

# AMA 4<sup>th</sup> Management Plans and GUAC Activity

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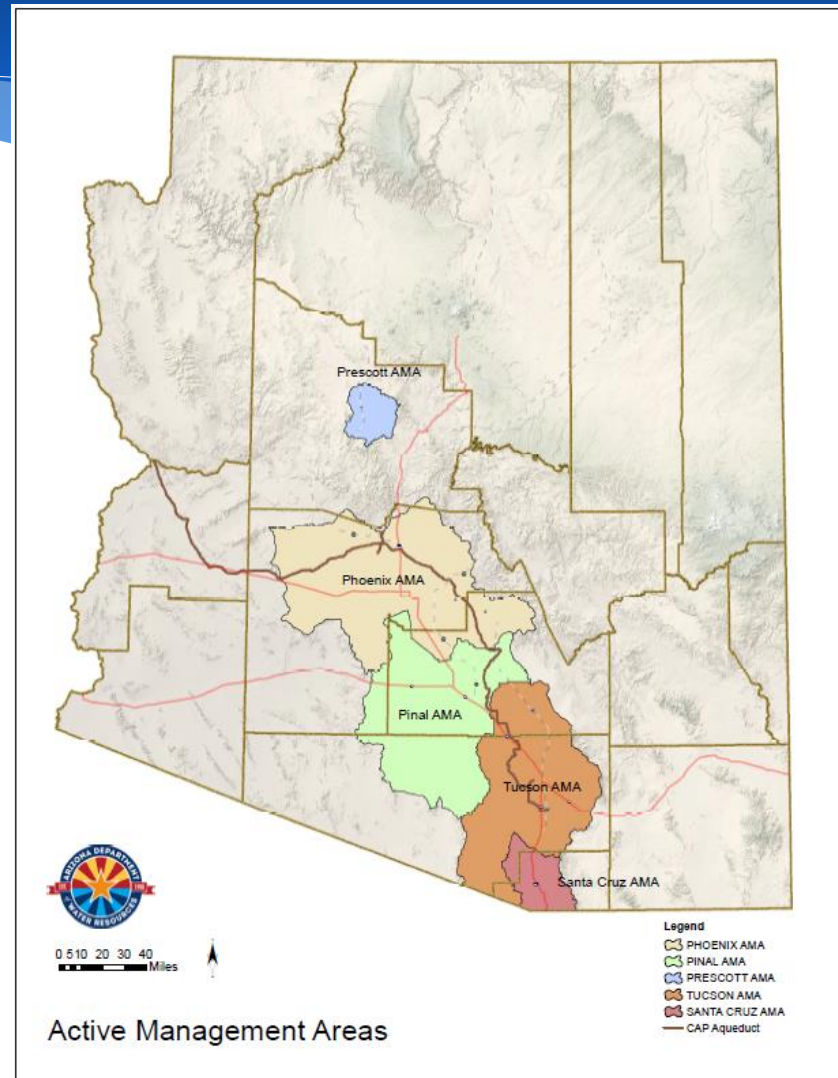
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# Active Management Areas (AMAs)

- ▶ Five AMAs Statewide
- ▶ Management Goals
- ▶ Santa Cruz AMA Goal: To maintain a safe-yield condition in the active management area and to prevent local water tables from experiencing long-term declines.



# Fourth Management Plans

- ▶ **Fourth Management Plans (4MPs) being written**
- ▶ **Draft Prescott 4MP drafted, available on ADWR Website**
- ▶ **Promulgation, Hearings**
- ▶ **Tucson AMA next in line**
- ▶ **Past focus: Conservation Requirements**
- ▶ **4MP Focus: A plan for overcoming impediments to reaching AMA management goal**



# Groundwater Users Advisory Councils (GUACs)

- ▶ Groundwater Users Advisory Council – meetings quarterly
- ▶ Local advisory group – water issues
- ▶ Water Management Assistance Program (WMAP) – funds
- ▶ GUACs provide input on proposals
- ▶ Santa Cruz GUAC – interest in continuing basin study
- ▶ GCASE transferability – possible other areas within other AMAs



# Enhanced Aquifer Management

- ▶ Department draft concept paper released last year
- ▶ Recovery in area of Storage/Recharge
- ▶ Cuts to aquifer (hot spots)
- ▶ Stakeholder Process
- ▶ List of related issues
- ▶ No permitted recharge projects in SCAMA now, but possibly in future
- ▶ Management of water supplies within aquifer/AMA



# Questions?

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