



Arizona Navigable Stream Adjudication Commission (ANSAC)



Information Bulletin

ANSAC HEARING WORK TO BE COMPLETED BY SUNSET DATE OF JUNE 30, 2006

The goal of the Arizona Navigable Stream Adjudication Commission is to adjudicate all of the estimated 39,039 Arizona watercourses for the purpose of determining navigability of each watercourse as of statehood, February 14, 1912. The Commission has a mandate to complete this work by June 30, 2006. The purpose of determining navigability of Arizona's watercourses has to do with clearing up approximately 100,000 clouded Arizona property titles. **(The work of the Commission has nothing to do with water use or allocation.)** The Commission has been conducting its work in two stages: Major watercourse studies—from a list of 17 major watercourses, and small and minor watercourse studies—by county.

MAJOR WATERCOURSES

1. Agua Fria
2. Big Sandy River
3. Bill Williams River
4. Burro Creek
5. Blue River
6. Gila River
7. Hassayampa River
8. Little Colorado River
9. Lower Salt River
10. Puerco River
11. San Francisco River
12. San Pedro River
13. Santa Cruz River
14. Santa Maria River
15. Upper Salt River
16. Verde River
17. Virgin River

NUMBERS OF SMALL & MINOR WATERCOURSES BY COUNTY:

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| 1. Apache | 3577 |
| 2. Cochise | 1739 |
| 3. Coconino | 5276 |
| 4. Gila | 2337 |
| 5. Graham | 3226 |
| 6. Greenlee | 1298 |
| 7. La Paz | 1597 |
| 8. Maricopa | 2495 |
| 9. Mohave | 5144 |
| 10. Navajo | 3352 |
| 11. Pima | 3190 |
| 12. Pinal | 2328 |
| 13. Santa Cruz | 524 |
| 14. Yavapai | 2864 |
| 15. Yuma | 1475 |

NOTE: The total number of watercourses above is greater than 39,039 because when a particular river or stream borders or otherwise travels in two or more counties it is counted in each respective county for study and hearing purposes. Hearings must also be held in each county in which every major watercourse travels. There will be hearings held for the Gila River, for example, in six Arizona counties.