Winkelman Natural Resource Conservation District Land Management Plan

Policy 3 – Private Land Retention

It is the policy of the Winkelman District that there should be no net loss of private land within the District.

There is very little private land in the Winkelman District. Because of the way the District was settled, like most of the west, private lands in the District are generally the most productive and valuable lands. Private lands provide the tax base that supports most of the county services and they are the underlying commensurate lands for federal grazing leases.

The San Pedro and Gila Rivers are prime mitigation areas. Mitigation depletes the available private land in the District and weakens the tax base as well as the productive resource of the District. It is the policy of the Winkelman District to oppose any new transfers of private land for mitigation purposes.

Passed and adopted this 6 day of January 2010, by the following vote.

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