DIRECTOR SHALL ISSUE A REPORT DESCRIBING WATER MANAGEMENT CONDITIONS WITHIN THE ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA. IN PREPARING A REPORT FOR AN ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA, THE DIRECTOR SHALL CONSULT WITH AND SEEK ADVICE FROM THE ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA'S GROUNDWATER USERS ADVISORY COUNCIL. EACH REPORT SHALL CONTAIN THE FOLLOWING:
- 1. A WATER BUDGET OF ALL SOURCES OF WATER USED IN THE ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA DURING THE MOST RECENT FIVE YEARS FOR WHICH INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE. THE BUDGETS SHALL RECOGNIZE LONG-TERM AVERAGE CONDITIONS AND ACTUAL HYDROLOGIC CONDITIONS.
- 2. THE RESULTS OF AQUIFER MONITORING PERFORMED BY THE DEPARTMENT IN THE ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA DURING THE PREVIOUS FIVE YEARS, INCLUDING A DESCRIPTION OF BOTH CURRENT AQUIFER CONDITIONS AND CHANGES OVER TIME.
- 3. THE RESULTS OF ANY RECENT HYDROLOGIC MODELING OR FUTURE PROJECTIONS PERFORMED BY THE DEPARTMENT FOR THE ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA OR ANY PORTION OF THE ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA, INCLUDING TRENDS AND PROJECTIONS OF GROUNDWATER LEVELS OR OTHER HYDROLOGIC CHANGES EXPECTED TO OCCUR IN THE FUTURE BASED ON

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PROJECTED WATER SUPPLY AND DEMAND CONDITIONS, REGIONAL RECHARGE AND RECOVERY ACTIVITIES AND ANY OTHER RELEVANT CONDITIONS. THE PROJECTIONS SHALL BE DEVELOPED IN CONSULTATION WITH WATER PROVIDERS AND WATER USERS WITHIN THE ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA AND THE ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA'S GROUNDWATER USERS ADVISORY COUNCIL.

- 4. ANY OTHER INFORMATION THE DIRECTOR DETERMINES IS ADVISABLE TO REPORT CONCERNING WATER MANAGEMENT CONDITIONS WITHIN THE ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA.
- B. ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2005, AND ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 1 OF EVERY SECOND CALENDAR YEAR THEREAFTER, THE DIRECTOR SHALL SUBMIT TO THE LEGISLATURE AND THE GOVERNOR A REPORT FOR EACH ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA CONTAINING A SUMMARY OF WATER MANAGEMENT CONDITIONS WITHIN THE ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA. EACH REPORT SHALL CONTAIN THE FOLLOWING:
- 1. A WATER BUDGET OF ALL SOURCES OF WATER USED IN THE ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA DURING THE MOST RECENT TWO YEARS FOR WHICH INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE. THE WATER BUDGET SHALL RECOGNIZE LONG-TERM AVERAGE CONDITIONS AND ACTUAL HYDROLOGIC CONDITIONS.
- 2. A DESCRIPTION OF LONG-TERM TRENDS AND ANY CHANGES IN WATER MANAGEMENT CONDITIONS THAT HAVE OCCURRED SINCE THE LAST REPORT WAS SUBMITTED PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION.
- 3. ANY OTHER INFORMATION THE DIRECTOR DETERMINES IS ADVISABLE TO REPORT CONCERNING WATER MANAGEMENT CONDITIONS WITHIN THE ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA.
- Sec. 13. Section 45-565.01, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

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45-565.01. Non-per capita conservation program for municipal providers; second management period
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- A. In addition to the provisions of the management plan for the second management period prescribed by section 45-565, subsection A, not later than January 1, 1995 the director shall include in the management plan a non-per capita conservation program for municipal providers that requires a municipal provider approved for the program to implement specific conservation programs within its service area, including all of the following:
- 1. Residential and nonresidential conservation programs for interior and exterior water use.
 - 2. A public education program relating to water conservation.
- 3. A program to meter all service area connections, except connections to fire services, dwelling units in multifamily residential structures, mobile homes in mobile home parks with master meters and construction users.
- B. In a non-per capita conservation program established under this section, the director shall establish a standard incidental recharge factor for all municipal providers that apply for the program, except for municipal providers that are members of a groundwater replenishment district established under title 48, chapter 27. A municipal provider that applies for the non-per capita conservation program may request in its application

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that the director establish an incidental recharge factor for the municipal provider that is different than the standard incidental recharge factor established in the program. The director may establish a different incidental recharge factor for the municipal provider if the municipal provider demonstrates to the satisfaction of the director that the ratio of the average annual amount of incidental recharge expected to be attributable to the municipal provider during the management period to the average annual amount of water expected to be withdrawn, diverted or received for delivery by the municipal provider for use within its service area during the management period is different than the standard incidental recharge factor.

- C. A municipal provider may apply for a non-per capita conservation program established under this section if any of the following applies:
- 1. The municipal provider is a member of a groundwater replenishment district established under title 48, chapter 27.
- 2. The service area of the municipal provider has qualified as a member service area under title 48, chapter 22, or as a water district member service area under title 48, chapter 28, and the conditions established under section 45-576.01, subsection B, paragraphs 2 and 3 are met by the conservation district or the water district, as applicable, for the active management area in which the service area is located.
 - 3. The municipal provider has developed a plan to both:
- (a) Reduce the proportion of mined groundwater supplied by it for use within its service area such that the result computed by dividing the volume of mined groundwater supplied by the provider for use within its service area in a year by the volume of all water supplied by the provider for use within its service area in that year does not exceed:
 - (i) Fourteen-fifteenths for 1996.
 - (ii) Thirteen-fifteenths for 1997.
 - (iii) Four-fifths for 1998.
 - (iv) Eleven-fifteenths for 1999.
 - (v) Two-thirds for 2000.
 - (vi) Three-fifths for 2001.
 - (vii) Eight-fifteenths for 2002.
 - (viii) Seven-fifteenths for 2003.
 - (ix) Two-fifths for 2004.
 - (x) One-third for 2005.
 - (xi) Four-fifteenths for 2006.
 - (xii) One-fifth for 2007.
 - (xiii) Two-fifteenths for 2008.
 - (xiv) One-fifteenth for 2009.
- (b) Deliver no mined groundwater for use within its service area after January 1, 2010.
- 4. The municipal provider is designated as having an assured water supply under rules adopted by the director pursuant to section 45-576.

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- 5. The municipal provider has applied to the director to be designated as having an assured water supply under rules adopted by the director pursuant to section 45-576 and the director has not yet granted or denied the application.
- 6. The municipal provider is a city or town that is deemed to have an assured water supply under section 45-576, subsection E and both of the following apply:
- (a) The municipal provider has not applied to the director to be designated as having an assured water supply under rules adopted by the director pursuant to section 45-576.
- (b) The municipal provider can demonstrate that if it was applying to the director to be designated as having an assured water supply under rules adopted by the director pursuant to section 45-576, its projected groundwater use would be found to be consistent with achieving the management goal of the active management area under the criteria contained in those rules.
- D. The director shall prescribe and furnish an application form for a non-per capita conservation program established under this section that includes the following:
- 1. If the municipal provider requests an incidental recharge factor different than the standard incidental recharge factor established by the director pursuant to subsection B of this section:
- (a) A copy of a hydrological study that demonstrates the amount of water withdrawn, diverted or received for delivery by the municipal provider for use within its service area during each of the preceding five years and the amount of incidental recharge that was attributable to the municipal provider during each of those years.
- (b) A copy of a hydrological study that projects the average annual amount of water that will be withdrawn, diverted or received for delivery by the municipal provider for use within its service area during the management period and the average annual amount of incidental recharge that will be attributable to the municipal provider during the management period.
- 2. If the municipal provider is applying for the program under subsection C, paragraph 3 of this section, a copy of the plan described in that paragraph.
- 3. If the municipal provider is applying for the program under subsection C, paragraph 6 of this section, information demonstrating that if the municipal provider was applying to the director to be designated as having an assured water supply under rules adopted by the director pursuant to section 45-576, the municipal provider's projected groundwater use would be found to be consistent with achieving the management goal of the active management area under the criteria contained in those rules.
- 4. A description of the conservation programs currently being implemented by the municipal provider, and any conservation programs that the municipal provider intends to implement if it is approved for the non-per

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capita conservation program, including a time schedule for implementing the programs.

- 5. Any other information that the director may require.
- E. The director shall approve a municipal provider's application for a non-per capita conservation program established under this section only if the following conditions are satisfied:
- 1. The municipal provider agrees in writing to implement specific conservation programs that will result in achieving water use efficiency in the municipal provider's service area equivalent to the water use efficiency that was assumed by the director in establishing the municipal provider's per capita conservation requirements pursuant to section 45-565, subsection A, paragraph 2, including the programs described in subsection A of this section.
- 2. If the municipal provider is applying for the program under subsection C, paragraph 3 of this section, the municipal provider has demonstrated to the satisfaction of the director that it will reduce the proportion of mined groundwater supplied by it for use within its service area to the proportions described in subsection C, paragraph 3, subdivision (a) of this section, and that it will not deliver mined groundwater for use within its service area after January 1, 2010.
- 3. If the municipal provider is applying for the program under subsection C, paragraph 5 of this section, the director has made a preliminary determination that the municipal provider's projected groundwater use is consistent with achieving the management goal of the active management area under the criteria contained in rules adopted by the director pursuant to section 45-576. A preliminary determination for purposes of this paragraph is not binding on the director at the time the director determines whether to designate the municipal provider as having an assured water supply.
- 4. If the municipal provider is applying for the program under subsection C, paragraph 6 of this section, the director has made a preliminary determination that if the municipal provider was applying to the director to be designated as having an assured water supply under rules adopted by the director pursuant to section 45-576, the municipal provider's projected groundwater use would be found to be consistent with achieving the management goal of the active management area under those rules. A preliminary determination of the director for purposes of this paragraph is not binding on the director at the time the director determines whether to designate the municipal provider as having an assured water supply.
- F. A municipal provider that is approved for a non-per capita conservation program established under this section shall comply with any individual user requirements prescribed pursuant to section 45-565, subsection A, paragraph 2, except as provided in section 45-571.02.
- G. The director shall include in a non-per capita conservation program established under this section:

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- 1. A requirement that a municipal provider that applied for the program under subsection C, paragraph 3 of this section shall reduce the proportion of mined groundwater supplied by it for use within its service area to the proportions described in subsection C, paragraph 3, subdivision (a) of this section. The director may excuse a municipal provider's failure to comply with the requirement during any year if the municipal provider demonstrates to the satisfaction of the director that the municipal provider's failure to comply with the requirement was due to drought conditions or the failure of a surface water distribution system.
- 2. A requirement that a municipal provider that applied for the program under subsection C, paragraph 4 or 5 of this section shall not supply groundwater for use within its service area in an amount that exceeds that amount of groundwater that the municipal provider may supply for use within its service area consistent with rules adopted by the director pursuant to section 45-576. For purposes of this requirement, if a municipal provider has applied to the director to be designated as having an assured water supply under rules adopted by the director pursuant to section 45-576 and the application is not approved, the amount of groundwater that the municipal provider may supply for use within its service area consistent with the rules is the amount of groundwater that the director determines the municipal provider would have been allowed to supply consistent with the rules if the application had been granted.
- H. A municipal provider that applies for a non-per capita conservation program under this section shall comply with the per capita conservation requirements established under section 45-565, subsection A, paragraph 2 until the director approves the application. If the municipal provider's application for the non-per capita conservation program is approved by the director, the provider is exempt from the per capita conservation requirements prescribed under section 45-565, subsection A, paragraph 2.
- Sec. 14. Section 45-566.01, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

45-566.01. Non-per capita conservation program for municipal providers; third management period

- A. In addition to the provisions of the management plan for the third management period prescribed by section 45-566, subsection A, paragraph 2, the director shall include in the management plan a non-per capita conservation program for municipal providers that requires a municipal provider approved for the program to implement specific conservation programs within its service area, including all of the following:
- 1. Residential and nonresidential conservation programs for interior and exterior water use.
 - 2. A public education program relating to water conservation.
- 3. A program to meter all service area connections, except connections to fire services, dwelling units in multifamily residential structures, mobile homes in mobile home parks with master meters and construction users.

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- In a non-per capita conservation program established under this section, the director shall establish a standard incidental recharge factor for all municipal providers that apply for the program, except for municipal providers that are members of a groundwater replenishment district established under title 48, chapter 27. A municipal provider that applies for the non-per capita conservation program may request in its application that the director establish an incidental recharge factor for the municipal provider that is different than the standard incidental recharge factor established in the program. The director may establish a different incidental recharge factor for the municipal provider if the municipal provider demonstrates to the satisfaction of the director that the ratio of the average annual amount of incidental recharge expected to be attributable to the municipal provider during the management period to the average annual amount of water expected to be withdrawn, diverted or received for delivery by the municipal provider for use within its service area during the management period is different than the standard incidental recharge factor.
- C. A municipal provider that was approved for a non-per capita conservation program established pursuant to section 45-565.01 and that applies for the non-per capita conservation program established under this section within ninety days from the date of the first notice of the conservation requirements prescribed pursuant to section 45-566, subsection A, paragraph 2 remains subject to the program established under section 45-565.01 until the director approves or denies the application. If the director denies the application or if the provider fails to apply within ninety days from the date of the first notice of the conservation requirements prescribed pursuant to section 45-566, subsection A, paragraph 2, the municipal provider shall comply with the per capita conservation requirements prescribed pursuant to section 45-566, subsection A, paragraph 2, until the director approves an application filed by the provider for the non-per capita conservation program established pursuant to this section.
- D. A municipal provider may apply for a non-per capita conservation program established under this section if any of the following applies:
- 1. The municipal provider is a member of a groundwater replenishment district established under title 48, chapter 27.
- 2. The service area of the municipal provider has qualified as a member service area under title 48, chapter 22, or as a water district member service area under title 48, chapter 28, and the conditions established under section 45-576.01, subsection B, paragraphs 2 and 3 are met by the conservation district or the water district, as applicable, for the active management area in which the service area is located.
 - 3. The municipal provider has developed a plan to both:
- (a) Reduce the proportion of mined groundwater supplied by it for use within its service area such that the result computed by dividing the volume of mined groundwater supplied by the provider for use within its service area

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in a year by the volume of all water supplied by the provider for use within its service area in that year does not exceed:

- (i) Two-thirds for 2000.
- (ii) Three-fifths for 2001.
- (iii) Eight-fifteenths for 2002.
- (iv) Seven-fifteenths for 2003.
- (v) Two-fifths for 2004.
- (vi) One-third for 2005.
- (vii) Four-fifteenths for 2006.
- (viii) One-fifth for 2007.
- (ix) Two-fifteenths for 2008.
- (x) One-fifteenth for 2009.
- (b) Deliver no mined groundwater for use within its service area after January 1, 2010.
- 4. The municipal provider is designated as having an assured water supply under rules adopted by the director pursuant to section 45-576.
- E. The director shall prescribe and furnish an application form for a non-per capita conservation program established under this section that includes the following:
- 1. If the municipal provider requests an incidental recharge factor different than the standard incidental recharge factor established by the director pursuant to subsection B of this section:
- (a) A copy of a hydrological study that demonstrates the amount of water withdrawn, diverted or received for delivery by the municipal provider for use within its service area during each of the preceding five years and the amount of incidental recharge that was attributable to the municipal provider during each of those years.
- (b) A copy of a hydrological study that projects the average annual amount of water that will be withdrawn, diverted or received for delivery by the municipal provider for use within its service area during the management period and the average annual amount of incidental recharge that will be attributable to the municipal provider during the management period.
- 2. If the municipal provider is applying for the program under subsection D, paragraph 3 of this section, a copy of the plan described in that paragraph.
- 3. A description of the conservation programs currently being implemented by the municipal provider, and any conservation programs that the municipal provider intends to implement if it is approved for the non-per capita conservation program, including a time schedule for implementing the programs.
 - 4. Any other information that the director may require.
- F. The director shall approve a municipal provider's application for a non-per capita conservation program established under this section only if the following conditions are satisfied:

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- 1. The municipal provider agrees in writing to implement specific conservation programs that will result in achieving water use efficiency in the municipal provider's service area equivalent to the water use efficiency that was assumed by the director in establishing the municipal provider's per capita conservation requirements pursuant to section 45-566, subsection A, paragraph 2, including the programs described in subsection A of this section.
- 2. If the municipal provider is applying for the program under subsection D, paragraph 3 of this section, the municipal provider has demonstrated to the satisfaction of the director that it will reduce the proportion of mined groundwater supplied by it for use within its service area to the proportions described in subsection D, paragraph 3, subdivision (a) of this section, and that it will not deliver mined groundwater for use within its service area after January 1, 2010.
- G. A municipal provider that is approved for a non-per capita conservation program established under this section shall comply with any individual user requirements prescribed pursuant to section 45-566, subsection A, paragraph 2, except as provided in section 45-571.02.
- H. The director shall include in a non-per capita conservation program established under this section:
- 1. A requirement that a municipal provider that applied for the program under subsection D, paragraph 3 of this section shall reduce the proportion of mined groundwater supplied by it for use within its service area to the proportions described in subsection D, paragraph 3, subdivision (a) of this section and shall not deliver mined groundwater for use within its service area after January 1, 2010. The director may excuse a municipal provider's failure to comply with the requirement during any year if the municipal provider demonstrates to the satisfaction of the director that the municipal provider's failure to comply with the requirement was due to drought conditions or the failure of a surface water distribution system.
- 2. A requirement that a municipal provider that applied for the program under subsection D, paragraph 4 of this section shall not supply groundwater for use within its service area in an amount that exceeds the amount of groundwater that the municipal provider may supply for use within its service area consistent with rules adopted by the director pursuant to section 45-576.
- I. Except as provided in subsection C of this section, a municipal provider that applies for a non-per capita conservation program under this section shall comply with the per capita conservation requirements established under section 45-566, subsection A, paragraph 2 until the director approves the application. If the municipal provider's application for the non-per capita conservation program is approved by the director, the provider is exempt from the per capita conservation requirements prescribed under section 45-566, subsection A, paragraph 2.

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Sec. 15. Section 45-567.01, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

45-567.01. Non-per capita conservation program for municipal providers; fourth management period

- A. In addition to the provisions of the management plan for the fourth management period prescribed by section 45-567, subsection A, the director shall include in the management plan a non-per capita conservation program for municipal providers that requires a municipal provider approved for the program to implement specific conservation programs within its service area, including all of the following:
- $1. \ \ {\tt Residential} \ \ {\tt and} \ \ {\tt nonresidential} \ \ {\tt conservation} \ \ {\tt programs} \ \ {\tt for} \ \ {\tt interior} \\ {\tt and} \ \ {\tt exterior} \ \ {\tt water} \ \ {\tt use}.$
 - 2. A public education program relating to water conservation.
- 3. A program to meter all service area connections, except connections to fire services, dwelling units in multifamily residential structures, mobile homes in mobile home parks with master meters and construction users.
- In a non-per capita conservation program established under this section, the director shall establish a standard incidental recharge factor for all municipal providers that apply for the program, except for municipal providers that are members of a groundwater replenishment district established under title 48, chapter 27. A municipal provider that applies for the non-per capita conservation program may request in its application that the director establish an incidental recharge factor for the municipal provider that is different than the standard incidental recharge factor established in the program. The director may establish a different incidental recharge factor for the municipal provider if the municipal provider demonstrates to the satisfaction of the director that the ratio of the average annual amount of incidental recharge expected to be attributable to the municipal provider during the management period to the average annual amount of water expected to be withdrawn, diverted or received for delivery by the municipal provider for use within its service area during the management period is different than the standard incidental recharge factor.
- C. A municipal provider that was approved for a non-per capita conservation program established pursuant to section 45-566.01 and that applies for the non-per capita conservation program established under this section within ninety days from the date of the first notice of the conservation requirements prescribed pursuant to section 45-567, subsection A, paragraph 2 remains subject to the program established under section 45-566.01 until the director approves or denies the application. If the director denies the application, or if the provider fails to apply for the program within ninety days from the date of the first notice of the conservation requirements prescribed pursuant to section 45-567, subsection A, paragraph 2, the municipal provider shall comply with the per capita conservation requirements prescribed pursuant to section 45-567, subsection A, paragraph 2, until the director approves an application filed by the

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provider for the non-per capita conservation program established pursuant to this section.

- D. A municipal provider may apply for a non-per capita conservation program established under this section if any of the following applies:
- 1. The municipal provider is a member of a groundwater replenishment district established under title 48, chapter 27.
- 2. The service area of the municipal provider has qualified as a member service area under title 48, chapter 22, or as a water district member service area under title 48, chapter 28, and the conditions established under section 45-576.01, subsection B, paragraphs 2 and 3 are met by the conservation district or the water district, as applicable, for the active management area in which the service area is located.
- 3. The municipal provider has developed a plan to deliver no mined groundwater for use within its service area after January 1, 2010.
- 4. The municipal provider is designated as having an assured water supply under rules adopted by the director pursuant to section 45-576.
- E. The director shall prescribe and furnish an application form for a non-per capita conservation program established under this section that includes the following:
- 1. If the municipal provider requests an incidental recharge factor different than the standard incidental recharge factor established by the director pursuant to subsection B of this section:
- (a) A copy of a hydrological study that demonstrates the amount of water withdrawn, diverted or received for delivery by the municipal provider for use within its service area during each of the preceding five years and the amount of incidental recharge that was attributable to the municipal provider during each of those years.
- (b) A copy of a hydrological study that projects the average annual amount of water that will be withdrawn, diverted or received for delivery by the municipal provider for use within its service area during the management period and the average annual amount of incidental recharge that will be attributable to the municipal provider during the management period.
- 2. If the municipal provider is applying for the program under subsection D, paragraph 3 of this section a copy of the plan described in that paragraph.
- 3. A description of the conservation programs currently being implemented by the municipal provider, and any conservation programs that the municipal provider intends to implement if it is approved for the non-per capita conservation program, including a time schedule for implementing the programs.
 - 4. Any other information that the director may require.
- F. The director shall approve a municipal provider's application for a non-per capita conservation program established under this section only if the following conditions are satisfied:

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- 1. The municipal provider agrees in writing to implement specific conservation programs that will result in achieving water use efficiency in the municipal provider's service area equivalent to the water use efficiency that was assumed by the director in establishing the municipal provider's per capita conservation requirements pursuant to section 45-567, subsection A, paragraph 2, including the programs described in subsection A of this section.
- 2. If the municipal provider applied for the program under subsection D, paragraph 3 of this section, the municipal provider has demonstrated to the satisfaction of the director that it will not deliver mined groundwater for use within its service area after January 1, 2010.
- G. A municipal provider that is approved for a non-per capita conservation program established under this section shall comply with any individual user requirements prescribed pursuant to section 45-567, subsection A, paragraph 2, except as provided in section 45-571.02.
- H. The director shall include in a non-per capita conservation program established under this section:
- 1. A requirement that a municipal provider that applied for the program under subsection D, paragraph 3 of this section shall not deliver mined groundwater for use within its service area after January 1, 2010. The director may excuse a municipal provider's failure to comply with the requirement during any year if the municipal provider demonstrates to the satisfaction of the director that the municipal provider's failure to comply with the requirement was due to drought conditions or the failure of a surface water distribution system.
- 2. A requirement that a municipal provider that applied for the program under subsection D, paragraph 4 of this section shall not supply groundwater for use within its service area in an amount that exceeds the amount of groundwater the municipal provider may supply for use within its service area consistent with rules adopted by the director pursuant to section 45-576.
- I. Except as provided in subsection C of this section, a municipal provider that applies for a non-per capita conservation program established under this section shall comply with the per capita conservation requirements prescribed pursuant to section 45-567, subsection A, paragraph 2 until the director approves the application. If the municipal provider's application for the non-per capita conservation program is approved by the director, the provider is exempt from the per capita conservation requirements prescribed under section 45-567, subsection A, paragraph 2.
- Sec. 16. Title 45, chapter 2, article 9, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended by adding section 45-569.01, to read:

45-569.01. Adoption of incidental recharge factor

A. IN ADDITION TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE MANAGEMENT PLANS FOR THE THIRD MANAGEMENT PERIOD PRESCRIBED BY SECTION 45-566, SUBSECTION A, THE MANAGEMENT PLANS FOR THE FOURTH MANAGEMENT PERIOD PRESCRIBED BY SECTION 45-567,

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- SUBSECTION A AND THE MANAGEMENT PLANS FOR THE FIFTH MANAGEMENT PERIOD PRESCRIBED BY SECTION 45-568, SUBSECTION A, THE DIRECTOR SHALL INCLUDE IN THE MANAGEMENT PLANS A STANDARD INCIDENTAL RECHARGE FACTOR FOR ALL MUNICIPAL PROVIDERS THAT SERVE OR MAY SERVE LIMITED SERVICE AREAS DURING THE APPLICABLE MANAGEMENT PERIOD AND FOR EACH CATEGORY OF LIMITED GROUNDWATER RIGHT HOLDERS.
- B. WITHIN ONE YEAR BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2025 AND WITHIN ONE YEAR BEFORE JANUARY 1 OF EVERY TENTH CALENDAR YEAR THEREAFTER, THE DIRECTOR SHALL ADOPT STANDARD INCIDENTAL RECHARGE FACTORS FOR THE FOLLOWING TEN YEAR PERIOD FOR ALL MUNICIPAL PROVIDERS THAT SERVE OR MAY SERVE LIMITED SERVICE AREAS AND FOR EACH CATEGORY OF LIMITED GROUNDWATER RIGHT HOLDERS. IN ADOPTING THE STANDARD INCIDENTAL RECHARGE FACTORS, THE DIRECTOR SHALL COMPLY WITH THE PROCEDURES SET FORTH IN SECTIONS 45-570 AND 45-571 FOR THE ADOPTION OF A MANAGEMENT PLAN.
- C. A MUNICIPAL PROVIDER MAY APPLY TO THE DIRECTOR TO ESTABLISH AN INCIDENTAL RECHARGE FACTOR FOR THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER THAT IS DIFFERENT THAN THE STANDARD INCIDENTAL RECHARGE FACTOR. THE DIRECTOR MAY ESTABLISH A DIFFERENT INCIDENTAL RECHARGE FACTOR FOR THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER IF THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER DEMONSTRATES TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE DIRECTOR THAT THE RATIO OF THE AVERAGE ANNUAL AMOUNT OF INCIDENTAL RECHARGE EXPECTED TO BE ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER DURING THE APPLICABLE PERIOD TO THE AVERAGE ANNUAL AMOUNT OF WATER EXPECTED TO BE WITHDRAWN, DIVERTED OR RECEIVED FOR DELIVERY BY THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER FOR USE WITHIN ITS SERVICE AREA DURING THE APPLICABLE PERIOD IS DIFFERENT THAN THE STANDARD INCIDENTAL RECHARGE FACTOR.
- D. A LIMITED GROUNDWATER RIGHT HOLDER MAY APPLY TO THE DIRECTOR TO ESTABLISH AN INCIDENTAL RECHARGE FACTOR FOR THE RIGHT HOLDER THAT IS DIFFERENT THAN THE STANDARD INCIDENTAL RECHARGE FACTOR. THE DIRECTOR MAY ESTABLISH A DIFFERENT INCIDENTAL RECHARGE FACTOR FOR THE RIGHT HOLDER IF THE RIGHT HOLDER DEMONSTRATES TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE DIRECTOR THAT THE RATIO OF THE AVERAGE ANNUAL AMOUNT OF INCIDENTAL RECHARGE EXPECTED TO BE ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE RIGHT HOLDER DURING THE APPLICABLE PERIOD TO THE AVERAGE ANNUAL AMOUNT OF WATER EXPECTED TO BE WITHDRAWN, DIVERTED OR USED BY THE RIGHT HOLDER DURING THE APPLICABLE PERIOD IS DIFFERENT THAN THE STANDARD INCIDENTAL RECHARGE FACTOR.
- E. AN APPLICATION UNDER SUBSECTION C OR D OF THIS SECTION SHALL BE FILED WITH THE DIRECTOR WITHIN NINETY DAYS OF THE ADOPTION OF THE STANDARD INCIDENTAL RECHARGE FACTORS OR, IF THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER DOES NOT QUALIFY ITS LIMITED SERVICE AREA AS A LIMITED MEMBER SERVICE AREA OR IF THE LIMITED GROUNDWATER RIGHT HOLDER DOES NOT QUALIFY ITS REAL PROPERTY AS LIMITED MEMBER LANDS UNTIL AFTER THE ADOPTION OF THE STANDARD INCIDENTAL RECHARGE FACTORS, WITHIN NINETY DAYS OF THE QUALIFICATION AS A LIMITED MEMBER SERVICE AREA OR QUALIFICATION AS LIMITED MEMBER LANDS.
 - Sec. 17. Section 45-576, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

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45-576. Certificate of assured water supply; designated cities, towns and private water companies; exemptions; definition

- A. A person who proposes to offer subdivided lands, as defined in section 32-2101, for sale or lease in an active management area shall apply for and obtain a certificate of assured water supply from the director prior to presenting the plat for approval to the city, town or county in which the land is located, where such is required, and prior to filing with the state real estate commissioner a notice of intention to offer such lands for sale or lease, pursuant to section 32-2181, unless the subdivider has obtained a written commitment of water service for the subdivision from a city, town or private water company designated as having an assured water supply pursuant to this section.
- B. A city, town or county may approve a subdivision plat only if the subdivider has obtained a certificate of assured water supply from the director or the subdivider has obtained a written commitment of water service for the subdivision from a city, town or private water company designated as having an assured water supply pursuant to this section. The city, town or county shall note on the face of the approved plat that a certificate of assured water supply has been submitted with the plat or that the subdivider has obtained a written commitment of water service for the proposed subdivision from a city, town or private water company designated as having an assured water supply pursuant to this section.
- C. The state real estate commissioner may issue a public report authorizing the sale or lease of subdivided lands only if the subdivider, owner or agent has obtained a certificate of assured water supply from the director AND HAS PAID ANY REPLENISHMENT RESERVE FEE REQUIRED UNDER SECTION 48-3774.02, SUBSECTION A, PARAGRAPH 2 or IF the subdivider has obtained a written commitment of water service for the lands from a city, town or private water company designated as having an assured water supply pursuant to this section.
- D. The director shall designate private water companies in active management areas that have an assured water supply. If a city or town acquires a private water company which has contracted for central Arizona project water, the city or town shall assume the private water company's contract for central Arizona project water.
- E. The director shall designate cities and towns in active management areas where an assured water supply exists. If a city or town has entered into a contract for central Arizona project water, the city or town is deemed to continue to have an assured water supply until December 31, 1997. Commencing on January 1, 1998, the determination that the city or town has an assured water supply is subject to review by the director and the director may determine that a city or town does not have an assured water supply.

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- The director shall notify the mayors of all cities and towns in active management areas and the chairmen of the boards of supervisors of counties in which active management areas are located of the cities, towns and private water companies designated as having an assured water supply and any modification of that designation within thirty days of the designation or WHEN THE SERVICE AREA OF THAT CITY, TOWN OR PRIVATE WATER COMPANY HAS QUALIFIED AS A MEMBER SERVICE AREA OF A CONSERVATION DISTRICT PURSUANT TO TITLE 48, CHAPTER 22, ARTICLE 4, THE DIRECTOR SHALL ALSO NOTIFY THE CONSERVATION DISTRICT OF THE DESIGNATION OR MODIFICATION AND SHALL REPORT THE PROJECTED ANNUAL REPLENISHMENT OBLIGATION FOR THE MEMBER SERVICE AREA BASED ON THE PROJECTED AND COMMITTED ANNUAL DEMAND FOR WATER WITHIN THE SERVICE AREA DURING THE EFFECTIVE TERM OF THE DESIGNATION OR MODIFICATION SUBJECT TO ANY LIMITATION IN AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CONSERVATION DISTRICT AND THE CITY, TOWN OR PRIVATE WATER COMPANY persons proposing to offer subdivided lands served by those designated cities, towns and private water companies for sale or lease are exempt from applying for and obtaining a certificate of assured water supply.
- G. This section does not apply in the case of the sale of lands for developments which are subject to a mineral extraction and processing permit or an industrial use permit pursuant to sections 45-514 and 45-515.
- H. The director shall adopt rules to carry out the purposes of this section no later than January 1, 1995.
- I. For purposes of this section, "assured water supply" means all of the following:
- 1. Sufficient groundwater, surface water or effluent of adequate quality will be continuously available to satisfy the water needs of the proposed use for at least one hundred years. Beginning January 1 of the calendar year following the year in which a groundwater replenishment district is required to submit its preliminary plan pursuant to section 45-576.02, subsection A, paragraph 1, with respect to an applicant that is a member of the district, "sufficient groundwater" for purposes of this paragraph means that the proposed groundwater withdrawals that the applicant will cause over a period of one hundred years will be of adequate quality and will not exceed, in combination with other withdrawals from land in the replenishment district, a depth to water of one thousand feet or the depth of the bottom of the aquifer, whichever is less. In determining depth to water for the purposes of this paragraph, the director shall consider the combination of:
 - (a) The existing rate of decline.
 - (b) The proposed withdrawals.
- (c) The expected water requirements of all recorded lots that are not yet served water and that are located in the service area of a municipal provider.
- 2. The projected groundwater use is consistent with the management plan and achievement of the management goal for the active management area.

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3. The financial capability has been demonstrated to construct the water facilities necessary to make the supply of water available for the proposed use, including a delivery system and any storage facilities or treatment works. The director may accept evidence of the construction assurances required by section 9-463.01, 11-806.01 or 32-2181 to satisfy this requirement.

Sec. 18. Section 45-576.01, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

45-576.01. Determining consistency with management goal in a replenishment district and conservation district

- A. For the purpose of determining whether an assured water supply exists, the director shall find that a groundwater replenishment district member's projected use is consistent with achieving the management goal for the active management area under section 45-576 if:
- 1. The land for which a certificate or the city, town or private water company for which a designation is sought is in a groundwater replenishment district established pursuant to title 48, chapter 27.
- 2. The director has made either a preliminary determination that has not expired or a final determination that the district's plan for operation is consistent with achieving the management goal according to section 45-576.03, subsection E.
- 3. The master replenishment account established pursuant to section 45-858.01 does not have a debit balance that exceeds the cumulative amount of the district's debits accrued during the four preceding calendar years.
- B. For the purpose of determining whether an assured water supply exists, the director shall find that a projected use is consistent with achieving the management goal for the active management area under section 45-576 if all of the following apply:
- 1. The land for which a certificate is sought is a member land, or the service area of a city, town or private water company for which a designation is sought is a member service area, in a conservation district as provided by title 48, chapter 22, article 4, or the land for which a certificate is sought is a water district member land, or the service area for which a designation is sought is a water district member service area in a water district as provided by title 48, chapter 28, article 7.
- 2. The director has made a determination that has not expired that the most recent plan for operation submitted under section 45-576.02, subsection C or E by the conservation district or the water district, whichever is obligated to replenish groundwater on behalf of the land for which a certificate is sought or the service area of a city, town or private water company for which a designation is sought, is consistent with achieving the management goal for the active management area in which the use is located according to section 45-576.03, subsection N or O, as applicable.
- 3. The conservation district or the water district, whichever is obligated to replenish groundwater on behalf of the land for which a

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certificate is sought or the service area of a city, town or private water company for which a designation is sought, is currently in compliance with its groundwater replenishment obligation for the active management area in which the use is located, as determined by the director pursuant to section 45-859.01 or 45-860.01.

Sec. 19. Section 45-576.02, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

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45-576.02. Replenishment district plans and conservation district plans
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- A. A groundwater replenishment district that is established pursuant to title 48, chapter 27 shall submit to the director:
- 1. On or before January 1 of the second calendar year following the year in which the district is established, a preliminary plan describing the activities that the district proposes to undertake during the seventeen calendar years following submittal of the preliminary plan.
- 2. On or before January 1 of the twelfth calendar year following the year in which the district is established, a long-range plan describing the district's proposed activities through the first calendar year in which achieving safe-yield is required.
 - B. The district's plan shall include:
- 1. An estimate of the district members' replenishment obligations that will arise during the planning period.
- 2. A description of water resources that are expected to be available to the district during the planning period.
- 3. A description of any facilities and projects to be used for replenishment during the planning period.
- 4. An analysis of potential groundwater replenishment sites in each groundwater sub-basin in the district.
- 5. A description of the district's financial capabilities and financial requirements that are necessary to address the district members' replenishment obligations during the planning period.
- 6. A description of the district's current capability to meet the district members' replenishment obligations for the five calendar years following the calendar year in which the district submits its plan.
 - 7. Any other information that the director may reasonably require.
- C. A conservation district that is established pursuant to title 48, chapter 22, article 4 shall submit to the director:
- 1. On or before June 1, 1994, and on or within one year before January 1 of every tenth calendar year thereafter, commencing on January 1, 2004, a plan describing the activities that the conservation district proposes to undertake during the twenty calendar years following submitting the plan. Except as provided in subsection D of this section, the plan shall include the following information for each active management area in which a member land or member service area is or may be located:

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- 1. (a) An estimate of the conservation district's current and projected groundwater replenishment obligations, as that term is defined and used in title 48, chapter 22, for the twenty calendar years following the submission of the plan.
- 2. (b) A description of water resources that are expected to be available to the conservation district for replenishment purposes during the twenty calendar years following the submission of the plan.
- 3. (c) A description of any facilities and projects to be used for replenishment purposes during the twenty calendar years following the submission of the plan.
- 4. (d) An analysis of potential groundwater replenishment sites in each groundwater sub-basin.
- 5. (e) A description of the conservation district's financial capabilities and financial requirements that are necessary to address the conservation district's groundwater replenishment obligations during the twenty calendar years following the submission of the plan.
- 6. (f) A description of the conservation district's current capability to meet the current and projected groundwater replenishment obligations for the five calendar years following the calendar year in which the conservation district submits the plan.
- 7. If a water district has adopted an ordinance or resolution to undertake water district groundwater replenishment obligations pursuant to section 48-4971, subsection Λ , a description of central Arizona project water that may be available to the water district for replenishment purposes during the twenty calendar years following the submission of the plan.
 - 8. (g) Any other information that the director may require.
- 2. ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2005 AND WITHIN ONE YEAR BEFORE JANUARY 1 OF EVERY TENTH CALENDAR YEAR THEREAFTER, A PLAN DESCRIBING THE ACTIVITIES FOR EACH ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA THAT THE CONSERVATION DISTRICT PROPOSES TO UNDERTAKE DURING THE ONE HUNDRED CALENDAR YEARS FOLLOWING THE SUBMISSION OF THE PLAN. EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION D OF THIS SECTION, THE PLAN SHALL INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION FOR EACH ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA IN WHICH A MEMBER LAND, LIMITED MEMBER LAND, MEMBER SERVICE AREA OR LIMITED MEMBER SERVICE AREA IS OR MAY BE LOCATED:
- (a) THE CONSERVATION DISTRICT'S GROUNDWATER REPLENISHMENT OBLIGATIONS AND THE EXTENT TO WHICH THOSE OBLIGATIONS HAVE BEEN MET IN THE TEN YEARS PRECEDING SUBMITTAL OF THE PLAN.
- (b) AN ESTIMATE OF THE CONSERVATION DISTRICT'S CURRENT AND PROJECTED GROUNDWATER REPLENISHMENT OBLIGATIONS, AS THAT TERM IS DEFINED AND USED IN TITLE 48, CHAPTER 22, FOR CURRENT MEMBERS FOR THE TWENTY CALENDAR YEARS FOLLOWING THE SUBMISSION OF THE PLAN AND AN ESTIMATE OF THE DISTRICT'S PROJECTED GROUNDWATER REPLENISHMENT OBLIGATIONS FOR THE ONE HUNDRED CALENDAR YEARS FOLLOWING THE SUBMISSION OF THE PLAN FOR CURRENT MEMBERS AND POTENTIAL MEMBERS BASED ON REASONABLE PROJECTIONS OF REAL PROPERTY, SERVICE AREAS AND

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LIMITED SERVICE AREAS THAT COULD QUALIFY FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE TEN YEARS FOLLOWING THE SUBMISSION OF THE PLAN.

- (c) A DESCRIPTION OF THE WATER RESOURCES THAT THE CONSERVATION DISTRICT PLANS TO USE FOR REPLENISHMENT PURPOSES DURING THE TWENTY CALENDAR YEARS FOLLOWING THE SUBMISSION OF THE PLAN AND WATER RESOURCES POTENTIALLY AVAILABLE TO THE CONSERVATION DISTRICT FOR GROUNDWATER REPLENISHMENT PURPOSES DURING THE SUBSEQUENT EIGHTY CALENDAR YEARS.
- (d) A DESCRIPTION OF THE DISTRICT'S CURRENT REPLENISHMENT RESERVE ACTIVITIES IN EACH ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA FOR THE TEN YEARS PRECEDING THE CURRENT PLAN AND PLANNED REPLENISHMENT RESERVE ACTIVITIES FOR THE ENSUING TEN YEARS TO BE UNDERTAKEN IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 48-3772. SUBSECTION E.
- (e) A DESCRIPTION OF ANY FACILITIES AND PROJECTS TO BE USED FOR REPLENISHMENT AND THE REPLENISHMENT CAPACITY AVAILABLE TO THE CONSERVATION DISTRICT DURING THE TWENTY CALENDAR YEARS FOLLOWING THE SUBMISSION OF THE PLAN.
- (f) AN ANALYSIS OF POTENTIAL STORAGE FACILITIES THAT MAY BE USED BY THE CONSERVATION DISTRICT FOR REPLENISHMENT PURPOSES.
- (g) A DESCRIPTION OF THE CONSERVATION DISTRICT'S CAPABILITY TO MEET THE CURRENT AND PROJECTED GROUNDWATER REPLENISHMENT OBLIGATIONS FOR THE TWENTY CALENDAR YEARS FOLLOWING THE CALENDAR YEAR IN WHICH THE CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUBMITS THE PLAN.
 - (h) ANY OTHER INFORMATION THAT THE DIRECTOR MAY REQUIRE.
- D. The information required by subsection C, paragraphs 2 and 6 PARAGRAPH 1, SUBDIVISIONS (b) AND (f) AND PARAGRAPH 2, SUBDIVISIONS (c) AND (g) of this section need not be included in a conservation district's plan if the conservation district demonstrates to the director that it has obtained an allocation of central Arizona project water OR OTHER WATER SUPPLIES DETERMINED BY THE DIRECTOR TO BE CONSISTENT WITH THE ASSURED WATER SUPPLY REQUIREMENTS PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-576 in an amount that equals or exceeds the projected groundwater replenishment obligation for the twenty calendar years following the submission of the plan. If the conservation district demonstrates to the director that it has obtained an allocation of central Arizona project water OR OTHER WATER SUPPLIES DETERMINED BY THE DIRECTOR TO BE CONSISTENT WITH THE ASSURED WATER SUPPLY REQUIREMENTS PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-576 in an amount that is less than the projected groundwater replenishment obligation for the twenty calendar years following the submission of the plan, the information required by subsection C, paragraphs 2 and 6 PARAGRAPH 1, SUBDIVISIONS (b) AND (f) AND PARAGRAPH 2, SUBDIVISIONS (c) AND (g) of this section shall be submitted only for the amount of the obligation in excess of the amount of the CENTRAL ARIZONA PROJECT WATER allocation OR OTHER SUPPLIES. The director shall quantify the amount of an allocation of central Arizona project water associated with a nondeclining municipal and industrial subcontract on the basis of the amount of the contract. The director shall quantify the amount of an allocation of central Arizona project water

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associated with a subcontract other than a nondeclining municipal and industrial subcontract on the basis of the reliability of the source.

E. A water district shall submit to the director on or before June 1 of the calendar year following the year in which the water district has adopted an ordinance or resolution to undertake the water district groundwater replenishment obligations under section 48-4971, and on or within one year before each date on which a plan is required to be submitted by the conservation district under subsection C of this section, a plan describing the replenishment activities that the water district proposes to undertake during the twenty calendar years following the submittal of the plan. The plan shall include the following information for the active management area in which the water district is located:

1. An estimate of the water district's current and projected water district groundwater replenishment obligation, as that term is defined and used in title 48, chapter 28, for the twenty calendar years following the submission of the plan.

2. A description of water resources that are expected to be available to the water district for replenishment purposes during the twenty calendar years following the submission of the plan.

3. A description of any facilities and projects to be used for replenishment purposes during the twenty calendar years following the submission of the plan.

4. An analysis of potential groundwater replenishment sites in each groundwater sub-basin.

5. A description of the water district's financial capabilities and financial requirements that are necessary to address the water district groundwater replenishment obligation during the twenty calendar years following the submission of the plan.

6. A description of the water district's current capability to meet the current and projected water district groundwater replenishment obligation for the five calendar years following the calendar year in which the water district submits the plan.

7. Any other information that the director may require.

F. For each plan submitted by the water district, the water district may incorporate applicable portions of the conservation district's plan.

Sec. 20. Section 45-576.03, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

45-576.03. Director's review of plans

A. Within sixty days after receiving a groundwater replenishment district's preliminary and long-range plans pursuant to section 45-576.02, the director shall determine if the district has submitted sufficient information to determine whether the district's plan for operation is consistent with the management goal of the active management area. If the director determines that the information is insufficient for such a determination, the director shall notify the district of the insufficiency in

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writing and shall specify what additional information is required. The district shall provide the information to the director within thirty days after receiving the notice.

- B. On determining that the district's preliminary or long-range plan is complete, the director shall publish notice in a newspaper of general statewide circulation once each week for two consecutive weeks:
- 1. Requesting public comment concerning information supplied by the district to meet the requirements of section 45-576.02.
- 2. Setting a date and location of a public hearing to be held pursuant to subsection ${\tt C}$ of this section.
- C. The director shall hold a public hearing within sixty days after the last day of notice under subsection B of this section. The hearing shall be conducted in an informal manner without adhering to the rules of evidence required in judicial proceedings. Any person, including the department, shall have an opportunity to comment on or to present evidence concerning the submitted plan.
- D. The district shall respond in writing to all public comments whether received at the hearing or otherwise received by a date announced by the director.
- E. Within one hundred twenty days after the hearing on the preliminary plan, the director shall issue a preliminary decision determining whether or not the plan for district operation shall be designated as being consistent with achieving the management goal. If the director determines that the preliminary plan for district operation is consistent with achieving the management goal, the designation expires on January 1 of the thirteenth calendar year following the calendar year in which the district is established. Within one hundred twenty days after the hearing on the long-range plan, the director shall issue a final decision determining whether or not the plan for district operation shall be designated as being consistent with achieving the management goal. The director shall include findings with the decision and a summary of all public comments received in writing and public comments made at the public hearing.
- F. The director shall issue a decision that the district's plan for operation is consistent with achieving the management goal if the director finds that the district has the current capability to meet the district members' replenishment obligations for the five calendar years following the calendar year in which the district submits its plan and, in addition, the director makes either of the following findings, as applicable:
- 1. If the director is evaluating the preliminary plan, that the district has established an adequate plan for obtaining financing and water resources that are necessary to meet the district members' replenishment obligations through the eighteenth calendar year following the year in which the district is established.
- 2. If the director is evaluating the long-range plan, that the district has established an adequate plan to meet the projected replenishment

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obligations through the first calendar year in which achieving safe-yield is required.

- G. Unless the district successfully appeals the director's decision pursuant to subsection H of this section, if the director has made a determination that the district's plan for operation is not consistent with achieving the management goal, the director shall notify the district of the inconsistency in writing and shall specify how the district's plan for operation is inconsistent with achieving the management goal. The district shall modify its proposed plan and resubmit the plan, and the director shall review the plan as provided by section 45-576.02 and this section, except that the director shall only hold a hearing regarding those matters that the district has modified in its resubmitted plan.
- H. The director's determination under subsection E of this section is subject to rehearing or review and to judicial review as provided in section 45-114, subsection C, but the court shall not issue a temporary restraining order or preliminary injunction to prevent the director from acting under this chapter while the action is pending.
- I. Within sixty days after receiving a conservation district's plan or a water district's plan pursuant to section 45-576.02, the director shall determine if the conservation district or water district, as the case may be, has submitted sufficient information to determine whether the conservation district's plan for operation is consistent with the management goals of each of the active management areas in which a member land or member service area is or may be located or whether the water district's plan for operation is consistent with the management goal of the active management area in which a water district member land or a water district member service area is or may be located. If the director determines that the information is insufficient for such a determination, the director shall notify the conservation district or water district, as the case may be, of the insufficiency in writing and shall specify what additional information is required. The conservation district or water district, as the case may be, shall provide the information to the director within a reasonable time as specified by the director.
- J. On determining that the conservation district's plan or the water district's plan, as the case may be, is complete, the director shall publish notice in a newspaper of general statewide circulation once each week for two consecutive weeks:
- 1. Requesting public comment concerning information supplied by the conservation district or water district, as the case may be, to meet the requirements of section 45-576.02.
- 2. Setting a date and location of a public hearing to be held pursuant to subsection K of this section.
- K. The director shall hold a public hearing within sixty days after the last day of the notice under subsection J of this section. The hearing shall be conducted in an informal manner without adhering to the rules of evidence required in judicial proceedings. Any person, including the

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department, shall have an opportunity to comment on or to present evidence concerning the submitted plan.

- L. The conservation district or the water district, as the case may be, shall respond in writing to all public comments whether received at the hearing or otherwise received by a date announced by the director.
- M. Within sixty days after the hearing on the first plan required under section 45-576.02, subsection C or the first plan required under section 45-576.02, subsection E and within one hundred twenty days after the hearing on any subsequent plan required under section 45-576.02, subsection C or E, the director shall issue a decision for each of the active management areas in which a member land or member service area is or may be located, and the active management area in which a water district member land or water district member service area is or may be located, determining whether or not the plan submitted with respect to an active management area shall be designated as being consistent with achieving the management goal of the active management area. If the director determines that the plan submitted for an active management area is consistent with achieving the management goal of that active management area, the designation expires on January 1 of the year following the year in which the conservation district or the water district, as the case may be, is required to submit its next plan under section 45-576.02, subsections SUBSECTION C and E. The director shall include findings with the decision and a summary of all public comments received in writing and public comments made at the public hearing.
- N. The director shall issue a decision MAKE A DETERMINATION that the conservation district's plan is consistent with achieving the management goal of an FOR EACH active management area if the director finds that the conservation district has the current capability to meet the current and projected groundwater replenishment obligation, as that term is defined and used in title 48, chapter 22, for the active management area for the five calendar years following the calendar year in which the conservation district submits its plan, and, in addition, the director finds that the conservation district has established an adequate plan to meet the projected groundwater replenishment obligation for the active management area for the twenty calendar years following the calendar year in which the plan was submitted ALL OF THE FOLLOWING HAVE BEEN DEMONSTRATED:
- 1. THE CONSERVATION DISTRICT HAS IDENTIFIED SUFFICIENT WATER SUPPLIES TO MEET ITS REPLENISHMENT OBLIGATIONS FOR CURRENT MEMBERS DURING THE TWENTY CALENDAR YEARS FOLLOWING THE SUBMISSION OF THE PLAN AND HAS IDENTIFIED ADDITIONAL WATER SUPPLIES POTENTIALLY AVAILABLE FOR THE DISTRICT'S PROJECTED GROUNDWATER REPLENISHMENT OBLIGATIONS FOR THE ONE HUNDRED CALENDAR YEARS FOLLOWING THE SUBMISSION OF THE PLAN FOR CURRENT MEMBERS AND POTENTIAL MEMBERS BASED ON REASONABLE PROJECTIONS OF REAL PROPERTY, SERVICE AREAS AND LIMITED SERVICE AREAS THAT COULD QUALIFY FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE TEN YEARS FOLLOWING THE SUBMISSION OF THE PLAN.

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- 2. THE DISTRICT IS DEVELOPING A REPLENISHMENT RESERVE IN EACH ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 48-3772, SUBSECTION E.
- 3. THE CONSERVATION DISTRICT HAS IDENTIFIED SUFFICIENT CAPACITY AT STORAGE FACILITIES AND PROJECTS TO BE USED FOR REPLENISHMENT PURPOSES DURING THE TWENTY CALENDAR YEARS FOLLOWING THE SUBMISSION OF THE PLAN.
- O. The director shall issue a decision that the water district's plan is consistent with achieving the management goal of the active management area in which the water district is located if the director finds that the water district has the current capability to meet the current and projected water district groundwater replenishment obligation, as that term is defined and used in title 48, chapter 28, for the five calendar years following the calendar year in which the water district submits its plan and, in addition, the director finds the water district has established an adequate plan to meet the projected water district groundwater replenishment obligation for the twenty calendar years following the calendar year in which the plan was submitted.
- Unless the conservation district or water district successfully appeals the director's decision pursuant to subsection \bigoplus P of this section, if the director has made a determination FOR ONE OR MORE ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREAS that the conservation district's plan for operation or the water district's plan is not consistent with achieving the management goal of an active management area, the director shall notify the conservation district or water district, as the case may be, of the inconsistency in writing and shall specify how the conservation district's plan for operation or the water district's plan is inconsistent with achieving the management goal. The conservation district or water district, as the case may be, shall modify its proposed plan and resubmit the plan WITHIN SIXTY DAYS AFTER IT HAS BEEN NOTIFIED IN WRITING OF THE DIRECTOR'S DECISION, and the director shall review the plan as provided by section 45-576.02 and this section, except that the director shall only hold a hearing regarding those matters that the conservation district or water district, as the case may be, has modified in its resubmitted plan.
- Q. P. The director's determination under subsection M of this section is subject to rehearing or review and to judicial review as provided in section 45-114, subsection C, but the court shall not issue a temporary restraining order or preliminary injunction to prevent the director from acting under this chapter while the action is pending.
- Q. IF, AT ANY TIME BETWEEN THE SECOND ANNIVERSARY AND THE SIXTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE DIRECTOR'S DETERMINATION OF CONSISTENCY WITH THE MANAGEMENT GOAL, THE DIRECTOR DETERMINES THAT THERE HAS BEEN EITHER AN UNEXPECTED INCREASE IN THE CONSERVATION DISTRICT'S PROJECTED GROUNDWATER REPLENISHMENT OBLIGATIONS OR AN UNEXPECTED REDUCTION IN WATER SUPPLIES AVAILABLE TO MEET THE CONSERVATION DISTRICT'S CURRENT OBLIGATIONS SUCH THAT THE CONSERVATION DISTRICT'S PLAN NO LONGER DEMONSTRATES CONSISTENCY WITH THE MANAGEMENT GOAL FOR ONE OR MORE ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREAS, THE DIRECTOR MAY

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REQUIRE THE CONSERVATION DISTRICT TO SUBMIT A REVISED PLAN FOR OPERATION. THE REVISED PLAN FOR OPERATION SHALL BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO CALENDAR YEARS OF THE DATE THAT THE DIRECTOR NOTIFIES THE CONSERVATION DISTRICT OF A DETERMINATION. THE DIRECTOR SHALL REVIEW THE REVISED PLAN AS PROVIDED BY SECTION 45-576.02 AND THIS SECTION, EXCEPT THAT THE DIRECTOR SHALL ONLY HOLD A HEARING REGARDING THOSE CONDITIONS THAT HAVE CHANGED.

R. UNLESS THE CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUCCESSFULLY APPEALS THE DIRECTOR'S DECISION PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION Q OF THIS SECTION, IF THE DIRECTOR HAS MADE A DETERMINATION FOR ONE OR MORE ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREAS THAT THE CONSERVATION DISTRICT'S REVISED PLAN FOR OPERATION IS NOT CONSISTENT WITH ACHIEVING THE MANAGEMENT GOAL OF THAT ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION AND THE CONSERVATION DISTRICT IS UNABLE TO SATISFY THE DIRECTOR'S CONCERNS WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE DIRECTOR HAS NOTIFIED THE CONSERVATION DISTRICT OF THE DETERMINATION, THE DISTRICT'S PLAN SHALL EXPIRE.

Sec. 21. Section 45-576.06, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

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\frac{\text{Termination of designation for members of}}{\text{conservation district; moratorium on adding new}} \\ \frac{\text{member lands, member service areas, limited member}}{\text{lands and limited member service areas}}
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- A. After a conservation district has been established under title 48, chapter 22, if one or more of the conditions established under section 45-576.01, subsection B, paragraph 2 or 3 are not met for an active management area with respect to a conservation district and for as long as the condition is not met:
- 1. Any municipal provider whose service area is in that active management area and that was designated as having an assured water supply on the basis that its service area is a member service area shall lose its designation. The municipal provider may reapply for and reobtain its designation if the director determines that the municipal provider's projected use is consistent with achieving the management goal of the active management area under section 45-576.
- 2. No additional real property in that active management area may become a member land OR A LIMITED MEMBER LAND.
- 3. No additional service area of a city, town or private water company in that active management area may become a member service area.
- 4. NO ADDITIONAL LIMITED SERVICE AREA OF A MUNICIPAL PROVIDER MAY QUALIFY AS A LIMITED MEMBER SERVICE AREA.
- B. After a water district has adopted an ordinance or resolution to undertake the water district groundwater replenishment obligations established under title 48, chapter 28, article 7, if one or more of the conditions established under section 45-576.01, subsection B, paragraph 2 or 3 are not met with respect to the water district and for as long as the condition is not met:

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1. Any municipal provider whose service area is in the active management area in which the water district is located and that was designated as having an assured water supply on the basis that its service area is a water district member service area shall lose its designation. The municipal provider may reapply for and reobtain its designation if the director determines that the municipal provider's projected use is consistent with achieving the management goal of the active management area under section 45-576.

2. No additional real property in that active management area may become a water district member land.

3. No additional service area of a city, town or private water company in that active management area may become a water district member service area.

G. B. If the conservation district notifies the director pursuant to section 48-3781, subsection G that a municipal provider that was designated as having an assured water supply on the basis that its service area is a member service area has failed to pay any portion of the required annual replenishment tax assessed under section 48-3781, the director may revoke the municipal provider's designation. The municipal provider may reapply for and reobtain its designation if the director determines that the municipal provider's projected use is consistent with achieving the management goal of the active management area under section 45-576.

D. After a water district has adopted an ordinance or resolution to undertake the water district groundwater replenishment obligations established under title 48, chapter 28, article 7, if the water district notifies the director pursuant to section 48-4982, subsection G that a municipal provider that was designated as having an assured water supply on the basis that its service area is a water district member service area has failed to pay any portion of the required annual replenishment tax assessed under section 48-4982, the director may revoke the municipal provider's designation. The municipal provider may reapply for and reobtain its designation if the director determines that the municipal provider's projected use is consistent with achieving the management goal of the active management area under section 45-576.

Sec. 22. Section 45-578, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read: 45-578. Notice; objections; hearing; issuance of certificate; appeals

A. The director shall give notice of the application for a certificate of assured water supply once each week for two consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in the active management area in which the applicant proposes to use water. The first publication shall occur within fifteen days after the application is determined complete and correct or at any earlier time as the applicant may request after the application is determined complete. If the application is substantially modified after notice of the application is given pursuant to this subsection, the director

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shall give notice of the application as modified in the manner prescribed by this subsection. The first publication of any subsequent notice shall occur within fifteen days after the modified application is determined complete and correct or at any earlier time as the applicant may request after the modified application is determined complete.

- B. Notice pursuant to subsection A of this section shall state that objections to the issuance of the certificate may be filed by residents of the active management area, in writing, with the director within fifteen days after the last publication of notice. An objection shall state the name and mailing address of the objector, be signed by the objector, the objector's agent or the objector's attorney and clearly set forth reasons why the certificate should not be issued. The grounds for objection are limited to whether the certificate application meets the criteria for determining an assured water supply set forth in section 45-576, subsection I.
- C. In appropriate cases, including cases where a proper written objection to the certificate application has been filed, an administrative hearing may be held before the director's decision on the application if the director deems a hearing necessary. The director shall, thirty days prior to the date of the hearing, give notice of the hearing to the applicant and to any person who filed a proper written objection to the issuance of the certificate. The hearing shall be scheduled for not less than sixty days nor more than ninety days after the expiration of the time in which to file objections.
- D. Upon finding that an assured water supply exists for the proposed use, the director shall issue a certificate of assured water supply to the applicant. Upon finding that an assured water supply does not exist, the director shall deny the application and return it to the applicant.
- E. An aggrieved party or a person who contested a certificate by filing a proper objection pursuant to subsection B of this section may seek judicial review of the final decision of the director as provided in section 45-114, subsection B in the superior court.
- F. If the application for a certificate of assured water supply is for land in an active management area where an active management area water district exists THAT HAS QUALIFIED AS A MEMBER LAND under title 48, chapter 28 22, when the application is determined to be complete and correct, the director shall transmit a copy of the application to NOTIFY the CONSERVATION district AND SHALL REPORT THE TOTAL PROJECTED ANNUAL GROUNDWATER DEMAND FOR EACH PLAT UNDER THE CERTIFICATE.
- G. Section 45-114, subsections A and B govern administrative proceedings, rehearing or review and judicial review of final decisions of the director under this section. If an administrative hearing is held, it shall be conducted in the active management area in which the use is located.
- Sec. 23. Title 45, chapter 2, article 9, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended by adding sections 45-579, 45-580 and 45-581, to read:
 - 45-579. Limited groundwater rights; limited groundwater; use

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- A. IN THE PHOENIX, PINAL AND TUCSON ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREAS, THE HOLDER OF A LIMITED GROUNDWATER RIGHT MAY WITHDRAW, RECEIVE AND USE GROUNDWATER PURSUANT TO THE RIGHT, BUT ONLY IF THE REAL PROPERTY ON WHICH THE GROUNDWATER IS USED IS QUALIFIED AS A LIMITED MEMBER LAND OF THE CONSERVATION DISTRICT AS PROVIDED BY TITLE 48, CHAPTER 22, ARTICLE 4. IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 48-3774.01, THE HOLDER SHALL COVENANT TO SUBJECT THE REAL PROPERTY TO A LIMITED MEMBER LAND REPLENISHMENT OBLIGATION AND TO A REPLENISHMENT ASSESSMENT TO BE DETERMINED BY THE CONSERVATION DISTRICT IN ORDER TO PERMIT THE USE OF LIMITED GROUNDWATER ON THE REAL PROPERTY.
- B. IN THE PHOENIX AND TUCSON ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREAS, WITH RESPECT TO A LIMITED GROUNDWATER RIGHT HOLDER, LIMITED GROUNDWATER MEANS THAT VOLUME OF GROUNDWATER WITHDRAWN OR RECEIVED AFTER DECEMBER 31, 2004 IN A CALENDAR YEAR PURSUANT TO A LIMITED GROUNDWATER RIGHT THAT IS EQUAL TO THE FOLLOWING COMPUTATION:
- 1. DETERMINE THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF GROUNDWATER WITHDRAWN OR RECEIVED DURING THE CALENDAR YEAR PURSUANT TO THE LIMITED GROUNDWATER RIGHT.
- 2. MULTIPLY THE AMOUNT DETERMINED IN PARAGRAPH 1 BY THE INCIDENTAL REPLENISHMENT FACTOR APPLICABLE TO THE LIMITED GROUNDWATER RIGHT HOLDER.
- 3. SUBTRACT THE PRODUCT CALCULATED IN PARAGRAPH 2 FROM THE AMOUNT DETERMINED IN PARAGRAPH 1.
- 4. FOR GROUNDWATER USED IN YEARS 2005 THROUGH 2024, MULTIPLY THE DIFFERENCE CALCULATED IN PARAGRAPH 3 BY A FRACTION IN WHICH:
- (a) THE NUMERATOR IS 2004 SUBTRACTED FROM THE YEAR IN WHICH THE GROUNDWATER IS WITHDRAWN OR RECEIVED.
 - (b) THE DENOMINATOR IS 21.
- C. IN THE PINAL ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA, WITH RESPECT TO A LIMITED GROUNDWATER RIGHT HOLDER, LIMITED GROUNDWATER MEANS THAT VOLUME OF GROUNDWATER WITHDRAWN OR RECEIVED AFTER DECEMBER 31, 2004 IN A CALENDAR YEAR PURSUANT TO A LIMITED GROUNDWATER RIGHT THAT IS EQUAL TO THE FOLLOWING COMPUTATION:
- 1. DETERMINE THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF GROUNDWATER WITHDRAWN OR RECEIVED DURING THE CALENDAR YEAR PURSUANT TO THE LIMITED GROUNDWATER RIGHT.
- 2. MULTIPLY THE AMOUNT DETERMINED IN PARAGRAPH 1 BY THE INCIDENTAL REPLENISHMENT FACTOR APPLICABLE TO THE LIMITED GROUNDWATER RIGHT HOLDER.
- 3. SUBTRACT THE PRODUCT CALCULATED IN PARAGRAPH 2 FROM THE AMOUNT DETERMINED IN PARAGRAPH 1.
- 4. FOR GROUNDWATER USED IN YEARS 2005 THROUGH 2039, MULTIPLY THE DIFFERENCE CALCULATED IN PARAGRAPH 3 BY A FRACTION IN WHICH:
- (a) THE NUMERATOR IS 2004 SUBTRACTED FROM THE YEAR IN WHICH THE GROUNDWATER IS WITHDRAWN.
 - (b) THE DENOMINATOR IS 36.
- D. IN THE PHOENIX, PINAL AND TUCSON ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREAS, THE DIRECTOR SHALL NOT APPROVE AN APPLICATION FOR A LIMITED GROUNDWATER RIGHT DESCRIBED IN SECTION 45-480, SUBSECTION H, SECTION 45-514, SUBSECTION E OR SECTION 45-515, SUBSECTION E UNLESS THE APPLICANT PROVIDES EVIDENCE THAT THE

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LAND ON WHICH THE GROUNDWATER IS TO BE USED IS QUALIFIED AS A LIMITED MEMBER LAND OF THE CONSERVATION DISTRICT AS PROVIDED BY TITLE 48, CHAPTER 22, ARTICLE 4.

- E. IN THE PHOENIX, PINAL AND TUCSON ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREAS, THE LIMITED GROUNDWATER RIGHT DESCRIBED IN SECTION 45-464, SUBSECTION J, SHALL NOT BE USED UNTIL THE HOLDER FILES WRITTEN NOTICE WITH THE DIRECTOR THAT A LIMITED GROUNDWATER RIGHT WILL BE USED AND SUBMITS WITH THE WRITTEN NOTICE EVIDENCE THAT THE LAND ON WHICH THE GROUNDWATER IS TO BE USED IS QUALIFIED AS A LIMITED MEMBER LAND OF THE CONSERVATION DISTRICT AS PROVIDED BY TITLE 48, CHAPTER 22, ARTICLE 4.
 - F. IN THE PHOENIX, PINAL AND TUCSON ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREAS:
- 1. USE OF A LIMITED GROUNDWATER RIGHT BEFORE QUALIFYING THE REAL PROPERTY ON WHICH THE GROUNDWATER IS TO BE USED AS A LIMITED MEMBER LAND OF THE CONSERVATION DISTRICT IS A VIOLATION OF THIS CHAPTER DIRECTLY RELATED TO THE ILLEGAL WITHDRAWAL, USE AND TRANSPORTATION OF GROUNDWATER AND EACH DAY OF WITHDRAWAL, USE OR TRANSPORTATION OF GROUNDWATER BEFORE QUALIFICATION IS A DAY OF VIOLATION UNDER SECTION 45-635.
- 2. IF THE HOLDER OF A LIMITED GROUNDWATER RIGHT HAS QUALIFIED THE REAL PROPERTY ON WHICH THE GROUNDWATER IS TO BE USED AS A LIMITED MEMBER LAND OF THE CONSERVATION DISTRICT AND FAILS TO PAY THE ANNUAL REPLENISHMENT ASSESSMENT, THE USE OF THE LIMITED GROUNDWATER RIGHT DURING THE DELINQUENCY IS A VIOLATION OF THIS CHAPTER DIRECTLY RELATED TO THE ILLEGAL WITHDRAWAL, USE AND TRANSPORTATION OF GROUNDWATER AND EACH DAY OF WITHDRAWAL, USE OR TRANSPORTATION OF GROUNDWATER AFTER THE NOTICE OF DELINQUENCY UNTIL THE DELINQUENCY IS CURED IS A DAY OF VIOLATION UNDER SECTION 45-635. THE CONSERVATION DISTRICT SHALL PROVIDE NOTICE TO THE DEPARTMENT THAT A HOLDER IS DELINQUENT IN THE PAYMENT OF THE ANNUAL REPLENISHMENT ASSESSMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 48-3778.
- G. IN THE PRESCOTT ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA, WITH RESPECT TO A LIMITED GROUNDWATER RIGHT HOLDER, LIMITED GROUNDWATER MEANS THAT VOLUME OF GROUNDWATER WITHDRAWN OR RECEIVED PURSUANT TO THE RIGHT AFTER DECEMBER 31, 2004 IN A CALENDAR YEAR BY A LIMITED GROUNDWATER RIGHT HOLDER THAT IS EQUAL TO THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN TOTAL VOLUME OF GROUNDWATER WITHDRAWN OR RECEIVED PURSUANT TO THE RIGHT DURING THE CALENDAR YEAR AND THAT SAME VOLUME OF GROUNDWATER MULTIPLIED BY THE INCIDENTAL RECHARGE FACTOR APPLICABLE TO THE HOLDER OF THE LIMITED GROUNDWATER RIGHT.
- H. IN THE PRESCOTT ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA AND THE SANTA CRUZ ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA, IF THE DIRECTOR ISSUES THE ORDER DESCRIBED IN SECTION 45-581, SUBSECTION A, THE LIMITED GROUNDWATER RIGHT DESCRIBED IN SECTION 45-464, SUBSECTION J SHALL NOT BE USED UNTIL THE HOLDER FILES WRITTEN NOTICE WITH THE DIRECTOR THAT A LIMITED GROUNDWATER RIGHT WILL BE USED.
- I. IN THE PRESCOTT ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA, IF A LIMITED GROUNDWATER RIGHT HOLDER FAILS TO PAY THE LIMITED GROUNDWATER FEE REQUIRED BY SECTION 45-611.02 WITHIN SIX MONTHS OF ITS ANNUAL DUE DATE OF MARCH 31 FOR GROUNDWATER WITHDRAWN DURING THE PRECEDING CALENDAR YEAR, THE USE OF THE

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LIMITED GROUNDWATER RIGHT BY THE HOLDER AFTER THAT DATE IS A VIOLATION OF THIS CHAPTER DIRECTLY RELATED TO THE ILLEGAL WITHDRAWAL, USE AND TRANSPORTATION OF GROUNDWATER AND EACH DAY OF WITHDRAWAL, USE OR TRANSPORTATION OF GROUNDWATER DURING THE DELINQUENCY OF THE LIMITED GROUNDWATER RIGHT FEE IS A DAY OF VIOLATION UNDER SECTION 45-635.

- J. IF THE DIRECTOR ISSUES THE ORDER DESCRIBED IN SECTION 45-581, SUBSECTION B FOR THE PRESCOTT ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA, A LIMITED GROUNDWATER RIGHT THAT DID NOT EXIST ON THE DATE OF THE ORDER MAY NOT BE USED UNTIL IT IS ESTABLISHED TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE DIRECTOR THAT ALL SUBSEQUENT USE OF LIMITED GROUNDWATER IN THE PRESCOTT ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA WILL BE OFFSET BY EQUIVALENT REPLACEMENT OR PRESERVATION OF WATER IN THE ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA'S AQUIFERS.
- K. IN THE SANTA CRUZ ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA, IF THE DIRECTOR HAS ISSUED THE ORDER DESCRIBED IN SECTION 45-581, SUBSECTION B, WITH RESPECT TO A LIMITED GROUNDWATER RIGHT HOLDER, LIMITED GROUNDWATER MEANS THAT VOLUME OF GROUNDWATER WITHDRAWN OR RECEIVED PURSUANT TO THE RIGHT IN ANY CALENDAR YEAR AFTER THE YEAR IN WHICH THE DIRECTOR ISSUES THE ORDER THAT IS EQUAL TO THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE TOTAL VOLUME OF GROUNDWATER WITHDRAWN OR RECEIVED PURSUANT TO THE RIGHT DURING THE CALENDAR YEAR AND THAT SAME VOLUME OF GROUNDWATER MULTIPLIED BY THE INCIDENTAL RECHARGE FACTOR APPLICABLE TO THE HOLDER OF THE LIMITED GROUNDWATER RIGHT.
- L. IF THE DIRECTOR ISSUES THE ORDER DESCRIBED IN SECTION 45-581, SUBSECTION B FOR THE SANTA CRUZ ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA, A LIMITED GROUNDWATER RIGHT THAT DID NOT EXIST ON THE DATE OF THE ORDER MAY NOT BE USED UNTIL IT IS ESTABLISHED TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE DIRECTOR THAT THE USE OF LIMITED GROUNDWATER BY THE HOLDER OF THE RIGHT WILL BE OFFSET BY EQUIVALENT REPLACEMENT OR PRESERVATION OF WATER IN THE ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA'S AQUIFERS.

45-580. Limited service areas; limited groundwater; use

- A. IN THE PHOENIX AND TUCSON ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREAS, WITH RESPECT TO A LIMITED SERVICE AREA, LIMITED GROUNDWATER MEANS THAT VOLUME OF GROUNDWATER WITHDRAWN OR RECEIVED BY A MUNICIPAL PROVIDER AFTER DECEMBER 31, 2004 IN A CALENDAR YEAR FOR DELIVERY IN A LIMITED SERVICE AREA THAT IS EQUAL TO THE FOLLOWING COMPUTATION:
- 1. DETERMINE THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF GROUNDWATER WITHDRAWN OR RECEIVED DURING THE CALENDAR YEAR FOR DELIVERY IN THE LIMITED SERVICE AREA.
- 2. FROM THE AMOUNT DETERMINED IN PARAGRAPH 1, SUBTRACT ANY GROUNDWATER DELIVERED BY THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER DURING THE CALENDAR YEAR FOR USE ON MEMBER LANDS OF THE CONSERVATION DISTRICT WITHIN THE LIMITED SERVICE AREA.
- 3. MULTIPLY THE DIFFERENCE CALCULATED IN PARAGRAPH 2 BY THE INCIDENTAL REPLENISHMENT FACTOR APPLICABLE TO THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER.
- 4. SUBTRACT THE PRODUCT CALCULATED IN PARAGRAPH 3 FROM THE DIFFERENCE CALCULATED IN PARAGRAPH 2.
- 5. FOR GROUNDWATER USED IN YEARS 2005 THROUGH 2024, MULTIPLY THE DIFFERENCE CALCULATED IN PARAGRAPH 4 BY A FRACTION IN WHICH:

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- (a) THE NUMERATOR IS 2004 SUBTRACTED FROM THE YEAR IN WHICH THE GROUNDWATER IS WITHDRAWN OR RECEIVED.
 - (b) THE DENOMINATOR IS 21.
- B. IN THE PHOENIX AND TUCSON ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREAS, A MUNICIPAL PROVIDER SHALL NOT HAVE THE RIGHT TO WITHDRAW AND TRANSPORT GROUNDWATER WITHIN ITS LIMITED SERVICE AREA FOR THE BENEFIT OF LANDOWNERS AND RESIDENTS WITHIN ITS LIMITED SERVICE AREA UNTIL ALL OF THE FOLLOWING OCCUR:
- 1. THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER COMPLIES WITH ALL THE REQUIREMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS OF ARTICLE 6 OF THIS CHAPTER.
- 2. THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER FILES WRITTEN NOTICE WITH THE DIRECTOR THAT THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER INTENDS TO WITHDRAW AND TRANSPORT GROUNDWATER WITHIN ITS LIMITED SERVICE AREA.
- 3. THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER FILES A MAP IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 45-498 DELINEATING ITS LIMITED SERVICE AREA.
- 4. THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER PROVIDES EVIDENCE TO THE DIRECTOR THAT THE LIMITED SERVICE AREA HAS QUALIFIED AS A LIMITED MEMBER SERVICE AREA OF THE CONSERVATION DISTRICT IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 48-3780.01.
 - C. IN THE PHOENIX AND TUCSON ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREAS:
- 1. WITHDRAWAL AND TRANSPORTATION OF GROUNDWATER BY A MUNICIPAL PROVIDER IN A LIMITED SERVICE AREA BEFORE COMPLYING WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF SUBSECTION B OF THIS SECTION IS A VIOLATION OF THIS CHAPTER DIRECTLY RELATED TO THE ILLEGAL WITHDRAWAL, USE AND TRANSPORTATION OF GROUNDWATER AND EACH DAY OF WITHDRAWAL, USE OR TRANSPORTATION OF GROUNDWATER BEFORE COMPLYING IS A DAY OF VIOLATION UNDER SECTION 45-635.
- 2. IF A MUNICIPAL PROVIDER HAS QUALIFIED ITS LIMITED SERVICE AREA AS A LIMITED MEMBER SERVICE AREA OF THE CONSERVATION DISTRICT AND FAILS TO PAY ITS ANNUAL REPLENISHMENT TAX, THE WITHDRAWAL AND TRANSPORTATION OF GROUNDWATER WITHIN THE LIMITED SERVICE AREA AFTER THE CONSERVATION DISTRICT PROVIDES NOTICE TO THE DEPARTMENT THAT THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER IS DELINQUENT IN THE PAYMENT OF ITS ANNUAL REPLENISHMENT TAX PURSUANT TO SECTION 48-3781, SUBSECTION G IS A VIOLATION OF THIS CHAPTER DIRECTLY RELATED TO THE ILLEGAL WITHDRAWAL, USE AND TRANSPORTATION OF GROUNDWATER AND EACH DAY OF WITHDRAWAL, USE OR TRANSPORTATION OF GROUNDWATER THE NOTICE OF DELINQUENCY UNTIL THE DELINQUENCY IS CURED IS A DAY OF VIOLATION UNDER SECTION 45-635.
- D. IN THE PRESCOTT ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA, WITH RESPECT TO A LIMITED SERVICE AREA, LIMITED GROUNDWATER MEANS THAT VOLUME OF GROUNDWATER WITHDRAWN OR RECEIVED AFTER DECEMBER 31, 2004 IN A CALENDAR YEAR FOR DELIVERY WITHIN A LIMITED SERVICE AREA THAT IS EQUAL TO THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE TOTAL VOLUME OF GROUNDWATER WITHDRAWN OR RECEIVED DURING THE CALENDAR YEAR FOR DELIVERY WITHIN THE LIMITED SERVICE AREA AND THAT SAME VOLUME OF GROUNDWATER MULTIPLIED BY THE INCIDENTAL RECHARGE FACTOR APPLICABLE TO THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER.
- E. IN THE PRESCOTT ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA, A MUNICIPAL PROVIDER SHALL NOT HAVE THE RIGHT TO WITHDRAW AND TRANSPORT GROUNDWATER WITHIN ITS LIMITED

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SERVICE AREA FOR THE BENEFIT OF LANDOWNERS AND RESIDENTS WITHIN ITS LIMITED SERVICE AREA UNTIL ALL OF THE FOLLOWING OCCUR:

- 1. THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER COMPLIES WITH ALL THE REQUIREMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS OF ARTICLE 6 OF THIS CHAPTER.
- 2. THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER FILES WRITTEN NOTICE WITH THE DIRECTOR THAT THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER INTENDS TO WITHDRAW AND TRANSPORT GROUNDWATER WITHIN ITS LIMITED SERVICE AREA.
- 3. THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER FILES A MAP IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 45-498 DELINEATING ITS LIMITED SERVICE AREA.
- F. IN THE PRESCOTT ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA, IF A MUNICIPAL PROVIDER FAILS TO PAY THE LIMITED GROUNDWATER RIGHT FEE REQUIRED BY SECTION 45-611.02 WITHIN SIX MONTHS OF ITS ANNUAL DUE DATE OF MARCH 31 FOR GROUNDWATER WITHDRAWN DURING THE PRECEDING CALENDAR YEAR, THE WITHDRAWAL AND TRANSPORTATION OF GROUNDWATER WITHIN ITS LIMITED SERVICE AREA BY THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER AFTER THAT DATE IS A VIOLATION OF THIS CHAPTER DIRECTLY RELATED TO THE ILLEGAL WITHDRAWAL, USE AND TRANSPORTATION OF GROUNDWATER AND EACH DAY OF WITHDRAWAL, USE OR TRANSPORTATION OF GROUNDWATER DURING THE DELINQUENCY OF THE LIMITED GROUNDWATER RIGHT FEE IS A DAY OF VIOLATION UNDER SECTION 45-635.
- G. IF THE DIRECTOR ISSUES THE ORDER DESCRIBED IN SECTION 45-581, SUBSECTION B FOR THE PRESCOTT ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA, A LIMITED SERVICE AREA MAY NOT BE ENLARGED BEYOND THE LIMITED SERVICE AREA THAT EXISTS ON THE DATE THE ORDER IS ISSUED UNTIL IT IS ESTABLISHED TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE DIRECTOR THAT ALL SUBSEQUENT USE OF LIMITED GROUNDWATER IN THE PRESCOTT ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA WILL BE OFFSET BY EQUIVALENT REPLACEMENT OR PRESERVATION OF WATER IN THE ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA'S AQUIFERS.
- H. IN THE SANTA CRUZ ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA, IF THE DIRECTOR ISSUES THE ORDER DESCRIBED IN SECTION 45-581, SUBSECTION B, WITH RESPECT TO A LIMITED SERVICE AREA, LIMITED GROUNDWATER MEANS THAT VOLUME OF GROUNDWATER WITHDRAWN OR RECEIVED FOR DELIVERY WITHIN A LIMITED SERVICE AREA IN ANY CALENDAR YEAR AFTER THE YEAR IN WHICH THE DIRECTOR ISSUES THE ORDER THAT IS EQUAL TO THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN TOTAL VOLUME OF GROUNDWATER WITHDRAWN OR RECEIVED DURING THE CALENDAR YEAR FOR DELIVERY WITHIN A LIMITED SERVICE AREA AND THAT SAME VOLUME OF GROUNDWATER MULTIPLIED BY THE INCIDENTAL RECHARGE FACTOR APPLICABLE TO THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER.
- I. IN THE SANTA CRUZ ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA, IF THE DIRECTOR ISSUES THE ORDER DESCRIBED IN SECTION 45-581, SUBSECTION B, A MUNICIPAL PROVIDER SHALL NOT HAVE THE RIGHT TO WITHDRAW AND TRANSPORT GROUNDWATER WITHIN ITS LIMITED SERVICE AREA FOR THE BENEFIT OF LANDOWNERS AND RESIDENTS WITHIN ITS LIMITED SERVICE AREA UNTIL ALL OF THE FOLLOWING OCCUR:
- 1. THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER COMPLIES WITH ALL THE REQUIREMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS OF ARTICLE 6 OF THIS CHAPTER.
- 2. THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER FILES WRITTEN NOTICE WITH THE DIRECTOR THAT THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER INTENDS TO WITHDRAW AND TRANSPORT GROUNDWATER WITHIN ITS LIMITED SERVICE AREA.

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- 3. THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER FILES A MAP IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 45-498 DELINEATING ITS LIMITED SERVICE AREA.
- J. IF THE DIRECTOR ISSUES THE ORDER DESCRIBED IN SECTION 45-581, SUBSECTION B, FOR THE SANTA CRUZ ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA, A LIMITED SERVICE AREA MAY NOT BE ENLARGED BEYOND THE LIMITED SERVICE AREA THAT EXISTS ON THE DATE THE ORDER IS ISSUED UNTIL IT IS ESTABLISHED TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE DIRECTOR THAT THE USE OF LIMITED GROUNDWATER BY THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER WILL BE OFFSET BY EQUIVALENT REPLACEMENT OR PRESERVATION OF WATER IN THE ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA'S AQUIFERS.

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- A. IN THE SANTA CRUZ ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA, THE DIRECTOR SHALL PERIODICALLY REVIEW WHETHER THE SANTA CRUZ ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA IS MAINTAINING ITS MANAGEMENT GOAL. IF THE DIRECTOR FINDS SUFFICIENT EVIDENCE, THE DIRECTOR SHALL ISSUE AN ORDER FINDING ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 1. GROUNDWATER MINING IS PREVENTING THE SANTA CRUZ ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA FROM ATTAINING OR MAINTAINING ITS MANAGEMENT GOAL.
- 2. THERE ARE INADEQUATE MANAGEMENT TOOLS TO ATTAIN OR MAINTAIN THE MANAGEMENT GOAL.
- 3. THERE ARE INADEQUATE FUNDING MECHANISMS TO ATTAIN OR MAINTAIN THE MANAGEMENT GOAL.
- B. IN THE PRESCOTT AND SANTA CRUZ ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREAS, THE DIRECTOR SHALL PERIODICALLY REVIEW THE WATER SUPPLIES THAT ARE AVAILABLE TO WATER USERS IN EACH ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA. IF THE DIRECTOR FINDS THAT SUFFICIENT WATER SUPPLIES EXIST IN THE RESPECTIVE ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA, THE DIRECTOR SHALL ISSUE AN ORDER FOR THAT ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA FINDING SUFFICIENT WATER SUPPLIES OTHER THAN LIMITED GROUNDWATER ARE AVAILABLE TO MEET DEMANDS THAT WOULD OTHERWISE BE MET IN THAT ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA WITH LIMITED GROUNDWATER.
- C. BEFORE ISSUING THE ORDERS DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION A OR B, THE DIRECTOR SHALL GIVE NOTICE OF THE DIRECTOR'S INTENTION TO ISSUE THE ORDER AND SHALL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING. THE DIRECTOR SHALL GIVE NOTICE OF THE PUBLIC HEARING AT LEAST THIRTY DAYS BEFORE THE HEARING. THE NOTICE SHALL BE PUBLISHED ONCE EACH WEEK FOR TWO CONSECUTIVE WEEKS IN A NEWSPAPER OF GENERAL CIRCULATION IN THE ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA AFFECTED BY THE ORDER. THE HEARING SHALL BE HELD IN THAT ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA. WITHIN SIXTY DAYS OF THE CONCLUSION OF THE HEARING, THE DIRECTOR SHALL ISSUE THE ORDER OR SHALL ISSUE A DECISION NOT TO ISSUE THE ORDER.
- Sec. 24. Section 45-596, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended by Laws 2000, chapter 85, section 2, is amended to read:

45-596. Notice of intention to drill

A. In an area not subject to active management, a person may not drill or cause to be drilled any well or deepen an existing well without first

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filing notice of intention to drill pursuant to subsection C of this section or obtaining a permit pursuant to section 45-834.01.

- B. In an active management area, a person may not drill or cause to be drilled an exempt well, a replacement well in approximately the same location or any other well for which a permit is not required under this article, article 7 of this chapter or section 45-834.01 or deepen an existing well without first filing a notice of intention to drill pursuant to subsection C of this section.
- C. A notice of intention to drill shall be filed with the director on a form which is prescribed and furnished by the director and which shall include:
 - 1. The name and mailing address of the person filing the notice.
- 2. The legal description of the land upon which the well is proposed to be drilled and the name and mailing address of the owner of the land.
 - 3. The legal description of the location of the well on the land.
 - 4. The depth, diameter and type of casing of the proposed well.
- 5. Such legal description of the land upon which the groundwater is proposed to be used as may be required by the director to administer this chapter.
 - 6. When construction is to begin.
 - 7. The proposed uses to which the groundwater will be applied.
- 8. The name and well driller's license number of the well driller who is to construct the well.
 - 9. The design pumping capacity of the well.
- 10. If for a replacement well OTHER THAN A REPLACEMENT EXEMPT WELL AS DEFINED IN SECTION 45-454, the maximum capacity of the original well and the distance of the replacement well from the original well.
- 11. Proof that the director determines to be satisfactory that the person proposing to construct the well holds a valid license issued by the registrar of contractors pursuant to title 32, chapter 10 and that the license is of the type necessary to construct the well described in the notice of intention to drill. If the proposed well driller does not hold a valid license, the director may accept proof that the proposed well driller is exempt from licensing as prescribed by section 32-1121.
- 12. If any water from the proposed well will be used for domestic purposes as defined in section 45-454, evidence of compliance with the requirements of subsection F of this section.
- 13. If for a second exempt well at the same location for the same use pursuant to section 45-454, subsection \sqsubseteq F, proof that the requirements of that subsection are met.
- 14. IF FOR A REPLACEMENT EXEMPT WELL AS DEFINED IN SECTION 45-454, THE WELL REGISTRATION NUMBER OF THE ORIGINAL EXEMPT WELL AND THE MAXIMUM CAPACITY OF ITS PUMP.

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- 15. IF FOR AN EXEMPT WELL PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-454, SUBSECTION B, PARAGRAPH 4, PROOF THAT PUMP CAPACITY IN EXCESS OF TWENTY GALLONS PER MINUTE IS REQUIRED TO PROVIDE ADEQUATE FLOW RATES FOR THE INTENDED USE.
- 16. WITHIN AN ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA, IF THE NOTICE IS FILED ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2003 FOR AN EXEMPT WELL WITHIN THE SERVICE AREA OF A MUNICIPAL PROVIDER WITH A POTABLE WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM, PROOF THAT THE INTENDED USE HAS BEEN DENIED SERVICE BY THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER AT THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER'S CUSTOMARY RATE AND IN ITS CUSTOMARY MANNER OR PROOF THAT THE APPLICANT SUBMITTED A WRITTEN REQUEST FOR SERVICE TO THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER AND THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER DID NOT AGREE TO PROVIDE SERVICE TO THE INTENDED USE AT THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER'S CUSTOMARY RATE AND IN ITS CUSTOMARY MANNER WITHIN SIXTY DAYS AFTER THE APPLICANT SUBMITTED THE WRITTEN REQUEST FOR SERVICE TO THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER. THIS PARAGRAPH DOES NOT APPLY TO A REPLACEMENT EXEMPT WELL AS DEFINED IN SECTION 45-454.
- 17. IF THE NOTICE IS FILED ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2005 FOR AN EXEMPT WELL WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF A RIPARIAN AREA PROTECTION ZONE DELINEATED ON THE MAP IDENTIFIED IN SECTION 45-599, SUBSECTION K AND THE APPLICANT SEEKS TO DRILL THE WELL PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION I, PARAGRAPH 1 OF THIS SECTION, A HYDROLOGICAL STUDY DEMONSTRATING THAT WITHDRAWALS OF GROUNDWATER FROM THE WELL WILL NOT HAVE AN ADVERSE IMPACT ON THE RIPARIAN AREA WITHIN THE RIPARIAN AREA PROTECTION ZONE.
 - 14. 18. Such other information as the director may require.
- Notice of intention to drill shall be filed with the director in Upon receiving the notice, the director shall endorse on the notice the date of its receipt. The director shall determine whether all information that is required has been submitted and whether the requirements of subsection C, paragraphs 11 and 12 THROUGH 17 of this section have been If so, within fifteen days of receipt of the notice OR WITHIN FORTY-FIVE DAYS OF RECEIPT OF THE NOTICE IF THE REQUIREMENTS OF SUBSECTION C, PARAGRAPH 15 OF THIS SECTION APPLY OR IF THE NOTICE IS FILED ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2005 FOR AN EXEMPT WELL WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF A RIPARIAN AREA PROTECTION ZONE DELINEATED ON THE MAP IDENTIFIED IN SECTION 45-599, SUBSECTION K, the director shall record the notice and mail the duplicate copy of the notice to the person giving the notice at the address stated in Upon receipt of a copy of the notice showing the record of receipt by the director, this section is deemed to have been fully complied with in respect to the drilling or deepening of the well described in the notice, and the person giving the notice may proceed to drill or deepen the well as described in the notice. If the director determines that the required information has not been submitted or that the requirements of subsection C, paragraphs 11 and 12 THROUGH 17 of this section have not been met, the director shall mail a statement of the determination to the person giving the notice to the address stated in the notice, and the person giving the notice may not proceed to drill or deepen the well.

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- E. The well shall be completed within one year after the date of the notice. If the well is not completed within one year, the person shall file a new notice before proceeding with further construction.
- F. If any water from a proposed well will be used for domestic purposes as defined in section 45-454 on a parcel of land of twenty or fewer acres, the applicant shall submit a well site plan of the property with the notice of intention to drill. The site plan shall:
 - 1. Include the county assessor's parcel identification number.
- 2. Show the proposed well location and the location of any septic tank or sewer system that is either located on the property or within one hundred feet of the proposed well site.
- 3. Show written approval by the county health authority that controls the installation of septic tanks or sewer systems in the county, or by the local health authority in areas where the authority to control installation of septic tanks or sewer systems has been delegated to a local authority. In areas where there is no local or county authority that controls the installation of septic tanks or sewer systems, the applicant shall apply for approval directly to the department of water resources.
- Before approving a well site plan submitted pursuant to subsection F of this section, the county or local health authority or the department of water resources, as applicable, pursuant to subsection F of this section, shall review the well site plan and determine whether the proposed well location complies with applicable local laws, ordinances and regulations and any laws or rules adopted under this title and title 49 regarding the placement of wells and the proximity of wells to septic tanks or sewer systems. If the health authority or the department of water resources, as applicable, pursuant to subsection F of this section, finds that the proposed well location complies with this title and title 49 and with local requirements, it shall endorse the site plan and the proposed well placement in a manner indicating approval. On endorsement, the director of water resources shall approve the construction of the well, if all remaining requirements have been met. If the health authority is unable to determine whether the proposed well location complies with this title and title 49 and local requirements, it shall indicate this on the site plan and the decision to approve or reject the proposed construction rests with the director of water resources. If parcel size, geology or location of improvements on the property prevents the well from being drilled in accordance with this title and title 49 or local requirements, the property owner may apply for a variance. The property owner shall make the request for a variance to the county or local authority if a county or local law, ordinance or regulation prevents the proposed construction. If a law or rule adopted under this title or title 49 prevents the proposed construction, the property owner shall make the request for a variance directly to the department of water resources. The request for a variance shall be in the form and shall contain the information that the department of water resources, county or local

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authority may require. The department of water resources, or the county or local authority whose law, ordinance or regulation prevents the proposed construction, may expressly require that a particular variance shall include certification by a registered professional engineer or geologist that the location of the well will not pose a health hazard to the applicant or surrounding property or inhabitants. If all necessary variances are obtained, the director of water resources shall approve the construction of the well if all remaining requirements have been met.

- H. If a well that was originally drilled as an exploration well, a monitor well or a piezometer well or for any use other than domestic use is later proposed to be converted to use for domestic purposes as defined in section 45-454, the well owner shall file a notice of intention to drill and shall comply with this section before the well is converted and any water from that well is used for domestic purposes.
- I. IF THE NOTICE IS FILED ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2005 FOR AN EXEMPT WELL WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF A RIPARIAN AREA PROTECTION ZONE DELINEATED ON THE MAP IDENTIFIED IN SECTION 45-599, SUBSECTION K, THE DIRECTOR SHALL NOT APPROVE THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE WELL UNLESS ONE OF THE FOLLOWING APPLIES:
- 1. THE APPLICANT SUBMITS A HYDROLOGICAL STUDY WITH THE NOTICE DEMONSTRATING THAT WITHDRAWALS OF GROUNDWATER FROM THE WELL WILL NOT HAVE AN ADVERSE IMPACT ON THE RIPARIAN AREA WITHIN THE RIPARIAN AREA PROTECTION ZONE. THE DIRECTOR SHALL MAKE THIS DETERMINATION PURSUANT TO THE CRITERIA ESTABLISHED BY THE DIRECTOR IN RULES ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-599, SUBSECTION M.
- 2. THE PROPOSED WELL IS A REPLACEMENT EXEMPT WELL AS DEFINED IN SECTION 45-454.
- 3. WITHDRAWALS OF GROUNDWATER FROM THE PROPOSED WELL WILL BE USED ONLY FOR STOCKWATERING AS DEFINED IN SECTION 45-454.
- 4. WITHDRAWALS OF GROUNDWATER FROM THE PROPOSED WELL WILL BE USED ONLY FOR DOMESTIC PURPOSES AS DEFINED IN SECTION 45-454 AND ALL OF THE FOLLOWING APPLY:
- (a) WITHDRAWALS OF GROUNDWATER FROM THE WELL WILL NOT EXCEED TWO ACRE-FEET PER YEAR.
- (b) THE WELL WILL BE EQUIPPED WITH A PUMP WITH A MAXIMUM CAPACITY OF NOT MORE THAN TWENTY GALLONS PER MINUTE.
- J. WITHIN AN ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA, IF THE NOTICE IS FILED ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2003 FOR AN EXEMPT WELL WITHIN THE SERVICE AREA OF A MUNICIPAL PROVIDER WITH A POTABLE WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM, THE DIRECTOR SHALL NOT APPROVE THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE WELL UNLESS THE DIRECTOR FINDS THAT THE INTENDED USE HAS BEEN DENIED SERVICE BY THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER AT ITS CUSTOMARY RATE AND IN ITS CUSTOMARY MANNER OR THAT THE APPLICANT SUBMITTED A WRITTEN REQUEST FOR SERVICE TO THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER AND THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER DID NOT AGREE TO PROVIDE SERVICE TO THE INTENDED USE AT ITS CUSTOMARY RATE AND IN ITS CUSTOMARY MANNER WITHIN SIXTY DAYS AFTER THE APPLICANT SUBMITTED THE WRITTEN REQUEST FOR SERVICE TO THE MUNICIPAL

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PROVIDER. THIS SUBSECTION DOES NOT APPLY IF THE PROPOSED EXEMPT WELL IS A REPLACEMENT EXEMPT WELL AS DEFINED IN SECTION 45-454.

Sec. 25. Section 45-596, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended by Laws 1994, chapter 291, section 27 and chapter 300, section 2, is amended to read: 45-596. Notice of intention to drill

- A. In an area not subject to active management, a person may not drill or cause to be drilled any well or deepen an existing well without first filing notice of intention to drill pursuant to subsection C of this section or obtaining a permit pursuant to section 45-834.01.
- B. In an active management area, a person may not drill or cause to be drilled an exempt well, a replacement well in approximately the same location or any other well for which a permit is not required under this article, article 7 of this chapter or section 45-834.01 or deepen an existing well without first filing a notice of intention to drill pursuant to subsection C of this section.
- C. A notice of intention to drill shall be filed with the director on a form which is prescribed and furnished by the director and which shall include:
 - 1. The name and mailing address of the person filing the notice.
- 2. The legal description of the land upon which the well is proposed to be drilled and the name and mailing address of the owner of the land.
 - 3. The legal description of the location of the well on the land.
 - 4. The depth, diameter and type of casing of the proposed well.
- 5. Such legal description of the land upon which the groundwater is proposed to be used as may be required by the director to administer this chapter.
 - 6. When construction is to begin.
 - 7. The proposed uses to which the groundwater will be applied.
- 8. The name and well driller's license number of the well driller who is to construct the well.
 - 9. The design pumping capacity of the well.
- 10. If for a replacement well OTHER THAN A REPLACEMENT EXEMPT WELL AS DEFINED IN SECTION 45-454, the maximum capacity of the original well and the distance of the replacement well from the original well.
- 11. If the proposed well would pump Colorado river water, proof that the director determines to be satisfactory that the person who files the notice has the legal right to use Colorado river water. This paragraph does not apply to a proposed well that will have a pump with a maximum capacity of not more than thirty-five gallons per minute and that will be used for the supply, service and activities of households and private residences, including the application of water to less than two acres of land to produce plants or parts of plants for sale or human consumption or for use as feed for livestock, range livestock or poultry, as those terms are defined in section 3-1201.

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- 12. Proof that the director determines to be satisfactory that the person proposing to construct the well holds a valid license issued by the registrar of contractors pursuant to title 32, chapter 10, and that the license is of the type necessary to construct the well described in the notice of intention to drill. If the proposed well driller does not hold a valid license, the director may accept proof that the proposed well driller is exempt from licensing as prescribed by section 32-1121.
- 13. If any water from the proposed well will be used for domestic purposes as defined in section 45-454, evidence of compliance with the requirements of subsection F of this section.
- 14. IF FOR A REPLACEMENT EXEMPT WELL AS DEFINED IN SECTION 45-454, THE WELL REGISTRATION NUMBER OF THE ORIGINAL EXEMPT WELL AND THE MAXIMUM CAPACITY OF ITS PUMP.
- 15. IF FOR AN EXEMPT WELL PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-454, SUBSECTION B, PARAGRAPH 4, PROOF THAT PUMP CAPACITY IN EXCESS OF TWENTY GALLONS PER MINUTE IS REQUIRED TO PROVIDE ADEQUATE FLOW RATES FOR THE INTENDED USE.
- 16. WITHIN AN ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA, IF THE NOTICE IS FILED ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2003 FOR AN EXEMPT WELL WITHIN THE SERVICE AREA OF A MUNICIPAL PROVIDER WITH A POTABLE WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM, PROOF THAT THE INTENDED USE HAS BEEN DENIED SERVICE BY THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER AT THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER'S CUSTOMARY RATE AND IN ITS CUSTOMARY MANNER OR PROOF THAT THE APPLICANT SUBMITTED A WRITTEN REQUEST FOR SERVICE TO THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER AND THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER DID NOT AGREE TO PROVIDE SERVICE TO THE INTENDED USE AT THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER'S CUSTOMARY RATE AND IN ITS CUSTOMARY MANNER WITHIN SIXTY DAYS AFTER THE APPLICANT SUBMITTED THE WRITTEN REQUEST FOR SERVICE TO THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER. THIS PARAGRAPH DOES NOT APPLY TO A REPLACEMENT EXEMPT WELL AS DEFINED IN SECTION 45-454.
- 17. IF THE NOTICE IS FILED ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2005 FOR AN EXEMPT WELL WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF A RIPARIAN AREA PROTECTION ZONE DELINEATED ON THE MAP IDENTIFIED IN SECTION 45-599, SUBSECTION K AND THE APPLICANT SEEKS TO DRILL THE WELL PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION I, PARAGRAPH 1 OF THIS SECTION, A HYDROLOGICAL STUDY DEMONSTRATING THAT WITHDRAWALS OF GROUNDWATER FROM THE WELL WILL NOT HAVE AN ADVERSE IMPACT ON THE RIPARIAN AREA WITHIN THE RIPARIAN AREA PROTECTION ZONE.
 - 14. 18. Such other information as the director may require.
- D. Notice of intention to drill shall be filed with the director in duplicate. Upon receiving the notice, the director shall endorse on the notice the date of its receipt. The director shall determine whether all information that is required has been submitted and, if applicable, whether the requirements of subsection C, paragraphs 11, 12 and 13 THROUGH 17 of this section have been met. If so, within fifteen days of receipt of the notice OR WITHIN FORTY-FIVE DAYS OF RECEIPT OF THE NOTICE IF THE REQUIREMENTS OF SUBSECTION C, PARAGRAPH 15 OF THIS SECTION APPLY OR IF THE NOTICE IS FILED ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2005 FOR AN EXEMPT WELL WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF A RIPARIAN AREA PROTECTION ZONE DELINEATED ON THE MAP IDENTIFIED IN SECTION

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45-599, SUBSECTION K, the director shall record the notice and mail the duplicate copy of the notice to the person giving the notice at the address stated in the notice. Upon receipt of a copy of the notice showing the record of receipt by the director, this section is deemed to have been fully complied with in respect to the drilling or deepening of the well described in the notice, and the person giving the notice may proceed to drill or deepen the well as described in the notice. If the director determines that the required information has not been submitted or, if applicable, that the requirements of subsection C, paragraphs 11, 12 and 13 THROUGH 17 of this section have not been met, the director shall mail a statement of the determination to the person giving the notice to the address stated in the notice, and the person giving the notice may not proceed to drill or deepen the well.

- E. The well shall be completed within one year after the date of the notice. If the well is not completed within one year, the person shall file a new notice before proceeding with further construction.
- F. If any water from a proposed well will be used for domestic purposes as defined in section 45-454 on a parcel of land OF twenty or fewer acres, the applicant shall submit a well site plan of the property with the notice of intention to drill. The site plan shall:
 - 1. Include the county assessor's parcel identification number.
- 2. Show the proposed well location and the location of any septic tank or sewer system that is either located on the property or within one hundred feet of the proposed well site.
- 3. Show written approval by the county health authority that controls the installation of septic tanks or sewer systems in the county, or by the local health authority in areas where the authority to control installation of septic tanks or sewer systems has been delegated to a local authority. In areas where there is no local or county authority that controls the installation of septic tanks or sewer systems, the applicant shall apply for approval directly to the department of water resources.
- G. Before approving a well site plan submitted pursuant to subsection F of this section, the county or local health authority or the department of water resources, as applicable, pursuant to subsection F of this section, shall review the well site plan and determine whether the proposed well location complies with applicable local laws, ordinances and regulations and any laws or rules adopted under this title and title 49 regarding the placement of wells and the proximity of wells to septic tanks or sewer systems. If the health authority or the department of water resources, as applicable, pursuant to subsection F of this section, finds that the proposed well location complies with this title, title 49 and with local requirements, it shall endorse the site plan and the proposed well placement in a manner indicating approval. On endorsement, the director of water resources shall approve the construction of the well, if all remaining requirements have been met. If the health authority is unable to determine whether the proposed

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well location complies with this title, title 49 and local requirements, it shall indicate this on the site plan and the decision to approve or reject the proposed construction rests with the director of water resources. If parcel size, geology or location of improvements on the property prevents the well from being drilled in accordance with this title, title 49 or local requirements, the property owner may apply for a variance. The property owner shall make the request for a variance to the county or local authority if a county or local law, ordinance or regulation prevents the proposed construction. If a law or rule adopted under this title or title 49 prevents the proposed construction, the property owner shall make the request for a variance directly to the department of water resources. The request for a variance shall be in the form and shall contain the information that the department of water resources, county or local authority may require. The department of water resources, or the county or local authority whose law, ordinance or regulation prevents the proposed construction, may expressly require that a particular variance shall include certification by a registered professional engineer or geologist that the location of the well will not pose a health hazard to the applicant or surrounding property or inhabitants. If all necessary variances are obtained, the director of water resources shall approve the construction of the well if all remaining requirements have been met.

- H. If a well that was originally drilled as an exploration well, a monitor well or a piezometer well or for any use other than domestic use is later proposed to be converted to use for domestic purposes as defined in section 45-454, the well owner shall file a notice of intention to drill and shall comply with this section before the well is converted and any water from that well is used for domestic purposes.
- I. IF THE NOTICE IS FILED ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2005 FOR AN EXEMPT WELL WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF A RIPARIAN AREA PROTECTION ZONE DELINEATED ON THE MAP IDENTIFIED IN SECTION 45-599, SUBSECTION K, THE DIRECTOR SHALL NOT APPROVE THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE WELL UNLESS ONE OF THE FOLLOWING APPLIES:
- 1. THE APPLICANT SUBMITS A HYDROLOGICAL STUDY WITH THE NOTICE DEMONSTRATING THAT WITHDRAWALS OF GROUNDWATER FROM THE WELL WILL NOT HAVE AN ADVERSE IMPACT ON THE RIPARIAN AREA WITHIN THE RIPARIAN AREA PROTECTION ZONE. THE DIRECTOR SHALL MAKE THIS DETERMINATION PURSUANT TO THE CRITERIA ESTABLISHED BY THE DIRECTOR IN RULES ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-599, SUBSECTION M.
- 2. THE PROPOSED WELL IS A REPLACEMENT EXEMPT WELL AS DEFINED IN SECTION 45-454.
- 3. WITHDRAWALS OF GROUNDWATER FROM THE PROPOSED WELL WILL BE USED ONLY FOR STOCKWATERING AS DEFINED IN SECTION 45-454.
- 4. WITHDRAWALS OF GROUNDWATER FROM THE PROPOSED WELL WILL BE USED ONLY FOR DOMESTIC PURPOSES AS DEFINED IN SECTION 45-454 AND ALL OF THE FOLLOWING APPLY:

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- (a) WITHDRAWALS OF GROUNDWATER FROM THE WELL WILL NOT EXCEED TWO ACRE-FEET PER YEAR.
- (b) THE WELL WILL BE EQUIPPED WITH A PUMP WITH A MAXIMUM CAPACITY OF NOT MORE THAN TWENTY GALLONS PER MINUTE.
- J. WITHIN AN ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA, IF THE NOTICE IS FILED ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2003 FOR AN EXEMPT WELL WITHIN THE SERVICE AREA OF A MUNICIPAL PROVIDER WITH A POTABLE WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM, THE DIRECTOR SHALL NOT APPROVE THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE WELL UNLESS THE DIRECTOR FINDS THAT THE INTENDED USE HAS BEEN DENIED SERVICE BY THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER AT ITS CUSTOMARY RATE AND IN ITS CUSTOMARY MANNER OR THAT THE APPLICANT SUBMITTED A WRITTEN REQUEST FOR SERVICE TO THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER AND THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER DID NOT AGREE TO PROVIDE SERVICE TO THE INTENDED USE AT ITS CUSTOMARY RATE AND IN ITS CUSTOMARY MANNER WITHIN SIXTY DAYS AFTER THE APPLICANT SUBMITTED THE WRITTEN REQUEST FOR SERVICE TO THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER. THIS SUBSECTION DOES NOT APPLY IF THE PROPOSED EXEMPT WELL IS A REPLACEMENT EXEMPT WELL AS DEFINED IN SECTION 45-454.
 - Sec. 26. Section 45-599, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read: 45-599. Permit application; contents; correction of defective application; issuance of permit
- A. An application for a permit to construct a new well or replacement well in a new location shall be made on a form THAT IS prescribed and furnished by the director which shall include AND THAT INCLUDES:
 - 1. The name and mailing address of the applicant.
- 2. The legal description of the land upon which the new well is proposed to be constructed and the name and mailing address of the owner of the land.
- 3. The legal description of the proposed location of the new well on the land.
- 4. If for a replacement well, the legal description of the land upon which the original well is located, the name and mailing address of the owner of the land, the legal description of the location of the original well on the land, the depth and diameter of the original well and evidence of proper abandonment.
 - 5. The depth, diameter and type of casing of the new well.
- 6. Such legal description of the land upon which the groundwater is proposed to be used as may be required by the director to administer this chapter.
 - 7. When construction is to begin.
 - 8. The proposed use of the groundwater to be withdrawn.
 - 9. The design pumping capacity of the new well.
- 10. The name and well driller's license number of the well driller who is to construct the well.
- 11. The estimated time required to complete the well, if more than one year from the date of receipt of the permit.

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- 12. IF THE APPLICATION IS FILED AFTER THE RULES REQUIRED BY SECTION 45-598. SUBSECTION A HAVE BEEN ADOPTED. A HYDROLOGICAL STUDY DEMONSTRATING THAT THE WELL COMPLIES WITH THE RULES. EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN THIS PARAGRAPH, THE STUDY SHALL EVALUATE THE CUMULATIVE IMPACTS OF THE PROPOSED WELL. ANY WELLS INCLUDED IN ANY PERMITS ISSUED TO THE APPLICANT UNDER THIS SECTION OR SECTION 45-834.01 DURING THE TWELVE MONTH PERIOD PRECEDING THE DATE THE APPLICATION FOR THE PROPOSED WELL WAS FILED AND ANY WELLS WITHIN THE AREA OF IMPACT OF THE PROPOSED WELL THAT ARE INCLUDED IN ANY OTHER PENDING APPLICATIONS FILED BY THE APPLICANT UNDER THIS SECTION OR SECTION 45-834.01 DURING THE TWELVE MONTH PERIOD PRECEDING THE DATE THE APPLICATION FOR THE PROPOSED WELL WAS FILED. THE HYDROLOGICAL STUDY SHALL NOT EVALUATE THE IMPACTS OF ANY WELL THAT IS NOT WITHIN THE AREAL EXTENT OF THE CUMULATIVE IMPACT ANALYSIS FOR THE PROPOSED WELL AS DETERMINED PURSUANT TO THE RULES ADOPTED UNDER SECTION 45–598, SUBSECTION A, OR ANY WELL THAT IS INCLUDED IN A PERMIT ISSUED UNDER SECTION 45-834.01 OR THAT IS INCLUDED IN A PENDING APPLICATION UNDER SECTION 45-834.01, IF THE WELL IS NOT SUBJECT TO SECTION 45-834.01, SUBSECTION B, PARAGRAPH 1.
- 13. EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION N OF THIS SECTION AND EXCEPT FOR WELLS USED EXCLUSIVELY FOR STOCK WATERING AS DEFINED IN SECTION 45-454, IF THE APPLICATION IS FILED ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2005 AND THE WELL IS TO BE LOCATED WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF A RIPARIAN AREA PROTECTION ZONE DELINEATED ON THE MAP IDENTIFIED IN SUBSECTION K OF THIS SECTION, A HYDROLOGICAL STUDY DEMONSTRATING THAT WITHDRAWALS OF GROUNDWATER FROM THE WELL WILL NOT HAVE AN ADVERSE IMPACT ON THE RIPARIAN AREA WITHIN THE RIPARIAN AREA PROTECTION ZONE. EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN THIS PARAGRAPH, THE STUDY SHALL EVALUATE THE CUMULATIVE IMPACTS OF THE PROPOSED WELL, ANY WELLS INCLUDED IN ANY PERMITS ISSUED TO THE APPLICANT UNDER THIS SECTION OR SECTION 45-834.01 DURING THE TWELVE MONTH PERIOD PRECEDING THE DATE THE APPLICATION FOR THE PROPOSED WELL WAS FILED AND ANY WELLS INCLUDED IN ANY OTHER PENDING APPLICATIONS FILED BY THE APPLICANT UNDER THIS SECTION OR SECTION 45-834.01 DURING THE TWELVE MONTH PERIOD PRECEDING THE DATE THE APPLICATION FOR THE PROPOSED WELL WAS FILED. THE HYDROLOGICAL STUDY SHALL NOT EVALUATE THE IMPACTS OF ANY WELL THAT IS NOT WITHIN THE AREAL EXTENT OF THE CUMULATIVE IMPACT ANALYSIS FOR THE PROPOSED WELL AS DETERMINED PURSUANT TO THE RULES ADOPTED UNDER SECTION 45-598, SUBSECTION A, OR ANY WELL THAT IS NOT SUBJECT TO EITHER SUBSECTION D, PARAGRAPH 3 OF THIS SECTION OR SECTION 45-834.01, SUBSECTION B, PARAGRAPH 4.
- $\frac{12}{14}$. Such other information including any maps, drawings and data as the director may require.
- B. Upon receipt of a permit application, the director shall endorse on the application the date of its receipt. If the application is incorrect or incomplete, the director may request additional information from the applicant. The director may conduct independent investigations as may be necessary to determine whether the application should be approved or rejected.
 - C. IN DETERMINING WHETHER TO APPROVE OR REJECT A PERMIT APPLICATION:

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- 1. THE DIRECTOR SHALL NOT CONSIDER ANY IMPACTS THE PROPOSED WELL MAY HAVE ON AN EXEMPT WELL DRILLED PURSUANT TO A NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DRILL FILED ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2003 UNLESS THE WELL IS A REPLACEMENT EXEMPT WELL AS DEFINED IN SECTION 45-454.
- 2. IF THE DIRECTOR DETERMINES THAT THE PROPOSED WELL WILL CAUSE UNREASONABLY INCREASING DAMAGE TO A WELL THAT IS EXEMPT UNDER SECTION 45-454, SUBSECTION A OR SUBSECTION B, PARAGRAPH 1 OR A REPLACEMENT EXEMPT WELL AS DEFINED IN SECTION 45-454, THE DIRECTOR SHALL SEND WRITTEN NOTICE OF THE APPLICATION TO THE OWNER OF THE EXEMPT WELL AT THE OWNER'S LAST ADDRESS ON RECORD WITH THE DEPARTMENT. THE NOTICE SHALL STATE THAT THE OWNER OF THE EXEMPT WELL MAY FILE A WRITTEN OBJECTION TO THE APPLICATION WITHIN THIRTY DAYS FROM THE DATE OF THE NOTICE. THE DIRECTOR SHALL CONSIDER THE IMPACTS ON THE EXEMPT WELL IN DETERMINING WHETHER TO APPROVE OR REJECT THE APPLICATION, EXCEPT THE DIRECTOR SHALL NOT CONSIDER THE IMPACTS ON THE EXEMPT WELL IF ONE OF THE FOLLOWING APPLIES:
- (a) THE OWNER OF THE EXEMPT WELL FAILS TO FILE A WRITTEN OBJECTION TO THE APPLICATION WITHIN THIRTY DAYS FROM THE DATE OF THE NOTICE.
- (b) THE USE SERVED BY THE EXEMPT WELL IS WITHIN THE SERVICE AREA OF A MUNICIPAL PROVIDER WITH A POTABLE WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM AND THE APPLICANT AGREES TO PAY THE COST OF CONNECTING THE USE TO THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER'S DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM, INCLUDING THE COSTS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 45-599.01, SUBSECTION B, PARAGRAPH 1.
- C. D. The director shall approve an application for a permit for a new well or a replacement well in a new location ONLY if ALL OF THE FOLLOWING APPLY, AS APPROPRIATE:
- 1. The proposed well complies with the rules and regulations adopted pursuant to section 45-598, subsection A. $\frac{\text{and}}{\text{opt}}$
- 2. If the proposed well is in the Santa Cruz active management area, if the location of the proposed well is consistent with the management plan for the active management area.
- 3. EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION N OF THIS SECTION AND EXCEPT FOR WELLS USED EXCLUSIVELY FOR STOCK WATERING AS DEFINED IN SECTION 45-454, IF THE PROPOSED WELL IS TO BE DRILLED WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF A RIPARIAN AREA PROTECTION ZONE DELINEATED ON THE MAP IDENTIFIED IN SUBSECTION K OF THIS SECTION AND THE APPLICATION FOR A WELL PERMIT IS FILED AFTER JANUARY 1, 2005, THE APPLICANT HAS SUBMITTED A HYDROLOGICAL STUDY UNDER SUBSECTION A, PARAGRAPH 13 OF THIS SECTION DEMONSTRATING THAT WITHDRAWALS OF GROUNDWATER FROM THE WELL WILL NOT HAVE AN ADVERSE IMPACT ON THE RIPARIAN AREA WITHIN THE RIPARIAN AREA PROTECTION ZONE. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS PARAGRAPH, ADVERSE IMPACTS SHALL BE DETERMINED PURSUANT TO THE CRITERIA ESTABLISHED BY THE DIRECTOR IN THE RULES ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION M OF THIS SECTION. NOTHING IN THIS PARAGRAPH SHALL BE CONSTRUED TO AFFECT DECREED AND APPROPRIATIVE WATER RIGHTS. NOTHING IN THIS PARAGRAPH SHALL BE CONSTRUED TO AFFECT THE DEFINITION OF SURFACE WATER IN SECTION 45-101 AND THE DESCRIPTION

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OF WATER SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATION IN SECTION 45-141 OR THE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 1, ARTICLE 9 OF THIS TITLE.

- D_{r} E. Except as provided in subsection E_{r} F of this section, within sixty days of receipt of a complete and correct application, the director shall record and endorse the approval or rejection of the application on the application and return a copy of the application to the applicant.
- E. F. If the director determines that an administrative hearing should be held before approving or rejecting an application, the director shall notify the applicant of the date of the hearing within sixty days of receipt of the complete and correct application.
- \digamma . G. If at the request of the applicant the director determines that an emergency exists, the director shall expedite all decisions under this section.
- G. H. If the application is approved, the director shall issue a permit and the applicant may proceed to construct the well. If the application is rejected, the applicant shall not proceed with construction of the well. The well shall be completed within one year of receipt of the permit, unless the director in granting the permit approves a longer period to complete the well. If the well is not completed within one year or the longer period approved by the director, the applicant shall file a new application before proceeding with construction.
 - H. I. The permit shall state the following:
- 1. The legal description of the land upon which the well may be constructed.
 - 2. The legal description of the location of the new well on the land.
 - 3. The depth and diameter of the well and type of casing.
 - 4. The maximum pumping capacity of the well.
- 5. The legal description of the land upon which the groundwater will be used.
 - 6. The use of the groundwater to be withdrawn.
 - 7. The latest date for completing the well.
- J. IN DETERMINING WHETHER TO APPROVE AN APPLICATION FOR A PERMIT FOR A NEW WELL OR A REPLACEMENT WELL IN A NEW LOCATION UNDER SUBSECTION D OF THIS SECTION, THE DIRECTOR SHALL CONSIDER THE CUMULATIVE IMPACTS OF THE PROPOSED WELL, ANY WELLS INCLUDED IN ANY PERMITS ISSUED TO THE APPLICANT UNDER THIS SECTION OR SECTION 45-834.01 DURING THE TWELVE MONTH PERIOD PRECEDING THE DATE THE APPLICATION FOR THE PROPOSED WELL WAS FILED AND ANY WELLS INCLUDED IN ANY OTHER PENDING APPLICATIONS FILED BY THE APPLICANT UNDER THIS SECTION OR SECTION 45-834.01 DURING THE TWELVE MONTH PERIOD PRECEDING THE DATE THE APPLICATION FOR THE PROPOSED WELL WAS FILED, EXCEPT THAT:
- 1. IN DETERMINING WHETHER TO APPROVE AN APPLICATION UNDER SUBSECTION D, PARAGRAPH 1 OF THIS SECTION:
- (a) IF THE APPLICATION FOR THE PROPOSED WELL IS FILED BEFORE THE DIRECTOR ADOPTS THE RULES REQUIRED BY SECTION 45-598, SUBSECTION A, THE DIRECTOR SHALL CONSIDER ONLY THE IMPACTS OF THE PROPOSED WELL.

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- (b) THE DIRECTOR SHALL NOT CONSIDER THE IMPACTS OF ANY WELL NOT WITHIN THE AREAL EXTENT OF THE CUMULATIVE IMPACT ANALYSIS FOR THE PROPOSED WELL AS DETERMINED PURSUANT TO THE RULES ADOPTED UNDER SECTION 45-598, SUBSECTION A, OR ANY WELL THAT IS INCLUDED IN A PERMIT ISSUED UNDER SECTION 45-834.01 OR THAT IS INCLUDED IN A PENDING APPLICATION UNDER SECTION 45-834.01, IF THE WELL IS NOT SUBJECT TO SECTION 45-834.01, SUBSECTION B, PARAGRAPH 1.
- 2. IN DETERMINING WHETHER TO APPROVE AN APPLICATION UNDER SUBSECTION D, PARAGRAPH 3 OF THIS SECTION, THE DIRECTOR SHALL NOT CONSIDER THE IMPACTS OF ANY WELL NOT WITHIN THE AREAL EXTENT OF THE CUMULATIVE IMPACT ANALYSIS FOR THE PROPOSED WELL AS DETERMINED PURSUANT TO THE RULES ADOPTED UNDER SECTION 45-598, SUBSECTION A, OR ANY WELL THAT IS NOT SUBJECT TO EITHER SUBSECTION D, PARAGRAPH 3 OF THIS SECTION OR SECTION 45-834.01, SUBSECTION B, PARAGRAPH 4.
- K. THE BOUNDARIES OF THE RIPARIAN AREA PROTECTION ZONES REFERRED TO IN SUBSECTION D, PARAGRAPH 3 OF THIS SECTION SHALL BE DELINEATED ON A MAP FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE ON THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS AMENDMENT TO THIS SECTION. A TRUE COPY OF THE MAP FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE SHALL BE ON FILE IN THE DEPARTMENT AND SHALL BE AVAILABLE FOR EXAMINATION BY THE PUBLIC DURING REGULAR BUSINESS HOURS.
- L. AT LEAST ONCE EVERY FIVE YEARS, THE ARIZONA WATER PROTECTION FUND COMMISSION, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE DIRECTOR AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES, SHALL REVIEW THE MAP IDENTIFIED IN SUBSECTION K OF THIS SECTION AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE GOVERNOR, THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE AND THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES REGARDING ANY CHANGES THAT THE COMMISSION DETERMINES SHOULD BE MADE TO THE MAP TO PROTECT RIPARIAN AREAS FROM NEW WELLS, INCLUDING ANY MODIFICATIONS TO THE BOUNDARIES OF THE RIPARIAN AREA PROTECTION ZONES SHOWN ON THE MAP AND ANY ADDITIONS OF NEW RIPARIAN AREA PROTECTION ZONES TO THE MAP.
- M. NOT LATER THAN JANUARY 1, 2005, THE DIRECTOR SHALL ADOPT RULES ESTABLISHING CRITERIA FOR DETERMINING WHETHER WITHDRAWALS FROM A WELL LOCATED WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF A RIPARIAN AREA PROTECTION ZONE DELINEATED ON THE MAP IDENTIFIED IN SUBSECTION K OF THIS SECTION WILL HAVE AN ADVERSE IMPACT ON THE RIPARIAN AREA WITHIN THE RIPARIAN AREA PROTECTION ZONE. THE DIRECTOR SHALL FORM AN ADVISORY COMMITTEE COMPOSED OF TECHNICAL EXPERTS AND AFFECTED WATER USERS TO ASSIST THE DIRECTOR IN DEVELOPING THE RULES AND IN DEVELOPING REVIEW STANDARDS FOR IMPLEMENTING THE RULES.
- N. AN APPLICATION FOR A PERMIT UNDER THIS SECTION FOR A WELL WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF A RIPARIAN AREA PROTECTION ZONE DELINEATED ON THE MAP IDENTIFIED IN SUBSECTION K OF THIS SECTION IS EXEMPT FROM THE PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTION A, PARAGRAPH 13 AND SUBSECTION D, PARAGRAPH 3 OF THIS SECTION IF ONE OF THE FOLLOWING APPLIES:
- 1. THE WELL WILL BE DRILLED PURSUANT TO AN IRRIGATION GRANDFATHERED RIGHT ON LAND TO WHICH THE RIGHT IS APPURTENANT AND THE DIRECTOR DETERMINES THAT BOTH OF THE FOLLOWING APPLY:
- (a) SUFFICIENT GROUNDWATER CANNOT BE WITHDRAWN FOR THE IRRIGATION USE FROM LAND TO WHICH THE RIGHT IS APPURTENANT OUTSIDE OF THE BOUNDARIES OF THE

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RIPARIAN AREA PROTECTION ZONE OR FROM LAND THAT IS CONTIGUOUS TO THE APPURTENANT LAND AND THAT IS OWNED BY THE OWNER OF THE RIGHT OUTSIDE OF THE BOUNDARIES OF THE RIPARIAN AREA PROTECTION ZONE.

- (b) WATER FROM ANOTHER SOURCE IS NOT AVAILABLE FOR THE IRRIGATION USE AT A COST THAT DOES NOT EXCEED BY ONE HUNDRED PER CENT THE COST THE APPLICANT WOULD OTHERWISE INCUR IN WITHDRAWING GROUNDWATER FROM THE PROPOSED WELL.
- 2. THE WELL WILL BE DRILLED PURSUANT TO A TYPE 1 NON-IRRIGATION GRANDFATHERED RIGHT ON LAND TO WHICH THE RIGHT IS APPURTENANT AND THE DIRECTOR DETERMINES THAT BOTH OF THE FOLLOWING APPLY:
- (a) SUFFICIENT GROUNDWATER CANNOT BE WITHDRAWN FOR THE NON-IRRIGATION USE FROM LAND TO WHICH THE RIGHT IS APPURTENANT OUTSIDE THE BOUNDARIES OF THE RIPARIAN AREA PROTECTION ZONE OR FROM LAND THAT IS CONTIGUOUS TO THE APPURTENANT LAND AND THAT IS OWNED BY THE OWNER OF THE RIGHT OUTSIDE THE BOUNDARIES OF THE RIPARIAN AREA PROTECTION ZONE.
- (b) WATER FROM ANOTHER SOURCE IS NOT AVAILABLE FOR THE NON-IRRIGATION USE AT A COST THAT DOES NOT EXCEED BY ONE HUNDRED PER CENT THE COST THE APPLICANT WOULD OTHERWISE INCUR IN WITHDRAWING GROUNDWATER FROM THE PROPOSED WELL.
- I. 0. Section 45-114, subsections A and B govern administrative proceedings, rehearing or review and judicial review of final decisions of the director under this section. If an administrative hearing is held, it shall be conducted in the active management area in which the use is located.
- Sec. 27. Title 45, chapter 2, article 10, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended by adding section 45-599.01, to read:

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45-599.01. Responsibility for mitigating damage; conditions; civil action; burden of proof
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- A. IF PUMPING FROM A NON-EXEMPT WELL FOR WHICH A PERMIT WAS ISSUED UNDER SECTION 45-599 CAUSES A DECLINE IN GROUNDWATER LEVELS AT THE LOCATION OF AN EXEMPT WELL TO THE EXTENT THAT THE EXEMPT WELL IS NO LONGER CAPABLE OF WITHDRAWING GROUNDWATER IN AN AMOUNT SUFFICIENT TO SERVE THE EXISTING USE, THE OWNER OF THE NON-EXEMPT WELL SHALL MITIGATE THE DAMAGE CAUSED TO THE EXEMPT WELL IN THE MANNER PRESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION B OF THIS SECTION, IF ALL OF THE FOLLOWING APPLY:
- 1. THE APPLICATION FOR A WELL PERMIT FOR THE NON-EXEMPT WELL WAS FILED ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2003 AND THE HYDROLOGICAL STUDY SUBMITTED WITH THE APPLICATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-599, SUBSECTION A, PARAGRAPH 12 INCORRECTLY CONCLUDED THAT THE WELL WOULD NOT CAUSE UNREASONABLY INCREASING DAMAGE TO THE EXEMPT WELL UNDER THE CRITERIA CONTAINED IN THE RULES ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-598, SUBSECTION A AT THE TIME THE APPLICATION WAS FILED
- 2. THE EXEMPT WELL IS EXEMPT UNDER SECTION 45-454, SUBSECTION A OR SUBSECTION B, PARAGRAPH 1 OR IS A REPLACEMENT EXEMPT WELL AS DEFINED IN SECTION 45-454.

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- B. AN OWNER OF A NON-EXEMPT WELL SHALL MITIGATE THE DAMAGE CAUSED TO AN EXEMPT WELL AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION A OF THIS SECTION IN ONE OF THE FOLLOWING WAYS, AS SELECTED BY THE OWNER OF THE NON-EXEMPT WELL:
- 1. BY ENSURING THAT THE OWNER OF THE EXEMPT WELL HAS ACCESS TO ANOTHER WATER SUPPLY SUFFICIENT TO SERVE THE USE PREVIOUSLY SERVED BY THE EXEMPT WELL. MITIGATION UNDER THIS PARAGRAPH MAY BE ACCOMPLISHED BY PAYING THE COST OF CONNECTING THE USE SERVED BY THE EXEMPT WELL TO THE NEAREST MUNICIPAL PROVIDER WITH A POTABLE WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM, INCLUDING THE COST OF ANY IMPACT FEES IMPOSED BY THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER AND ANY COSTS IMPOSED BY THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER FOR EXTENDING ITS DISTRIBUTION LINE TO THE EXEMPT WELL OWNER'S LAND. IF MITIGATION OCCURS UNDER THIS PARAGRAPH, THE EXEMPT WELL OWNER SHALL ABANDON THE EXEMPT WELL IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RULES ADOPTED BY THE DIRECTOR PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-594, SUBSECTION A.
- 2. BY PAYING THE COST OF DEEPENING THE EXEMPT WELL SO THAT GROUNDWATER MAY BE WITHDRAWN FROM THE WELL IN AN AMOUNT SUFFICIENT TO SERVE THE EXISTING USE.
- 3. BY PAYING THE COST OF RELOCATING THE EXEMPT WELL TO ANOTHER LOCATION ON THE SAME PARCEL OF LAND SO THAT GROUNDWATER MAY BE WITHDRAWN IN AN AMOUNT SUFFICIENT TO SERVE THE USE IN THE SAME MANNER AS PREVIOUSLY SERVED BY THE EXEMPT WELL. IF MITIGATION OCCURS UNDER THIS PARAGRAPH, THE EXEMPT WELL OWNER SHALL ABANDON THE ORIGINAL EXEMPT WELL IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RULES ADOPTED BY THE DIRECTOR PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-594, SUBSECTION A.
- 4. BY PAYING DAMAGES TO THE OWNER OF THE EXEMPT WELL IN AN AMOUNT AGREED TO BY THE PARTIES OR DETERMINED BY A COURT, BUT NOT TO EXCEED THE LEAST COST OF MITIGATING THE DAMAGE UNDER PARAGRAPHS 1, 2 AND 3 OF THIS SUBSECTION.
- C. AN ACTION TO ENFORCE THIS SECTION MAY BE BROUGHT ONLY AS A CIVIL ACTION IN SUPERIOR COURT BY THE OWNER OF THE EXEMPT WELL. THE OWNER OF THE EXEMPT WELL SHALL HAVE THE BURDEN OF PROVING THAT PUMPING BY THE NON-EXEMPT WELL CAUSED THE DAMAGE DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION A OF THIS SECTION.
- D. AN ACTION UNDER THIS SECTION MAY NOT BE FILED LATER THAN ONE YEAR AFTER THE DATE ON WHICH THE OWNER OF THE EXEMPT WELL FIRST HAS A REASONABLE OPPORTUNITY TO DISCOVER THAT THE EXEMPT WELL IS NO LONGER CAPABLE OF WITHDRAWING GROUNDWATER IN AN AMOUNT SUFFICIENT TO SERVE THE EXISTING USE OR TWENTY YEARS AFTER THE DIRECTOR ISSUED THE WELL PERMIT FOR THE NON-EXEMPT WELL UNDER SECTION 45-599, WHICHEVER IS EARLIER.
- E. IF AN OWNER OF A NON-EXEMPT WELL IS REQUIRED BY THIS SECTION TO MITIGATE DAMAGE CAUSED TO AN EXEMPT WELL, NO ACTION SHALL BE BROUGHT OR MAINTAINED AGAINST THE OWNER OF THE NON-EXEMPT WELL FOR THE DAMAGE IF THE OWNER OF THE NON-EXEMPT WELL MITIGATES THE DAMAGE IN THE MANNER PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION B OF THIS SECTION.
 - Sec. 28. Section 45-604, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read: 45-604. Water measuring devices

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- A. Except as provided in subsections B, C and D of this section, THE FOLLOWING PERSONS SHALL USE A WATER MEASURING DEVICE APPROVED BY THE DIRECTOR:
- 1. A person who withdraws groundwater from a nonexempt well in an active management area or an irrigation non-expansion area.
- 2. A person who withdraws water from a non-exempt well in the Santa Cruz active management area. $\frac{\text{or}}{\text{or}}$
- 3. A person who withdraws groundwater for transportation to an initial active management area pursuant to article 8.1 of this chapter shall use a water measuring device approved by the director.
- 4. A PERSON WHO WITHDRAWS WATER FROM A WELL THAT IS EXEMPT FROM THIS CHAPTER PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-454, SUBSECTION B, PARAGRAPH 4.
- 5. A PERSON WHO WITHDRAWS WATER FROM AN EXEMPT WELL APPROVED BY THE DIRECTOR PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-596, SUBSECTION I, PARAGRAPH 4.
- B. A person who holds a type 2 non-irrigation grandfathered right or a groundwater withdrawal permit in the amount of ten or fewer acre-feet per year is not required to use a water measuring device to measure withdrawals pursuant to that grandfathered right or groundwater withdrawal permit unless the person holds more than one such right or permit in the aggregate amount of more than ten acre-feet per year and withdraws more than ten acre-feet of groundwater per year pursuant to those rights or permits from one well.
 - C. In an irrigation non-expansion area:
- 1. A person who withdraws ten or fewer acre-feet of groundwater per year from a non-exempt well for a non-irrigation use is not required to use a water measuring device to measure withdrawals from that well.
- 2. A person who withdraws groundwater from a non-exempt well for an irrigation use is not required to use a water measuring device to measure withdrawals from that well if both of the following apply:
- (a) Groundwater withdrawn from the well for an irrigation use is used only on land that is owned by a person who has the right under section 45-437 to irrigate ten or fewer contiguous acres at the place of the use.
- (b) Groundwater withdrawn from the well is not used on land that is part of an integrated farming operation.
- D. In an active management area, a person, other than an irrigation district, who withdraws groundwater from a non-exempt well for use pursuant to an irrigation grandfathered right that is appurtenant to ten or fewer irrigation acres is not required to use a water measuring device to measure withdrawals from that well unless groundwater withdrawn from the well is also used pursuant to either a service area right pursuant to article 6 of this chapter or a grandfathered groundwater right other than an irrigation grandfathered right that is appurtenant to irrigation acres that are exempt from irrigation water duties pursuant to section 45-563.02.
- E. The director shall adopt rules setting forth the requirements and specifications for water measuring devices.
 - Sec. 29. Section 45-611, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

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45-611. Groundwater withdrawal fee; amounts and purposes of fee; exception

- A. Except as provided in subsection B of this section, the director shall levy and collect an annual groundwater withdrawal fee from each person withdrawing groundwater in the Prescott active management area or the person who owns the right to withdraw the groundwater, in an amount not to exceed five dollars per acre-foot of groundwater withdrawn and beneficially used. The director shall levy and collect an annual withdrawal fee from each person withdrawing water, other than stored water, from a well in the Santa Cruz active management area or the person who owns the right to withdraw the water, in an amount not to exceed five dollars per acre-foot of water, other than stored water, that is withdrawn and beneficially used. For purposes of this article, the annual withdrawal fee levied and collected in the Santa Cruz active management area shall be considered a groundwater withdrawal fee. The actual amount of the fee levied and collected by the director pursuant to this subsection shall be set by the director as follows:
- 1. For administration and enforcement of this chapter, an amount not less than fifty cents and not greater than one dollar per acre-foot per year. The initial fee for administration and enforcement shall be levied as soon as practicable after the active management area is established.
- 2. For augmentation of the water supply of the active management area, conservation assistance to water users within the active management area and monitoring and assessing water availability within the active management area, an amount not greater than two dollars per acre-foot per year.
- 3. For purchasing and retiring grandfathered rights, an amount not greater than two dollars per acre-foot per year. The initial fee for purchasing and retiring grandfathered rights shall be levied in the first year in which the director develops and implements a program for the purchase and retirement of grandfathered rights as part of the management plan for the active management area, but not earlier than January 1, 2006. The director may not levy a fee under this paragraph on a district member of a groundwater replenishment district that withdraws groundwater in the district for a non-irrigation use in the district.
- B. A person, other than an irrigation district, who withdraws groundwater in an active management area from a non-exempt well for use pursuant to an irrigation grandfathered right that is appurtenant to ten or fewer irrigation acres and the person who owns the right to withdraw the groundwater are exempt from the groundwater withdrawal fee requirements of subsections A and C of this section for those withdrawals unless the irrigation acres are part of an integrated farming operation.
- C. Except as provided in section 45-411.01, subsection C and subsection B of this section, the director shall levy and collect an annual groundwater withdrawal fee from each person who withdraws groundwater in the Tucson, Phoenix and Pinal active management areas or the person who owns the right to withdraw the groundwater, in an amount of not more than five dollars

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per acre-foot of groundwater withdrawn and beneficially used. The director shall set the actual amount of the fee as follows:

- 1. Beginning in 2017, for administration and enforcement of this chapter, an amount of at least fifty cents but not more than one dollar per acre-foot per year.
- 2. Through 2016, for augmentation of the water supply of the active management area, conservation assistance to water users within the active management area and monitoring and assessing water availability within the active management area, an amount of not more than fifty cents per acre-foot per year, and after 2016, an amount of not more than two dollars per acre-foot per year. If a permanent board of directors of an active management area water district assumes office under section 48-4831, the fee for augmentation under this paragraph shall not be levied in that active management area.
- 3. Through 2016, for Arizona water banking purposes, the amount of two dollars fifty cents per acre-foot per year, except that for groundwater withdrawn pursuant to irrigation grandfathered rights within the Pinal active management area to the extent those rights are used to irrigate lands outside of the service area of an irrigation district, the amount of seventy-five cents per acre-foot of groundwater withdrawn in 1997, and a cumulating additional twenty-five cents per acre-foot each year thereafter, to a maximum of two dollars fifty cents per acre-foot per year.
- 4. For purchasing and retiring grandfathered rights, an amount of not more than two dollars per acre-foot per year. The initial fee for purchasing and retiring grandfathered rights shall be levied in the first year in which the director develops and implements a program for the purchase and retirement of grandfathered rights as part of the management plan for the active management area, but not earlier than January 1, 2006. The director may not levy a fee pursuant to this paragraph on a district member of a groundwater replenishment district that withdraws groundwater in the district for non-irrigation use in the district.

Sec. 30. Section 45-613, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read: $\frac{\text{Use of withdrawal fees collected for augmentation and}}{\text{conservation and purchase and retirement of grandfathered rights}}$

A. Except as provided in section 45-615, paragraph 2 and sections 45-1972 and 48-4504, monies collected in an active management area for purposes of augmentation, conservation assistance and monitoring and assessing water availability under section 45-611, subsection A, paragraph 2 and subsection C, paragraph 2 shall be used only to finance the augmentation and conservation assistance programs that are part of the management plan for the active management area and to fund any projects that are authorized by the director for monitoring and assessing water availability within the active management area.

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- B. Monies collected in an active management area for the purpose of purchasing and retiring grandfathered rights under section 45-611, subsection A, paragraph 3 and subsection C, paragraph 4 shall be used only to finance the program for the purchase and retirement of grandfathered rights that is part of the management plan for the active management area.
- C. Monies collected in an active management area for the purpose of Arizona water banking under section 45-611, subsection C, paragraph 3 shall be used only for the benefit of the active management area in which they are collected.

Sec. 31. Section 45-615, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read: 45-615. Deposits; divisions of collections into funds

Except as provided in section 45-113, the director shall deposit, pursuant to sections 35-146 and 35-147, all monies collected by the department pursuant to section 45-611, subsection A, paragraphs 2 and 3 and subsection C, paragraphs 2, 3 and 4 and any other monies received for that purpose. Based on the statement of the director transmitted pursuant to section 45-614, subsection B, the monies collected shall be allocated as follows:

- 1. Except as provided in paragraph 2 of this section, Monies received for the purpose of augmentation of the water supply of the active management area, conservation assistance to water users within the active management area and monitoring and assessing water availability within the active management area shall be kept in an augmentation and conservation assistance fund. Separate accounts for each active management area shall be maintained within the fund. On notice from the director, the state treasurer shall invest and divest monies in the fund as provided by section 35-313, and monies earned from investment shall be credited to the fund.
- 2. If an active management area water district has been established in an active management area, all monies received pursuant to section 45-611, subsection A, paragraph 2 for the purpose of augmentation of the water supply of that active management area shall be transmitted to the secretary-treasurer of the district for deposit in the general fund of the district.
- 3. 2. Monies received for the purpose of purchase and retirement of grandfathered rights shall be kept in a purchase and retirement fund. Separate accounts for each active management area shall be maintained within the fund. On notice from the director, the state treasurer shall invest and divest monies in the fund as provided by section 35-313, and monies earned from investment shall be credited to the fund.
- 4. 3. Monies received for the purpose of Arizona water banking shall be deposited, pursuant to sections 35-146 and 35-147, in the Arizona water banking fund.
 - Sec. 32. Section 45-632, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

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45-632. Records and annual report of groundwater pumping, transportation and use; penalty

- A. Each person who is required to file an annual report under this section or who files an annual report under subsection E of this section shall maintain current accurate records of the person's withdrawals, transportation, deliveries and use of groundwater and, in the Santa Cruz active management area, current accurate records of the person's withdrawals, deliveries and use of all water withdrawn from a well, as prescribed by the director under subsection P of this section.
- B. Except as provided in subsections C and D of this section, an annual report shall be filed with the director by each person who:
- 1. Owns or leases a right under this chapter to withdraw, receive or use groundwater in an active management area, unless a report is filed for that person by an irrigation district under subsection E of this section or by another person in a form acceptable to the director.
- 2. Uses groundwater which is transported from an active management area.
- 3. Is an individual user subject to a municipal conservation requirement for appropriate conservation measures included in a management plan adopted by the director pursuant to article 9 of this chapter.
- 4. Withdraws groundwater for transportation to an initial active management area pursuant to article 8.1 of this chapter.
- 5. Withdraws water from a well in the Santa Cruz active management area or who uses water, other than stored water, withdrawn from a non-exempt well in the Santa Cruz active management area.
- 6. WITHDRAWS WATER FROM A WELL THAT IS EXEMPT FROM THIS CHAPTER PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-454, SUBSECTION B, PARAGRAPH 4 OR FROM AN EXEMPT WELL APPROVED BY THE DIRECTOR PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-596, SUBSECTION I, PARAGRAPH 4.
- C. EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION B, PARAGRAPH 6 OF THIS SECTION, persons who withdraw groundwater from exempt wells and non-irrigation customers of cities, towns, private water companies and irrigation districts, except customers receiving water pursuant to a permit, are exempt from the record keeping and reporting requirements of this section for such water.
- D. A person who owns or leases an irrigation grandfathered right that is appurtenant to ten or fewer irrigation acres is exempt from the record keeping and reporting requirements of this section for the irrigation grandfathered right unless one of the following applies:
- 1. The land to which the irrigation grandfathered right is appurtenant is part of an integrated farming operation.
- 2. Groundwater is withdrawn from the land to which the irrigation grandfathered right is appurtenant and delivered for use pursuant to either a service area right pursuant to article 6 of this chapter or a grandfathered groundwater right other than an irrigation grandfathered right that is

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appurtenant to irrigation acres that are exempt from irrigation water duties pursuant to section 45-563.02.

- 3. Groundwater is withdrawn from land that is both owned by the owner of the irrigation grandfathered right and contiguous to the land to which the irrigation grandfathered right is appurtenant and delivered for use pursuant to either a service area right pursuant to article 6 of this chapter or a grandfathered groundwater right other than an irrigation grandfathered right that is appurtenant to irrigation acres that are exempt from irrigation water duties pursuant to section 45-563.02.
- E. An irrigation district which delivers and distributes groundwater in an active management area may file an annual report with the director for each person who holds an irrigation grandfathered right appurtenant to irrigation acres within the service area of the irrigation district, if the irrigation district delivers all the water used on the person's irrigation acres. If an irrigation district files an annual report for such a person, the irrigation district shall report the following information for each such person:
- 1. The name of the person and the certificate number of the person's irrigation grandfathered right.
- 2. The quantity of groundwater, if any, delivered during the calendar year.
- F. Persons who are required to report under subsection B, paragraph PARAGRAPHS 1 AND 6 of this section and who withdraw groundwater during the calendar year in an active management area shall report the following information for each well:
 - 1. The registration number and location of the well.
- 2. The quantity of groundwater withdrawn from the well during the calendar year. A person who, under section 45-604, subsection B, is not required to use and does not use a water measuring device to measure withdrawals made pursuant to a type 2 non-irrigation grandfathered right or a groundwater withdrawal permit shall estimate the quantity of groundwater withdrawn pursuant to the grandfathered right or withdrawal permit.
- 3. The quantity of fuel or electricity consumed by the pump during the calendar year.
- 4. The uses to which the groundwater was applied or the persons to whom the groundwater was delivered during the calendar year.
- G. Persons who are required to report under subsection B, paragraph 1 of this section and who use groundwater during the calendar year in an active management area and persons who are required to report under subsection B, paragraph 2 of this section shall report the following information:
 - 1. The source of the groundwater, including:
 - (a) The name of the person from whom the groundwater was obtained.
 - (b) The registration number and location of the well, if known.
 - 2. The quantity of groundwater used during the calendar year.

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- 3. The specific uses to which the groundwater was applied during the calendar year.
- H. Persons who are required to report under subsection B, paragraph 4 of this section and who transport groundwater during the calendar year to an initial active management area under article 8.1 of this chapter shall report the following information:
 - 1. The registration number and location of each well.
- 2. The quantity of groundwater withdrawn from each well during the calendar year.
- 3. The quantity of groundwater transported during the calendar year to an initial active management area.
- 4. The quantity of groundwater that was withdrawn during the calendar year and that was not transported to an initial active management area and the uses to which the groundwater was applied.
- 5. The quantity of fuel or electricity consumed by each pump during the calendar year.
- 6. The uses to which the groundwater was applied or the persons to whom the groundwater was delivered during the calendar year.
- I. Persons who are required to report under subsection B, paragraph PARAGRAPHS 1 AND 6 of this section and who neither withdraw nor use groundwater during the calendar year shall report the following information:
- 1. The fact that no groundwater was withdrawn or used during the calendar year.
 - 2. The registration number and location of each well, if any.
- J. Persons who are required to report under subsection B, paragraph PARAGRAPHS 5 AND 6 of this section and who withdraw water from a non-exempt well in the Santa Cruz active management area during the calendar year shall report the following information:
 - 1. The registration number and location of the well.
- 2. The quantity of water, by type, withdrawn from the well during the calendar year.
- 3. The quantity of fuel or electricity consumed by the pump during the calendar year.
- 4. The uses to which the water was applied or the persons to whom the water was delivered during the calendar year.
- K. Persons who are required to report under subsection B, paragraph 5 of this section and who use water withdrawn from a non-exempt well in the Santa Cruz active management area during the calendar year shall report the following information:
 - 1. The source of the water, including:
 - (a) The name of the person from whom the water was obtained.
 - (b) The registration number and location of the well, if known.
 - 2. The quantity of the water, by type, used during the calendar year.
- 3. The specific uses to which the water was applied during the calendar year.

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- L. If a person both withdraws groundwater in an active management area and uses such water, the person may combine the information required by subsections F and G of this section into one report. If a person both withdraws water, other than stored water, from a non-exempt well in the Santa Cruz active management area and uses such water, the person may combine the information required by subsections J and K of this section into one report.
- M. The director may require such other information in the report as may be necessary to accomplish the management goals of the applicable active management area.
- N. Each report shall contain either a sworn statement or a certification, under penalty of perjury, that the information contained in the report is true and correct according to the best belief and knowledge of the person filing the report.
- O. The annual report shall be maintained on a calendar year basis and shall be filed with the director no later than March 31 of each year for the preceding calendar year. If a person who is required under this section to file an annual report for calendar year 1985 or any subsequent calendar year fails to file a report for the calendar year in question on or before March 31 of the following year, the director may assess and collect a penalty of twenty-five dollars for each month or portion of a month that the annual report is delinquent. The total penalty assessed under this subsection shall not exceed one hundred fifty dollars. The director shall deposit, pursuant to sections 35-146 and 35-147, all penalties collected under this subsection in the state general fund.
- P. The records and reports required to be kept and filed under this section shall be in such form as the director prescribes. The director shall prepare blank forms and distribute them on a timely schedule throughout each active management area and furnish them upon request. Failure to receive or obtain the forms does not relieve any person from keeping the required records or making any required report. The director shall cooperate with cities and towns, private water companies and irrigation districts in establishing the form of the records and reports to be kept and filed by them.
- Sec. 33. Section 45-802.01, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

45-802.01. Definitions

Unless the context otherwise requires, the terms defined in section 45-402 have the same meanings in this chapter and:

- 1. "Aquifer" means a geologic formation that contains sufficient saturated material to be capable of storing water and transmitting water in usable quantities to a well.
- 2. "Area of impact" means, as projected on the land surface, the area where the stored water has migrated or is located.
- 3. "CERCLA" means the comprehensive environmental response, compensation, and liability act of 1980, as amended (P.L. 96-510; 94 Stat.

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2767; 42 United States Code sections 9601 through 9657), commonly known as "superfund".

- 4. "Constructed underground storage facility" means a facility that meets the requirements of section 45-811.01 and that is designed and constructed to store water underground pursuant to permits issued under this chapter.
- 5. "District" means a groundwater replenishment district established under title 48, chapter 27.
- 6. "District member" means a member of the groundwater replenishment district as provided by title 48, chapter 27.
- 7. "Electrical district" means a corporate body established pursuant to title 48, chapter 12.
- 8. "Groundwater savings facility" means a facility that meets the requirements of section 45-812.01 in an active management area or an irrigation non-expansion area at which groundwater withdrawals are eliminated or reduced by recipients who use in lieu water on a gallon-for-gallon substitute basis for groundwater that otherwise would have been pumped from within that active management area or irrigation non-expansion area.
- 9. "In lieu water" means water that is delivered by a storer to a groundwater savings facility pursuant to permits issued under this chapter and that is used in an active management area or an irrigation non-expansion area by the recipient on a gallon-for-gallon substitute basis for groundwater that otherwise would have been pumped from within that active management area or irrigation non-expansion area.
- 10. "Long-term storage account" means an account established pursuant to section 45-852.01.
- 11. "Long-term storage credit" means stored water that meets the requirements of section 45-852.01 and that has been credited to a long-term storage account.
- 12. "Managed underground storage facility" means a facility that meets the requirements of section 45-811.01 and that is designed and managed to utilize the natural channel of a stream to store water underground pursuant to permits issued under this chapter through artificial and controlled releases of water other than surface water naturally present in the stream. Surface water flowing in its natural channel is not a managed underground storage facility.
- 13. "Master replenishment account" means an account established pursuant to section 45-858.01 for a groundwater replenishment district.
- 14. "Recipient" means a person who receives in lieu water for use at a groundwater savings facility.
- 15. "Recoverable amount" means the amount of water, as determined by the director, that will reach the aquifer through water storage.
- 16. "Replenishment" means the storage of water or use of long-term storage credits by a groundwater replenishment district to fulfill its duties under title 48, chapter 27, article 3— OR by a multi-county water

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conservation district to fulfill its duties under title 48, chapter 22, article 4 or by an active management area water district to fulfill its duties under title 48, chapter 28, article 7.

- 17. "RESERVE TARGET" HAS THE SAME MEANING PRESCRIBED IN SECTION 48-3701.
- 17. 18. "Storage facility" means a groundwater savings facility or an underground storage facility.
- 18. 19. "Stored water" means water that has been stored or saved underground pursuant to a storage permit issued under this chapter.
- 19. 20. "Storer" means the holder of a water storage permit issued pursuant to section 45-831.01 or a person to whom a water storage permit has been conveyed pursuant to section 45-831.01, subsection F.
- 20. 21. "Underground storage facility" means a constructed underground storage facility or a managed underground storage facility.
- 21. 22. "Water that cannot reasonably be used directly" means water that the storer cannot reasonably put to a direct use during the calendar year, including:
- (a) Except as provided in subdivision (b) of this paragraph, if the storer is a municipal provider, the amount of central Arizona project water that exceeds the amount of mined groundwater withdrawn during the calendar year by the storer in the active management area in which the storer's service area is located. If the storer withdrew mined groundwater during a calendar year in which the storer stored central Arizona project water underground pursuant to the storage permit, the amount of central Arizona project water stored underground during that year equal to the amount of mined groundwater withdrawn from the active management area in which the storer's service area is located shall not be credited to the storer's long-term storage account but may be considered as being available for recovery by the storer on an annual basis under section 45-851.01. calculating the amount of mined groundwater withdrawn by the storer from the active management area, the director, at the request of the storer, shall exclude any groundwater withdrawn, treated and delivered for direct use as part of a remedial action undertaken pursuant to CERCLA or title 49, chapter 2, article 5. For the purposes of this subdivision, "mined groundwater" and "municipal provider" have the same meanings as prescribed by section 45-561.
- (b) If the storer is a municipal provider that has been designated as having an assured water supply pursuant to section 45-576, the amount of central Arizona project water that exceeds the amount of deficit groundwater withdrawn during the calendar year by the storer in the active management area in which the storer's service area is located. If the storer withdrew deficit groundwater during a calendar year in which the storer stored central Arizona project water underground pursuant to the storage permit, the amount of the central Arizona project water stored underground during that year equal to the amount of deficit groundwater withdrawn from the active management area in which the storer's service area is located shall not be

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credited to the storer's long-term storage account but may be considered as being available for recovery by the storer on an annual basis pursuant to section 45-851.01. In calculating the amount of deficit groundwater withdrawn by the storer from the active management area, the director, at the request of the storer, shall exclude any groundwater withdrawn, treated and delivered for direct use as part of a remedial action undertaken pursuant to CERCLA or title 49, chapter 2, article 5. For the purposes of this subdivision, "municipal provider" has the same meaning as prescribed by section 45-561 and "deficit groundwater" means that amount of groundwater withdrawn within an active management area for delivery and use within a service area by a municipal provider in excess of the amount of groundwater that may be withdrawn by the municipal provider consistent with the achievement of the active management area's management goals as prescribed by rules adopted by the director pursuant to section 45-576.

- (c) If the storer is not a municipal provider, the amount of central Arizona project water stored in an active management area that exceeds the amount of groundwater withdrawn during the calendar year by the storer in that active management area. If the storer withdrew groundwater in an active management area during a calendar year in which the storer stored central Arizona project water underground in that active management area pursuant to the storage permit, the amount of central Arizona project water stored underground during that year equal to the amount of groundwater withdrawn from the active management area shall not be credited to the storer's long-term storage account but may be considered as being available for recovery by the storer on an annual basis under section 45-851.01. calculating the amount of groundwater withdrawn by the storer from the active management area, the director, at the request of the storer, shall exclude any groundwater withdrawn, treated and delivered for direct use as part of a remedial action undertaken pursuant to CERCLA or title 49, chapter 2, article 5. For the purposes of this subdivision, "municipal provider" has the same meaning as prescribed by section 45-561.
- (d) Surface water made available by dams constructed or modified after August 13, 1986.
 - (e) Until the year 2025:
 - (i) Effluent.
- (ii) If the storage facility is in an active management area, water from outside the active management area that would not have reached the active management area without the efforts of the storer.
- (iii) If the storage facility is outside of an active management area, water from outside the groundwater basin in which the storage facility is located that would not have reached the groundwater basin without the efforts of the storer.
- (f) Water THAT IS delivered through the central Arizona project AND that is acquired by the Arizona water banking authority.

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- 22. 23. "Water storage" means adding water to an aquifer or saving water in an aquifer pursuant to permits issued under this chapter.
- $\frac{23}{24}$. "Water storage permit" means a permit issued pursuant to section 45-831.01 to store water at a storage facility.
- Sec. 34. Section 45-832.01, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

45-832.01. Use of stored water

- A. Water that has been stored pursuant to a water storage permit may be used or exchanged only in the manner in which it was permissible to use or exchange the water before it was stored.
- B. Water that has been stored pursuant to a water storage permit may be used only in the location in which it was permissible to use the water before it was stored.
- C. Water that has been stored pursuant to a water storage permit may be used for replenishment purposes only in the active management area in which the water is stored, unless the water is recovered and transported to another active management area.
 - D. Stored water may be used only as follows:
- 1. The water may be recovered by the storer and used on an annual basis in accordance with section 45-851.01.
- 2. The water may be credited to the storer's long-term storage account, if the water meets the requirements of section 45-852.01, and the long-term storage credits may be used in accordance with the provisions of this chapter.
- 3. A district that is storing water may have the stored water credited to its master replenishment account, if the water would meet the requirements of long-term storage credits as prescribed by section 45-852.01.
- 4. A conservation district that is storing water may have the stored water credited to its conservation district account, if the water would meet the requirements of long-term storage credits as prescribed by section 45-852.01.
- 5. A water district that is storing water may have the stored water credited to its water district account, if the water would meet the requirements of long-term storage credits as prescribed by section 45-852.01.
- Sec. 35. Section 45-834.01, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

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45-834.01. Recovery of stored water; recovery well permit; emergency temporary recovery well permit; well construction
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- A. A person who holds long-term storage credits or who may recover water on an annual basis may recover the water stored pursuant to a water storage permit only:
- 1. If the person seeking to recover stored water has applied for and received a recovery well permit under this article.

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- 2. For water stored within an active management area, from wells that are located:
- (a) Within the area of impact of the stored water, as determined by the director, if the person recovering the water is the storer, subject to the following if the stored water to be recovered is effluent that is stored in a managed underground storage facility AND if the proposed recovery well is not an already constructed well owned by the person recovering the water and is located within the exterior boundaries of the service area of a city, town, private water company or irrigation district, that city, town, private water company or irrigation district must be notified by the person recovering the stored water and have the right to offer to recover the water stored on behalf of that person. If the city, town, private water company or irrigation district offers to recover the water on behalf of the person seeking recovery and the water that is offered for recovery is of comparable quality to the water that the person could recover, the person seeking to recover the water shall consider accepting the best offer from the city, town, private water company or irrigation district overlying the area of impact that has offered to recover the stored water.
- (b) Within the same active management area as storage, if the director determines that recovery at the proposed location is consistent with the management plan and achievement of the management goal for the active management area subject to the following:
- (i) If the proposed recovery well is located within the exterior boundaries of the service area of a city, town, private water company or irrigation district, that city, town, private water company or irrigation district is the person seeking to recover the water or has consented to the location of the recovery well.
- (ii) If the proposed recovery well is located outside, but within three miles of, the exterior boundaries of the service area of a city, town, private water company or irrigation district, the closest city, town, private water company or irrigation district has consented to the location of the recovery well.
- 3. For water stored outside of an active management area, if recovery will occur within the same irrigation non-expansion area, groundwater basin or groundwater sub-basin, as applicable, in which the water was stored.
- B. Before recovering from any well water stored pursuant to a water storage permit, a person shall apply for and receive a recovery well permit from the director. The director shall issue the recovery well permit if the director determines that ALL OF THE FOLLOWING APPLY, AS APPROPRIATE:
- 1. If the application is for a new well, as defined in section 45-591, or except as provided in paragraph 2 of this subsection for an existing well, as defined in section 45-591, the proposed recovery of stored water will not unreasonably increase damage to surrounding land or other water users from the concentration of wells. The director shall make this determination pursuant to rules adopted by the director.

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- 2. If the applicant is a city, town, private water company or irrigation district in an active management area and the application is for an existing well within the service area of the city, town, private water company or irrigation district, the applicant has a right to use the existing well.
- 3. If the applicant is a conservation district and the application is for an existing well within the conservation district and within the groundwater basin or sub-basin in which the stored water is located, the applicant has a right to use the existing well.
- 4. IF THE APPLICATION IS FILED ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2005 AND THE APPLICATION IS FOR A WELL LOCATED OUTSIDE THE AREA OF IMPACT OF THE STORED WATER AS DETERMINED BY THE DIRECTOR AND WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF A RIPARIAN AREA PROTECTION ZONE DELINEATED ON THE MAP IDENTIFIED IN SECTION 45-599, SUBSECTION K, THE APPLICANT HAS SUBMITTED A HYDROLOGICAL STUDY UNDER SUBSECTION I, PARAGRAPH 2 OF THIS SECTION DEMONSTRATING THAT RECOVERY OF WATER FROM THE WELL WILL NOT HAVE AN ADVERSE IMPACT ON THE RIPARIAN AREA WITHIN THE RIPARIAN AREA PROTECTION ZONE. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS PARAGRAPH, ADVERSE IMPACTS SHALL BE DETERMINED PURSUANT TO THE CRITERIA ESTABLISHED BY THE DIRECTOR IN THE RULES ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-599, SUBSECTION M.
- C. A city, town, private water company or irrigation district in an active management area may apply with a single application to the director to have all existing wells, as defined in section 45-591, that the applicant has the right to use within its service area listed as recovery wells on the recovery well permit, if those wells otherwise meet the requirements of this section.
- D. If the applicant is a conservation district, the director may issue an emergency temporary recovery well permit without complying with section 45-871.01, subsection F if the director determines that all of the following apply:
- 1. The conservation district cannot reasonably continue to supply central Arizona project water directly to a city, town, private water company or irrigation district due to an unplanned failure of a portion of the central Arizona project delivery system.
- 2. The emergency temporary recovery well permit is necessary to allow the conservation district to provide immediate delivery of replacement water to the city, town, private water company or irrigation district.
- 3. The application is for an existing well as defined in section 45-591 that is within the groundwater basin or groundwater sub-basin in which the stored water is located, is within the conservation district and is within the service area of the city, town, private water company or irrigation district.
- E. An emergency temporary recovery well permit issued pursuant to subsection D of this section may be issued for a period of up to ninety days and may be extended for additional ninety day periods if the director

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determines that the conditions prescribed in subsection ${\tt D}$ of this section continue to apply.

- F. If the application for a recovery well permit is approved, the director shall issue a permit and the applicant may proceed to construct or use the well. If the application is rejected, the applicant shall not proceed to construct or use the well. A new well shall be completed within one year of receipt of the permit, unless the director in granting the permit approves a longer period to complete the well. If the well is not completed within one year or the longer period approved by the director, the applicant shall file a new application before proceeding with construction.
- G. IN DETERMINING WHETHER THE REQUIREMENTS IN SUBSECTION B, PARAGRAPH 1 OF THIS SECTION HAVE BEEN MET:
- 1. THE DIRECTOR SHALL NOT CONSIDER ANY IMPACTS THE PROPOSED RECOVERY OF WATER MAY HAVE ON AN EXEMPT WELL DRILLED PURSUANT TO A NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DRILL FILED ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2003 UNLESS THE WELL IS A REPLACEMENT EXEMPT WELL AS DEFINED IN SECTION 45-454.
- 2. IF THE DIRECTOR DETERMINES THAT THE PROPOSED RECOVERY OF WATER WILL CAUSE UNREASONABLY INCREASING DAMAGE TO A WELL THAT IS EXEMPT UNDER SECTION 45-454, SUBSECTION A OR SUBSECTION B, PARAGRAPH 1 OR A REPLACEMENT EXEMPT WELL AS DEFINED IN SECTION 45-454, THE DIRECTOR SHALL SEND WRITTEN NOTICE OF THE APPLICATION FOR THE RECOVERY WELL PERMIT TO THE OWNER OF THE EXEMPT WELL AT THE OWNER'S LAST ADDRESS ON RECORD WITH THE DEPARTMENT. THE NOTICE SHALL STATE THAT THE OWNER OF THE EXEMPT WELL MAY FILE A WRITTEN OBJECTION TO THE APPLICATION WITHIN THIRTY DAYS FROM THE DATE OF THE NOTICE. THE DIRECTOR SHALL CONSIDER THE IMPACTS ON THE EXEMPT WELL IN DETERMINING WHETHER THE REQUIREMENTS IN SUBSECTION B, PARAGRAPH 1 OF THIS SECTION HAVE BEEN MET, EXCEPT THE DIRECTOR SHALL NOT CONSIDER THE IMPACTS ON THE EXEMPT WELL IF ONE OF THE FOLLOWING APPLIES:
- (a) THE OWNER OF THE EXEMPT WELL FAILS TO FILE A WRITTEN OBJECTION TO THE APPLICATION WITHIN THIRTY DAYS FROM THE DATE OF THE NOTICE.
- (b) THE USE SERVED BY THE EXEMPT WELL IS WITHIN THE SERVICE AREA OF A MUNICIPAL PROVIDER WITH A POTABLE WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM AND THE APPLICANT FOR THE RECOVERY WELL PERMIT AGREES TO PAY THE COST OF CONNECTING THE USE TO THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER'S DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM, INCLUDING THE COSTS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 45-837.01, SUBSECTION B, PARAGRAPH 1.
- 3. EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN THIS PARAGRAPH, IF THE APPLICATION FOR THE RECOVERY WELL IS FILED AFTER THE DIRECTOR ADOPTS THE RULES REQUIRED BY SECTION 45-598, SUBSECTION A, THE DIRECTOR SHALL CONSIDER THE CUMULATIVE IMPACTS OF THE PROPOSED RECOVERY WELL, ANY WELLS INCLUDED IN ANY PERMITS ISSUED TO THE APPLICANT UNDER THIS SECTION OR SECTION 45-599 DURING THE TWELVE MONTH PERIOD PRECEDING THE DATE THE APPLICATION FOR THE PROPOSED RECOVERY WELL WAS FILED AND ANY WELLS INCLUDED IN ANY OTHER PENDING APPLICATIONS FILED BY THE APPLICANT UNDER THIS SECTION OR SECTION 45-599 DURING THE TWELVE MONTH PERIOD PRECEDING THE DATE THE APPLICATION FOR THE PROPOSED RECOVERY WELL WAS FILED. THE DIRECTOR SHALL NOT CONSIDER THE

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IMPACTS OF ANY WELL THAT IS NOT WITHIN THE AREAL EXTENT OF THE CUMULATIVE IMPACT ANALYSIS FOR THE PROPOSED RECOVERY WELL AS DETERMINED PURSUANT TO THE RULES ADOPTED UNDER SECTION 45-598, SUBSECTION A OR ANY WELL THAT IS INCLUDED IN A PERMIT ISSUED UNDER THIS SECTION OR THAT IS INCLUDED IN A PENDING APPLICATION UNDER THIS SECTION, IF THE WELL IS NOT SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION B, PARAGRAPH 1 OF THIS SECTION.

- H. EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN THIS SUBSECTION, IN DETERMINING WHETHER THE REQUIREMENTS IN SUBSECTION B, PARAGRAPH 4 OF THIS SECTION HAVE BEEN MET, THE DIRECTOR SHALL CONSIDER THE CUMULATIVE IMPACTS OF THE PROPOSED RECOVERY WELL, ANY WELLS INCLUDED IN ANY PERMITS ISSUED TO THE APPLICANT UNDER THIS SECTION OR SECTION 45-599 DURING THE TWELVE MONTH PERIOD PRECEDING THE DATE THE APPLICATION FOR THE PROPOSED RECOVERY WELL WAS FILED AND ANY WELLS INCLUDED IN ANY OTHER PENDING APPLICATIONS FILED BY THE APPLICANT UNDER THIS SECTION OR SECTION 45-599 DURING THE TWELVE MONTH PERIOD PRECEDING THE DATE THE APPLICATION FOR THE PROPOSED RECOVERY WELL WAS FILED. THE DIRECTOR SHALL NOT CONSIDER THE IMPACTS OF ANY WELL THAT IS NOT WITHIN THE AREAL EXTENT OF THE CUMULATIVE IMPACT ANALYSIS FOR THE PROPOSED RECOVERY WELL AS DETERMINED PURSUANT TO THE RULES ADOPTED UNDER SECTION 45-598, SUBSECTION A OR ANY WELL THAT IS NOT SUBJECT TO EITHER SUBSECTION B, PARAGRAPH 4 OF THIS SECTION OR SECTION 45-599, SUBSECTION D, PARAGRAPH 3.
- I. IN ADDITION TO ANY INFORMATION REQUIRED PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-871.01, SUBSECTION A, AN APPLICATION FOR A RECOVERY WELL PERMIT SHALL INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING, IF APPLICABLE:
- 1. IF THE APPLICATION IS FILED AFTER THE DIRECTOR ADOPTS THE RULES REQUIRED BY SECTION 45-598, SUBSECTION A AND THE APPLICATION IS SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION B, PARAGRAPH 1 OF THIS SECTION, A HYDROLOGICAL STUDY DEMONSTRATING THAT THE PROPOSED RECOVERY OF WATER COMPLIES WITH THE RULES. EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN THIS PARAGRAPH, THE STUDY SHALL EVALUATE THE CUMULATIVE IMPACTS OF THE PROPOSED RECOVERY WELL, ANY WELLS INCLUDED IN ANY PERMITS ISSUED TO THE APPLICANT UNDER THIS SECTION OR SECTION 45-599 DURING THE TWELVE MONTH PERIOD PRECEDING THE DATE THE APPLICATION FOR THE PROPOSED RECOVERY WELL WAS FILED AND ANY WELLS INCLUDED IN ANY OTHER PENDING APPLICATIONS FOR A PERMIT UNDER THIS SECTION OR SECTION 45-599 FILED BY THE APPLICANT DURING THE TWELVE MONTH PERIOD PRECEDING THE DATE THE APPLICATION FOR THE PROPOSED RECOVERY WELL WAS FILED. THE STUDY SHALL NOT EVALUATE THE IMPACTS OF ANY WELL THAT IS NOT WITHIN THE AREAL EXTENT OF THE CUMULATIVE IMPACT ANALYSIS FOR THE PROPOSED RECOVERY WELL AS DETERMINED PURSUANT TO THE RULES ADOPTED UNDER SECTION 45-598, SUBSECTION A OR ANY WELL THAT IS INCLUDED IN A PERMIT ISSUED UNDER THIS SECTION OR THAT IS INCLUDED IN A PENDING APPLICATION UNDER THIS SECTION IF THE WELL IS NOT SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION B, PARAGRAPH 1 OF THIS SECTION.
- 2. IF THE APPLICATION IS FILED ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2005 AND THE RECOVERY WELL IS TO BE LOCATED OUTSIDE THE AREA OF IMPACT OF THE STORED WATER AS DETERMINED BY THE DIRECTOR AND WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF A RIPARIAN AREA PROTECTION ZONE DELINEATED ON THE MAP IDENTIFIED IN SECTION 45-599,

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SUBSECTION K, A HYDROLOGICAL STUDY DEMONSTRATING THAT RECOVERY OF WATER FROM THE WELL WILL NOT HAVE AN ADVERSE IMPACT ON THE RIPARIAN AREA WITHIN THE RIPARIAN AREA PROTECTION ZONE. EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN THIS PARAGRAPH, THE STUDY SHALL EVALUATE THE CUMULATIVE IMPACTS OF THE PROPOSED RECOVERY WELL, ANY WELLS INCLUDED IN ANY PERMITS ISSUED TO THE APPLICANT UNDER THIS SECTION OR SECTION 45-599 DURING THE TWELVE MONTH PERIOD PRECEDING THE DATE THE APPLICATION FOR THE PROPOSED RECOVERY WELL WAS FILED AND ANY WELLS INCLUDED IN ANY OTHER PENDING APPLICATIONS FOR A PERMIT UNDER THIS SECTION OR SECTION 45-599 FILED BY THE APPLICANT DURING THE TWELVE MONTH PERIOD PRECEDING THE DATE THE APPLICATION FOR THE PROPOSED RECOVERY WELL WAS FILED. THE HYDROLOGICAL STUDY SHALL NOT EVALUATE THE IMPACTS OF ANY WELL THAT IS NOT WITHIN THE AREAL EXTENT OF THE CUMULATIVE IMPACT ANALYSIS FOR THE PROPOSED RECOVERY WELL AS DETERMINED PURSUANT TO THE RULES ADOPTED UNDER SECTION 45-598, SUBSECTION A OR ANY WELL THAT IS NOT SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION B, PARAGRAPH 4 OF THIS SECTION OR SECTION 45-599, SUBSECTION D, PARAGRAPH 3.

- G. J. A recovery well permit shall include the following information:
- 1. The name and mailing address of the person to whom the permit is issued.
- 2. The legal description of the location of the existing well or proposed new well from which stored water may be recovered pursuant to the permit.
 - 3. The purpose for which the stored water will be recovered.
- 4. The depth and diameter of the existing well or proposed new well from which stored water may be recovered pursuant to the permit.
- 5. The legal description of the land on which the stored water will be used.
- 6. The maximum pumping capacity of the existing well or proposed new well.
- 7. If the permit is for a proposed new well, the latest date for completing the proposed new well.
 - 8. Any other information as the director may determine.

Sec. 36. Title 45, chapter 3.1, article 3, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended by adding section 45-837.01, to read:

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45-837.01. Responsibility for mitigating damage; conditions; civil action; burden of proof
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- A. IF RECOVERY OF WATER PURSUANT TO A RECOVERY WELL PERMIT ISSUED UNDER SECTION 45-834.01 CAUSES A DECLINE IN GROUNDWATER LEVELS AT THE LOCATION OF AN EXEMPT WELL TO THE EXTENT THAT THE EXEMPT WELL IS NO LONGER CAPABLE OF WITHDRAWING GROUNDWATER IN AN AMOUNT SUFFICIENT TO SERVE THE EXISTING USE, THE HOLDER OF THE RECOVERY WELL PERMIT SHALL MITIGATE THE DAMAGE CAUSED TO THE EXEMPT WELL IN THE MANNER DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION B OF THIS SECTION IF ALL OF THE FOLLOWING APPLY:
- 1. THE APPLICATION FOR THE RECOVERY WELL PERMIT WAS FILED ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2003 AND THE APPLICANT WAS REQUIRED BY SECTION 45-834.01, SUBSECTION I, PARAGRAPH 1 TO SUBMIT A HYDROLOGICAL STUDY DEMONSTRATING THAT

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THE PROPOSED RECOVERY OF WATER COMPLIES WITH THE RULES ADOPTED BY THE DIRECTOR PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-598, SUBSECTION A.

- 2. THE HYDROLOGICAL STUDY SUBMITTED WITH THE APPLICATION FOR THE RECOVERY WELL PERMIT INCORRECTLY CONCLUDED THAT THE WELL WOULD NOT CAUSE UNREASONABLY INCREASING DAMAGE TO THE EXEMPT WELL UNDER THE CRITERIA CONTAINED IN THE RULES ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-598, SUBSECTION A AT THE TIME THE APPLICATION WAS FILED.
- 3. THE WELL IS EXEMPT UNDER SECTION 45-454, SUBSECTION A OR SUBSECTION B, PARAGRAPH 1 OR IS A REPLACEMENT EXEMPT WELL AS DEFINED IN SECTION 45-454.
- B. A HOLDER OF A RECOVERY WELL PERMIT SHALL MITIGATE THE DAMAGE CAUSED TO AN EXEMPT WELL AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION A OF THIS SECTION IN ONE OF THE FOLLOWING WAYS, AS SELECTED BY THE HOLDER OF THE RECOVERY WELL PERMIT:
- 1. BY ENSURING THAT THE OWNER OF THE EXEMPT WELL HAS ACCESS TO ANOTHER WATER SUPPLY SUFFICIENT TO SERVE THE USE PREVIOUSLY SERVED BY THE EXEMPT WELL. MITIGATION UNDER THIS PARAGRAPH MAY BE ACCOMPLISHED BY PAYING THE COST OF CONNECTING THE USE SERVED BY THE EXEMPT WELL TO THE NEAREST MUNICIPAL PROVIDER WITH A POTABLE WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM, INCLUDING THE COST OF ANY IMPACT FEES IMPOSED BY THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER AND ANY COSTS IMPOSED BY THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER FOR EXTENDING ITS DISTRIBUTION LINE TO THE EXEMPT WELL OWNER'S LAND. IF MITIGATION OCCURS UNDER THIS PARAGRAPH, THE EXEMPT WELL OWNER SHALL ABANDON THE EXEMPT WELL IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RULES ADOPTED BY THE DIRECTOR PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-594, SUBSECTION A.
- 2. BY PAYING THE COST OF DEEPENING THE EXEMPT WELL SO THAT GROUNDWATER MAY BE WITHDRAWN FROM THE WELL IN AN AMOUNT SUFFICIENT TO SERVE THE EXISTING USE.
- 3. BY PAYING THE COST OF RELOCATING THE EXEMPT WELL TO ANOTHER LOCATION ON THE SAME PARCEL OF LAND SO THAT GROUNDWATER MAY BE WITHDRAWN IN AN AMOUNT SUFFICIENT TO SERVE THE USE IN THE SAME MANNER PREVIOUSLY SERVED BY THE EXEMPT WELL. IF MITIGATION OCCURS UNDER THIS PARAGRAPH, THE EXEMPT WELL OWNER SHALL ABANDON THE ORIGINAL EXEMPT WELL IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RULES ADOPTED BY THE DIRECTOR PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-594, SUBSECTION A.
- 4. BY PAYING DAMAGES TO THE OWNER OF THE EXEMPT WELL IN AN AMOUNT AGREED TO BY THE PARTIES OR DETERMINED BY A COURT, BUT NOT TO EXCEED THE LEAST COST OF MITIGATING THE DAMAGE UNDER PARAGRAPHS 1, 2 AND 3 OF THIS SUBSECTION.
- C. AN ACTION TO ENFORCE THIS SECTION MAY BE BROUGHT ONLY AS A CIVIL ACTION IN SUPERIOR COURT BY THE OWNER OF THE EXEMPT WELL. THE OWNER OF THE EXEMPT WELL SHALL HAVE THE BURDEN OF PROVING THAT RECOVERY OF WATER FROM THE RECOVERY WELL CAUSED THE DAMAGE DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION A OF THIS SECTION.
- D. AN ACTION UNDER THIS SECTION MAY NOT BE FILED LATER THAN ONE YEAR AFTER THE DATE ON WHICH THE OWNER OF THE EXEMPT WELL FIRST HAS A REASONABLE OPPORTUNITY TO DISCOVER THAT THE EXEMPT WELL IS NO LONGER CAPABLE OF WITHDRAWING GROUNDWATER IN AN AMOUNT SUFFICIENT TO SERVE THE EXISTING USE OR TWENTY YEARS AFTER THE DIRECTOR ISSUED THE RECOVERY WELL PERMIT UNDER SECTION 45-834.01, WHICHEVER IS EARLIER.

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E. IF A HOLDER OF A RECOVERY WELL PERMIT IS REQUIRED BY THIS SECTION TO MITIGATE DAMAGE CAUSED TO AN EXEMPT WELL, NO ACTION SHALL BE BROUGHT OR MAINTAINED AGAINST THE HOLDER OF THE PERMIT FOR THE DAMAGE IF THE HOLDER OF THE PERMIT MITIGATES THE DAMAGE IN THE MANNER PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION B OF THIS SECTION.

Sec. 37. Section 45-852.01, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

45-852.01. Long-term storage accounts

- A. The director shall establish one long-term storage account for each person holding long-term storage credits. The director shall establish subaccounts within the long-term storage account according to each active management area, irrigation non-expansion area, groundwater basin or groundwater sub-basin in which the person's stored water is located. The long-term storage account shall be further subdivided by type of water, if the person holds long-term storage credits for more than one type of water.
- B. Water stored pursuant to a water storage permit at a storage facility may be credited to a long-term storage account if the director determines that all of the following apply:
- 1. The water that was stored was water that cannot reasonably be used directly.
- 2. If the stored water was stored at a storage facility within an active management area, either:
- (a) The water would not have been naturally recharged within the active management area.
- (b) If the water was stored at a managed underground storage facility that has been designated as a facility that could add value to a national park, national monument or state park and the water stored is effluent, the water stored is water that could have been used or disposed of by the storer by means other than discharging the effluent into the stream.
- 3. The stored water was not recovered on an annual basis pursuant to section 45-851.01.
- C. The director shall credit ninety-five per cent of the recoverable amount of stored water that meets the requirements of subsection B of this section to the storer's long-term storage account, except that:
- 1. If the water was stored at a managed underground storage facility that had not been designated at the time of storage as a facility that could add value to a national park, national monument or state park and the water stored is effluent, the director shall credit to the storer's long-term storage account fifty per cent of the recoverable amount of water that meets the requirements of subsection B of this section.
- 2. If the water was stored at a groundwater savings facility and the storer has not met the burden of proving that one hundred per cent of the in lieu water was used on a gallon-for-gallon substitute basis for groundwater, the director shall credit to the storer's long-term storage account only the percentage of the in lieu water that meets the requirements of subsection B

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of this section and that was proven to the director's satisfaction as being used on a gallon-for-gallon substitute basis for groundwater.

- 3. Except as otherwise provided in paragraphs 1 and 2 of this subsection, the director shall credit to the storer's long-term storage account one hundred per cent of the recoverable amount of water that meets the requirements of subsection B of this section if any of the following apply:
 - (a) The water stored was effluent.
- (b) The water was stored in an active management area and the stored water is water from outside the active management area that would not have reached the active management area without the efforts of the holder of the long-term storage credits.
- (c) The water was stored outside an active management area and the stored water is water from outside the groundwater basin in which the water was stored that would not have reached the groundwater basin without the efforts of the holder of the long-term storage credits.
- D. The director shall credit a person's long-term storage account by the amount of long-term storage credits assigned to that person by another holder of long-term storage credits pursuant to section 45-854.01.
- E. The director shall debit the appropriate subaccount of a person's long-term storage account:
- 1. One hundred per cent of the amount of stored water that the holder of the long-term storage credits has recovered during the calendar year pursuant to the permit.
- 2. The amount of long-term storage credits that the person has assigned to another person or transferred to a master replenishment account.

 OR conservation district account or water district account.
- 3. If the water was stored in an active management area, the amount of water during the calendar year that migrates to a location outside the active management area or to a location within the active management area where it cannot be beneficially used within a reasonable period of time by persons other than the storer with rights to withdraw and use groundwater.
- 4. If the water was stored outside of an active management area, the amount of water during the calendar year that migrates to a location outside the groundwater basin in which the storage facility is located or to a location in the groundwater basin where it cannot be beneficially used within a reasonable period of time by persons other than the storer with rights to withdraw and use groundwater.
- 5. The amount of long-term storage credits that the storer, pursuant to section 45-853.01, subsection B, has applied to offset groundwater withdrawn or used in excess of the storer's per capita municipal conservation requirements under the second management plan.
- 6. The amount of long-term storage credits that are held by the Arizona water banking authority and that the authority has chosen to extinguish.

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F. To the extent the total amount of water withdrawn by a person from wells designated as recovery wells pursuant to section 45-834.01 during a calendar year exceeds the amount of stored water recovered by the person on an annual basis pursuant to section 45-851.01 and the amount of long-term storage credits recovered by the person, the excess amount of water recovered shall be considered groundwater withdrawn pursuant to chapter 2 of this title.

Sec. 38. Section 45-854.01, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

45-854.01. Assignability of long-term storage credits

- A. Except as provided in section 45-855.01, subsection C, the holder of long-term storage credits may assign by grant, gift, sale, lease or exchange all or part of the holder's long-term storage credits.
- B. Except as provided in subsection C of this section, an assignment of long-term storage credits from one person to another is valid on receipt by the director of notification of the assignment in writing on a form that is provided by the director and that has been signed by both the assignor and assignee.
- C. EXCEPT FOR THE ASSIGNMENT OF LONG-TERM STORAGE CREDITS BY THE ARIZONA WATER BANKING AUTHORITY PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-2457, SUBSECTION B, PARAGRAPHS 2, 7 AND 8, the director may reject and invalidate any assignment of long-term storage credits in which the stored water would not have met the requirements for long-term storage credits as prescribed by section 45-852.01 if the assignee had stored the water.
- Sec. 39. Section 45-859.01, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

45-859.01. Conservation district account; replenishment reserve subaccount; debits and credits

- A. The director shall establish a long-term storage account and a conservation district account for each active management area in which a member land, or member service area, LIMITED MEMBER LAND OR LIMITED MEMBER SERVICE AREA is or may be located. THE DIRECTOR SHALL ESTABLISH A REPLENISHMENT RESERVE SUBACCOUNT WITHIN THE LONG-TERM STORAGE ACCOUNT FOR EACH ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA IN WHICH A MEMBER LAND OR MEMBER SERVICE AREA IS OR MAY BE LOCATED.
- B. For each reporting year, the groundwater replenishment obligation as defined in section 48-3701 for each active management area shall be debited from the conservation district account for that active management area.
- C. For each reporting year, the contract replenishment obligation as defined in section 48-3701 for each active management area shall be debited from the conservation district account for that active management area.
- D. On application by a conservation district to the director, credits in the conservation district's long-term storage account for an active management area, including credits earned through the use of excess capacity

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of each project permitted under article 6 of this chapter, shall be transferred and credited to its conservation district account for the same active management area.

- E. BEGINNING ON JANUARY 1, 2030, ON APPLICATION BY A CONSERVATION DISTRICT TO THE DIRECTOR, CREDITS IN THE CONSERVATION DISTRICT'S REPLENISHMENT RESERVE SUBACCOUNT FOR AN ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA SHALL BE TRANSFERRED AND CREDITED TO ITS CONSERVATION DISTRICT ACCOUNT FOR THE SAME ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA, PROVIDED THAT ANY SUCH TRANSFER THAT WOULD CAUSE THE BALANCE IN THE REPLENISHMENT RESERVE SUBACCOUNT FOR AN ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA TO FALL BELOW TWENTY-FIVE PER CENT OF THE RESERVE TARGET FOR THAT ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE DIRECTOR.
- E. F. For each reporting year, the director shall credit the conservation district's conservation district account by the amount of water stored by the conservation district during the reporting year, if the conservation district has requested the director to credit the stored water directly to its conservation district account and the stored water would otherwise be eligible for credits in a long-term storage account.
- G. FOR EACH REPORTING YEAR, THE DIRECTOR SHALL CREDIT THE CONSERVATION DISTRICT'S REPLENISHMENT RESERVE SUBACCOUNT FOR EACH ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA BY THE AMOUNT OF LONG-TERM STORAGE CREDITS DEVELOPED BY THE CONSERVATION DISTRICT IN THAT ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA DURING THE REPORTING YEAR USING MONIES COLLECTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 48-3772, SUBSECTION E.
- F. H. By October 31 of each year, the director shall determine whether the conservation district has completed the groundwater replenishment obligation for each active management area as prescribed by section 48-3771.
- G. I. Credits in a conservation district account may not be assigned or transferred out of the conservation district account.

Sec. 40. Repeal

Section 45-860.01, Arizona Revised Statutes, is repealed.

Sec. 41. Section 45-871.01, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

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45-871.01. Permit application; fee; notice of application; objections; hearing; appeal
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- A. The director shall prescribe and furnish application forms for the permits prescribed by articles 2 and 3 of this chapter. The application forms shall require the applicant to submit the information needed by the director to determine whether the permit may be issued, INCLUDING, IF HYDROLOGICAL STUDY BY APPLICABLE, Α REQUIRED SECTION SUBSECTION I. The director shall establish and collect a reasonable fee from the applicant to cover the cost of administrative services and other expenses associated with evaluating and issuing each permit. All fees collected pursuant to this subsection shall be remitted pursuant to section 45-615, paragraph 1.
- B. On receipt of an application for a permit pursuant to this chapter, the director shall endorse on the application the date of its receipt and

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shall keep a record of the application. The director shall conduct a review of the application within one hundred days of receipt of the application. If the director determines in the review that the application is incomplete or incorrect, the director shall notify the applicant and the review period is extended by fifteen days. The application is incomplete or incorrect until the applicant files the information requested in the application. The director may conduct independent investigations as necessary to determine whether the application should be approved or rejected.

- C. If the application is for water storage at an underground storage facility that is exempt from the requirement for an aquifer protection permit under section 49-250, subsection B, paragraph 12, 13 or 24, the director of water resources shall consult with the director of environmental quality and shall develop a coordinated and unified permit review process, which conforms to the time schedule prescribed by this section, to determine whether the permit application is correct and whether the development of a plan of action for monitoring and data analysis shall be required.
- Except as provided in subsection E of this section, if the application is determined to be complete and correct and the application is for a storage facility permit or a water storage permit, the director, within fifteen days of that determination or a longer period if requested by the applicant, shall give notice of the application once each week for two consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in the county or counties in which persons reside who could reasonably be expected to be affected by the water storage. The director shall also give notice by first class mail to each city, town, private water company, irrigation district and electrical district that serves land within the area of impact of the stored water. The notice shall state that persons who may be adversely affected by the water storage may file written objections to the issuance of the permit with the director for fifteen days after the last publication of notice. An objection shall state the name and mailing address of the objector, shall be signed by the objector or the objector's agent or attorney and shall clearly set forth the reasons why the permit should not be issued. The grounds for objection are limited to whether the application meets the criteria for issuing the permit being requested as prescribed by articles 2 and 3 of this chapter.
- E. If the application is determined to be complete and correct and the application is for a water storage permit to store Colorado river water at a storage facility where storage of Colorado river water has previously been permitted, the director may issue the permit within twenty days of that determination if all of the following apply:
- 1. The holder of the storage facility permit with which the water storage permit will be affiliated has consented to the water storage.
- 2. The water storage permit will not require a modification of an affiliated water storage facility permit.

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- 3. Colorado river water will be the only type of water stored under the water storage permit.
 - 4. The applicant has the right to use the Colorado river water.
- F. Except as provided in section 45-834.01, subsection D, if the application is determined to be complete and correct and the application is for a recovery well permit, the director, within fifteen days of the determination or a longer period if requested by the applicant, shall give notice of the application once each week for two consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in the county in which the applicant proposes to recover stored water. If the application is for a well located inside of or within three miles of the exterior boundaries of the service area of a city, town, private water company or irrigation district, the applicant shall give notice of the application by first class mail to each city, town, private water company or irrigation district within that distance. The applicant shall file proof of the notice with the director. The notice shall state that persons who may be adversely affected by the recovery well may file written objections to the issuance of the permit with the director for fifteen days after the last publication of notice. An objection shall state the name and mailing address of the objector, shall be signed by the objector or the objector's agent or attorney and shall clearly set forth reasons why the permit should not be issued. The grounds for objection are limited to whether the application meets the criteria for issuing a recovery well permit as set forth in section 45-834.01, subsection B. For the purposes of this subsection, if the proposed recovery well is located within three miles outside of the exterior boundaries of the service area of a city, town, private water company or irrigation district, a city, town, private water company or irrigation district within that distance shall be considered a person who may be adversely affected by the recovery well.
- G. In appropriate cases, including cases in which a proper objection to the permit application has been filed, an administrative hearing may be held before the director's decision on the application if the director deems a hearing necessary. At least thirty days before the hearing, the director shall notify the applicant and any person who filed a proper objection to the issuance of the permit. The hearing shall be scheduled for at least sixty days but not more than ninety days after the expiration of the time in which to file objections.
- H. If a hearing is not held, the director shall issue a decision and order within six months of the date notice of the application is first given pursuant to subsection D or F of this section, or within ninety days in the case of an application under article 6 of this chapter. The director shall record and endorse the approval or rejection of the application on the application. If the permit is denied, the director shall return a copy of the application to the applicant specifically stating the reasons for denial.

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- I. The applicant or any person who filed a proper objection to the application may seek judicial review of the final decision of the director as provided in section 45-114, subsection B in superior court as provided in section 45-405.
- J. Section 45-114, subsections A and B govern administrative proceedings, rehearings or review and judicial review of final decisions of the director under this section. If an administrative hearing is held, it shall be conducted in the active management area in which the storage or recovery is located.
- K. On receipt of an application for a permit pursuant to this section, the director shall provide written notice of the proposed permit to the city, town or county that has land use jurisdiction over the site that is the subject of the permit. The notice shall be given at the same time and in the same manner as the notices prescribed by subsections D and F in order to provide the city, town or county with the opportunity to comment on the proposed facility's or well's compliance with site planning and operational requirements of the city, town or county. This subsection shall not be construed to limit the exclusive authority of the director to determine the issuance of the permit or the site of the facility or well or to reduce the authority of the city, town or county to enforce its applicable ordinances governing site planning and operational requirements.
- Sec. 42. Section 45-877.01, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

45-877.01. Annual reports by conservation districts; penalties

- A. Each conservation district shall file an annual report with the director that includes for each active management area in which a member land, or member service area, LIMITED MEMBER LAND OR LIMITED MEMBER SERVICE AREA is or may be located:
- 1. The total amount of water that was stored by the conservation district during the reporting year pursuant to each water storage permit issued to it under this chapter.
- 2. The amount of water stored by the conservation district during the reporting year to be credited to the conservation district's conservation district account.
- 3. The amount of water stored by the conservation district during the reporting year to be credited to the conservation district's long-term storage account.
- 4. THE AMOUNT OF WATER STORED BY THE CONSERVATION DISTRICT DURING THE REPORTING YEAR TO BE CREDITED TO THE CONSERVATION DISTRICT'S REPLENISHMENT RESERVE SUBACCOUNT.
- 4. 5. The amount of long-term storage credits the conservation district has transferred and credited to its conservation district account during the reporting year.
- 5.6. The groundwater replenishment obligation as defined in section 48-3701 for the reporting year.

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- 6. 7. The contract replenishment obligation as defined in section 48-3701 for the reporting year.
 - 7. 8. The information required under section 48-3775.
 - 8. 9. Other information as the director may require.
- B. The annual report required under subsection A of this section shall be maintained on a calendar year basis and shall be filed with the director no later than August 31 of each year for the preceding calendar year, which is the reporting year.
- C. If the conservation district fails to file the report when due, the director may assess and collect a penalty of up to one hundred dollars for each day the annual report is delinquent. The director shall deposit, pursuant to sections 35-146 and 35-147, all penalties collected pursuant to this subsection in the state general fund.
- D. If a municipal provider as defined in section 48-3701 does not timely file the annual report required by section 48-3775, the director may assess and collect a penalty of up to one thousand dollars for each day the annual report is delinquent. The director shall deposit, pursuant to sections 35-146 and 35-147, all penalties collected pursuant to this subsection in the state general fund.

Sec. 43. Repeal

Section 45-878.01, Arizona Revised Statutes, is repealed.

Sec. 44. Section 45-896.01, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

45-896.01. Assumption of responsibility for stored water

- A. Notwithstanding section 45-895.01, if a groundwater replenishment district is established pursuant to title 48, chapter 27 on or before July 1, 1996 in the Phoenix active management area:
- 1. The multi-county water conservation district and the groundwater replenishment district shall share equally any water that is stored in a state demonstration project in that active management area. The shares shall be calculated after the director has determined the amount of stored water to be reserved pursuant to paragraph 2 of this subsection.
- 2. The director shall determine the quantity of any water that is stored for the benefit of municipal and industrial users that are not member lands, or member service areas, LIMITED MEMBER LANDS OR LIMITED MEMBER SERVICE AREAS of the multi-county water conservation district and that are located in Maricopa county and the right to use that amount of water is reserved to those municipal and industrial users. Those municipal and industrial users may recover and use the water as otherwise provided by statute or rule but shall apply to the multi-county water conservation district for the use of the water.
- 3. On or before December 31, 1996, unexpended and unencumbered monies, liabilities, facilities and equipment of a state demonstration project shall be transferred to the multi-county water conservation district and the groundwater replenishment district in equal shares.

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B. Notwithstanding section 45-895.01, if a permanent active management area water district is established pursuant to title 48, chapter 28 on or before July 1, 1996 in the Tucson active management area:

1. The multi-county water conservation district and the active management area water district shall share equally any water that is stored in a state demonstration project located in that active management area. The shares shall be calculated after the director has determined the amount of stored water to be reserved pursuant to paragraph 2 of this subsection.

2. The director shall determine the quantity of any water that is stored for the benefit of municipal and industrial users that are not member lands or member service areas of the multi-county water conservation district and that are located in Pima county and the right to use that amount of water is reserved to those municipal and industrial users. Those municipal and industrial users may recover and use the water as otherwise provided by statute or rule but shall apply to the multi-county water conservation district for the use of the water.

3. On or before December 31, 1996, unexpended and unencumbered monies, liabilities, facilities and equipment of a state demonstration project shall be transferred to the multi-county water conservation district and the active management area water district in equal shares.

C. B. Notwithstanding section 45-895.01 and only to the extent that subsection A or B of this section does not apply:

- 1. Not later than December 31, 1996, facilities, equipment and liabilities of a state demonstration project located in a multi-county water conservation district shall be transferred to the multi-county water conservation district.
- 2. The multi-county water conservation district shall use the monies in the state water storage fund established by section 45-897.01 to expediently store water and construct underground storage facilities until that fund is exhausted.
- 3. On July 1, 1996 the multi-county water conservation district shall assume responsibility for water that is stored by that date in a state demonstration project located in the district. Before July 1, 1996 the director shall determine the quantity of water that has been stored for the benefit of municipal and industrial users that are located in Maricopa or Pima counties but that are not member lands, or member service areas, LIMITED MEMBER LANDS OR LIMITED MEMBER SERVICE AREAS of the multi-county water conservation district. The right to use that quantity of water is reserved for the benefit of those municipal and industrial users. The water not reserved for this purpose shall be used for the benefit of member lands, or member service areas, LIMITED MEMBER LANDS OR LIMITED MEMBER SERVICE AREAS of the multi-county water conservation district.
- 4. Periodically after July 1, 1996, until the state water storage fund is exhausted, the director shall determine the quantity of water that has been stored with the use of monies from the state water storage fund for the

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benefit of municipal and industrial users that are located in Maricopa or Pima county but that are not member lands, or member service areas, LIMITED MEMBER LANDS OR LIMITED MEMBER SERVICE AREAS of the multi-county water conservation district. The director shall transfer those quantities of long-term storage credits to the Arizona water banking authority. The Arizona water banking authority shall use the long-term storage credits transferred pursuant to this paragraph in accordance with section 45-2457, subsection B, paragraph 7.

5. Long-term storage credits THAT ARE earned after July 1, 1996 with the use of monies in the state water storage fund established by section 45-897.01 AND that are not transferred to the Arizona water banking authority pursuant to paragraph 4 of this subsection shall be transferred to the multi-county water conservation district and shall be used for the benefit of member lands or member service areas of the multi-county water conservation district.

Sec. 45. Section 45-2104, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

45-2104. Powers and duties; limitations

- A. The powers and authority vested in and the duties imposed on the members of the commission shall be exercised by a quorum of members, which consists of a majority of members then in office, except that a lesser number may hold public meetings without taking legal action.
 - B. The commission shall:
 - 1. Adopt rules necessary to perform its duties.
- 2. Administer the expenditure of monies in accordance with section 45-2113.
- 3. Coordinate its staffing needs with the director and the state land commissioner.
- 4. Make and execute all necessary contracts, including grants and intergovernmental agreements pursuant to title 11, chapter 7, article 3.
- 5. Adopt an official seal for the authentication of its records, decisions and resolutions.
- 6. Keep the minutes of its meetings,— AND all records, reports and other information relating to its work and programs in permanent form, systematically indexed and filed.
- 7. Designate the person or persons who shall execute all documents and instruments on behalf of the commission.
- 8. Each year elect two members to act as a chair and a vice-chair for the commission.
- 9. Manifest and record its actions by motion, resolution, order or other appropriate means.
- 10. In addition to those meetings required by law to be open, hold open public meetings as the commission considers appropriate.
 - 11. Prepare an annual report of its activities.
 - C. The commission may:

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- 1. Sue and be sued.
- 2. Contract with any person for the expenditure of monies, including the granting of monies, consistent with $\frac{1}{2}$ SECTIONS 45-2113 AND 45-2114.
- 3. Meet jointly with federal or state authorities to consider matters of mutual interest.
- 4. Secure from any federal or state agency or department information necessary to enable the commission to carry out its purposes.
- 5. Accept, use and dispose of appropriations, gifts or grants of money or other property or donations of services, from whatever source, only to carry out the purposes authorized in this chapter.
- 6. Perform all other acts necessary to carry out the purposes of this chapter.
- D. Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to authorize the commission to purchase real property or to use this state's right of eminent domain to acquire water or water rights using monies derived from the Arizona water protection fund established by section 45-2111.
- Sec. 46. Section 45-2113, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

45-2113. Fund grants; applications

- A. The commission shall grant monies from the fund consistent with the application guidelines developed pursuant to section 45-2105. The commission shall establish a procedure by which monies may be granted annually which shall include a maximum of six months between the receipt of the proposal by the commission and the disbursement of monies. The commission shall give priority in funding to the following:
- 1. Projects for which matching monies or assets of comparable value including in-kind contributions will be provided by other sources.
- 2. Projects that provide for the continued maintenance of the portion of the river and stream and associated riparian habitat that are enhanced by the project.
 - 3. Projects that include broad based local involvement.
- 4. Projects that directly benefit perennial or intermittent rivers or streams.
- B. The commission shall require as a condition of approval of any proposal all of the following provisions:
 - 1. Allowing access for inspection and evaluation of the project.
- 2. Controlling the expenditure of and accounting for any monies granted by the commission.
- 3. Requiring that those persons responsible for the project submit all pertinent information and research gained from the project to the commission.
- 4. Requiring that any person receiving a grant spend no more than five per cent of the grant on costs of administration.
- C. The commission shall provide for public involvement regarding the applications submitted to the commission which shall include notice to any person who requests notice of applications and which shall provide a

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reasonable opportunity for comment on the application which shall not be less than forty-five days.

- D. On receipt of an application the commission shall notify cities, towns, counties, natural resource conservation districts, special districts and Indian communities affected by the proposal and shall provide a reasonable opportunity for comment on the application which shall not be less than forty-five days.
- E. Any person, state or federal agency or political subdivision of this state may submit a request for funding from the fund for purposes prescribed by this section. Requests for funding shall be made to the commission. Requests for funding submitted to the commission may be accompanied by expressions of support from affected cities, towns, counties, natural resource conservation districts, special districts or Indian communities.
- F. As a condition of approval by the commission, the applicant shall commit to work jointly with the affected cities, towns, counties, natural resource conservation districts, special districts and Indian communities that have contacted the commission pursuant to subsection D of this section on all aspects of the proposal's implementation and monitoring, unless the jurisdiction chooses not to participate.
- G. Monies in the fund may only be spent to finance programs located in this state.
- H. Monies in the fund may be spent for any of the following, CONSISTENT WITH THE DECLARED POLICY AND PURPOSES OF THE ARIZONA WATER PROTECTION FUND:
- 1. Granting monies to entities for the acquisition of IN ORDER TO PURCHASE, LEASE OR ACQUIRE WATER, INCLUDING central Arizona project water or effluent OR WATER RIGHTS that will protect or restore rivers or streams AND ASSOCIATED RIPARIAN HABITATS consistent with state water law. No entity may exercise the right of eminent domain to acquire water or water rights using monies derived from this fund.
- 2. GRANTING MONIES TO QUALIFIED ENTITIES FOR ACQUISITION OF CONSERVATION EASEMENTS PURSUANT TO TITLE 33, CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE 4.
- 2. 3. Granting monies to assist in developing, promoting and implementing water conservation programs, directly related to the purposes of this chapter, outside of the active management areas, except that no more than five per cent of the monies spent in any fiscal year may be spent for this purpose.
- 3. 4. Granting monies in support of research and data collection, compilation and analysis directly related to the purposes of this chapter except that no more than five per cent of the monies deposited in the fund in any fiscal year may be spent for this purpose. Prior to the approval of any such project, the commission shall consult with the department of water resources and the state land department to determine whether any research of a similar nature has been or is in the process of being performed and is

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already available. The commission shall not approve a proposal if either department determines that sufficient data exists and notifies the commission in writing.

- 4. 5. Granting monies for the development and implementation of capital projects or specific measures consistent with the purposes of this chapter.
- I. Monies in the fund may not be spent for remedial action purposes undertaken pursuant to the comprehensive environmental response, compensation, and liability act of 1980, as amended (P.L. 96-510; 94 Stat. 2767; 42 United States Code section 9601) or title 49, chapter 2, article 5.
- J. NO ENTITY MAY EXERCISE THE RIGHT OF EMINENT DOMAIN TO ACQUIRE WATER OR WATER RIGHTS USING MONIES DERIVED FROM THIS FUND.
- Sec. 47. Section 45-2114, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

45-2114. Administration

- A. The director shall provide administrative, technical and legal support to the commission to the extent funding is available as prescribed by subsection B of this section and from legislative appropriations. This support may include the hiring of a contract administrator, an attorney, office support and technical support staff, who shall be employees of the department of water resources.
- B. Interest may be spent by the department of water resources and the state land department for the administration of this chapter. The department of water resources and the state land department shall apply for grants from the fund for any additional monies necessary for the administration of this chapter. Any interest in excess of administration costs may be spent for the purposes prescribed in section 45-2113.
- C. In addition to the expenditures from the fund authorized by section 45-2113, the commission may use five per cent of the total monies deposited in the fund during the previous calendar year to grant to the department of water resources and the state land department additional monies for administration of this chapter.
- D. ON OR BEFORE JUNE 30 OF EACH YEAR, THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES AND THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMISSION SHALL MEET AND MUTUALLY DETERMINE THE ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET FOR EXPENSES PURSUANT TO SUBSECTIONS A AND B OF THIS SECTION. TO THE EXTENT THAT INTEREST MONIES EXCEED THE AMOUNT NEEDED FOR ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES PURSUANT TO SUBSECTIONS A AND B OF THIS SECTION AS DETERMINED BY THE DIRECTOR OF WATER RESOURCES IN CONSULTATION WITH THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMISSION, THE COMMISSION MAY USE INTEREST MONIES FOR THE FOLLOWING PURPOSES:
- 1. FOR PAYMENT OF COMPENSATION TO COMMISSION MEMBERS WHO ARE NOT EX OFFICIO MEMBERS PURSUANT TO SECTION 38-611 AND SUBJECT TO THE LIMITATION PRESCRIBED IN SECTION 45-2103, SUBSECTION C AND FOR REIMBURSEMENT FOR EXPENSES PURSUANT TO TITLE 38, CHAPTER 4, ARTICLE 2.

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- 2. IF INTEREST MONIES ARE AVAILABLE TO THE COMMISSION FOLLOWING PAYMENT OF COMPENSATION AND REIMBURSEMENT EXPENSES PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH 1, FOR PAYMENT OF CONFERENCE COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH ARIZONA WATER PROTECTION FUND INFORMATION TRANSFER MEETINGS AND FOR PAYMENT TO OUTSIDE ADVISORS, CONSULTANTS, AIDES OR LEGISLATIVE LIAISONS.
- 3. IF INTEREST MONIES ARE AVAILABLE TO THE COMMISSION FOLLOWING PAYMENT OF COMPENSATION, REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES AND PAYMENT OF COSTS PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPHS 1 AND 2, FOR PURPOSES PRESCRIBED IN SECTION 45-2113.
- Sec. 48. Section 45-2427, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

45-2427. Limitation on powers

- A. This chapter does not authorize the authority to exercise any right of eminent domain.
- B. The authority shall not store Colorado river water that would otherwise have been used in this state PURSUANT TO A CONTRACT ENTERED INTO PURSUANT TO SECTION 48-3703, PARAGRAPH 2, A SECTION 5 CONTRACT UNDER THE BOULDER CANYON PROJECT ACT (43 UNITED STATES CODE SECTIONS 617 THROUGH 617t) WITH A PRIORITY EQUAL TO OR HIGHER THAN A CONTRACT ENTERED INTO PURSUANT TO SECTION 48-3703, PARAGRAPH 2 OR ANY OTHER SECTION 5 CONTRACT UNDER THE BOULDER CANYON PROJECT ACT ENTERED INTO BEFORE THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS AMENDMENT TO THIS SECTION. THE AUTHORITY SHALL NOT STORE FOR INTERSTATE WATER BANKING PURPOSES COLORADO RIVER WATER THAT WOULD OTHERWISE HAVE BEEN USED IN THIS STATE.
- C. The authority shall not enter into contracts with agencies in California and Nevada for the storage of water on their behalf until both of the following occur:
- 1. Regulations are in effect, promulgated by the secretary of the interior of the United States, that facilitate and allow the contractual distribution of unused entitlement under article II(b)(6) of the decree.
- 2. The director finds that the rules promulgated by the secretary of the interior adequately protect this state's rights to Colorado river water, as those rights are defined by the decree.
- D. The authority shall not enter into water banking services agreements that will provide water for use outside this state. The authority may cancel any water banking services agreement without penalty or further obligation if after entering into a water banking services agreement, the authority finds that the agreement will provide water for use outside of this state. Notice of this subsection shall be included in every water banking services agreement entered into by the authority. The cancellation under this subsection shall be effective when written notice from the authority is received by all other parties to the water banking services agreement.
- Sec. 49. Section 45-2457, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

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45-2457. Accounting; rules of operation

- A. The authority shall develop an accounting system for the long-term storage credits accrued by the authority. The accounting system shall be designed to allow the authority to determine which funding source of the banking fund paid for each long-term storage credit accrued by the authority.
- B. The authority shall operate in accordance with all of the following rules of operation:
- 1. The authority shall reserve a reasonable number of long-term storage credits accrued with general fund appropriations for the benefit of municipal and industrial users of Colorado river water in this state that are outside of the service area of CAWCD.
- 2. The authority may distribute long-term storage credits accrued with general fund appropriations for both of the following:
- (a) To make water available to a municipal and industrial user of Colorado river water in this state that is outside of the service area of CAWCD, if both of the following apply:
- (i) The municipal and industrial user would otherwise suffer a water shortage. The authority may distribute long-term credits to the extent reasonably necessary to offset the water shortage.
- (ii) The authority collects reimbursement for the cost to the authority of replacing the long-term storage credits distributed. The authority may replace the long-term storage credits in any year it deems appropriate but shall use good faith efforts to replace the long-term storage credits at a reasonable cost to the person who is responsible for reimbursing the authority for the credits distributed.
- (b) To make water available to CAWCD to the extent necessary for CAWCD to meet the demands of its municipal and industrial subcontractors, if all of the following apply:
- (i) CAWCD's normal diversions from the Colorado river have been or will be disrupted by shortages on the river or by disruptions in the operation of the central Arizona project.
- (ii) The authority does not distribute for this purpose the long-term storage credits reserved in accordance with paragraph 1.
- (iii) The authority collects reimbursement from CAWCD for the cost to the authority of replacing the long-term storage credits distributed. The authority may replace the long-term storage credits in any year it deems appropriate but shall use good faith efforts to replace the long-term storage credits at a reasonable cost to CAWCD.
- 3. The authority may distribute or extinguish long-term storage credits accrued with general fund appropriations to implement the settlement of water right claims by Indian communities in this state.
- 4. On request from the director, the authority may extinguish long-term storage credits accrued with general fund appropriations to fulfill the water management objectives set forth in chapter 2 of this title.

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- 5. The authority may exchange long-term storage credits accrued with general fund appropriations for long-term storage credits held by other persons if the long-term storage credits received by the authority were stored in a location that better enables the authority to fulfill the purposes and policies of this chapter than were the long-term storage credits exchanged by the authority. For the purposes of this paragraph, the authority may make exchanges of long-term storage credits stored in one active management area for long-term storage credits stored in a different active management area or of long-term storage credits stored in one groundwater basin for long-term storage credits stored in a different groundwater basin.
- 6. The authority shall distribute or extinguish long-term storage credits accrued with monies collected in accordance with section 45-611, subsection C, paragraph 3 only for the benefit of the active management area in which the monies were collected. The authority may distribute or extinguish these long-term storage credits to implement the settlement of water right claims by Indian communities in this state or, on request from the director, to meet the water management objectives set forth in chapter 2 of this title.
- 7. The authority shall distribute long-term storage credits accrued with monies deposited in the fund in accordance with section 48-3715.03, subsection B only for the benefit of the county in which the monies were collected. AFTER CONSULTATION WITH THE DIRECTOR, the authority shall distribute these long-term storage credits to CAWCD to the extent necessary AS DETERMINED BY CAWCD, to meet the demands of CAWCD's municipal and industrial subcontractors during times in which CAWCD's diversions from the Colorado river have been or will be disrupted by shortages on the Colorado river or by disruptions in operation of the central Arizona project. NOTHING IN THIS PARAGRAPH REQUIRES THE AUTHORITY TO DISTRIBUTE LONG-TERM STORAGE CREDITS TO CAWCD IN ANY YEAR IN AN AMOUNT GREATER THAN TWENTY PER CENT OF THE TOTAL MUNICIPAL AND INDUSTRIAL WATER SUBCONTRACT ENTITLEMENTS.
- 8. For each county within the CAWCD service area, on a determination by the authority that the number of long-term storage credits accrued with monies deposited in the fund in accordance with section 48-3715.03, subsection B exceeds the needs specified in paragraph 7 for that county, the authority shall distribute those excess long-term storage credits to municipal water providers within that county that are at the time of distribution experiencing surface water supply shortages not associated with the central Arizona project. The authority shall distribute to each such municipal water provider the lesser of the following number of long-term storage credits:
- (a) The total number of credits determined to be available by the authority under this paragraph multiplied by the percentage produced by dividing a numerator equaling the amount of revenues paid pursuant to section 48-3715.02, subsections B and C by taxpayers that are within both the

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boundaries of the municipal provider that is experiencing the shortage and the boundaries of the surface water supply system that is experiencing the shortage by a denominator equaling the total revenues paid pursuant to section 48-3715.02, subsections B and C by all taxpayers that are located within both the boundaries of a municipal water provider and the boundaries of a surface water supply system in the county. In making these computations, the authority shall use the amounts of revenue paid by taxpayers during the most recent tax year for which this information is available.

- (b) Twenty per cent of the total surface water shortage that the municipal and industrial water provider is experiencing.
- 9. The authority shall distribute or replace long-term storage credits accrued with monies collected pursuant to water banking services agreements in accordance with the terms of those agreements.
- C. Any other long-term storage credits accrued by the authority may be distributed or extinguished by the authority in accordance with the policy and purposes of this chapter.
- D. Except as provided by subsection B, paragraph 7 of this section and except as provided by agreements entered into by the authority, the decision to distribute or extinguish any long-term storage credit accrued by the authority is at the complete discretion of the authority.

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Sec. 50. Section 48-264, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

48-264. Dissolution of inactive special taxing districts; board of supervisors action; exceptions
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- A. If a special taxing district is found to have been inactive for at least five consecutive years, and upon investigation the board of supervisors finds that the district has no future purpose as determined by the district board of directors and no current indebtedness, the board of supervisors shall dissolve the district by board resolution.
- B. Dissolution action pursuant to subsection A does not apply to districts formed under chapters 4, 21, 22, AND 27 and 28 of this title.

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Sec. 51. Section 48-909, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read: 48-909. Purposes for which public improvements may be undertaken; powers incidental to public improvements
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- A. When the public interest or convenience requires, the board of directors of an improvement district may order:
- 1. The whole or any portion, either in length or width, of one or more of the streets of the district graded or regraded, paved or repaved, landscaped or otherwise maintained, improved or reimproved.
- 2. The acquisition, construction, reconstruction or repair of any street, tunnel, subway, viaduct or conduit in, on, under or over which the district may have an easement or right-of-way therefor.
- 3. The construction or reconstruction of sidewalks, crosswalks, curbs, gutters, culverts, bridges, tunnels, siphons, manholes, steps, parkings and parkways.

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- 4. The placement, replacement or repair of pipes, hydrants and appliances for fire protection.
- 5. The acquisition, construction, reconstruction, maintenance or repair of wastewater treatment facilities, sewers, ditches, drains, conduits, pipelines and channels for sanitary and drainage purposes, with outlets, cesspools, manholes, catch basins, flush tanks, septic tanks, connecting sewers, ditches, drains, conduits, channels and other appurtenances in, under, over or through any street or any land of the district or any right-of-way granted or obtained for such purpose, either within or without the district limits.
- 6. The acquisition, construction, reconstruction or repair of waterworks for the delivery of water for domestic purposes, and of wells, ditches, canals, channels, conduits, pipelines and siphons, together with the necessary or usual appurtenances for carrying storm water or water from irrigation ditches, watercourses, streams or springs into, through or out of such district in, under, over or through any street, or any land of the district or any right-of-way granted or obtained for such purpose, either within or without the district limits. Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit the board of directors of an improvement district from purchasing an existing domestic water delivery system within the district or outside the district or constructing an initial or improving an existing domestic water delivery system inside or outside the district.
- 7. The construction, reconstruction or repair of breakwater levees or walls, riverbank protection or replacement of riverbanks and supporting land. A district established for this purpose shall cooperate and coordinate its plans and activities with the county flood control district established in the county and any incorporated city or town in which the district is established.
- 8. The acquisition, construction, reconstruction or repair of lighting plants and poles, wire conduits, lamps, standards and other appliances for the purpose of lighting and beautifying streets or other public lands.
- 9. The construction, reconstruction or repair of any work incidental to or connected with any such improvement.
- 10. The acquisition, in the name of the district, by gift, purchase or otherwise and the maintenance, repair, improvement or disposal of any real or personal property necessary or convenient for district operation for a community center, park or recreational area.
- 11. Pursuant to the provisions of section 48-902, the board of directors of an improvement district may contract for or in any other manner provide transportation services within the district.
- B. In addition to the powers specifically granted by or reasonably inferred from the provisions of this article, an improvement district through its board of directors may:
- 1. Acquire by gift, purchase, condemnation or otherwise in the name of the district and own, control, manage and dispose of any real or personal

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property or interest in such property necessary or convenient for the construction, operation and maintenance of any of the improvements provided for by this article.

- 2. Join with any other improvement district, any city, town, governmental agency or Indian tribe, or any agency or instrumentality of an Indian tribe, or any person in the construction, operation or maintenance of any of the improvements hereby authorized.
- 3. Join with any other improvement district or any city, town, county or Indian tribe, or any agency or instrumentality of an Indian tribe, in improving streets running upon or along the boundary of the district and levy assessments and issue bonds for the district's part of the cost of such improvements.
- 4. Sell, lease or otherwise dispose of any property of the district or interest in such property when the property is no longer required for the purposes of the district or the use of which may be permitted without interfering with the use thereof by the district.
- 5. Sell or otherwise dispose of any property or material acquired in the construction or operation of any improvements as a by-product or otherwise, and acquire rights-of-way for such disposal by condemnation or otherwise.
- 6. Accept from the state of Arizona or the federal government, or any agency, department or instrumentality of either, grants for or in aid of the construction of any of the improvements provided for by this chapter.
- 7. Notwithstanding any other law, sell improvement bonds to the federal government, or any agency, department or instrumentality of the federal government, for the construction of any of the improvements provided by this chapter.
- 8. Enter into contracts with the state of Arizona or the federal government, or any agency, department or instrumentality of either or both, for the construction or supervision of construction by the state of Arizona or the federal government, or any agency, department or instrumentality of either or both, but reserving to the district the right to assess against the property benefited by the improvement, and located within the district, that portion of the cost of the improvement which does not qualify for aid under a state or federal grant.
- 9. Operate, maintain and repair the streets within the district and any improvements made pursuant to this chapter.
- 10. Do all things incidental to the exercise of the powers granted by this article.
- C. A county improvement district formed for the purpose of purchasing an existing or constructing a new domestic water delivery system within the district or outside the district shall have the same authority and responsibility as an incorporated city or town pursuant to the provisions of title 45 and chapters CHAPTER 22 and 28 of this title.

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- D. An improvement district which proposes to provide domestic water service within the certificated area of a public service corporation serving domestic water shall provide just compensation to the public service corporation pursuant to section 9-516 for the facilities or certificated area taken. The right to compensation for a public service corporation from an improvement district shall not apply if no facilities of the public service corporation are actually acquired by the improvement district and either of the following conditions exist:
- 1. At the time the law providing for compensation became effective the certificated area for which compensation is sought is an area which was within the boundaries of an improvement district.
- 2. A certificate is issued to a public service corporation for any area which is within an improvement district at the time the certificate is issued.
- Sec. 52. Section 48-2978, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

48-2978. General powers of board of directors

In order to accomplish the purposes of the district the board may:

- 1. Purchase or acquire water rights.
- 2. Acquire or lease real estate and personal property when necessary.
- 3. Acquire and hold stock in irrigation ditch and reservoir companies.
- 4. Lease, sell and otherwise dispose of real estate and personal property.
- 5. Construct, acquire or purchase canals, ditches, reservoirs, reservoir sites, water, water rights, rights-of-way or other property deemed necessary for the use of the district.
- 6. Acquire the right to enlarge any ditch, canal or reservoir already constructed or partially constructed.
- 7. Provide for the construction, operation, leasing and control of plants for the generation, distribution, sale and lease of electrical energy, including sale to municipalities, corporations, public utility districts or individuals of electrical energy so generated.
 - 8. Make appropriations of water for irrigation and power purposes.
- 9. Refer to the qualified electors of the district any optional or administrative measure or method of procedure or any other matter or proposition the board deems necessary or advisable.
- 10. Establish tolls or charges for service of irrigation, domestic water, electricity and other commodities.
 - 11. Control the finances and property of the district.
- 12. Appropriate money and provide for the payment of district debts and expenses.
- 13. Exercise exclusive control over the laterals, ditches, canals, rights-of-way and other property of the district, prevent encumbering thereof, abate and remove all encumbrances and obstructions thereon, make improvements thereon, vacate any right-of-way not necessary for the further

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use of the district and protect such right-of-way from encroachment and injuries.

- 14. Erect and maintain transmission lines and pipelines, culverts, roads and crossways, and prevent obstructions thereon.
- 15. Provide the district with water, electricity and other public conveniences and necessities, and engage in any and all activities, enterprises and occupations within the powers and privileges of municipalities generally.
- 16. Apply surplus money in the district treasury to liquidation of district debts or to the creation of a sinking fund pursuant to section 48-2979.
- 17. Make, amend or repeal resolutions, bylaws and rules necessary for the government of or for carrying into effect the powers vested in irrigation districts or any department or officer thereof, and enforce observance thereof by imposition of penalties. The board may impose penalties not exceeding:
- (a) Five hundred dollars for violations by persons who use water for domestic purposes, as defined by section 45-454, subsection I.
- (b) Five thousand dollars for violations by persons who use water for purposes other than domestic purposes.
- Sec. 53. Section 48-3701, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

48-3701. Definitions

In this chapter, unless the context otherwise requires:

- 1. "Active management area" means an active management area established under title 45, chapter 2, article 2.
- 2. "Board" means the board of directors of a multi-county water conservation district.
- 3. "Contract replenishment obligation" means an amount of groundwater that the district contracts to replenish in a year on behalf of a municipal provider pursuant to a contract authorized under section 48-3772, subsection B, paragraph 9.
- 4. "Credits" means any groundwater in addition to the amount of groundwater that may be used at a member land or delivered within a member service area for use within the member service area pursuant to the applicable assured water supply rules adopted by the department of water resources.
- 5. "Declaration" means an instrument recorded against real property and conforming to the requirements prescribed by section 48-3774, subsection A, paragraph $\frac{5}{2}$ 4.
- 6. "District" means a multi-county water conservation district organized under the authority of this chapter.
- 7. "Excess groundwater" means an amount of groundwater equal to that amount of groundwater delivered to a member land in a calendar year or delivered within a member service area by the municipal provider for that

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member service area in a calendar year in excess of the amount of groundwater that may be used at the member land in that calendar year or that may be delivered by the municipal provider for use within the member service area in that calendar year and consistent with the applicable assured water supply rules adopted by the department of water resources for the active management area where the member land or the member service area is located.

- 8. "EXCESS GROUNDWATER INCREMENT" MEANS THE AMOUNT BY WHICH EXCESS GROUNDWATER REPORTED FOR A MEMBER SERVICE AREA UNDER SECTION 48-3775, SUBSECTION B IN ANY YEAR EXCEEDS THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF EXCESS GROUNDWATER REPORTED FOR THAT MEMBER SERVICE AREA IN ANY PRIOR YEAR.
- 8. 9. "Groundwater replenishment obligation" means, for each active management area in which member lands, or member service areas, LIMITED MEMBER LANDS OR LIMITED MEMBER SERVICE AREAS are or may be located, the total SUM of the FOLLOWING:
- (a) THE cumulative parcel replenishment obligation of all parcels of member land in that active management area for a particular calendar year. plus
- (b) The cumulative service area replenishment obligation of all member service areas in that active management area for a particular calendar year.
- (c) THE CUMULATIVE LIMITED MEMBER LAND REPLENISHMENT OBLIGATION OF ALL PARCELS OF LIMITED MEMBER LANDS IN THAT ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA FOR A PARTICULAR CALENDAR YEAR.
- (d) THE CUMULATIVE LIMITED MEMBER SERVICE AREA REPLENISHMENT OBLIGATION OF ALL LIMITED MEMBER SERVICE AREAS IN THAT ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA FOR A PARTICULAR CALENDAR YEAR.
- 10. "LIMITED GROUNDWATER" HAS THE MEANINGS PRESCRIBED IN SECTIONS 45-579 AND 45-580.
- 11. "LIMITED GROUNDWATER RIGHT" HAS THE SAME MEANING PRESCRIBED IN SECTION 45-402.
- 12. "LIMITED MEMBER LAND" MEANS ANY REAL PROPERTY THAT MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 48-3774.01.
- 13. "LIMITED MEMBER LAND REPLENISHMENT OBLIGATION" MEANS, WITH RESPECT TO ANY PARTICULAR PARCEL OF LIMITED MEMBER LAND, THE AMOUNT OF LIMITED GROUNDWATER WITHDRAWN OR RECEIVED FOR USE ON THAT PARCEL IN A CALENDAR YEAR.
- 14. "LIMITED MEMBER SERVICE AREA" MEANS THE LIMITED SERVICE AREA OF A MUNICIPAL PROVIDER THAT QUALIFIES AS A LIMITED MEMBER SERVICE AREA UNDER SECTION 48-3780.01, INCLUDING ANY ADDITIONS TO OR EXTENSIONS OF THE LIMITED SERVICE AREA.
- 15. "LIMITED MEMBER SERVICE AREA REPLENISHMENT OBLIGATION" MEANS, WITH RESPECT TO ANY PARTICULAR LIMITED MEMBER SERVICE AREA, THE AMOUNT OF LIMITED GROUNDWATER USED IN THAT LIMITED MEMBER SERVICE AREA IN A PARTICULAR CALENDAR YEAR
- 16. "LIMITED SERVICE AREA" HAS THE SAME MEANING PRESCRIBED IN SECTION 45-402.

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- 9.17. "Member land" means any real property that meets the requirements of section 48-3774.
- $\frac{10.}{10.}$ 18. "Member service area" means the service area of a municipal provider that qualifies as a member service area under section 48-3780, including any additions to or extensions of the service area.
- 11. 19. "Multi-county water conservation district" means a district composed of three or more counties which have joined together for the creation of a district.
- 12. 20. "Municipal provider" means a city, town or private water company or an irrigation district that supplies water for non-irrigation use.
- $\frac{13}{10}$. "Parcel of member land" means any portion of member land for which the tax assessor for the county in which the member land is located has issued a separate county parcel number.
- 14. 22. "Parcel replenishment obligation" means, with respect to any particular parcel of member land, an amount of groundwater that is equal to the amount of groundwater delivered to the parcel of member land in a calendar year multiplied by the percentage that the excess groundwater of the applicable member land for that year bears to the total amount of groundwater delivered to the applicable member land during that year.
- 15. 23. "Population" means the population determined in the most recent United States decennial census.
- $\frac{16.}{10.0}$ 24. "Private water company" has the same meaning prescribed in section 45-402.
- $\frac{17}{100}$. "Replenish" means to increase the amount of groundwater in an aquifer through water storage pursuant to title 45, chapter 3.1 for the purpose of meeting the obligations of article 4 of this chapter.
- 26. "RESERVE TARGET" MEANS FOR EACH ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA, TWENTY TIMES THE SUM OF THE DISTRICT'S TOTAL PROJECTED ANNUAL REPLENISHMENT OBLIGATIONS AS REPORTED BY THE DIRECTOR OF WATER RESOURCES PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 45-576 AND 45-578, FOR ALL PARCELS OF CATEGORY 1 MEMBER LAND AS PRESCRIBED IN SECTION 48-3774.02 AND ALL MEMBER SERVICE AREAS IN THAT ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA. RESERVE TARGET DOES NOT INCLUDE REPLENISHMENT OBLIGATIONS UNDER RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 48-3772, SUBSECTION B, PARAGRAPH 10 OR REPLENISHMENT OBLIGATIONS THAT WILL BE MET USING WATER SUPPLIES THAT ARE CURRENTLY HELD BY THE DISTRICT AND DETERMINED BY THE DIRECTOR OF WATER RESOURCES TO BE CONSISTENT WITH ASSURED WATER SUPPLY REQUIREMENTS PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-576.
- 18. 27. "Resolution" means a resolution adopted by the governing body of a city or town, by the board of directors of a private water company that is a corporation, by the general partners of a private water company that is a partnership or by the individual owners of a private water company that is individually owned.
- $\frac{19.}{19.}$ 28. "Secretary" means the secretary of the interior of the United States of America.

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 $\frac{20.}{45-402}$. "Service area" has the same meaning prescribed in section

 $\frac{22}{1}$. "Water storage" has the same meaning prescribed in section 45-802.01.

Sec. 54. Section 48-3713, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended by Laws 2000, chapter 142, section 2, is amended to read:

48-3713. Powers of district

- A. The district, acting through its board, shall:
- 1. Enter into a contract or contracts with the secretary to accomplish the purposes of this chapter.
- 2. Provide for the repayment of construction costs, interest and annual operation, maintenance and replacement costs allocated to the district and payment of administrative costs and expenses of the district.
- 3. Levy an annual tax to defray district costs and expenses and to effect repayment of a portion of the district's obligation to the United States. Such tax levy shall not exceed ten cents per each one hundred dollars of assessed valuation of the taxable property within the district.
- 4. Establish and cause to be collected charges for water consistent with federal reclamation law and contracts entered into between the district and the secretary pursuant to this chapter.
- 5. Cooperate and contract with the secretary to carry out the provisions of the reclamation act of June 17, 1902 (32 Stat. 388), and acts amendatory thereof or supplementary thereto, including the Colorado river basin project act (82 Stat. 885).
- 6. Establish and maintain reserve accounts in amounts which may be required by any contract between the district and the secretary and in such additional amounts as may be deemed necessary to accomplish the purposes of this chapter.
 - 7. Coordinate and cooperate with the Arizona water banking authority.
 - B. The district, acting through its board, may:
- 1. Contract with the United States to be the operating agent of the central Arizona project and to maintain all or portions of the project and subcontract with others for the operation or maintenance of portions of the project.
- 2. Acquire in any lawful manner real and personal property of every kind necessary or convenient for the uses and purposes of the district.
- 3. Acquire electricity or other forms of energy necessary for the operation of the central Arizona project.
- 4. Contract for or perform feasibility studies of water storage, storage facilities and recovery wells.

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- 5. Acquire, develop, construct, operate, maintain and acquire permits for water storage, storage facilities and recovery wells pursuant to title 45, chapter 3.1 using surplus central Arizona project water.
- 6. Enter into contracts to acquire, permit, develop, construct, operate and maintain water storage, storage facilities and recovery wells with any person pursuant to title 45, chapter 3.1. Such projects may utilize water, including central Arizona project water, which such persons have the right to store pursuant to title 45, chapter 3.1.
- 7. Plan, analyze, propose, apply for, construct, operate, maintain and dismantle state demonstration projects for water storage and recovery under title 45, chapter 3.1, article 6.
- 8. Acquire real property for state demonstration projects for water storage and recovery under title 45, chapter 3.1 by purchase, lease, donation, dedication, exchange, CONDEMNATION AS PRESCRIBED BY SECTION 48-3719 or other lawful means in areas suitable for demonstration projects for water storage and recovery of state water in counties in which the district has water transportation facilities.
- 9. Advance monies necessary for the installation, construction, repair, maintenance or replacement of capital improvements related to any water storage, storage facilities and recovery wells or any other replenishment activities of the district undertaken pursuant to article 4 of this chapter. Monies advanced under this paragraph bear interest as determined by the board. Repayment of the advances shall be amortized over the useful life of the capital improvements, as determined by the board. Utilization of excess capacity in a state demonstration project for replenishment purposes pursuant to section 48-3772, subsection B, paragraph 8 does not constitute the advancement of monies under this paragraph.
- 10. Advance monies for the payment of the operation and administrative costs and expenses of the district relating to performance of the groundwater replenishment obligations under article 4 of this chapter, INCLUDING REPLENISHMENT RESERVE ACTIVITIES and including reasonable reserves. Monies advanced under this paragraph shall bear interest as determined by the board. Repayment of the advances may be amortized over a reasonable period, as determined by the board.
- 11. Assign to the account of the district at fair value long-term storage credits, as defined in section 45-802.01, held by the district.
- 12. Provide technical and operational support to the Arizona water banking authority and shall be reimbursed by the Arizona water banking authority for providing that support.
- 13. Appoint certain employees of the district as peace officers only for purposes of providing law enforcement on property which is under the control of the district. The district shall not have any more than ten employees designated as peace officers at any one time.
- C. The authority granted under title 45, chapter 3.1, article 6 does not authorize the district to withdraw and use groundwater that exists

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naturally in the basin in which the stored water is located. The authority provided in subsection B, paragraph 7 of this section is in addition to and distinct from any authority granted to the district by subsection B, paragraphs 5 and 6 of this section.

- D. The functions of the district under subsection B, paragraph 5 of this section may be performed on behalf of the district by other persons under contract with the district.
- E. The district may enter into and carry out subcontracts with water users for the delivery of water through the facilities of the central Arizona project. Such contracts as may be entered into between the district and the secretary and between the district and water users shall be subject to the provisions of the Colorado river basin project act (P.L. 90-537; 82 Stat. 885). Before entering into such contracts the district shall determine that the proposed contract or proposed amendment, and all related exhibits and agreements, have been submitted to the director OF WATER RESOURCES as required by section 45-107, subsection D.
- F. The district may not sell, resell, deliver or distribute electricity to others. The district may, in conjunction with any other marketing entity or entities, be a marketing entity under section 107 of the Hoover power plant act of 1984 (P.L. 98-381; 98 Stat. 1333) solely for the limited purposes of establishing and collecting the additional rate components authorized by that act and may enter into contracts for that purpose. This subsection does not limit the authority of the district under subsection B, paragraph 3 of this section and does not prohibit the United States western area power administration or the Arizona power authority from making incidental disposition of power acquired by the district for purposes of operating the central Arizona project but not needed by the district for such purposes.
- G. Persons who are appointed as peace officers by the district pursuant to subsection B of this section shall provide law enforcement on the property which is under the control of the district. District peace officers shall not preempt the authority and jurisdiction of other police agencies of this state or its political subdivisions. A district peace officer shall notify appropriate agencies of this state and its political subdivisions after making a felony arrest or beginning a felony investigation within the jurisdiction of that agency. District peace officers shall have at least those qualifications prescribed by section 41-1822 and are not eligible to participate in the public safety personnel retirement system. The district is not eligible to receive funds from the peace officers' training fund specified in section 41-1825. The district shall reimburse the Arizona peace officer standards and training board for all training expenses incurred by the board for the district and all audit expenses incurred by the board in reviewing compliance by the district with peace officer standards and law enforcement standards established by the board.

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Sec. 55. Section 48-3713, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended by Laws 2000, chapter 142, section 3, is amended to read:

48-3713. Powers of district

- A. The district, acting through its board, shall:
- 1. Enter into a contract or contracts with the secretary to accomplish the purposes of this chapter.
- 2. Provide for the repayment of construction costs, interest and annual operation, maintenance and replacement costs allocated to the district and payment of administrative costs and expenses of the district.
- 3. Levy an annual tax to defray district costs and expenses and to effect repayment of a portion of the district's obligation to the United States. Such tax levy shall not exceed ten cents per each one hundred dollars of assessed valuation of the taxable property within the district.
- 4. Establish and cause to be collected charges for water consistent with federal reclamation law and contracts entered into between the district and the secretary pursuant to this chapter.
- 5. Cooperate and contract with the secretary to carry out the provisions of the reclamation act of June 17, 1902 (32 Stat. 388), and acts amendatory thereof or supplementary thereto, including the Colorado river basin project act (82 Stat. 885).
- 6. Establish and maintain reserve accounts in amounts which may be required by any contract between the district and the secretary and in such additional amounts as may be deemed necessary to accomplish the purposes of this chapter.
 - 7. Coordinate and cooperate with the Arizona water banking authority.
 - B. The district, acting through its board, may:
- 1. Contract with the United States to be the operating agent of the central Arizona project and to maintain all or portions of the project and subcontract with others for the operation or maintenance of portions of the project.
- 2. Acquire in any lawful manner real and personal property of every kind necessary or convenient for the uses and purposes of the district.
- 3. Acquire electricity or other forms of energy necessary for the operation of the central Arizona project.
- 4. Contract for or perform feasibility studies of water storage, storage facilities and recovery wells.
- 5. Acquire, develop, construct, operate, maintain and acquire permits for water storage, storage facilities and recovery wells pursuant to title 45, chapter 3.1 using surplus central Arizona project water.
- 6. Enter into contracts to acquire, permit, develop, construct, operate and maintain water storage, storage facilities and recovery wells with any person pursuant to title 45, chapter 3.1. Such projects may utilize water, including central Arizona project water, which such persons have the right to store pursuant to title 45, chapter 3.1.

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- 7. Plan, analyze, propose, apply for, construct, operate, maintain and dismantle state demonstration projects for water storage and recovery under title 45, chapter 3.1, article 6.
- 8. Acquire real property for state demonstration projects for water storage and recovery under title 45, chapter 3.1 by purchase, lease, donation, dedication, exchange, condemnation as prescribed by section 48-3719 or other lawful means in areas suitable for demonstration projects for water storage and recovery of state water in counties in which the district has water transportation facilities.
- 9. Advance monies necessary for the installation, construction, repair, maintenance or replacement of capital improvements related to any water storage, storage facilities and recovery wells or any other replenishment activities of the district undertaken pursuant to article 4 of this chapter. Monies advanced under this paragraph bear interest as determined by the board. Repayment of the advances shall be amortized over the useful life of the capital improvements, as determined by the board. Utilization of excess capacity in a state demonstration project for replenishment purposes pursuant to section 48-3772, subsection B, paragraph 8 does not constitute the advancement of monies under this paragraph.
- 10. Advance monies for the payment of the operation and administrative costs and expenses of the district relating to performance of the groundwater replenishment obligations under article 4 of this chapter, INCLUDING REPLENISHMENT RESERVE ACTIVITIES and including reasonable reserves. Monies advanced under this paragraph shall bear interest as determined by the board. Repayment of the advances may be amortized over a reasonable period, as determined by the board.
- 11. Assign to the account of the district at fair value long-term storage credits, as defined in section 45-802.01, held by the district.
- 12. Provide technical and operational support to the Arizona water banking authority and shall be reimbursed by the Arizona water banking authority for providing that support.
- C. The authority granted under title 45, chapter 3.1, article 6 does not authorize the district to withdraw and use groundwater that exists naturally in the basin in which the stored water is located. The authority provided in subsection B, paragraph 7 of this section is in addition to and distinct from any authority granted to the district by subsection B, paragraphs 5 and 6 of this section.
- D. The functions of the district under subsection B, paragraph 5 of this section may be performed on behalf of the district by other persons under contract with the district.
- E. The district may enter into and carry out subcontracts with water users for the delivery of water through the facilities of the central Arizona project. Such contracts as may be entered into between the district and the secretary and between the district and water users shall be subject to the provisions of the Colorado river basin project act (P.L. 90-537; 82 Stat.

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). Before entering into such contracts the district shall determine that the proposed contract or proposed amendment, and all related exhibits and agreements, have been submitted to the director OF WATER RESOURCES as required by section 45-107, subsection D.

F. The district may not sell, resell, deliver or distribute electricity to others. The district may in conjunction with any other marketing entity or entities be a marketing entity under section 107 of the Hoover power plant act of 1984 (P.L. 98-381; 98 Stat. 1333) solely for the limited purposes of establishing and collecting the additional rate components authorized by that act and may enter into contracts for that purpose. This subsection does not limit the authority of the district under subsection B, paragraph 3 of this section and does not prohibit the United States western area power administration or the Arizona power authority from making incidental disposition of power acquired by the district for purposes of operating the central Arizona project but not needed by the district for such purposes.

Sec. 56. Repeal

Section 48-3713, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended by Laws 2000, chapter 145, section 1, is repealed.

Sec. 57. Section 48-3771, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

48-3771. <u>District replenishment obligations; replenishment</u> location; source of replenishment; exception

For each active management area in which member lands or member service areas are or may be located, the district shall replenish groundwater in an amount equal to the groundwater replenishment obligation for that active management area. The district shall complete the replenishment of the groundwater replenishment obligation of that active management area applicable to a particular year within three full calendar years after the year that the district incurs the groundwater replenishment obligation. Replenishment of the groundwater replenishment obligation of an active management area applicable to a particular year is complete when the amount of water added to aquifers through water storage that has been credited directly to the district's conservation district account pursuant to title 45, chapter 3.1, plus long-term storage credits that have been transferred from the district's long-term storage account to its conservation district account pursuant to title 45, chapter 3.1, less the groundwater replenishment obligation of member lands, LIMITED MEMBER LANDS, LIMITED MEMBER SERVICE AREAS and member service areas located in the active management area and applicable to previous years, less the contract replenishment obligations relative to municipal providers in the active management area for previous years and the year of the calculation, equals or exceeds the groundwater replenishment obligation of the active management area for that year.

B. With respect to the portion of the groundwater replenishment obligation attributable to a parcel of member land, A PARCEL OF LIMITED

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MEMBER LAND, A LIMITED MEMBER SERVICE AREA or a member service area, the district shall replenish groundwater in the active management area where the parcel of member land, PARCEL OF LIMITED MEMBER LAND, THE LIMITED MEMBER SERVICE AREA or the member service area is located in an amount equal to the groundwater replenishment obligation applicable to that parcel of member land, THAT PARCEL OF LIMITED MEMBER LAND, THAT LIMITED MEMBER SERVICE AREA or that member service area.

- C. Except as provided by title 45, chapter 3.1, the district may replenish groundwater with central Arizona project water or water from any other lawfully available source except groundwater withdrawn from within an active management area.
- D. Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, if a parcel of member land is included in the service area of a municipal provider that is not a member service area but that has been designated as having an assured water supply under section 45-576, the parcel of member land has no parcel replenishment obligation and the district has no groundwater replenishment obligation attributable to that parcel of member land for as long as the designation remains in effect.
- E. Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, if a parcel of member land is included in the service area of a municipal provider that is a member service area and that has been designated as having an assured water supply under section 45-576, the parcel of member land has no further parcel replenishment obligation.
- F. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS CHAPTER, IF A PARCEL OF LIMITED MEMBER LAND RECEIVES ALL GROUNDWATER USED ON THE PARCEL FROM A MUNICIPAL PROVIDER THAT HAS BEEN DESIGNATED AS HAVING AN ASSURED WATER SUPPLY UNDER SECTION 45-576 OR THAT REPORTS THE WATER USED ON THE PARCEL UNDER SECTION 48-3775, SUBSECTION D AS WATER USE IN A LIMITED MEMBER SERVICE AREA, THE PARCEL OF LIMITED MEMBER LAND HAS NO LIMITED MEMBER LAND REPLENISHMENT OBLIGATION FOR AS LONG AS IT CONTINUES TO RECEIVE ALL OF ITS GROUNDWATER FROM THAT SOURCE.

Sec. 58. Section 48-3772, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

48-3772. Duties and powers of district regarding replenishment

A. The district shall:

1. Establish annually the costs and expenses to replenish groundwater pursuant to this article with respect to all parcels of member lands, and ALL PARCELS OF LIMITED MEMBER LANDS, all member service areas AND ALL LIMITED MEMBER SERVICE AREAS THAT ARE located in each active management area, including capital expenses, and the operation, maintenance, replacement and administrative costs and expenses of the district, REPLENISHMENT RESERVE COSTS AND EXPENSES AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION E OF THIS SECTION and including reasonable reserves. Separate calculations of costs and expenses shall be made for each active management area in which member lands or member service areas are or may be located AND FOR EACH MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY. Costs and

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expenses attributed by the district to contract replenishment obligations shall not be included in this calculation THESE CALCULATIONS.

- 2. Provide for the payment of all costs and expenses to replenish groundwater pursuant to this chapter and the payment of operation, maintenance, replacement and administrative costs and expenses of the district.
- 3. Levy an annual replenishment assessment against all parcels EACH PARCEL of member land AND LIMITED MEMBER LAND IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 48-3778 and an annual replenishment tax against all EACH municipal providers PROVIDER that have HAS A member service areas located in each active management area IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 48-3781 to pay the district's costs and expenses to replenish groundwater as established pursuant to paragraph 1 of this subsection. Separate calculations of the replenishment assessment shall be made for each active management area in which member lands are located based on the costs and expenses of replenishment established for that active management area.
- 4. Levy a contract replenishment tax against municipal providers that are parties to contracts authorized under subsection B, paragraph 9 of this section to pay the district's costs and expenses to replenish groundwater based on contract replenishment obligations.
- 5. Establish and maintain reserve accounts in amounts as may be deemed necessary to perform the groundwater replenishment obligation.
- 6. Fulfill all obligations under resolutions adopted pursuant to subsection B, paragraph 10 of this section.
 - B. The district may:
- 1. Acquire, develop, construct, operate, maintain, replace and acquire permits for water storage, storage facilities and recovery wells for replenishment purposes.
- 2. Acquire, transport, hold, exchange, own, lease, store or replenish water, except groundwater withdrawn from an active management area, subject to the provisions of title 45, for the benefit of member lands, and member service areas, LIMITED MEMBER LANDS AND LIMITED MEMBER SERVICE AREAS.
- 3. Acquire, hold, exchange, own, lease, retire or dispose of water rights for the benefit of member lands, and member service areas, LIMITED MEMBER LANDS AND LIMITED MEMBER SERVICE AREAS.
- 4. Require municipal providers to provide such information, in such form and within the time limits prescribed by the district, as may be necessary to carry out the purpose of this chapter.
- 5. Levy and collect assessments, fees, charges, taxes and other revenues as are provided in this chapter for the financing of replenishment activities.
- 6. Contract for or perform feasibility studies of water storage, storage facilities and recovery wells for replenishment purposes.

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- 7. Acquire real and personal property for water storage, storage facilities and recovery wells for replenishment purposes by purchase, lease, donation, dedication, exchange or other lawful means.
- 8. Use any facilities and any excess storage capacity of any state demonstration projects undertaken pursuant to title 45, chapter 3.1 for water storage for replenishment purposes.
- 9. Subject to subsection H— G of this section, contract with any municipal provider having a member service area to replenish groundwater on behalf of the municipal provider and with respect to the member service area in an amount in excess of the sum of the service area replenishment obligations applicable to the member service area for all years in which the district has not completed the replenishment of the groundwater replenishment obligation for the member service area.
- 10. Adopt resolutions granting water availability status to a member service area of a city, town or private water company and committing to replenish a specified average annual volume of water in a location where the city, town or private water company may physically access the water for service to its customers, if all of the following apply:
- (a) The district has reviewed its requirements for transportation of central Arizona project water, its contracts, subcontracts, letter agreements, excess water contracts, and other contractual obligations,— AND its member service area, and member land, LIMITED MEMBER SERVICE AREA AND LIMITED MEMBER LAND requirements and has determined that the district can meet those obligations and that capacity remains in the central Arizona project to meet the obligations undertaken through the resolution.
- (b) The resolution acknowledges that the commitment to replenish the specified average annual volume of water in the location cited in the resolution shall be a permanent obligation of the district, unless one of the following apply APPLIES:
- (i) A permanent substitute supply of water is found for the city, town or private water company and the substitution is approved by the director of water resources, thus terminating the water availability status of the member service area.
- (ii) The requirements of section 45-576.07, subsection A, are not met, and thus the director of water resources does not issue an order granting or maintaining the city, town or private water company as having an assured water supply based in whole or in part on section 45-576.07. If no order is issued within two years of the district adopting the resolution, the resolution may be repealed, and the district shall be relieved of all obligations under the resolution.
- (c) The average annual volume of water specified in the resolution, when added to the average annual volume of water specified in all other resolutions adopted pursuant to this paragraph, does not exceed twenty thousand acre-feet.

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- (d) The district has entered into an agreement with the city, town or private water company under which the city, town or private water company will hold for the district's future use, and provide to the district when needed, sufficient water to meet the obligations undertaken by the district through the resolution.
- (e) The district determines that the obligations undertaken by the district through the resolution will not increase annual replenishment assessment rates or costs to central Arizona project contract and subcontract holders.— AND its member service area and member lands.
- (f) The director of water resources has found pursuant to section 45-576.07, subsection H, that the district has the capability to grant water availability status to member service areas.
- 11. Provide in resolutions adopted pursuant to paragraph 10 of this subsection that the district may fulfill its obligations under the resolution in any year by directly delivering to the city, town or private water company the water that otherwise would have been replenished pursuant to the resolution, if all of the following apply:
- (a) The district has reviewed its requirements for transportation of central Arizona project water, its contracts, subcontracts, letter agreements, excess water contracts, and other contractual obligations, its member service area, and member land, LIMITED MEMBER SERVICE AREA AND LIMITED MEMBER LAND requirements and has determined that the district can meet those obligations and that capacity remains in the central Arizona project to make direct deliveries pursuant to this paragraph.
- (b) The district determines that the delivery will not increase annual replenishment assessment rates or costs to central Arizona project contract and subcontract holders, its member service area and AREAS, member lands, LIMITED MEMBER SERVICE AREAS AND LIMITED MEMBER LANDS.
- 12. Enter into agreements with a city, town or private water company that will have water made available to it through a resolution adopted pursuant to paragraph 10 OF THIS SUBSECTION AND under which the city, town or private water company compensate COMPENSATES the district for the costs and fair value of the water supply provided by the district.
- C. The functions of the district under subsection B, paragraph 1 of this <u>subsection</u> SECTION may be performed on behalf of the district by other persons under contract with the district.
- D. For purposes of determining the annual costs and expenses of the district under subsection A, paragraph 1 of this subsection, the district shall amortize capital costs and expenses, including interest as determined by the district, over the useful life of the capital improvements, as determined by the district. The capital costs of the facilities of any state demonstration projects used by the district pursuant to subsection B, paragraph 8 of this section shall not be included in the capital costs and expenses amortized by the district under this subsection.

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- E. The district may replenish in advance an amount of groundwater in addition to the amount of groundwater required to complete replenishment of the groundwater replenishment obligation for all active management areas applicable to the calendar year of the determination and the three immediately preceding calendar years if all of the following apply:
- 1. The amount of additional groundwater replenished in advance by the district during a calendar year shall not exceed the groundwater replenishment obligation for all active management areas for the immediately preceding year, multiplied by twenty per cent.
- 2. The total amount of additional groundwater replenished in advance by the district at a particular time and not applied by the district to complete replenishment of a groundwater replenishment obligation shall not exceed the estimated groundwater replenishment obligation for all active management areas, as determined by the district, for the year of the determination.
- E. THE DISTRICT SHALL ESTABLISH AND MAINTAIN A REPLENISHMENT RESERVE AS FOLLOWS:
- 1. THE DISTRICT SHALL INCLUDE A REPLENISHMENT RESERVE CHARGE IN THE ANNUAL REPLENISHMENT ASSESSMENT LEVIED AGAINST ALL PARCELS OF CATEGORY 1 MEMBER LAND AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 48-3774.02 AND IN THE ANNUAL REPLENISHMENT TAX LEVIED AGAINST ALL MUNICIPAL PROVIDERS THAT HAVE MEMBER SERVICE AREAS AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 48-3780.02. THE REPLENISHMENT RESERVE CHARGE FOR EACH ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA SHALL BE ESTABLISHED ANNUALLY BY THE DISTRICT BASED ON THE RESERVE TARGET FOR THAT ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA.
- 2. THE DISTRICT SHALL LEVY A REPLENISHMENT RESERVE FEE AGAINST CATEGORY 1 MEMBER LANDS IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 48-3774.02 AND AGAINST MEMBER SERVICE AREAS IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 48-3780.02. FOR CATEGORY 1 MEMBER LANDS THE FEE SHALL BE EQUAL TO TWICE THE APPLICABLE REPLENISHMENT RESERVE CHARGE MULTIPLIED BY THE TOTAL PROJECTED ANNUAL GROUNDWATER DEMAND FOR THE MEMBER LANDS AS CONFIRMED BY THE DIRECTOR OF WATER RESOURCES PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-578, SUBSECTION F. FOR MEMBER SERVICE AREAS, THE FEE SHALL BE EQUAL TO TWICE THE APPLICABLE REPLENISHMENT RESERVE CHARGE MULTIPLIED BY THE EXCESS GROUNDWATER INCREMENT. WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE DISTRICT AND THE DIRECTOR OF WATER RESOURCES, LONG-TERM STORAGE CREDITS AS DEFINED IN SECTION 45-802.01 MAY BE ASSIGNED TO THE DISTRICT'S REPLENISHMENT RESERVE SUBACCOUNT IN LIEU OF PAYING THE REPLENISHMENT RESERVE FEE.
- 3. THE DISTRICT SHALL USE REPLENISHMENT RESERVE CHARGES AND REPLENISHMENT RESERVE FEES COLLECTED WITHIN EACH ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA, TOGETHER WITH ALL INTEREST ACCUMULATED ON THEM, TO STORE WATER IN THAT ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA IN ADVANCE OF GROUNDWATER REPLENISHMENT OBLIGATIONS FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEVELOPING LONG-TERM STORAGE CREDITS AS DEFINED IN SECTION 45-802.01 THAT SHALL BE CREDITED TO THE REPLENISHMENT RESERVE SUBACCOUNT FOR THAT ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 45-859.01.
- 4. BEGINNING ON JANUARY 1, 2030, THE DISTRICT MAY TRANSFER CREDITS FROM A REPLENISHMENT RESERVE SUBACCOUNT TO A CONSERVATION DISTRICT ACCOUNT AS

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PROVIDED IN SECTION 45-859.01 TO SATISFY ITS GROUNDWATER REPLENISHMENT OBLIGATIONS.

- 5. IF THE DISTRICT TRANSFERS CREDITS FROM THE REPLENISHMENT RESERVE SUBACCOUNT FOR AN ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-859.01, SUBSECTION E, THE DISTRICT SHALL INCLUDE IN THE ANNUAL REPLENISHMENT ASSESSMENT LEVIED AGAINST ALL PARCELS OF CATEGORY 1 MEMBER LAND IN THAT ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA AND, EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 48-3780.03, IN THE ANNUAL REPLENISHMENT TAX LEVIED AGAINST ALL MUNICIPAL PROVIDERS THAT HAVE MEMBER SERVICE AREAS IN THAT ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA A RESERVE REPLACEMENT COMPONENT TO FUND THE REPLACEMENT OF THE TRANSFERRED CREDITS. THE DISTRICT SHALL USE ALL MONIES FROM THE RESERVE REPLACEMENT COMPONENT COLLECTED IN AN ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA, TOGETHER WITH ALL INTEREST ACCUMULATED ON THE MONIES, TO DEVELOP LONG-TERM STORAGE CREDITS AS DEFINED IN SECTION 45-802.01 IN THAT ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA TO BE CREDITED TO THE REPLENISHMENT RESERVE SUBACCOUNT FOR THAT ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 45-859.01.
- 6. FOR PURPOSES OF ESTABLISHING AND MAINTAINING THE REPLENISHMENT RESERVE, THE DISTRICT SHALL HAVE ACCESS TO EXCESS CENTRAL ARIZONA PROJECT WATER EQUIVALENT TO BUT NOT GREATER THAN THE ACCESS THE ARIZONA WATER BANKING AUTHORITY HAS FOR THE PURPOSES SPECIFIED IN SECTION 45-2401, SUBSECTION H, PARAGRAPH 2.
- F. Groundwater replenished by the district pursuant to a contract to replenish groundwater under subsection B, paragraph 9 of this section $\frac{1}{100}$ SHALL not additional groundwater replenished in advance BE CREDITED TO A REPLENISHMENT RESERVE SUBACCOUNT ESTABLISHED under subsection E of this section 45-859.01.
- G. Groundwater replenished by the district is not additional groundwater replenished in advance under subsection E of this section for as long as the costs and expenses of replenishing the groundwater are not included in the costs and expenses of replenishment established under subsection A, paragraph 1 of this section.
- H. G. The district shall not enter into a contract authorized under subsection B, paragraph 9 of this section unless the district has determined that the contract will not adversely affect the district's ability to fulfill its obligations under this chapter. For each contract entered into under subsection B, paragraph 9 of this section, the district shall perform its contract replenishment obligations in the active management area in which the service area of the municipal provider that is the party to the contract is located.
- I. H. If the district replenishes groundwater on behalf of a municipal provider pursuant to a contract to replenish groundwater under subsection B, paragraph 9 of this section, the amount of groundwater so replenished shall be a replenishment credit to the municipal provider that may be applied by the municipal provider on notice to the district to reduce the service area replenishment obligations applicable to the municipal provider.

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J. I. In the Phoenix active management area, the district, to the extent reasonably feasible, shall replenish groundwater in the east portion of the active management area and in the west portion of the active management area in the approximate proportion that the groundwater replenishment obligation attributable in a particular year to member lands, and member service areas, LIMITED MEMBER LANDS AND LIMITED MEMBER SERVICE AREAS located in the east portion of the active management area bears to the groundwater replenishment obligation attributable in that year to member lands, and member service areas, LIMITED MEMBER LANDS AND LIMITED MEMBER SERVICE AREAS located in the west portion of the active management area. For purposes of this subsection, the boundary between the east Salt river valley sub-basin and the west Salt river valley sub-basin is the boundary between the east and west portions of the active management area.

K. The costs and expenses charged by the district to an active management area water district established under chapter 28 of this title for delivery of surplus central Arizona project water to such active management area water district for replenishment purposes shall not exceed the costs and expenses for delivery of such water that are or would be included by the district in the costs and expenses of replenishment for member lands and member service areas within the active management area in which such active management area water district is situated.

Sec. 59. Section 48-3774, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

48-3774. Qualification as member land

- A. Real property qualifies as member land only if all of the following apply:
- 1. The real property is located in an active management area in which a part of the central Arizona project aqueduct is located.
- 2. The real property is not in a member service area or in a groundwater replenishment district under chapter 27 of this title.
- 3. The real property is not a water district member land or a parcel of water district member land, or in a water district member service area established under chapter 28 of this title.
- 4. 3. The conditions stated in section 45-576.01, subsection B, paragraphs 2 and 3 are satisfied with respect to the district at the time of the qualification.
- 5. 4. The owner of the real property, or other person or entity, such as a property owners' or homeowners' association, if the person or entity has proper authority, records a declaration against the real property in the official records of the county where the real property is located that:
 - (a) Contains the legal description of the real property.
- (b) Declares the intent of the owner that the real property qualify as member land under this chapter.
- (c) Declares that, in order to permit the delivery of excess groundwater to the real property, each parcel of member land thereafter

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established at the real property is subject to a parcel replenishment obligation and to a replenishment assessment to be determined by the district.

- (d) Declares that qualifying as member land and subjecting the real property to the parcel replenishment obligation and the replenishment assessment directly benefits the real property by increasing the potential of the property to qualify for a certificate of assured water supply issued by the department of water resources pursuant to title 45, chapter 2, article 9, thereby allowing the development, use and enjoyment of the real property.
- (e) Contains a covenant that is binding against the real property and each parcel of member land thereafter established at the real property to pay to the district a replenishment assessment based on the parcel replenishment obligation in an amount determined by the district as necessary to allow the district to perform the groundwater replenishment obligation IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 48-3772, SUBSECTION A.
- (f) Declares that the district may impose a lien on the real property and each parcel of member land thereafter established at the real property to secure payment of the replenishment assessment AND THE REPLENISHMENT RESERVE FEE.
- (g) Declares that the covenants, conditions and restrictions contained in the declaration run with the land and bind all successors and assigns of the owner.
- B. The declaration may contain covenants, conditions and restrictions in addition to those prescribed by this section. The declaration may be an amendment or supplement to covenants, conditions and restrictions recorded against developed or undeveloped land.
- C. Notwithstanding subsection A of this section, no real property qualifies as member land unless the municipal provider that will provide water to the real property that is subject to the declaration records in the official records of the county where the real property is located an instrument that contains both of the following:
- 1. The legal description of the real property and the tax $\frac{\text{assessor}}{\text{parcel numbers for the real property.}}$
- 2. An agreement by the municipal provider to submit TO THE DISTRICT, by March 31 of each year after the recordation of the instrument, to the district and to the property tax assessor and treasurer of the county where the real property is located, the information prescribed by section 48-3775, subsection A and such other information as the district may reasonably request.
- Sec. 60. Title 48, chapter 22, article 4, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended by adding sections 48-3774.01, 48-3774.02 and 48-3774.03, to read: 48-3774.01. Qualification as limited member land
- A. REAL PROPERTY QUALIFIES AS LIMITED MEMBER LAND ONLY IF ALL OF THE FOLLOWING APPLY:

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- 1. THE REAL PROPERTY IS LOCATED IN AN ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA IN WHICH A PART OF THE CENTRAL ARIZONA PROJECT AQUEDUCT IS LOCATED.
- 2. A LIMITED GROUNDWATER RIGHT WILL OR MAY BE USED ON THE REAL PROPERTY.
- 3. THE CONDITIONS STATED IN SECTION 45-576.01, SUBSECTION B, PARAGRAPHS 2 AND 3 ARE SATISFIED WITH RESPECT TO THE DISTRICT AT THE TIME OF THE QUALIFICATION.
- 4. THE OWNER OF THE REAL PROPERTY, OR ANOTHER PERSON OR ENTITY, SUCH AS A PROPERTY OWNERS' OR HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION, IF THE PERSON OR ENTITY HAS PROPER AUTHORITY, COMPLIES WITH THE DISTRICT'S APPLICATION PROCESS REGARDING OUALIFICATION AS A LIMITED MEMBER LAND.
- 5. THE OWNER OF THE REAL PROPERTY, OR ANOTHER PERSON OR ENTITY, SUCH AS A PROPERTY OWNERS' OR HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION, IF THE PERSON OR ENTITY HAS PROPER AUTHORITY, RECORDS A DECLARATION AGAINST THE REAL PROPERTY IN THE OFFICIAL RECORDS OF THE COUNTY WHERE THE REAL PROPERTY IS LOCATED THAT:
- (a) CONTAINS THE LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE REAL PROPERTY AND THE TAX PARCEL NUMBERS FOR THE REAL PROPERTY.
- (b) DECLARES THE INTENT OF THE OWNER THAT THE REAL PROPERTY QUALIFY AS LIMITED MEMBER LAND UNDER THIS CHAPTER.
- (c) DECLARES THAT, IN ORDER TO PERMIT THE DELIVERY OF LIMITED GROUNDWATER TO THE REAL PROPERTY, EACH PARCEL OF LIMITED MEMBER LAND THEREAFTER ESTABLISHED AT THE REAL PROPERTY IS SUBJECT TO A LIMITED MEMBER LAND REPLENISHMENT OBLIGATION AND TO A REPLENISHMENT ASSESSMENT TO BE DETERMINED BY THE DISTRICT.
- (d) DECLARES THAT QUALIFYING AS LIMITED MEMBER LAND AND SUBJECTING THE REAL PROPERTY TO THE LIMITED MEMBER LAND REPLENISHMENT OBLIGATION AND THE REPLENISHMENT ASSESSMENT DIRECTLY BENEFITS THE REAL PROPERTY BY ALLOWING THE USE OF LIMITED GROUNDWATER ON THE REAL PROPERTY, THEREBY ALLOWING THE DEVELOPMENT, USE AND ENJOYMENT OF THE REAL PROPERTY.
- (e) CONTAINS A COVENANT THAT IS BINDING AGAINST THE REAL PROPERTY AND EACH PARCEL OF LIMITED MEMBER LAND THEREAFTER ESTABLISHED AT THE REAL PROPERTY THAT REQUIRES THE OWNER OF EACH PARCEL TO SUBMIT TO THE DISTRICT BY MARCH 31 OF EACH YEAR AFTER THE RECORDATION OF THE INSTRUMENT OR FROM AND AFTER DECEMBER 31, 2005, WHICHEVER IS LATER, THE INFORMATION PRESCRIBED BY SECTION 48-3775, SUBSECTION C AND SUCH OTHER INFORMATION AS THE DISTRICT MAY REASONABLY REQUEST.
- (f) CONTAINS A COVENANT THAT IS BINDING AGAINST THE REAL PROPERTY AND EACH PARCEL OF LIMITED MEMBER LAND THEREAFTER ESTABLISHED AT THE REAL PROPERTY TO PAY TO THE DISTRICT A REPLENISHMENT ASSESSMENT BASED ON THE LIMITED MEMBER LAND REPLENISHMENT OBLIGATION IN AN AMOUNT DETERMINED BY THE DISTRICT IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 48-3772, SUBSECTION A.
- (g) DECLARES THAT THE DISTRICT MAY IMPOSE A LIEN ON THE REAL PROPERTY AND EACH PARCEL OF LIMITED MEMBER LAND THEREAFTER ESTABLISHED AT THE REAL PROPERTY TO SECURE PAYMENT OF THE REPLENISHMENT ASSESSMENT.

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- (h) DECLARES THAT THE COVENANTS, CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS CONTAINED IN THE DECLARATION RUN WITH THE LAND AND BIND ALL SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS OF THE OWNER.
- B. THE DECLARATION MAY CONTAIN COVENANTS, CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS IN ADDITION TO THOSE PRESCRIBED BY THIS SECTION. THE DECLARATION MAY BE AN AMENDMENT OR SUPPLEMENT TO COVENANTS, CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS RECORDED AGAINST DEVELOPED OR UNDEVELOPED LAND.

48-3774.02. Category 1 member lands; category 2 member lands

- A. EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION B OF THIS SECTION, ALL REAL PROPERTY THAT QUALIFIES UNDER SECTION 48-3774 SHALL BE CATEGORY 1 MEMBER LAND. THE DISTRICT SHALL LEVY ANNUAL REPLENISHMENT RESERVE CHARGES AND ONE-TIME REPLENISHMENT RESERVE FEES FOR CATEGORY 1 MEMBER LANDS AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 48-3772, SUBSECTION E AND AS FOLLOWS:
- 1. FOR CATEGORY 1 MEMBER LANDS THAT QUALIFIED BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2003 THE DISTRICT SHALL LEVY ANNUAL REPLENISHMENT RESERVE CHARGES FOR 25 YEARS BEGINNING IN 2003.
- 2. FOR CATEGORY 1 MEMBER LAND THAT QUALIFIES ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2003 A REPLENISHMENT RESERVE FEE SHALL BE PAID BEFORE ISSUANCE OF A PUBLIC REPORT FOR EACH FINAL PLAT WITHIN THE MEMBER LAND AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 45-576, SUBSECTION C AND THE DISTRICT SHALL LEVY ANNUAL REPLENISHMENT RESERVE CHARGES AGAINST THE LAND INCLUDED WITHIN THE FINAL PLAT FOR 23 YEARS BEGINNING IN THE YEAR AFTER PAYMENT OF THE CORRESPONDING REPLENISHMENT RESERVE FEE.
- B. A PARCEL OF MEMBER LAND SHALL BE A CATEGORY 2 MEMBER LAND IF ALL OF THE FOLLOWING APPLY:
 - 1. THE PARCEL OF MEMBER LAND IS OR WILL BE USED AS A GOLF COURSE.
- 2. THE PARCEL OF MEMBER LAND IS NOT SERVED BY A WATER PROVIDER THAT HAS BEEN DESIGNATED BY THE DIRECTOR OF WATER RESOURCES AS HAVING AN ASSURED WATER SUPPLY PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-576.
- 3. THE OWNER OF THE PARCEL NOTIFIES THE DISTRICT IN WRITING AT THE TIME OF QUALIFICATION THAT THE PARCEL IS TO BE CATEGORY 2 MEMBER LAND. FOR MEMBER LAND THAT QUALIFIED UNDER SECTION 48-3774 BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2003, THE NOTIFICATION MUST BE MADE NOT LATER THAN JANUARY 30, 2003.

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48-3774.03. Exclusion from charges, fees and benefits of replenishment reserve; category 2 member lands; limited member lands
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- A. THE DISTRICT SHALL NOT LEVY REPLENISHMENT RESERVE FEES, REPLENISHMENT RESERVE CHARGES OR A RESERVE REPLACEMENT COMPONENT AGAINST LIMITED MEMBER LANDS.
- B. THE DISTRICT MAY NOT USE CREDITS FROM A REPLENISHMENT RESERVE SUBACCOUNT ESTABLISHED UNDER SECTION 45-859.01 TO SATISFY ITS LIMITED MEMBER LAND REPLENISHMENT OBLIGATION. IF AS A RESULT THE DISTRICT INCURS ADDITIONAL COSTS AND EXPENSES IN MEETING ITS LIMITED MEMBER LAND REPLENISHMENT OBLIGATION, THEN SUCH ADDITIONAL COSTS AND EXPENSES SHALL BE ATTRIBUTED

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SOLELY TO LIMITED MEMBER LANDS FOR PURPOSES OF SECTION 48-3772, SUBSECTION A, PARAGRAPH 1.

- C. THE DISTRICT SHALL NOT LEVY REPLENISHMENT RESERVE FEES, REPLENISHMENT RESERVE CHARGES OR A RESERVE REPLACEMENT COMPONENT AGAINST CATEGORY 2 MEMBER LANDS.
- D. THE DISTRICT MAY NOT USE CREDITS FROM A REPLENISHMENT RESERVE SUBACCOUNT ESTABLISHED UNDER SECTION 45-859.01 TO SATISFY ITS GROUNDWATER REPLENISHMENT OBLIGATIONS FOR CATEGORY 2 MEMBER LANDS. IF AS A RESULT THE DISTRICT INCURS ADDITIONAL COSTS AND EXPENSES IN MEETING ITS REPLENISHMENT OBLIGATIONS FOR CATEGORY 2 MEMBER LANDS, THEN SUCH ADDITIONAL COSTS AND EXPENSES SHALL BE ATTRIBUTED SOLELY TO CATEGORY 2 MEMBER LANDS FOR PURPOSES OF SECTION 48-3772, SUBSECTION A, PARAGRAPH 1.
- Sec. 61. Section 48-3775, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

48-3775. Reports

- A. Except as provided in subsection H-J of this section, on or before March 31 of each year after the recordation of the instrument described in section 48-3774, subsection C, each municipal provider delivering water to member land shall file a report with the district, with the director of water resources and with the assessor and treasurer of the county where the member lands are located that contains the following information for the preceding calendar year, which is the reporting year:
- 1. The amount of groundwater delivered by the municipal provider to each parcel of member land, identified by the applicable tax parcel number, and the basis for the calculation of the amount of groundwater delivered.
- 2. The amount of groundwater delivered by the municipal provider to the member land,— and the basis for the calculation of the amount of groundwater delivered.
- 3. The amount of excess groundwater delivered by the municipal provider to the member land,— and the basis for the calculation of the amount of excess groundwater delivered.
- 4. The parcel replenishment obligation of each parcel of the member land, identified by the applicable tax parcel number.
 - 5. Such other information as the district may reasonably require.
- B. On or before March 31 of each year after the qualification of a municipal provider's service area as a member service area, the municipal provider shall file a report with the district and with the director of water resources that contains the following information for the preceding calendar year, which is the reporting year:
- 1. The amount of groundwater delivered by the municipal provider to all customers within the member service area,— and the basis for the calculation of the amount of groundwater delivered.
- 2. The amount of excess groundwater delivered by the municipal provider to all customers within the member service area,— and the basis for the calculation of the amount of excess groundwater delivered.

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- 3. Such other information as the district may require.
- C. EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION K OF THIS SECTION, ON OR BEFORE MARCH 31 OF EACH YEAR AFTER THE RECORDATION OF THE INSTRUMENT DESCRIBED IN SECTION 48-3774.01, OR AFTER DECEMBER 31, 2005, WHICHEVER IS LATER, EACH OWNER OF LIMITED MEMBER LAND SHALL FILE A REPORT WITH THE DISTRICT AND WITH THE DIRECTOR OF WATER RESOURCES THAT CONTAINS THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION FOR THE PRECEDING CALENDAR YEAR, WHICH IS THE REPORTING YEAR:
- 1. THE AMOUNT OF GROUNDWATER WITHDRAWN OR RECEIVED PURSUANT TO A LIMITED GROUNDWATER RIGHT FOR USE ON THE PARCEL OF LIMITED MEMBER LAND, IDENTIFIED BY THE APPLICABLE TAX PARCEL NUMBER, AND THE BASIS FOR THE CALCULATION OF THE AMOUNT OF GROUNDWATER WITHDRAWN OR RECEIVED.
- 2. THE AMOUNT OF THE LIMITED MEMBER LAND REPLENISHMENT OBLIGATION ON EACH PARCEL OF LIMITED MEMBER LAND, IDENTIFIED BY THE APPLICABLE TAX PARCEL NUMBER, AND THE BASIS FOR THE CALCULATION OF THE AMOUNT OF THE LIMITED MEMBER LAND REPLENISHMENT OBLIGATION.
 - 3. SUCH OTHER INFORMATION AS THE DISTRICT MAY REASONABLY REQUIRE.
- D. ON OR BEFORE MARCH 31 OF EACH YEAR AFTER THE QUALIFICATION OF A LIMITED MEMBER SERVICE AREA, OR AFTER DECEMBER 31, 2005, WHICHEVER IS LATER, THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER THAT PROVIDES WATER TO THE LIMITED MEMBER SERVICE AREA SHALL FILE A REPORT WITH THE DISTRICT AND WITH THE DIRECTOR OF WATER RESOURCES THAT CONTAINS THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION FOR THE PRECEDING CALENDAR YEAR. WHICH IS THE REPORTING YEAR:
- 1. THE AMOUNT OF GROUNDWATER WITHDRAWN OR RECEIVED FOR DELIVERY BY THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER TO ALL CUSTOMERS WITHIN THE LIMITED MEMBER SERVICE AREA AND THE BASIS FOR THE CALCULATION OF THE AMOUNT OF GROUNDWATER WITHDRAWN OR RECEIVED.
- 2. THE AMOUNT OF LIMITED GROUNDWATER WITHDRAWN OR RECEIVED FOR DELIVERY BY THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER WITHIN THE LIMITED MEMBER SERVICE AREA AND THE BASIS FOR THE CALCULATION OF THE AMOUNT OF LIMITED GROUNDWATER WITHDRAWN OR RECEIVED.
 - 3. SUCH OTHER INFORMATION AS THE DISTRICT MAY REQUIRE.
- c. E. The district shall confirm the calculation of the parcel replenishment obligation of each parcel of the member land, and the service area replenishment obligation of each member service area, THE LIMITED MEMBER LAND REPLENISHMENT OBLIGATION OF EACH PARCEL OF LIMITED MEMBER LAND AND THE LIMITED MEMBER SERVICE AREA REPLENISHMENT OBLIGATION OF EACH LIMITED MEMBER SERVICE AREA using the information provided in subsections A, and B, C AND D of this section.
- D. F. To the extent allowed by the assured water supply rules adopted by the department of water resources pursuant to section 45-576, subsection H, in calculating the excess groundwater of a member land or a member service area, the municipal provider shall reduce the amount of groundwater that may be used, consistent with such rules, at a member land or delivered for use within the member service area and that is not derived from credits on a straight line basis over the applicable period of years prescribed in such

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rules. The municipal provider may apply any credits applicable to the member land or the member service area as permitted under such rules.

- E. G. The district shall prepare and file with the director of water resources on or before August 31 of each year for the prior calendar year, which is the reporting year, an annual report that includes the following information:
- 1. The total amount of water that was stored by the district during the reporting year pursuant to each water storage permit issued to it under title 45, chapter 3.1.
- 2. The amount of water stored by the district during the reporting year to be credited to the district's conservation district account pursuant to title 45, chapter 3.1.
- 3. THE AMOUNT OF WATER STORED BY THE DISTRICT DURING THE REPORTING YEAR TO BE CREDITED TO THE DISTRICT'S REPLENISHMENT RESERVE SUBACCOUNT PURSUANT TO TITLE 45, CHAPTER 3.1.
- 3. 4. The groundwater replenishment obligations for the reporting year and for the two calendar years preceding the reporting year, and the extent to which the district has completed the groundwater replenishment obligations applicable to each of those years.
 - 4. 5. The information required under section 45-877.01.
- 5. 6. The amount of water stored by the district during the reporting year to be credited to the district's long-term storage account pursuant to title 45, chapter 3.1.
- 6. 7. The amount of long-term storage credits the district has transferred and credited to its conservation district account pursuant to title 45, chapter 3.1 during the reporting year.
- F. H. The district, and the municipal providers AND THE OWNERS OF LIMITED MEMBER LAND required to file reports under this section shall maintain current, accurate records of the information required to be included in the reports.
- ${\sf G.}$ I. If a municipal provider OR OWNER OF LIMITED MEMBER LAND fails to file a report as required by the district, the district may assess a penalty of up to one thousand dollars per day that the report is overdue.
- H. J. A municipal provider shall not file the report required by subsection A of this section for a parcel of member land that is included in the service area of a municipal provider that is a member service area that has been designated as having an assured water supply under section 45-576.
- K. THE OWNER OF LIMITED MEMBER LAND SHALL NOT FILE THE REPORT REQUIRED BY SUBSECTION C OF THIS SECTION FOR A PARCEL OF LIMITED MEMBER LAND THAT RECEIVES ALL GROUNDWATER USED ON THE PARCEL FROM A MUNICIPAL PROVIDER THAT HAS BEEN DESIGNATED AS HAVING AN ASSURED WATER SUPPLY UNDER SECTION 45-576 OR THAT HAS REPORTED THE WATER USED ON THE PARCEL UNDER SUBSECTION D OF THIS SECTION AS WATER USED IN A LIMITED MEMBER SERVICE AREA.
- L. ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2004 AND WITHIN ONE YEAR BEFORE JANUARY 1 OF EVERY TENTH CALENDAR YEAR THEREAFTER, EACH OWNER OF LIMITED MEMBER LAND

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AND EACH MUNICIPAL PROVIDER THAT SERVES WATER TO A MEMBER LAND, MEMBER SERVICE AREA OR A LIMITED MEMBER SERVICE AREA SHALL FILE A REPORT WITH THE DISTRICT STATING THE PROJECTED ANNUAL VOLUME OF LIMITED GROUNDWATER AND EXCESS GROUNDWATER THAT IT EXPECTS TO USE OR DELIVER, AS APPLICABLE, FOR THE FOLLOWING TWENTY YEAR AND ONE HUNDRED YEAR PERIODS AND SUCH OTHER INFORMATION THE DISTRICT MAY REQUIRE TO ASSIST IN ITS PREPARATION OF THE PLAN DESCRIBED IN SECTION 45-576.02, SUBSECTION C.

Sec. 62. Section 48-3776, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

48-3776. Storage and recovery outside the district

In order to efficiently manage sources of water for replenishment, the district may store and recover water outside of active management areas. Subject to section 48-3772, subsections E and G, The costs of operating storage and recovery facilities outside the active management areas shall be included as part of the costs incurred by the district.

Sec. 63. Section 48-3777, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

48-3777. Municipal provider reporting requirements

The district shall determine the form of any reports to be submitted by a municipal provider OR OWNER OF LIMITED MEMBER LAND in order to carry out the purposes of this chapter. Each report required by the district shall contain either a sworn statement or a certification, under penalty of perjury, that the information contained in the report is true and correct according to the best belief and knowledge of the person submitting the report.

Sec. 64. Section 48-3778, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

48-3778. Annual assessment; general revenue law

A. On or before the third Monday of August of each year after the qualification of any real property as member land OR LIMITED MEMBER LAND, the district shall charge an annual replenishment assessment against each parcel of member land that is subject to a parcel replenishment obligation AND AGAINST EACH PARCEL OF LIMITED MEMBER LAND THAT IS SUBJECT TO A LIMITED MEMBER LAND REPLENISHMENT OBLIGATION. This charge becomes a lien on the parcel and shall be collected in the same manner as an ad valorem tax. The assessment shall be charged for each active management area at a rate per acre-foot of groundwater CALCULATED BY THE DISTRICT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS IN THIS ARTICLE AND SHALL BE sufficient to produce the amount of money estimated as needed to pay the costs and expenses to replenish groundwater established under section 48-3772, subsection A and taking into account any annual replenishment tax levied against municipal providers under section 48-3781.

B. The district shall promptly certify the assessment rate RATES to the board of supervisors of each county in which member lands are located, and these boards of supervisors at the time of levying general county taxes

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shall take the necessary steps for collection of replenishment assessments against the parcels of member land AND LIMITED MEMBER LAND within such county at the assessment rate fixed by the district. The replenishment assessment collected against a parcel of member land shall equal the assessment rate per acre-foot of groundwater fixed by the district for the applicable active management area multiplied by the parcel replenishment obligation of the parcel.

- C. The assessment when collected shall be deposited, pursuant to sections 35-146 and 35-147, in the special fund established under section 48-3773, subsection A, paragraph 3 to be spent by the district only for the purposes authorized by this article.
- D. All provisions of the general revenue laws for the collection of taxes on real estate for state and county purposes apply to the collection of the replenishment assessment imposed by this article, including all remedies of the revenue laws for collecting delinquent taxes and provisions relating to sales of real property for delinquent taxes. The exemptions applicable to ad valorem taxes do not apply to assessments charged pursuant to this section.
- E. IF THE DISTRICT IS NOTIFIED BY A COUNTY THAT THE OWNER OF A LIMITED GROUNDWATER RIGHT IS DELINQUENT IN THE PAYMENT OF ITS ANNUAL REPLENISHMENT ASSESSMENT, THE DISTRICT SHALL NOTIFY THE DIRECTOR OF WATER RESOURCES OF THE DELINQUENCY WITHIN THIRTY DAYS OF RECEIVING THE NOTICE FROM THE COUNTY.
- Sec. 65. Section 48-3780, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

48-3780. Member service area; qualification; termination

- A. The service area of a municipal provider qualifies as a member service area only if all of the following apply:
- 1. The service area is located in an active management area in which a part of the central Arizona project aqueduct is located.
- 2. The municipal provider is not a member of a groundwater replenishment district established pursuant to chapter 27 of this title.
- 3. The service area of the municipal provider is not a water district member service area under chapter 28 of this title.
- 3. IF THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER OR ITS PREDECESSOR PREVIOUSLY TERMINATED MEMBER SERVICE AREA STATUS IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION B OF THIS SECTION, ALL OF THE FOLLOWING APPLY:
- (a) THE SERVICE AREA, OR ANY PORTION OF THE SERVICE AREA, HAS NOT BEEN A MEMBER SERVICE AREA FOR AT LEAST TEN YEARS. THE DISTRICT MAY WAIVE THIS REQUIREMENT IF THE DISTRICT AND THE DIRECTOR OF WATER RESOURCES DETERMINE THAT PREVIOUSLY UNFORESEEN CIRCUMSTANCES NECESSITATE REQUALIFICATION OF THE SERVICE AREA.
- (b) THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER AGREES TO PAY TO THE DISTRICT ALL CHARGES THAT WOULD HAVE OTHERWISE BEEN IMPOSED BY THE DISTRICT HAD THE MEMBER SERVICE AREA STATUS REMAINED IN EFFECT DURING THE PERIOD SINCE TERMINATION BECAME EFFECTIVE.

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- 4. The conditions stated in section 45-576.01, subsection B, paragraphs 2 and 3 are satisfied with respect to the district at the time of the qualification.
- 5. The municipal provider publishes a resolution once each week for two consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in the county or counties where the service area is located that:
- (a) Has attached to it a current map of the municipal provider's service area.
- (b) Declares the intent of the municipal provider that the service area qualify as a member service area under this chapter.
- (c) Declares that, for the privilege of withdrawing and delivering excess groundwater within its service area and to ensure the continued exercise of that privilege, the municipal provider shall pay an annual replenishment tax to be determined by the district.
- (d) Contains a covenant, binding against the municipal provider, to pay to the district an annual replenishment tax based on the service area replenishment obligation in an amount determined by the district as necessary to allow the district to perform the groundwater replenishment obligations.
- (e) Authorizes the municipal provider to enter into a written commitment with the district in the form and substance satisfactory to the district regarding payment of the annual replenishment tax.
- (f) Declares that the resolution applies to the service area of the municipal provider as it currently exists and to all additions to and extensions of the service area.
- (g) Declares that the resolution is irrevocable for as long as the district is obligated to perform the groundwater replenishment obligations.
- B. A SERVICE AREA PREVIOUSLY ACCEPTED AS A MEMBER SERVICE AREA IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION A OF THIS SECTION MAY TERMINATE ITS MEMBER SERVICE AREA STATUS ONLY IF ALL OF THE FOLLOWING APPLY:
- 1. THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER FOR THE MEMBER SERVICE AREA HAS SUBMITTED AN APPLICATION TO THE DISTRICT REQUESTING TERMINATION OF MEMBER SERVICE AREA STATUS.
- 2. THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER FOR THE MEMBER SERVICE AREA HAS SUBMITTED AN APPLICATION TO THE DIRECTOR OF WATER RESOURCES REQUESTING MODIFICATION OF THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER'S ASSURED WATER SUPPLY DESIGNATION UNDER SECTION 45-576 THAT ELIMINATES THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER'S RELIANCE ON MEMBER SERVICE AREA STATUS.
- 3. THE APPLICATIONS PROVIDE EVIDENCE SATISFACTORY TO THE DIRECTOR OF WATER RESOURCES THAT THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER HAS OBTAINED A SUBSTITUTE SUPPLY OF WATER OTHER THAN GROUNDWATER THAT IS DETERMINED BY THE DIRECTOR OF WATER RESOURCES TO BE CONSISTENT WITH ASSURED WATER SUPPLY REQUIREMENTS PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-576 AND THAT IS SUFFICIENT TO ELIMINATE THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER'S RELIANCE ON MEMBER SERVICE AREA STATUS.

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- 4. THE DIRECTOR OF WATER RESOURCES HAS APPROVED THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER'S APPLICATION TO MODIFY ITS ASSURED WATER SUPPLY DESIGNATION BASED ON THE ADDITION OF THE SUBSTITUTE WATER SUPPLY.
- 5. THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER PUBLISHES A RESOLUTION ONCE EACH WEEK FOR TWO CONSECUTIVE WEEKS IN A NEWSPAPER OF GENERAL CIRCULATION IN THE COUNTY OR COUNTIES WHERE THE SERVICE AREA IS LOCATED THAT:
- (a) HAS ATTACHED TO IT A CURRENT MAP OF THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER'S SERVICE AREA.
- (b) DECLARES THE INTENT OF THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER TO TERMINATE THE SERVICE AREA'S MEMBER SERVICE AREA STATUS.
- (c) DECLARES THAT THE DISTRICT IS NO LONGER OBLIGATED TO PERFORM THE GROUNDWATER REPLENISHMENT OBLIGATIONS ON BEHALF OF THE SERVICE AREA.
- (d) REVOKES THE RESOLUTION ADOPTED FOR THE MEMBER SERVICE AREA AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION A, PARAGRAPH 5 OF THIS SECTION.
- 6. ALL AMOUNTS OWED BY THE WATER PROVIDER ON BEHALF OF THE MEMBER SERVICE AREA TO THE DISTRICT HAVE BEEN PAID.
- 7. THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER HAS PAID OR MADE ARRANGEMENTS SUITABLE TO THE DISTRICT FOR REPAYMENT OF ANY CAPITAL COSTS INCURRED BY THE DISTRICT SPECIFICALLY ON BEHALF OF THE MEMBER SERVICE AREA.
- Sec. 66. Title 48, chapter 22, article 4, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended by adding sections 48-3780.01, 48-3780.02 and 48-3780.03, to read:

48-3780.01. Qualification as limited member service area

THE LIMITED SERVICE AREA OF A MUNICIPAL PROVIDER QUALIFIES AS A LIMITED MEMBER SERVICE AREA ONLY IF ALL OF THE FOLLOWING APPLY:

- 1. THE LIMITED SERVICE AREA IS LOCATED IN AN ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA IN WHICH A PART OF THE CENTRAL ARIZONA PROJECT AQUEDUCT IS LOCATED.
- 2. THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER IS NOT A MEMBER OF A GROUNDWATER REPLENISHMENT DISTRICT ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 27 OF THIS TITLE.
- 3. THE CONDITIONS PRESCRIBED IN SECTION 45-576.01, SUBSECTION B, PARAGRAPHS 2 AND 3 ARE SATISFIED WITH RESPECT TO THE DISTRICT AT THE TIME OF THE OUALIFICATION.
- 4. THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER PUBLISHES A RESOLUTION ONCE EACH WEEK FOR TWO CONSECUTIVE WEEKS IN A NEWSPAPER OF GENERAL CIRCULATION IN THE COUNTY OR COUNTIES WHERE THE SERVICE AREA IS LOCATED THAT:
- (a) HAS ATTACHED TO IT A MAP OF THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER'S LIMITED SERVICE AREA.
- (b) DECLARES THE INTENT OF THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER THAT THE LIMITED SERVICE AREA QUALIFY AS A LIMITED MEMBER SERVICE AREA UNDER THIS CHAPTER.
- (c) DECLARES THAT, FOR THE PRIVILEGE OF WITHDRAWING AND DELIVERING LIMITED GROUNDWATER WITHIN ITS LIMITED SERVICE AREA AND TO ENSURE THE CONTINUED EXERCISE OF THAT PRIVILEGE, THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER SHALL PAY AN ANNUAL REPLENISHMENT TAX TO BE DETERMINED BY THE DISTRICT.
- (d) CONTAINS A COVENANT, BINDING AGAINST THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER, TO PAY TO THE DISTRICT AN ANNUAL REPLENISHMENT TAX BASED ON THE LIMITED SERVICE AREA REPLENISHMENT OBLIGATION IN AN AMOUNT DETERMINED BY THE DISTRICT AS

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NECESSARY TO ALLOW THE DISTRICT TO PERFORM THE GROUNDWATER REPLENISHMENT OBLIGATIONS.

- (e) AUTHORIZES THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER TO ENTER INTO A WRITTEN COMMITMENT WITH THE DISTRICT IN THE FORM AND SUBSTANCE SATISFACTORY TO THE DISTRICT REGARDING PAYMENT OF THE ANNUAL REPLENISHMENT TAX.
- (f) DECLARES THAT THE RESOLUTION APPLIES TO THE LIMITED SERVICE AREA OF THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER AS IT IS CURRENTLY PROJECTED AND TO ALL ADDITIONS TO AND EXTENSIONS OF THE LIMITED SERVICE AREA.
- (g) DECLARES THAT THE RESOLUTION IS IRREVOCABLE FOR AS LONG AS THE DISTRICT IS OBLIGATED TO PERFORM THE GROUNDWATER REPLENISHMENT OBLIGATIONS.

48-3780.02. Member service areas; replenishment reserve

MUNICIPAL PROVIDERS WITH SERVICE AREAS THAT QUALIFY UNDER SECTION 48-3780 SHALL PAY TO THE DISTRICT ANNUAL REPLENISHMENT RESERVE CHARGES AND REPLENISHMENT RESERVE FEES AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 48-3772, SUBSECTION E AND AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. A MUNICIPAL PROVIDER WITH A MEMBER SERVICE AREA THAT QUALIFIED BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2003 SHALL PAY ANNUAL REPLENISHMENT RESERVE CHARGES FOR 25 YEARS BEGINNING IN 2003.
- 2. A MUNICIPAL PROVIDER WITH A MEMBER SERVICE AREA THAT QUALIFIES ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2003 SHALL DO ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:
- (a) PAY ANNUAL REPLENISHMENT RESERVE CHARGES ASSOCIATED WITH EACH EXCESS GROUNDWATER INCREMENT FOR 23 YEARS BEGINNING IN THE YEAR AFTER THE EXCESS GROUNDWATER INCREMENT IS REPORTED.
- (b) PAY A REPLENISHMENT RESERVE FEE EACH YEAR BEGINNING IN THE YEAR FOLLOWING QUALIFICATION.
- 3. IF THE ASSURED WATER SUPPLY DESIGNATION OF A MUNICIPAL PROVIDER WITH A MEMBER SERVICE AREA IS MODIFIED IN A MANNER THAT INCREASES THE DISTRICT'S PROJECTED ANNUAL REPLENISHMENT OBLIGATION AS REPORTED BY THE DIRECTOR OF WATER RESOURCES PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-576, SUBSECTION F, THE MUNICIPAL PROVIDER SHALL:
- (a) PAY ANNUAL REPLENISHMENT RESERVE CHARGES ASSOCIATED WITH EACH EXCESS GROUNDWATER INCREMENT FOR 23 YEARS BEGINNING IN THE YEAR AFTER THE EXCESS GROUNDWATER INCREMENT IS REPORTED. THOSE CHARGES ARE IN ADDITION TO ANY REPLENISHMENT RESERVE CHARGES DUE UNDER PARAGRAPHS 1 AND 2.
- (b) PAY A REPLENISHMENT RESERVE FEE EACH YEAR BEGINNING IN THE YEAR FOLLOWING MODIFICATION.

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- A. THE DISTRICT SHALL NOT LEVY REPLENISHMENT RESERVE FEES, REPLENISHMENT RESERVE CHARGES OR A RESERVE REPLACEMENT COMPONENT ASSOCIATED WITH REPLENISHMENT ACTIVITIES UNDER A RESOLUTION ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 48-3772, SUBSECTION B, PARAGRAPH 10.
- B. THE DISTRICT MAY NOT USE CREDITS FROM A REPLENISHMENT RESERVE SUBACCOUNT ESTABLISHED UNDER SECTION 45-859.01 TO SATISFY ITS REPLENISHMENT

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OBLIGATIONS UNDER A RESOLUTION ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 48-3772, SUBSECTION B. PARAGRAPH 10.

- C. THE DISTRICT SHALL NOT LEVY REPLENISHMENT RESERVE FEES, REPLENISHMENT RESERVE CHARGES OR A RESERVE REPLACEMENT COMPONENT AGAINST LIMITED MEMBER SERVICE AREAS.
- D. THE DISTRICT MAY NOT USE CREDITS FROM A REPLENISHMENT RESERVE SUBACCOUNT ESTABLISHED UNDER SECTION 45-859.01 TO SATISFY ITS LIMITED MEMBER SERVICE AREA REPLENISHMENT OBLIGATION. IF AS A RESULT THE DISTRICT INCURS ADDITIONAL COSTS AND EXPENSES IN MEETING ITS LIMITED MEMBER SERVICE AREA REPLENISHMENT OBLIGATION, THOSE ADDITIONAL COSTS AND EXPENSES SHALL BE ATTRIBUTED SOLELY TO LIMITED MEMBER SERVICE AREAS FOR PURPOSES OF SECTION 48-3772, SUBSECTION A, PARAGRAPH 1.
- Sec. 67. Section 48-3781, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

48-3781. Annual replenishment tax; contract replenishment tax

- A. On or before the third Monday of August of each year after the qualification of the member service area OR LIMITED MEMBER SERVICE AREA of any municipal provider, the district shall levy a replenishment tax against each municipal provider having a qualified member service area for the privilege of withdrawing and delivering excess groundwater within the member service area AND AGAINST EACH MUNICIPAL PROVIDER HAVING A QUALIFIED LIMITED MEMBER SERVICE AREA FOR THE PRIVILEGE OF WITHDRAWING AND DELIVERING LIMITED GROUNDWATER WITHIN THE LIMITED MEMBER SERVICE AREA. The replenishment tax shall be levied for each active management area at an assessment rate per acre-foot of groundwater CALCULATED BY THE DISTRICT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS ARTICLE AND SHALL BE sufficient to produce the amount of money estimated as needed to pay the costs and expenses to replenish groundwater established under section 48-3772, subsection A, and taking into account any annual replenishment assessment levied under section 48-3778.
- B. The district shall promptly transmit a statement to each municipal provider having a member service area OR A LIMITED MEMBER SERVICE AREA stating the amount of the annual replenishment tax AND ANY REPLENISHMENT RESERVE FEE DUE UNDER SECTION 48-3780.02. The annual replenishment tax to be collected from a municipal provider shall equal the assessment rate per acrefoot of groundwater fixed by the district for the applicable active management area multiplied by the service area replenishment obligation of the municipal provider.
- C. On or before the third Monday of August of each year after the district enters into any contract to replenish water pursuant to section 48-3772, subsection B, paragraph 9, the district shall levy a tax against each municipal provider that is a party to a contract to replenish groundwater at the assessment rate provided in the applicable contract. The district shall promptly transmit a statement to each municipal provider that is a party to a contract to replenish groundwater stating the amount of the replenishment tax due under the contract.

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- D. On or before October 15 of each year, each municipal provider that has a member service area OR A LIMITED MEMBER SERVICE AREA shall pay to the district an amount equal to the annual replenishment tax levied by the district AND ANY REPLENISHMENT RESERVE FEE DUE UNDER SECTION 48-3780.02.
- E. On or before October 15 of each year, each municipal provider that is a party to a contract to replenish groundwater under section 48-3772, subsection B, paragraph 9 shall pay to the district the contract replenishment tax levied by the district pursuant to the contract.
- F. Annual replenishment taxes and contract replenishment taxes collected by the district shall be deposited, pursuant to sections 35-146 and 35-147, in the special fund established pursuant to section 48-3773, subsection A, paragraph 3 and shall be expended by the district only for the purposes authorized by this article.
- G. If a municipal provider is delinquent for more than ninety days in the payment of its replenishment tax, the district shall promptly notify the director of water resources of the delinquency.

Sec. 68. Section 48-3782, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

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48-3782. Delinquent taxes; interest; failure to file report; civil penalties; violation; classification
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- A. If an annual replenishment tax or contract replenishment tax is not paid when due, the district shall charge interest at a rate of one per cent for each month or fraction of a month that the tax remains delinquent.
- B. The district may bring suit in superior court in the county in which a member service area OR LIMITED MEMBER SERVICE AREA is located against the municipal provider to collect any delinquent annual replenishment tax or contract replenishment tax. In addition to allowing recovery of costs to the district as allowed by law, the court may fix and allow as part of the judgment interest as provided in subsection A of this section. The court may also assess a civil penalty of not more than one thousand dollars per day that the taxes are delinquent. Any civil penalty assessed by the court shall be deposited by the district, PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 35-146 AND 35-147, in the special fund established pursuant to section 48-3773, subsection A, paragraph 3 and shall be expended by the district only for the purposes authorized by this article.
- C. Any person who violates this chapter by knowingly, and with the intent to evade the provisions of this chapter, filing with the district any false or fraudulent information in a report that is required by the district is guilty of a class 2 misdemeanor. A person who continues the violation after notice is guilty of a separate offense for each day of the violation.
- Sec. 69. Section 48-3783, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

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48-3783. Inspections, investigations and audits
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A. The district's authorized representative may enter at reasonable times on the property of a municipal provider PERSON required to provide

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reports under section 48-3775 to inspect and audit records required to be kept under section 48-3775, and the owner, manager or occupant of the property shall permit such entry.

- B. The director of water resources and the director's authorized representative may enter at reasonable times on the property of the district or a municipal provider PERSON required to provide reports under section 48-3775 to inspect and audit records required to be kept under section 48-3775, and the district or the owner, manager or occupant of the property shall permit such entry.
- C. Inspections and audits under subsections A and B of this section shall be on reasonable notice to the district, or owner, manager or occupant of the property, as appropriate, unless reasonable grounds exist to believe that such notice would frustrate the enforcement of this article. The district and the director shall each adopt standards for conducting inspections, examining records and obtaining warrants pursuant to this section. The district and the director each may apply for and obtain warrants. If warrants are required by law, the district and the director shall apply for and obtain warrants for entry and inspection to carry out the administrative and enforcement purposes of this article.
- D. The district and the director may each require a person who is required to keep records under section 48-3775 to appear, at reasonable times and on reasonable notice, at the district or the director's office and produce such records and information as are specified in the notice to determine whether the records and reports required by section 48-3775 are complete, true and correct.
- E. The district or the director, as the case may be, shall provide a written report of each inspection and audit under this section to the person subject to such action.

Sec. 70. Repeal

Title 48, chapter 28, Arizona Revised Statutes, is repealed.

Sec. 71. Effective date

Section 48-3713, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended by Laws 2000, chapter 142, section 3 and section 55 of this act is effective from and after June 30, 2005.

Sec. 72. Effective date; condition

Section 45-596, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended by Laws 1994, chapter 291, section 27 and chapter 300, section 2 and section 25 of this act, is not effective until section 45-596, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended by Laws 1994, chapter 291, section 27 and chapter 300, section 2, is enacted into law pursuant to Laws 1994, chapter 291, section 67 and chapter 300, section 3.

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