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                    IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
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                   FOR THE DISTRICT OF ARIZONA AT TUCSON
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    PASQUA YAQUI TRIBE, et al.,
                                        Case No. 4:20-cv-00266-RM
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                Plaintiffs,
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                                        Assigned Judge: Hon. Rosemary Márquez
          v.
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    UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL)
                                              JOINT STIPULATION OF
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    PROTECTION AGENCY, et. al.,
                                       ) DISMISSAL WITHOUT PREJUDICE
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                Defendants,
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          and
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    ARIZONA ROCK PRODUCTS
    ASSOCIATION, et al.,
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                Intervenors-Defendants,
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          and
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    CHANTELL SACKETT and MICHAEL)
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    SACKETT,
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                Intervenors-Defendants.
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JOINT STIPULATION FOR DISMISSAL - 1

WHEREAS, on June 22, 2020, Plaintiffs Pascua Yaqui Tribe, Quinault Indian Nation, Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa, Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin, Tohono O'Odham Nation, and Bad River Band of Lake Superior Chippewa filed a complaint in this case, ECF No. 1, challenging two rules defining "Waters of the United States" (WOTUS) issued by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Agencies): one published in 2019, "Definition of 'Waters of the United States' – Recodification of Pre-Existing Rules," 84 Fed. Reg. 56,626 (2019 WOTUS Rule), that replaced the prior 2015 WOTUS Rule, and another published in 2020, "Navigable Waters Protection Rule," 85 Fed. Reg. 22,250 (2020 WOTUS Rule), that redefined the term WOTUS;

WHEREAS, the Court issued a memorandum order and opinion granting the Agencies' request to voluntarily remand the 2020 WOTUS Rule while granting Plaintiffs' request to vacate the rule. ECF No. 99 (August 30, 2021). In the same order, the Court denied without prejudice all other outstanding motions in the proceeding. *Id.* at 11;

WHEREAS, on November 30, 2021, the parties filed a joint proposal to hold Plaintiffs' remaining claims with respect to the 2019 WOTUS Rule in abeyance pending the completion of the Agencies' rulemaking regarding a revised definition of "waters of the United States," ECF No. 114, which the Court granted on December 6, 2021, ECF No. 116; and

WHEREAS, on January 18, 2023, the Agencies published a final rule entitled "Revised Definition of 'Waters of the United States'" in the Federal Register that supersedes prior WOTUS Rules, 88 Fed. Reg. 3004;

NOW, THEREFORE, all parties in the captioned litigation hereby agree to the following: Pursuant to Rule 41(a)(1)(A)(ii) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, the parties hereby stipulate to the voluntary dismissal without prejudice of the only

unresolved claims in this case, that is, those challenging the 2019 WOTUS Rule. The parties agree that each party shall bear its own costs and fees. The parties request that the Clerk now close this case.

Respectfully submitted this 8th day of February, 2023.

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¹ Intervenors-Defendants Chantell and Michael Sackett ("the Sacketts"), sought only limited intervention to defend Plaintiffs' claims against the provisions of the 2020 Navigable Waters Protection Rule defining "adjacent wetlands," 33 C.F.R. § 328.3(c)(1); 40 C.F.R. § 120.2(3)(i) (2020). See ECF No. 44 at 3. As such, the Sacketts did not seek leave to participate on the merits of Plaintiffs' remaining claims challenging the 2019 WOTUS Rule. See id. at 7 n.3. Because this Court's May 14, 2021, order granting the Sacketts' motion to intervene granted them party status "for all purposes," See ECF No. 170 at 3, the Sacketts join this stipulation of voluntary dismissal Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 41(a)(1)(A)(ii).

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on February 8, 2023, I electronically transmitted the foregoing to the Clerk of Court using the ECF system for filing and transmittal of a notice of electronic filing to registered counsel for all parties.

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