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

In the Matter of:	)	
	)	
AUTHORIZING A WAIVER TO	)	Administrative Directive
UTILIZE A ONE-PERSON TEAM	)	No. 2014 - 13
FOR JUVENILE INTENSIVE	)	
PROBATION SUPERVISION IN	)	
COCONINO COUNTY	)	
	)	

Arizona Revised Statutes § 8-353 provides:

A. The chief juvenile probation officer or the director of court services in each county, with approval of the presiding juvenile court judge of the superior court, shall appoint juvenile probation teams consisting of two juvenile probation officers or one juvenile probation officer and one surveillance officer or one juvenile probation officer and two surveillance officers.
B. A two person intensive probation team shall supervise no more than twenty-five juveniles at one time. A three person team shall supervise no more than forty juveniles at one time.
C. The juvenile intensive probation team shall do all of the following:
1. Secure and keep a complete identification record of each juvenile supervised by the team and a written statement of the conditions of the probation.
2. Exercise close supervision and observation over juveniles who are ordered to participate in the intensive probation program including both of the following:
(a) Visual contact with each probationer at least four times per week.
(b) Weekly contact with the school, employer, community restitution agency or treatment program of the probationer.

Arizona Revised Statutes § 8-356 provides:

A. The supreme court may waive the requirements of § 8-353, subsections A and B and subsection C, paragraph 2 for a county if the case load of officers supervising juveniles on intensive probation is not more than fifteen juveniles and the program requires visual contact with each probationer at least one time a week.
B. If a waiver is granted and the intensive probation case load for each officer does not exceed fifteen, officers may supervise other additional juveniles on probation who in the judgment of the chief probation officer require additional supervision or pose a greater than normal risk to the community, as long as the total case load does not exceed fifteen.

Administrative Code § 6-302 (L) (3) and (4) provide:

3. The presiding juvenile court judge shall file a waiver request pursuant to A.R.S. §§ 8-356 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 juveniles on intensive probation supervision in the requesting county;

    b. The geographical makeup 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.

4. If a waiver is granted, it will be in force until such time as the presiding juvenile court judge notifies the AOC in writing that the use of the waiver is no longer necessary or when the AOC notifies the presiding juvenile court judge that the waiver is no longer authorized.

On May 22, 2014, the Honorable Margaret McCullough, Presiding Juvenile Court Judge of the Superior Court in Coconino County, requested the Administrative Office of the Courts to grant a waiver to allow the Coconino County Juvenile Probation Department to utilize a one-person Juvenile 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 waiver.

Therefore, pursuant to ACJA § 6-302(L),

IT IS DIRECTED that the Superior Court in Coconino County is granted a waiver exempting the probation department from the requirements of A.R.S. § 8-353(A)(B) and (C)(2) for every JIPS 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 JIPS officers in the county shall supervise probationers as required by A.R.S. § 8-353.

IT IS FURTHER DIRECTED that this waiver is effective on and after the date of signature.

Dated this 14th day of July, 2014.

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David K. Byers
Administrative Director