



## STATEMENT OF CLAIMANT ADJUDICATIONS DATABASE CD

### DISCLAIMER:

THE INFORMATION AND DATA PROVIDED HEREUNDER (COLLECTIVELY REFERRED TO AS "SOFTWARE") IS PROVIDED AS IS WITHOUT WARRANTY OF ANY KIND, EITHER EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY AND FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE. IN NO EVENT SHALL ADWR OR ITS SUPPLIERS BE LIABLE FOR ANY DAMAGES WHATSOEVER INCLUDING DIRECT, INDIRECT, INCIDENTAL, CONSEQUENTIAL, LOSS OF BUSINESS PROFITS OR SPECIAL DAMAGES, EVEN IF ADWR OR ITS SUPPLIERS HAVE BEEN ADVISED OF THE POSSIBILITY OF SUCH DAMAGES. SOME STATES DO NOT ALLOW THE EXCLUSION OR LIMITATION OF LIABILITY FOR CONSEQUENTIAL OR INCIDENTAL DAMAGES SO THE FOREGOING LIMITATION MAY NOT APPLY.

### DESCRIPTION OF DATA:

The information contained in the Statement of Claimant (SOC) GIS CD has not been verified by the State of Arizona and the Arizona Department of Water Resources is unable to guarantee the accuracy of this information. The SOC database contained on this CD is not reproduced in its entirety and the data relationships have been denormalized as to provide a simple one to one match with locations. Many of the locations provided to ADWR for discerning location of use were half section values. ADWR maps this locational data to the nearest quarter values only and all values with halves are assumed to the North and or East quarter respectively. ADWR will not assume any liability for damages resulting from your use or misuse of this information. ADWR does not provide software training, support or application development with this information.

The general stream adjudication is a judicial proceeding to determine or establish the extent and priority of water rights in the Gila River system and the Little Colorado River system. Thousands of claimants and water users are joined in these proceedings that will result in the Superior Court issuing a comprehensive final decree of water rights for both river systems. The adjudications are conducted pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes sections 45-251 to 45-264.

The Gila River and Little Colorado River adjudications trace their origins to proceedings initiated in the 1970s under the then-existing general adjudication procedures set forth in Arizona Revised Statutes sections 45-231 to 45-245. On April 26, 1974, the Salt River Valley Water Users' Association (SRP) filed a petition with the Arizona Land Department to determine the water rights in the Salt River above Granite Reef Dam (but excluding the Verde River). On February 24, 1976, SRP filed a similar petition for the Verde River and its tributaries. On February 17, 1978 and on April 19, 1978, utilizing these same statutes, the Phelps Dodge Corporation filed petitions with the State Land Department to determine the water rights of the Gila River system and source and the Little Colorado River system and source. These petitions sought adjudication of the Upper Gila River watershed and of portions of the Lower Gila River watershed. On April 3, 1978, ASARCO, Inc., filed a petition with the State Land Department for the adjudication of the San Pedro River and its tributaries.

On December 24, 1980, the Buckeye Irrigation Company filed a motion to intervene and a petition to enlarge the scope of the adjudication with respect to areas of the Gila River watershed not included in the previously filed petitions. This motion and petition were granted on March 17, 1981, and included the Agua Fria River watershed and portions of the Lower Gila River watershed. At the time, there was litigation pending in federal court which sought an adjudication of the Santa Cruz River watershed in Pima and Santa Cruz counties. Because of this litigation, the Maricopa County Superior Court, by granting the Buckeye Irrigation Company petition for adjudication of additional rights, did not include that portion of the Santa Cruz River watershed located in Pima and Santa Cruz counties. Following the conclusion of that litigation, on October 30, 1985, the Buckeye Irrigation Company filed a petition, granted by the Superior Court, for the inclusion of those portions of the Santa Cruz River watershed.

In April 1979, the Legislature amended the general adjudication procedures. Under these amendments, the Salt River, Verde River, and Gila River adjudications were transferred from the State Land Department to the Maricopa County Superior Court. The San Pedro River adjudication was transferred to the Cochise County Superior Court. In November 1981, the Arizona Supreme Court consolidated these adjudications into one proceeding assigned to the Maricopa County Superior Court under the caption In re the General Adjudication of All Rights

to Use Water in the Gila River System and Source, Nos. W-1, W-2, W-3 & W-4 (Consolidated).

Under the amended statutes, the Little Colorado River Adjudication was transferred to the Apache County Superior Court where it is litigated under the caption In re the General Adjudication of All Rights to Use Water in the Little Colorado River System and Source, No. 6417.

These cases were assigned to the Maricopa and Apache County Superior Courts because these are the counties where the largest number of potential claimants resides. Pursuant to the amended statutes, summons were issued in both adjudications and served on potential claimants in each watershed. Copies of the summons were served upon all persons listed in the property tax assessments in each watershed and on all persons in the watershed who had, at the time, any kind of water rights filing on record with the Arizona Department of Water Resources (ADWR). In July 1984, a special notification was made to owners of registered wells in the Upper Salt River and San Pedro River watersheds. The summons required the filing of a statement of claimant with ADWR if the person claimed a water use in the watershed.

Each watershed in the Gila River system was noticed. The filing deadlines were:

**Gila River Adjudication**

Upper Salt - June 30, 1980  
 January 4, 1985 (groundwater claims)  
 San Pedro - July 11, 1980  
 January 4, 1985 (groundwater claims)  
 Agua Fria - November 1, 1985  
 Upper Gila - November 1, 1985  
 Verde - November 29, 1985  
 Lower Gila - January 20, 1987  
 Upper Santa Cruz - August 3, 1987

**Little Colorado River Adjudication**

December 23, 1985

More than 82,600 Statements of Claimant have been filed by over 24,000 parties in the Gila River Adjudication, and some 3,100 parties have filed 11,279 claims in the Little Colorado River Adjudication.

Taken from the Arizona Judicial Branch Overview of Adjudications

[ArcReader System Requirements:](#)

[ArcReader Quick Start Tutorial:](#)

Must be opened from this link with administrator rights.

[Install ArcReader](#)

A sample Microsoft Access database has been provided that will allow you to create your own queries.

[Soc.mdb](#)

A sample ArcReader published map file is provided to view filing locations.

[soc.pmf](#)

**SOFTWARE REVISIONS:**

Arc/INFO	shapefiles	8.3
DBASE	dbf data files	3+
XML	htm metadata files	1.0
Adobe	pdf tutorial file	6.0
ACCESS	mdb database file	2000
ArcReader	pmf data file	8.3

**SOFTWARE PROGRAMS:**

ArcReader	map viewer	8.3
-----------	------------	-----

If you have any questions about the SOC information listed below please call the Arizona Department of Water Resources Water Rights and Adjudication Section at (602) 417-2442.

**Projection:** Universal Transverse Mercator Zone 12  
**Coordinates:** Meters, single precision  
**Datum:** North American Datum 1927

Arizona Department of Water Resources (ADWR)  
 Available GIS metadata can be viewed with Internet Explorer

**ARC/INFO SHAPEFILE NAME:** [SOCS](#)

**ARC/INFO SHAPEFILE NAME:** [ADJ\\_SUBS](#)

**ARC/INFO SHAPEFILE NAME:** [SECTION](#)

**ARC/INFO SHAPEFILE NAME:** [STREAMS](#)

**DESCRIPTION OF CODES NOT IN TABLE STRUCTURE:**

=====

SPECIAL NOTE: CADASTRAL LOCATIONS START WITH THE LARGEST 1/4 SECTION AND PROCEED TO THE SMALLEST

ADWRHOOK                    CONCATENATED FIELDS

-----

B110125                    QUAD\_CODE, WHOLE\_TOWN, HALF\_TOWN, WHOLE\_RANG, HALF\_RANGE

SECHOOK                    CONCATENATED FIELDS

-----

B11012505                 QUAD\_CODE, WHOLE\_TOWN, HALF\_TOWN, WHOLE\_RANG, HALF\_RANGE, SECTION

SOCCADHOOK                CONCATENATED FIELDS

-----

B11012505CB0             QUAD CODE, WHOLE TOWNSHIP, HALF TOWNSHIP, WHOLE RANGE, HALF RANGE, SECTION ~  
 QUARTER 160 ACRE, QUARTER 40 ACRE, QUARTER 10 ACRE

QUARTER 160 ACRE,  
 QUARTER 40 ACRE,  
 QUARTER 10 ACRE    DESCRIPTION OF CADASTRAL LOCATION

-----

A	Northeast 1/4
B	Northwest 1/4
C	Southwest 1/4
D	Southeast 1/4
0	Null value

QUAD\_CODE                DESCRIPTION

-----

A	Township North Range East
B	Township North Range West
C	Township South Range West
D	Township South Range East

WATERSHED  
 CODE

DESCRIPTION OF WATERSHEDS

-----

01	VIRGIN RIVER
02	COLORADO RIVER
03	LITTLE COLORADO RIVER
04	BILL WILLIAMS RIVER
05	VERDE RIVER
06	AGUA FRIA RIVER
07	SALT RIVER
L8	LOWER GILA RIVER
09	SANTA CRUZ RIVER

10 SAN SIMON RIVER  
 11 SAN PEDRO RIVER  
 12 WILLCOX PLAYA  
 13 WHITE WATER DRAW  
 14 RIO YAQUI  
 U8 UPPER GILA RIVER

WATERSHED CODE	SUBWATERSHED CODE	DESCRIPTION OF ADJUDICATIONS SUB WATERSHEDS
----	----	-----
00	1	N/A
01	1	N/A
02	1	GLEN CANYON
02	2	GRAND CANYON
02	3	KINGMAN
02	4	PARKER
02	5	YUMA
03	1	UPPER LCR
03	2	LOWER LCR
03	3	SILVER CREEK
04	1	N/A
05	1	BIG CHINO
05	2	LITTLE CHINO
05	3	SYCAMORE
05	4	LOWER VERDE VALLEY
05	5	VERDE CANYON
06	1	N/A
07	1	WHITE MOUNTAIN
07	2	SALT RIVER CANYON
07	3	TONTO
07	4	SUPERSTITIION
09	1	N/A
10	1	N/A
11	1	SIERRA VISTA
11	2	BENSON
11	3	REDINGTON
11	4	WINKELMAN
11	5	ARAVAIPA
11	6	MEXICO
12	1	N/A
13	1	N/A
14	1	N/A
L8	1	N/A
U8	1	DUNCAN
U8	2	SAN FRANCISCO
U8	3	SAN SIMON
U8	4	SAFFORD
U8	5	DRIPPING SPRINGS
U8	6	GRIR
U8	6	SCIDD
U8	7	VIRDEN VALLEY

DAF	DAFNAME	DAT	DATNAME
-	-----	--	-----
1	Natural	1	Stream
1	Natural	2	Wash
1	Natural	3	Lft Bank
1	Natural	4	Rgt Bank
2	Artificl	5	Ditch
2	Artificl	6	Aqueduct
2	Artificl	7	Flume
2	Artificl	8	Siphon
3	Boundary	9	Shore
3	Boundary	10	Shore-in
3	Boundary	11	Shore-mm
3	Boundary	12	Apparent

3	Boundary	13	Dam
4	Containm	13	Dam
4	Containm	14	Rapids
4	Containm	15	Spillway
5	Closure	16	Closure

PER DESCRIPTION

----  
-----  
1 Intermittent  
2 Perennial