

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS

In the Matter of:)
)
AUTHORIZING A RENEWAL OF THE)
WAIVER TO UTILIZE A ONE-PERSON)
TEAM FOR INTENSIVE PROBATION)
SUPERVISION IN LA PAZ COUNTY)

Administrative Directive
No. 2013 - 07

Arizona Revised Statutes § 13-916 provides:

- A. The chief adult probation officer in each county, with approval of the presiding judge of the superior court, shall appoint intensive probation teams consisting of one adult probation officer and one surveillance officer, two adult probation officers or one adult probation officer and two surveillance officers.
- B. A two person intensive probation team shall supervise no more than twenty-five persons at one time, and a three person intensive probation team shall supervise no more than forty persons at one time.

Arizona Revised Statutes § 13-919 provides:

The requirements of section 13-916, subsection A, subsection B and subsection F, paragraph 2 may be waived for a county if the case load of adult probation officers supervising persons on intensive probation is not more than fifteen persons and the program requires visual contact with each probationer at least one time a week.

Administrative Code § 6-202.01 (O) (2) and (3) provide:

- 2. The presiding judge shall file a waiver request pursuant to A.R.S. §§ 13-916 and 13-919 with the AOC on a form prescribed by the administrative director. The administrative director shall consider the following when determining whether to grant the waiver:
 - a. The number of offenders on intensive probation supervision in the requesting county;
 - b. The geographical make up of the requesting county and the communities that would be served under the waiver; and
 - c. The impact to the program and the implementation of evidence-based supervision by utilizing one-person teams.

3. Waiver requests shall be renewed annually if the participating court expects to maintain caseloads of no more than fifteen persons on intensive probation supervision caseloads.

On April 15, 2013, the Honorable Sam Vederman, Presiding Judge of the Superior Court in La Paz County, requested the Administrative Office of the Courts to renew the waiver to allow the La Paz County Adult Probation Department to utilize a one-person Intensive Probation Supervision team. The Administrative Director has given due consideration to this request and finds that it is in compliance with statutory requirements for a renewal of the waiver.

Therefore, pursuant to Administrative Code § 6-202.01 (O)(2) and (3),

IT IS DIRECTED that the Superior Court in La Paz County is granted a renewal of the waiver exempting the probation department from the requirements of A.R.S. § 13-916(A)(B) and (F)(2) for every IPS officer who provides supervision of not more than fifteen persons and has visual contact with each probationer at least one time per week. All other IPS officers in the county shall supervise probationers as required by A.R.S. § 13-916.

IT IS FURTHER DIRECTED that this renewal of the waiver is effective on and after June 27, 2013.

Dated this 7th day of June, 2013.

David K. Byers
Administrative Director