

# Harquahala Valley Groundwater Wheeling June 6, 2017

Project Overview & Water Quality Discussion

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## **Project Location**

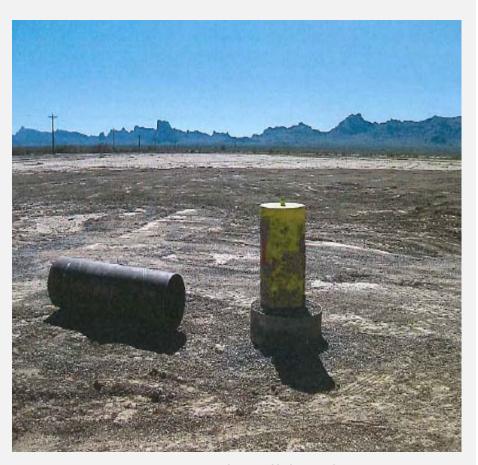






#### **Project Purpose**

- Irrigation source for IWDS Golf Courses
- Previously relied on Excess
   CAP
- Back-up source for Scottsdale
- 1200+ Acres purchased to allow wheeling of 3645 AF/yr
- Plan is to pump approx. 4
   MGD year round



Capped Well-head





### Why Project is Needed

- Excess CAP water no longer available
- Scottsdale does not allow golf course irrigation using potable water
- Golf courses responsible for securing a long term water source
- Other sources explored but unsuccessful
- State Statutes provide for the withdrawal and transportation of GW

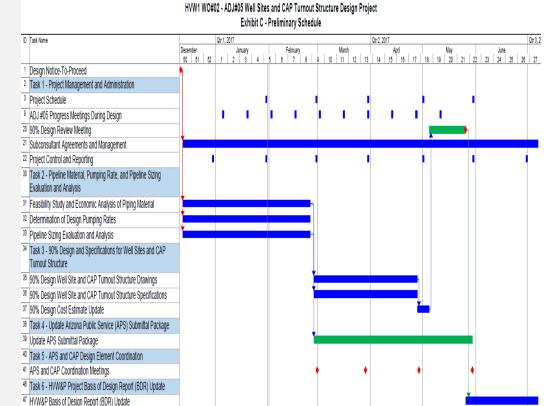






#### **Project Status**

- 3 wells drilled and capped
- Well sites designed to 90%
- CAP Canal Turn-in under preliminary design
- APS Power Requirements determined
- NEPA Environmental Assessment (EA) underway



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## Water Quality Findings



TDS and N03 for wells MBT3, MBT4, and MBT7 on 8/2/1988

MBT3: 600 TDS, 1.9 NO3 (mg/L) MBT4: 600 TDS, 3.5 NO3 (mg/L) MBT7: 620 TDS, 3.7 NO3 (mg/L)

TDS and N03 for new Wells 1, 2, and 3 from 24-hour pump tests in October 2015 (wells 1 and 2) and January 2016 (well 3)

Well 1: 906 TDS, 8.5 NO3 (mg/L) Well 2: 962 TDS, 12.2 NO3 (mg/L) Well 3: 902 TDS, 5.8 NO3 (mg/L)

TDS well DG-1/MBT7 2001 through 2015 from ADWR reports

Year	TDS range (mg/L)
2001	560-610
2002	610-620
2003	710-800
2004	940-1300
2005	1600-1800
2006	1600-1900
2007	1200-1600
2008	1200-1400
2009	1000-1500
2010	900-1100
2011	810-920
2012	750-800
2013	750-760
2014	770-800
2015	750-830





#### Pilot Wheeling Proposal

- Focus on Salinity (TDS), a Secondary Contaminant
- Requests a 1-Yr operational trial upon approval of EA
- Suggests naturally declining TDS concentrations in aquifer
- Goal is to avoid a potentially unnecessary RO plant
- RO treatment technology introduces undesirable issues



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Harquahala Valley Groundwater Wheeling Pilot Proposal and Total Dissolved Solids (TDS) Monitoring Plan

December 15th 2016











#### Water Loss & Concentrate Disposal

- 20% of water lost in concentrate stream
- Deep well injection not allowed in AZ
- Large lined ponds required
- Recovered salts hauled to landfills
- High capital and O&M costs

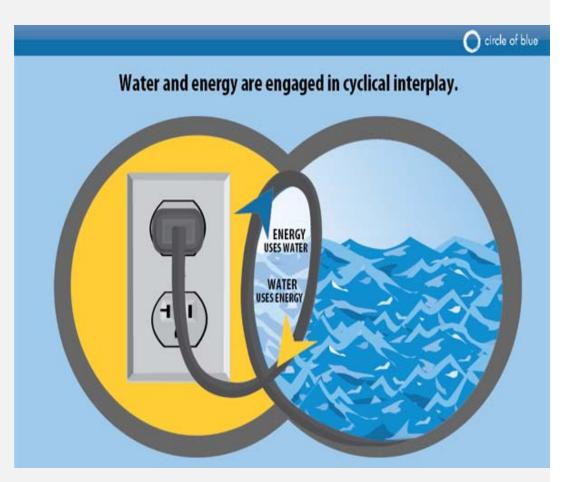






#### Water-Energy Nexus

- RO treatment is energy intensive
- Large power demand to remove salts
- Increased carbon footprint for project
- Multiple satellite plants not efficient







#### **NEPA Environmental Process**

- BOR Kickoff
- Scoping Letters & Public Comment Period
- Cultural & Historical Findings
- Newspaper Article (Quartzite)
- Prepare Draft EA Document
- Public Comment on Draft EA
- Prepare Final EA Document
- Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI)

# RECLAMATION Managing Water in the West

Preliminary Draft Environmental Assessment

City of Scottsdale Harquahala Valley Water Supply Wells and Conveyance Pipeline Project

City of Scottsdale, Arizona



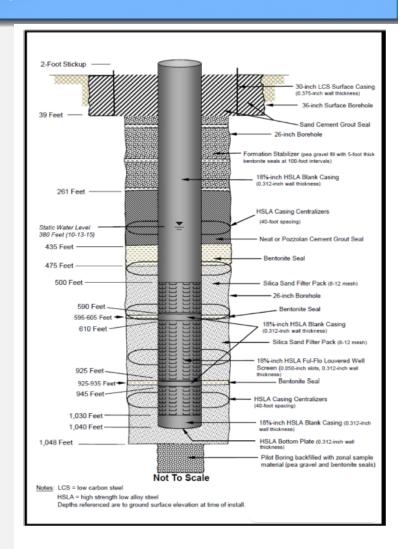






#### Summary

- Groundwater wheeling project
- 3-Well facility designed for two wells in service
- Relatively small capacity (0.25% of CAP Canal)
- Capable of Meeting Primary MCL's prior to canal discharge
- Secondary contaminant, TDS cannot be blended on-site to anticipated target
- Unique situation of declining TDS concentrations
- Pilot Proposal requests 1-year pumping and sampling plan



WELL NO. 1 AS-BUILT DIAGRAM



# Questions?





