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## **Wheeling IGA Policy**

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### **EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY**

#### Purpose

The purpose of this document is to define and standardize the Marana Water Department's ("Marana Water") policy regarding the utilization of the Intergovernmental Agreement Between the City of Tucson and the Town of Marana relating to the Delivery of Central Arizona Project Water, recorded in the office of the Pima County Recorder on August 21, 2020 at Sequence No. 20202340063 (the "Water Wheeling IGA").

#### Background

The Water Wheeling IGA was approved by Marana Resolution No. 2020-087 on August 8, 2020. The IGA allows Marana Water to provide potable water service to certain areas of land that (1) are within the Marana town limits, (2) are too far away from Marana Water's existing water infrastructure to receive cost-effective service from Marana Water, and (3) are close enough to be served by water infrastructure owned and operated by the Tucson Water Department ("Tucson Water") but do not meet Tucson Water's service area policy. The Water Wheeling IGA requires that the Town use its own CAP water, which will be wheeled through Tucson Water's potable water system to points of interconnection to the new Marana Water customers. The wheeling agreement allows for up to 250 acre-feet per year of total water wheeled.

#### Policy

If a project or development is within Marana Water's intended service area, the project or development must connect to Marana Water's infrastructure. Wheeling pursuant to the Water Wheeling IGA may not be utilized for a project or development within Marana Water's intended service area.

If a project or development is located in an area where Marana Water does not intend to extend infrastructure, the project or development may be a candidate for permanent wheeling pursuant to the Water Wheeling IGA. Temporary wheeling is not permitted.

Approval from both Marana Water and Tucson Water must be obtained before any project or development can be considered as a candidate for permanent wheeling pursuant to the Water Wheeling IGA. If both entities approve the wheeling of water to the subject location(s), two (2) separate and distinct Water Service Agreements, one between the developer of the project or development and Marana Water and one between the developer of the project or development and Tucson Water, will be required.

If approved, the developer must comply with all plan review processes, submittals, modeling and permitting applicable to both Marana Water and Tucson Water, and the developer must pay all applicable fees to both entities.

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#### Authority

This policy was approved by the Marana Town Council on January 19, 2021 at its regular Town Council Meeting and will be applied administratively by Marana Water.