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SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA INDIAN COMMUNITY TO COMPETE FOR NEW SPRING TRAINING FACILITY FOR ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS

Council Endorses Submitting a Proposal for RFP

SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA INDIAN COMMUNITY – The Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community Council voted to explore the feasibility of a Spring Training partnership with the Arizona Diamondbacks and Colorado Rockies. A proposed location is within the corridor west of the 101 freeway, north of Indian Bend and south of Via de Ventura. Other locations are also under consideration.

"We are extremely excited to have the opportunity to participate in this partnership," said Martin Harvier, Vice President Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community. "The new facility will be of great benefit to our Community as it will bring a best-in-class complex for baseball that will complement Talking Stick Golf Club, our new resort hotel and spa and our retail developments. This project also ensures that we will continue to diversify our economy with quality development. And it will provide good jobs for our people and for others who live in the greater metropolitan area. We see this complex as being a tremendous asset for our Community, visitors and all who live in our region."

Led by Community Manager, Bryan Meyers, staff is preparing the response to the request for proposals which is due March 27, 2009.

The Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community is a sovereign tribe located in the metropolitan Phoenix area. Established by Executive Order on June 14, 1879, the Community operates as a full-service government and oversees departments, programs, projects and facilities. Bounded by the cities of Scottsdale, Tempe, Mesa and Fountain Hills, the Community encompasses 52,600 acres, with 19,000 held as a natural preserve. With two distinct backgrounds and cultures, the Community is comprised of two Native American tribes: the Pima, "Akimel O'Odham" (River People) and the Maricopa, "Xalychidom Piipaash" (People who live toward the water). Today, more than 8,700 individuals are enrolled tribal members. The Community proudly owns and operates several successful enterprises including Salt River Materials Group, Talking Stick Golf Club, Salt River Financial Services, Saddleback Communications, Salt River Devco, Casino Arizona at Salt River and Salt River Landfill.

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