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70-2

RELATING TO THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATION ACT OF 1968, PUBLIC LAW 90-577, AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF PLANNING DISTRICTS WITHIN THE STATE OF ARIZONA

WHEREAS, the Intergovernmental Cooperation Act of 1968, Public Law 90-577, places certain responsibilities upon the states for coordination of Federal, State and local plans and projects; and

WHEREAS, the Bureau of the Budget, charged by Congress for implementation of said Act has issued a series of Circulars, A-80, A-82, A-95 and A-96 pertaining thereto; and

WHEREAS, Circular A-80 said in part, "the multiplicity of unrelated planning jurisdictions and activities now existing under various federal programs inhibits their most effective operation." To help correct this situation, the President called for procedures which would encourage:

"State and local planning agencies to work together in using common or consistent planning bases and in sharing planning facilities and resources, and utilization of common boundaries for planning and development districts or regions assisted by the Federal Government and consistency of such districts with established state planning and development districts and regions."

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the State to encourage local initiative in developing organizational and procedural arrangements for coordinating comprehensive and functional activities and to avoid overlap, duplication, and competition between local planning activities; and

WHEREAS, the State must exercise its leadership in delineating and establishing a system of planning and development districts which provide a consistent geographic base for the coordination of federal, state and local development programs; and

WHEREAS, Executive Order 69-6 was issued on the 28th day of October 1969, which established preliminary planning districts pending the completion of a study to determine the most suitable and logical boundaries for planning districts within the State; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Economic Planning and Development has completed said study; and

WHEREAS, Bureau of the Budget Circulars A-95 and A-96, which supercede, in part, Circulars A-80 and A-82, and which require, as of October 1, 1969, the establishment of a Project Notification and Review System based upon compatible planning jurisdictions in order to facilitate the development of coordinated regions and statewide planning and review activities with regard to many federal programs, demand immediate action on the part of the State of Arizona and the executive branch of government to establish a statewide clearing house to effectuate the Project Notification System required

by Bureau of the Budget Circulars A-95 and A-96; and

WHEREAS, there have been a number of proposals from both federal and local agencies to establish planning areas within the State which, if implemented, would lead to gross duplication and overlapping of geographic and functional areas of concern;

NOW, IHEREFORE, I, Jack Williams, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby direct that the State of Arizona be divided into six planning districts described as follows:

PLANNING DISTRICTS

1. Maricopa County
2. Pima County
3. Apache County
   Coconino County
   Navajo County
   Yavapai County
4. Mohave County
   Yuma County
5. Gila County
   Pinal County
6. Cochise County
   Graham County
   Greenlee County
   Santa Cruz County

All planning functions currently under way, or to be undertaken, on a district, regional or area-wide basis within the state are now asked to conform to the prescribed planning areas or combinations thereof. All general or special purpose planning jurisdictions established, or to be established, and all planning programs undertaken pursuant thereto by federal agencies, state or local jurisdictions or combinations of local jurisdictions are requested to conform to said boundaries.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona.

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix this 8th day of July in the year of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy and of the Independence of the United States the One Hundred and Ninety-fifth.

Jack Williams
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Wesley Bolin
Secretary of State

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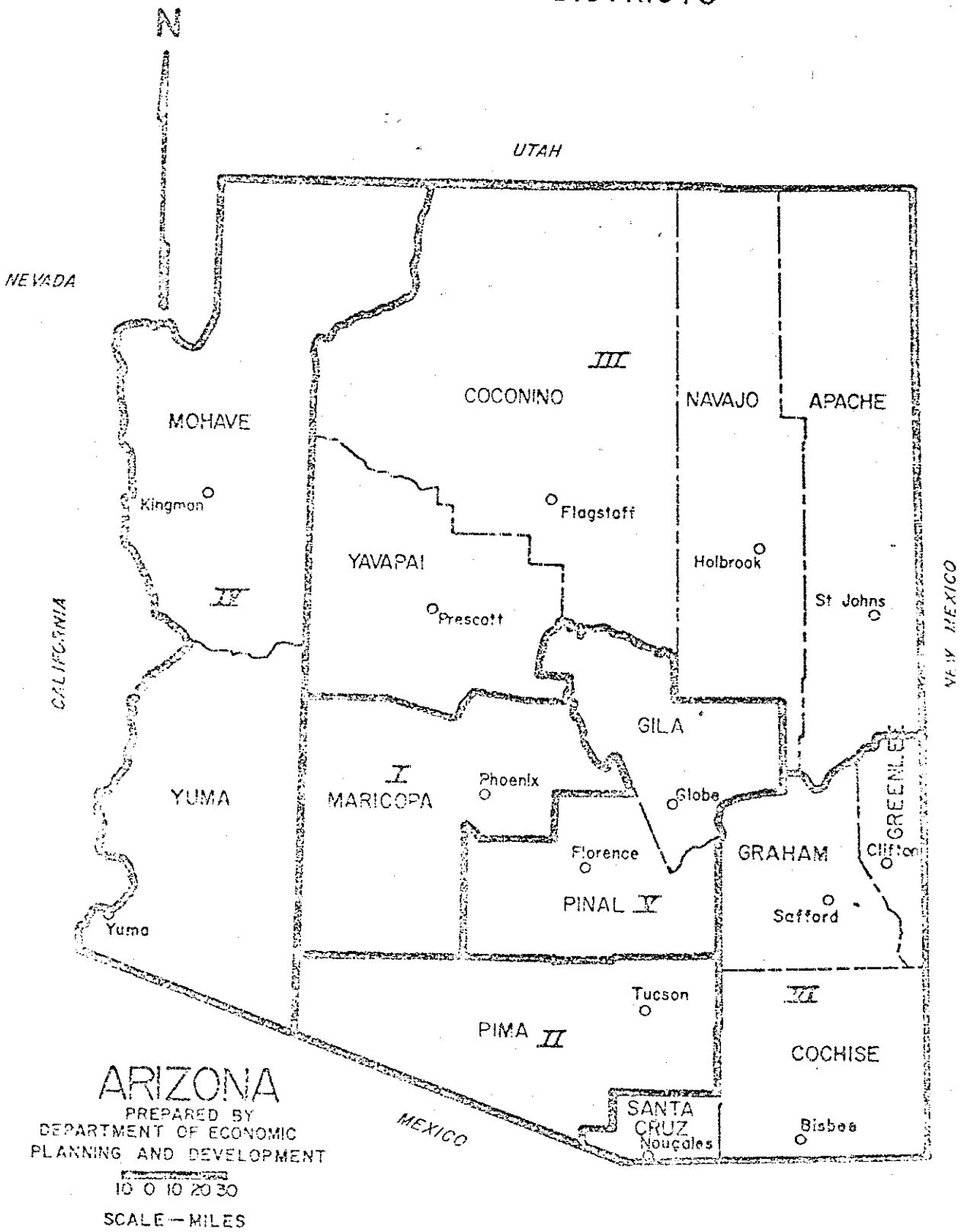
FIGURE 5

STATE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DISTRICTS



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