

FINDINGS AND ORDER

WHEREAS, the Counties of Maricopa, Pinal and Pima, State of Arizona, have filed petitions with the Arizona Water Commission, the successor organization of the Arizona Interstate Stream Commission, petitioning for the formation of a multi-county water conservation district pursuant to the provisions of Title 45, Chapter 13 of the Arizona Revised Statutes, and

WHEREAS, the Arizona Water Commission, pursuant to Title 45, Chapter 13 of the Arizona Revised Statutes, has caused a notice signed by the Chairman of the Commission giving the time and place of the hearing on the petitions to be (1) mailed by certified mail to the Board of Supervisors of each county in the state; (2) published at least once each week for two consecutive weeks in newspapers of general circulation published in each of the counties of the state, or, where no newspaper is published in a particular county, in a newspaper published in an adjoining county; (3) posted in three or more conspicuous places in each county in the state at least two weeks before the date set for the hearing, and

WHEREAS, the petitions of the Counties of Maricopa, Pinal and Pima, State of Arizona, petitioning for the formation of a multi-county water conservation district, regularly and duly came on for public hearing before the Arizona Water Commission on the 8th day of June, 1971, and

WHEREAS, numerous persons appeared and testified on their own behalf and on behalf of various organizations and the Arizona Water Commission has caused a transcript to be made of all proceedings and has duly considered all testimony given in support of and in opposition to the formation of the proposed district,

NOW THEREFORE, the Arizona Water Commission FINDS:

(1) That the petitions of the Counties of Maricopa, Pinal and Pima, State of Arizona, petitioning for the formation of a multi-county water conservation district, conform to the provisions of Title 45, Chapter 13 of the Arizona Revised Statutes;

(2) That the public convenience and welfare will be served by the establishment of the proposed multi-county water conservation district;

AND IT IS DECLARED AND ORDERED:

(1) That the Counties of Maricopa, Pinal and Pima, State of Arizona, shall be and do hereafter constitute a multi-county water conservation district under the provisions of Title 45, Chapter 13 of the Arizona Revised Statutes, said district being a tax-levying public improvement district of the State of Arizona as provided in Section 45-2602 of the Arizona Revised Statutes, with all of the powers and duties conferred upon multi-county water conservation districts under the provisions of Title 45, Chapter 13 of the Arizona Revised Statutes, including, but not limited to:

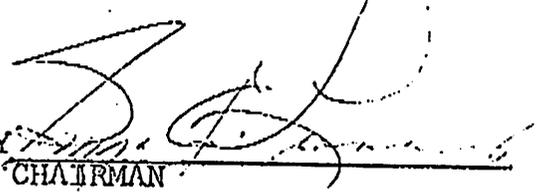
(a) The power to enter into a contract or contracts with the Secretary of The Interior of the United States in connection with the disposition of the water resources to be provided by the Central Arizona Project for repayment of the construction, operation and maintenance and replacement costs as required by P. L. 90-537 (82 Stat. 885) and

(b) The power to 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;

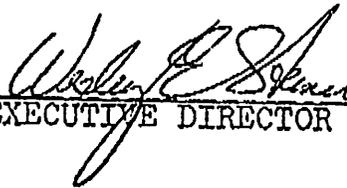
(2) That said multi-county water conservation district shall be and is organized under the corporate name of the "Central Arizona Water Conservation District" by which name it shall be known in all proceedings.

Dated this 16th day of June, 1971.

ARIZONA WATER COMMISSION

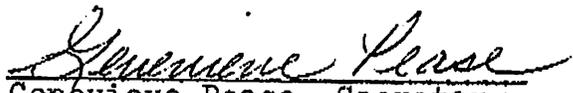
  
BY \_\_\_\_\_  
CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

BY   
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

I, Genevieve Pease, Secretary to the Arizona Water Commission, do hereby certify that the above is a full, true and correct copy of the findings and order declared by the Arizona Water Commission on the 16th day of June, 1971.

Dated this 18th day of June, 1971

  
Genevieve Pease, Secretary  
ARIZONA WATER COMMISSION