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Application for Serial Number Initiative Petition A.R.S. § 19-111

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The undersigned intends to circulate and file an initiative petition and hereby makes application for the issuance of an official serial number to be printed in the lower right-hand corner of each side of each signature sheet of such petition. Attached hereto is the full title and text, in no less than eight point type, of the measure or constitutional amendment intended to be initiated at the next general election.

Statutory Measure Constitutional Amendment

Date of Application

Signatures Required

Deadline for Filing

Serial Number Issued

COCHISE COUNTY ELECTIONS AND SPECIAL DISTRICTS 11/2021

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To designate the Willcox Groundwater Basin as an Active Management Area as authorized by the Arizona Groundwater Code, ARS 45-415. Upon petition by ten percent of the registered voters residing within the boundaries of the proposed active management area, an election shall be held on the designation of this basin as an active management area.

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By submitting this Application for Serial Number and checking all boxes below, I acknowledge the following:

- That I have received and will review the accompanying instructions for Statewide Initiatives, including the Secretary of State's recommended best practices for printing copies of the Statewide Initiative Petition to be circulated.
That at the time of filing, I was provided instructions regarding accurate completion of the Statewide Initiative Petition form.

Ashley Dahlke
Applicant Signature

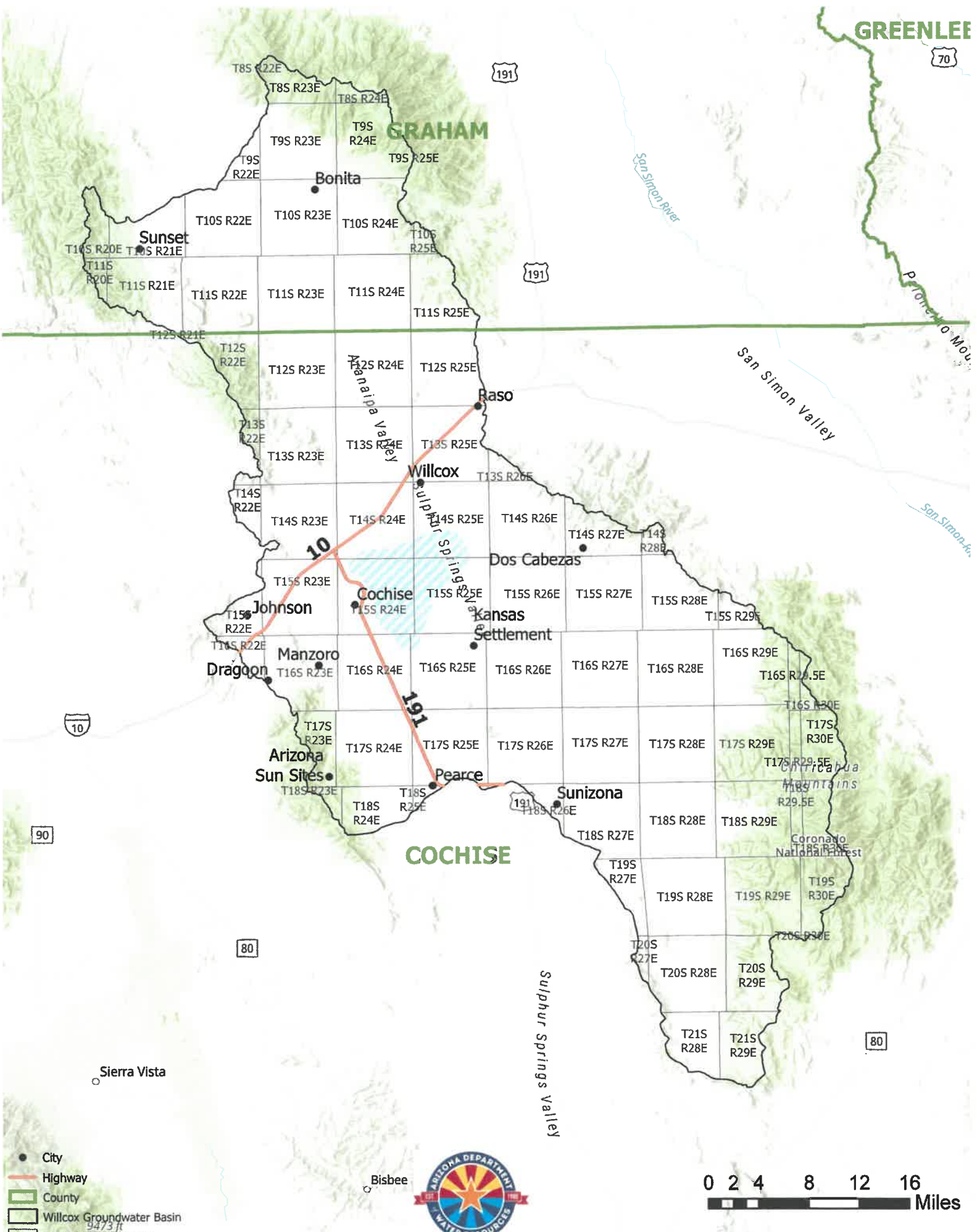
8/11/2021
Date

**A PETITION FOR THE DESIGNATION OF THE WILLCOX GROUNDWATER BASIN
AS AN ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA PURSUANT TO THE ARIZONA
GROUNDWATER CODE**

The Willcox Groundwater Basin may be designated as an Active Management Area as authorized by the Arizona Groundwater Code, ARS 45-415. Upon petition by ten percent of the registered voters residing within the boundaries of the proposed active management area, an election shall be held on the designation of this basin as an active management area.

The attached Map of the Willcox Groundwater Basin, as prepared by the Director of the Arizona Department of Water Resources, designates the area of the proposed Active Management Area.

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September 7, 2021

Arizona Water Defenders – VIA EMAIL

Ms. Ashley Dahlke, Ms. Rebekah Wilce, Mr. Beau Hodai

Dear Water Defenders:

After discussion with the Cochise County Attorney's Office and the Arizona Dept of Water Resources, we have determined the signature requirement for the Willcox Basin Initiative Petition is actually lower than originally estimated.

A.R.S. 45-415(E)(2) provides that where a groundwater basin is located in two or more counties, the required number of signatures is 10% of the registered voters residing within the boundaries of the proposed active management area ... *within the county in which the plurality of the registered voters in the groundwater basin resides.*

Per the maps provided by ADWR to the County Recorder, there are 6401 registered voters in Cochise County. It appears, then, that the number of signatures required for the Willcox petition is 10% of the registered voters residing within the boundaries of the proposed AMA within Cochise County (*i.e.*, 641), and that the calculation is not affected by the number of voters within the proposed AMA in Graham County.

I have attached an amended application, IN-2022-1, showing this number. If you have already gathered signatures with the original application, there is no need for a change on those. Moving forward, please attach this amended application to the petition signature page.

Although any signatures obtained in Graham County are not counted toward the number required, you are not prohibited from obtaining signatures in that county. As discussed, please just use a separate petition signature page specific to that county.

If you have any questions regarding this reduction in signatures, please contact me.

Sincerely,

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