

**RESOLUTION NO. 2025-218**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF DEWEY-HUMBOLDT, ARIZONA, EXPRESSING ITS DESIRE FOR AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT AMONG THE REGIONAL GOVERNMENTS TO ESTABLISH A REGIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE AND EXPLORE CREATING A REGIONAL ORGANIZATION OR AUTHORITY CHARGED WITH IMPROVING THE REGIONAL GOVERNMENTS' WATER SECURITY.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Prescott, Town of Prescott Valley, Town of Chino Valley, Town of Dewey-Humboldt, and Yavapai County (collectively, the "Regional Governments") have governing jurisdictions within the Little Chino and Upper Agua Fria Subbasins, also known as the Prescott Active Management Area (the "Prescott AMA"); and

**WHEREAS**, in 1999, the State determined that the Prescott AMA consisting of the Little Chino and Upper Agua Fria Subbasins were out of safe yield and in need of sustainable groundwater management; and

**WHEREAS**, despite having relatively heavy regulations, groundwater overdraft in the Prescott AMA exceeds 21,000 AF annually, adversely impacting Del Rio Springs and decreasing the baseflows of the Upper Verde River; and

**WHEREAS**, cooperation among the Regional Governments is essential to achieving safe yield in the Prescott AMA and sustaining the historic baseflows of the Upper Verde River; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Common Council of the Town of Dewey-Humboldt (the "Town Council") desire to establish a regional steering committee comprising representatives of the Regional Governments and other relevant stakeholders (the "Committee") to explore creating a regional organization or authority focused on collaboratively achieving safe yield in the Prescott AMA and sustaining the historic baseflows of the Upper Verde River.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Common Council of the Town of Dewey-Humboldt, Arizona, as follows:

**SECTION 1.** The recitals above are hereby incorporated as if fully set forth herein.

**SECTION 2.** The Town Council hereby expresses its desire for an intergovernmental agreement among the Regional Governments to establish the Committee and explore creating a regional organization or authority focused on collaboratively achieving safe yield in the Prescott AMA and sustaining the historic baseflows of the Upper Verde River.

**SECTION 3.** The Town Council hereby offers to include within future budgets a related line-item funding code and contribute actual or in-kind funding or other resources to help recruit a professional facilitator and staff proficient in water resources to provide administrative support

for the Committee and assistance with creating a final report and presentation regarding the Committee's efforts to be shared with the Regional Governments.

**SECTION 4.** The Mayor, the Town Manager, the Town Clerk, and the Town Attorney are hereby authorized and directed to take steps necessary to carry out the purpose and intent of this resolution.

**SECTION 5.** This resolution will elapse in the event that the Committee dissolves.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Mayor and Common Council of the Town of Dewey-Humboldt, Arizona, this 26 day of August, 2025

APPROVED:

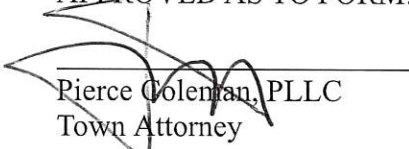


Mathew Fenn, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Chelsea Varney, Deputy Town Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
Pierce Coleman, PLLC  
Town Attorney  
By: Trish Stuhan, Esq.