

STATE OF ARIZONA NAVIGABLE STREAM ADJUDICATION COMMISSION

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REGULAR SESSION MEETING MINUTES Phoenix, Arizona, April 25, 2014

Commission Members Present

Wade Noble, Jim Henness, Bill Allen, Jim Horton

Commission Members Absent

None.

Staff Present

Fred Breedlove Attorney, George Mehnert Director

1. Call To Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at approximately 9:02 a.m.

2. Roll Call

See above for members present and absent

3. Hearing schedule for Gila River, Upper Salt River, Verde River, Lower Salt River (discussion and action).

Following discussion among the parties present and the Commissioners dates were agreed on and will appear in an Order that will be issued within a few days. As part of the scheduling conference the due date for the Lower Salt River evidence was changed from 12:00 p.m. Tuesday, June 17, 2014 to 12:00 p.m. Thursday, July 17, 2014

4. Briefing schedule for Santa Cruz River (discussion and action).

A discussion occurred between the parties and Commissioners and this schedule will appear in the same Order that will be issued in a few days regarding hearings schedules.

5. Length of time permitted for examination of witnesses (discussion and action).

This matter was tabled and was not discussed, except briefly as part of the discussion on item number 3. The Chairman asked parties to do their best to expedite testimony and notified the parties to expect the Commissioners to take an active roll in questioning witnesses early in their testimony.

6. Responding to evidence filed post-hearing, on or near deadline filing dates (discussion and action).

Following discussion it was decided that only non-parties will be permitted to submit additional evidence following the close of a hearing for testimony. The Commission may accept evidence offered by the parties by motion during the 15 days following the close of a hearing for testimony at the discretion of the Chairman.

7. Commission continuation beyond current Sunset Date of June 30, 2016 (discussion and action).

Following discussion it was decided the Commission will ask the Executive and the Legislature for four additional years with a Sunset Date of **June 30, 2020.**

8. Call for Public Comment.

There were no public comments.

9. Future meeting dates and future agenda items.

May 1, 2014, 9:00 a.m. hearing regarding the Verde River in Prescott, Arizona.

10. ADJOURNMENT.

Adjourned at approximately 10:31 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

George Mehnert, Director, Navigable Stream Adjudication Commission

April 26, 2014