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WATER CONSERVATION PLAN NOTICE

1. Name Salt River Project Agricultural Improvement and Power District ("District") Telephone: (602) 236-3333

Address Mail Station PAB 38W, P.O Box 52025 City: Phoenix State: AZ Zip: 85072-2025

2. Describe each water right and/or claim in the Water Conservation Plan by completing Attachment A and providing the information indicated. **(See also, Attachment B)**

3. Description of any water conservation measures that will be implemented (attach any supporting documentation):

(See Attachment C)

4. Duration of Water Conservation Plan (up to 10 years): 10 years

5. I affirm that the Water Conservation Plan is voluntary and temporary in nature. Yes X

6. I affirm that the Water Conservation Plan is intended to result in the temporary reduction in the use of water or a reduction in the diversion of water. Yes X

7. I affirm that the activities described in the Water Conservation Plan will contribute to the practical and economical management, conservation and use of surface water in the watersheds of this state. Yes X

8. I affirm that it is not my intent to abandon the surface water right(s) included in the Water Conservation Plan during the terms of the Water Conservation Plan. Yes X

The undersigned hereby represents and affirms that the information contained herein (including any attachments) is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief at the time of filing.



Signature

4/3/2024

Date

Please mail the completed form and attachments to the address listed above.

ATTACHMENT A

WATER CONSERVATION PLAN
NOTICE

Attachment A is to be filed only as an attachment to a completed Water Conservation Plan Notice form. Please describe each surface water right and/or claim in the Water Conservation Plan by providing the following information. Provide photocopies of this attachment as needed for additional surface water rights and/or claims.

Surface Water Right or Claim Registry Number: 36-43605 (39-49592 and 39-49593)

a. Type of surface water source and name Verde River

a tributary to N/A within the Verde River watershed.

b. Purpose of surface water use (historical): Irrigation and Stock Water
(current): Irrigation and Stock Water

c. Legal description of point(s) of diversion: County Yavapai

Parcel I.D. No. and/or Lot No. and SE 1/4 NE 1/4, Section 14, Township 14 N, Range 4E

d. Legal description of place(s) of surface water use: County Yavapai

Parcel I.D. No. 404-08-045E and/or Lot No. and SW 1/4 NW 1/4, Section 16, Township 13 N, Range 5E

Parcel I.D. No. 404-08-045E and/or Lot No. and SE 1/4 NE 1/4, Section 17, Township 13 N, Range 5E

Parcel I.D. No. 404-08-045E and/or Lot No. and NW 1/4 NE 1/4, Section 17, Township 13 N, Range 5E

Parcel I.D. No. 404-08-045E and/or Lot No. and SW 1/4 NE 1/4, Section 17, Township 13 N, Range 5E

Parcel I.D. No. 404-08-045E and/or Lot No. and NE 1/4 SE 1/4, Section 17, Township 13 N, Range 5E

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**Attachment B – Description of All Water Rights and Claims That the Person Who
Is Entitled to Use Those Water Rights and Claims Is Including in the Water
Conservation Plan**

SRP Conroy Property

The District has perfected rights to use appropriable water from the Verde River for irrigation, stock watering, domestic purposes, and storage on land known as the SRP Conroy Property, a map of which is attached as Attachment C.2. All of these rights have been perfected pursuant to a variety of territorial and state statutes, as well as common law. These water rights are described in records on file with the Arizona Department of Water Resources and the Maricopa County Superior Court including, but not limited to, Statements of Claimant (“SOCs”) Nos. 39-49592, 39-49593 and 39-50029, as well as Water Rights Registration Act Statements of Claim Nos. 36-43605 and 36-76228. Appropriable water from the Verde River is currently delivered to the Conroy Property through the Verde Ditch.

The District water rights and claims for the Conroy Property are summarized as follows:

The District has the right to divert 575.00 acre-feet of appropriable water annually from the Verde River for irrigation with a priority date of December 31, 1868 based on information in the 1914 Hancock Report¹. The District also has the right to divert appropriable water from the Verde River for stock watering for fifty head of horses with a priority date of October 3, 1891. In addition, the District has the right to store 6.00 acre-feet of appropriable water from the Verde River for irrigation and stock watering with a priority date of October 3, 1891.

¹ Harry L. Hancock, 1914, “Report on the Irrigated Lands of the Verde River and Its Tributaries”

Attachment C – Description of Any Water Conservation Measures That Will Be Implemented as Part of the Water Conservation Plan

SRP Conroy Property

The conservation measures discussed in this Attachment B shall not be construed as a limitation on any perfected rights of the District to use appropriable water from the Verde River on the SRP Conroy Property.

The Water Conservation Plan that the District intends to implement on the Conroy Property will include, but is not limited to, fallowing irrigated acreage, reducing livestock, delivery efficiency measures, and irrigation efficiency measures. These conservation measures are summarized in the following descriptions:

Fallowed Irrigated Acreage: The District may fallow up to 87.00 acres of land located within SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 16, Township 13N, Range 05E; S $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 17, Township 13N, Range 05E; NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 17, Township 13N, Range 05E; NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 17, Township 13N, Range 05E; and NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 17, Township 13N, Range 05E. As a result, the District will conserve 575.00 acre-feet of appropriable water from the Verde River annually that otherwise would be used to irrigate the 87.00 acres of lands pursuant to the District perfected rights described in Attachments A and B. This will conserve 575.00 acre-feet of appropriable water from the Verde River annually and serve to rebalance soil nutrients, re-establish soil biota, increase the accumulation of soil moisture, and break crop pest and disease cycles.

Reducing Livestock: The District will reduce the number of livestock on land located within the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 16, Township 13N, Range 05E; and S $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 17, Township 13N, Range 05E. As a result, the District will conserve appropriable water from the Verde River that otherwise would be used for stock watering pursuant to the District perfected rights described in Attachments A and B.

Delivery Efficiency Measures: Water savings associated with delivery efficiency are a conservation measure that the District has implemented and will continue to implement on the Conroy Property. The District has adopted technology and management tools that improve water delivery efficiency through the ditches that deliver water within the Conroy Property. These conservation measures include, but are not limited to, ditch lining and delivery gate improvements to reduce water loss.

Irrigation Efficiency Measures: Water savings associated with irrigation efficiency are a conservation measure that the District has implemented and will continue to implement on the Conroy Property. The District has adopted technology and management tools that improve the efficiency of irrigation on the Conroy Property. These conservation measures include, but are not limited to, smart irrigation controllers, spray sprinkler systems, drip

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irrigation systems, reducing irrigation system run times based on irrigation head arc and pressure, raising/leveling heads, using proper irrigation pipes and nozzles and measuring soil moisture. The District also has adopted and will continue to adopt and implement irrigation efficiency measures that generally result in water savings when appropriable water is applied to irrigated acreage on the Conroy Property.

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Attachment C.2 – Conroy Property

