

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW MEXICO**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, for Itself
and as Trustee for the Zuni Indian Tribe, Navajo
Nation and Ramah Band of Navajos
and
STATE OF NEW MEXICO, ex rel. STATE
ENGINEER,

Plaintiffs,

and

ZUNI INDIAN TRIBE,
NAVAJO NATION,

Plaintiffs in Intervention,

v.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COMMISSIONER
OF PUBLIC LANDS,

and

A & R PRODUCTIONS, et al.,

Defendants.

No. 01cv00072-MV/WPL

ZUNI RIVER BASIN
ADJUDICATION

Sub-areas 4 and 8

Subfile No. ZRB-1-0198

CONSENT ORDER

The Court, having considered the agreement between the Plaintiffs, the United States of America ("United States") and the State of New Mexico ex rel. State Engineer ("State"), and:

RUSSELL P. AARON & MELISSA A. AARON

("Defendant") concerning the Defendant's right(s) to use the public waters of the Zuni River Stream System, Sub-areas 4 and 8, as set forth below FINDS:

1. The Court has jurisdiction over the United States, the State, the Defendant and the subject matter of this suit.

2. As evidenced by the parties' signatures below, the United States, the State, and the Defendant are in agreement concerning all elements of the right(s) of the Defendant set forth in paragraph 4 of this Consent Order to divert and use the public waters of the Zuni River Stream System, Sub-areas 4 and 8. This Consent Order and the parties' respective signatures below evidence the entire agreement between the United States, the State, and the Defendant regarding the elements of the water right(s) adjudicated by this Consent Order.

3. There is no just reason to delay entry of this Consent Order as a final judgment between the United States, the State, and the Defendant regarding the elements of the claims of the Defendant adjudicated by this Consent Order.

4. The right(s) of the Defendant to divert and use the public waters of the Zuni River Stream System, Sub-areas 4 and 8, is as set forth below:

STOCK POND

Map Label: 4A-4-SP17
Purpose of Use: LIVESTOCK
Priority Date: 10/6/1997
Source of Water: Surface Runoff
Point of Diversion: Not Applicable

Amount of Water:

Depth (ft) 4.5
Surface Area (sq.ft): 7,483
Storage Impoundment Volume (ac-ft): 0.464

Pond Location: As shown on Hydrographic Survey Map 4A-4

S. 8 T. 10N R. 14W 1/4, 1/16, 1/64 SE SW NW

X(ft) 2,572,385 Y(ft): 1,494,569

New Mexico State Plane Coordinate System, West Zone, NAD 1983

Dam height (if greater than 9 ft):

STOCK POND

Map Label: 4A-4-SP21

Purpose of Use: LIVESTOCK

Priority Date: 10/6/1997

Source of Water: Surface Runoff

Point of Diversion: Not Applicable

Amount of Water:

Depth (ft) 5.0

Surface Area (sq.ft): 6,510

Storage Impoundment Volume (ac-ft): 0.448

Pond Location: As shown on Hydrographic Survey Map 4A-4

S. 8 T. 10N R. 14W 1/4, 1/16, 1/64 SE SE SW

X(ft) 2,573,930 Y(ft): 1,493,825

New Mexico State Plane Coordinate System, West Zone, NAD 1983

Dam height (if greater than 9 ft):

STOCK POND

Map Label: 4A-4-SP42

Purpose of Use: LIVESTOCK

Priority Date: 10/6/1997

Source of Water: Surface Runoff

Point of Diversion: Not Applicable

Amount of Water:

Depth (ft) 4.0

Surface Area (sq.ft): 6,227

Storage Impoundment Volume (ac-ft): 0.343

Pond Location: As shown on Hydrographic Survey Map 4A-4

S. 9 T. 10N R. 14W 1/4, 1/16, 1/64 SW SW SW

X(ft) 2,575,233 **Y(ft):** 1,494,059

New Mexico State Plane Coordinate System, West Zone, NAD 1983

Dam height (if greater than 9 ft):

STOCK POND

Map Label: 4A-4-SP43

Purpose of Use: LIVESTOCK

Priority Date: 10/6/1997

Source of Water: Surface Runoff

Point of Diversion: Not Applicable

Amount of Water:

Depth (ft) 4.5

Surface Area (sq.ft): 5,501

Storage Impoundment Volume (ac-ft): 0.341

Pond Location: As shown on Hydrographic Survey Map 4A-4

S. 9 T. 10N R. 14W 1/4, 1/16, 1/64 SW SE SE

X(ft) 2,576,992 **Y(ft):** 1,493,942

New Mexico State Plane Coordinate System, West Zone, NAD 1983

Dam height (if greater than 9 ft):

STOCK POND

Map Label: 4A-4-SP44
Purpose of Use: LIVESTOCK
Priority Date: 10/6/1997
Source of Water: Surface Runoff
Point of Diversion: Not Applicable

Amount of Water:

Depth (ft) 3.5
Surface Area (sq.ft): 8,061
Storage Impoundment Volume (ac-ft): 0.389

Pond Location: As shown on Hydrographic Survey Map 4A-4

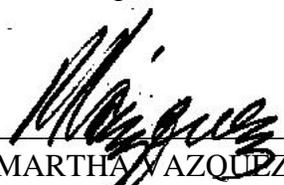
S. 9 T. 10N R. 14W 1/4, 1/16, 1/64 SE SW SW
X(ft) 2,578,041 **Y(ft):** 1,494,163
New Mexico State Plane Coordinate System, West Zone, NAD 1983

Dam height (if greater than 9 ft):

5. Defendant has no right to divert and use the public waters of the Zuni River Stream System, Sub-areas 4 and 8, except as set forth in this Consent Order and other orders entered by this Court in this cause.
6. The Defendant, and Defendant's successors, representatives, heirs and assigns, should be enjoined from any diversion or use of the public waters of the Zuni River Stream System, Sub-areas 4 and 8, except in strict accordance with this Consent Order and other orders of the Court in this cause.

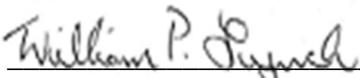
7. The water right(s) described herein, if any, are adjudicated as between the United States, the State, and the Defendant, subject to the right of any other water right claimant with standing to object prior to the entry of a final decree.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the right(s) of the Defendant to divert and use the public waters of the Zuni River Stream System, Sub-areas 4 and 8, are adjudicated as set forth herein, as between the United States, the State, and the Defendant. The Defendant, and Defendant's successors, representatives, heirs and assigns, are hereby enjoined from any diversion or use of the public waters of the Zuni River Stream System, Sub-areas 4 and 8, except in strict accordance with this Consent Order and other orders of this Court in this cause. The Court enters this Consent Order as a partial final judgment, binding on the United States, the State, and the Defendant as to the elements of Defendant's water right(s) set forth herein, subject to the right of any other water right claimant with standing to object prior to the entry of a final decree, and subject to the terms of the final decree in this proceeding.



MARTHA VAZQUEZ
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

Approved:



WILLIAM P. LYNCH
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

ACCEPTED: Russell P. Aaron 10-29-16
RUSSELL P. AARON DATE

Melissa A. Aaron 10-29-16
MELISSA A. AARON DATE

ADDRESS: HC 61 Box 835
RAMAH, NM 87321

COUNSEL FOR THE DEFENDANT (IF REPRESENTED):

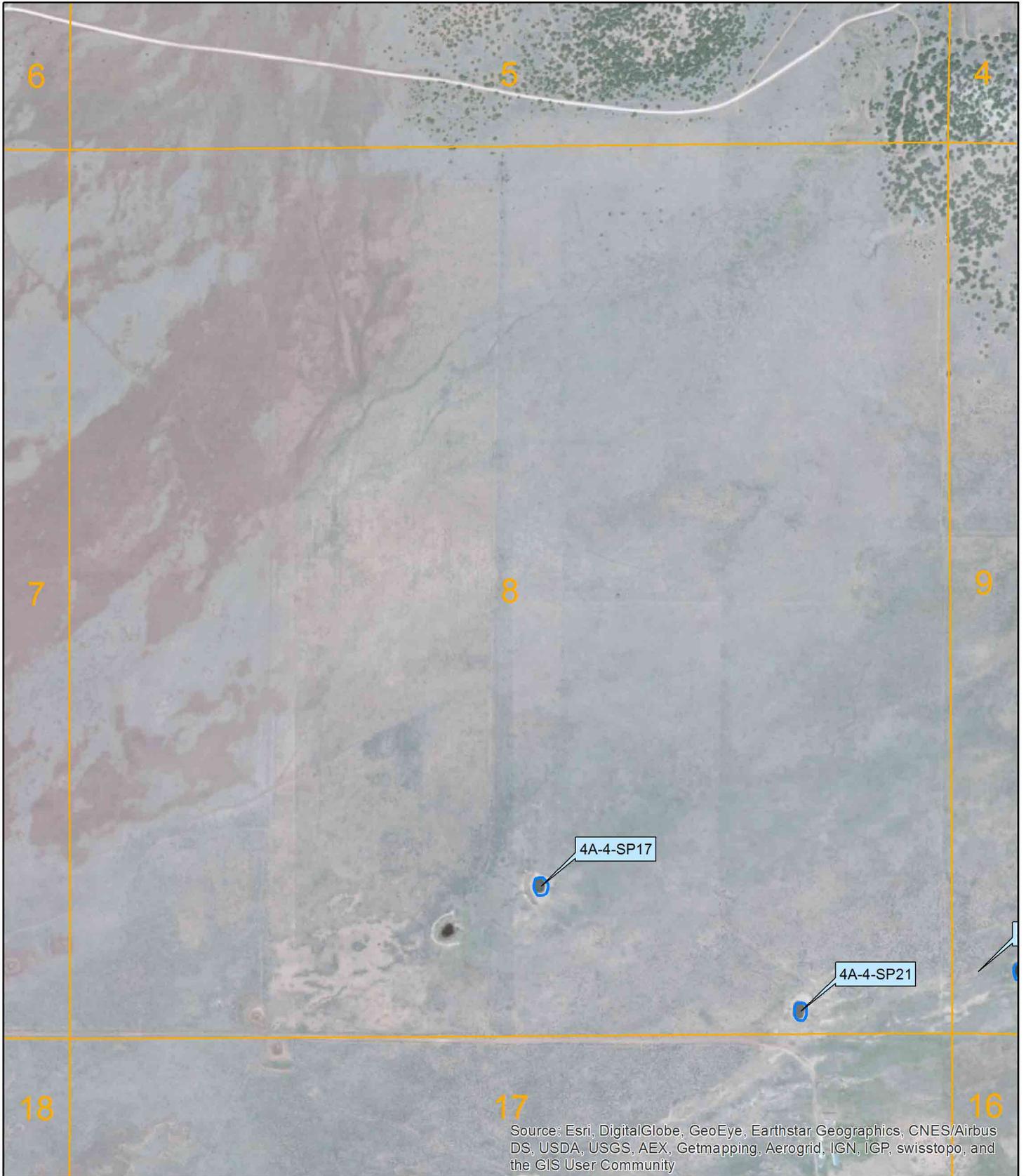
DATE

COUNSEL FOR THE UNITED STATES:

Andrew "Guss" Guarino 3.18.16
ANDREW "GUSS" GUARINO DATE
U.S. Department of Justice
South Terrace, Suite 370
999 18th Street
Denver, CO 80202
(303) 844-1343

COUNSEL FOR THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO EX REL. STATE ENGINEER:

Edward C. Bagley 3/18/2016
EDWARD C. BAGLEY DATE
Special Assistant Attorney General
Office of the State Engineer
P.O. Box 25102
Santa Fe, NM 87504
(505) 827-6150



Source: Esri, DigitalGlobe, GeoEye, Earthstar Geographics, CNES/Airbus DS, USDA, USGS, AEX, Getmapping, Aerogrid, IGN, IGP, swisstopo, and the GIS User Community

June 2015

Zuni River Basin
Hydrographic Survey

Sub-Area 4
Subfile Number: ZRB-1-0198
PLSS: S08, T10N, R14W
Sheet 1 of 2

LEGEND

-  Stock Pond
-  Sub-Area Boundary
-  Section Boundary

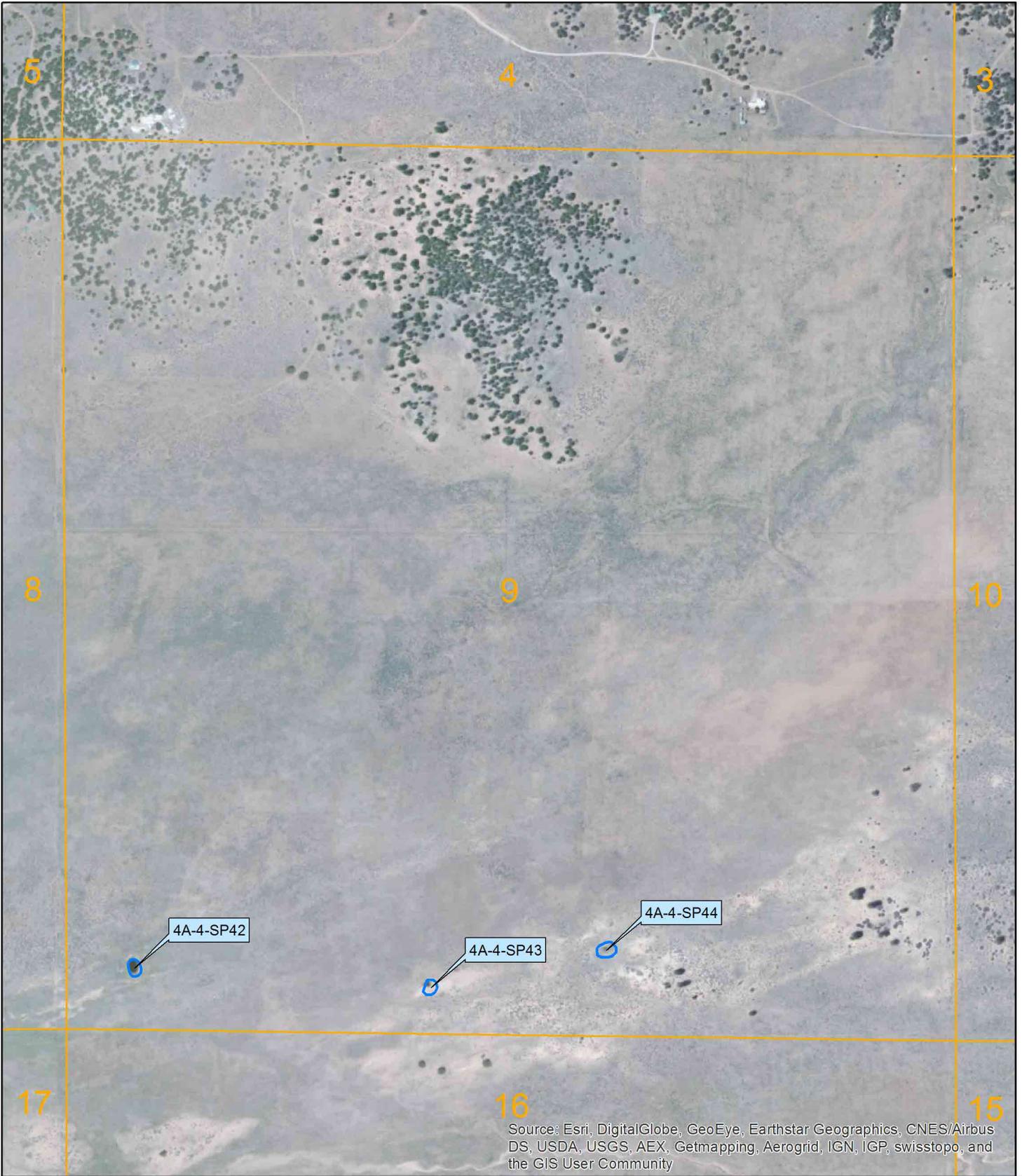


1 inch = 800 feet



Natural Resources Consulting Engineers, Inc.

Fort Collins, CO Oakland, CA Asmara, ERITREA



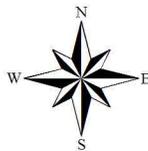
June 2015

Zuni River Basin
Hydrographic Survey

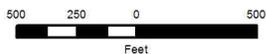
Sub-Area 4
Subfile Number: ZRB-1-0198
PLSS: S09, T10N, R14W
Sheet 2 of 2

LEGEND

-  Stock Pond
-  Sub-Area Boundary
-  Section Boundary



1 inch = 800 feet



Natural Resources Consulting Engineers, Inc.

Fort Collins, CO Oakland, CA Asmara, ERITREA