

Rulemaking Delays Pinal AMA Extinguishment Credit Allocation Factor Reduction

The Department has amended the Assured Water Supply Rules for the Pinal Active Management Area (AMA) to delay the schedule for annually reducing the allocation factor used to calculate grandfathered groundwater right extinguishment credits in the AMA. The rule change became effective on September 12, 2014. The rulemaking amends rule R12-15-725.01 and repeals rule R12-15-725.02, delaying until January 1, 2019 the first reduction in the annual allocation factor used to calculate grandfathered groundwater right extinguishment credits in the Pinal AMA. Click [here](#) to view the Notice of Final Rulemaking filed with the Secretary of State's Office, which shows the rule amendment and repeal.

The delay in the reduction schedule is designed to allow water users and other interested parties in the Pinal AMA, including the Pinal Local Water Group, additional time to examine conditions within the AMA and offer alternatives for meeting the AMA's management goal prior to the first allocation factor reduction. Information on the Pinal Local Water Group can be found [here](#).