

AZ BLM Rectangular Survey Field Notes (“2 AZ BLM Rec Filterable.xlsx”)

Although Survey Plats and Field Notes are products of the same survey, Plats and Notes are filed in the State Office under two separate systems. Plats are filed in Plat Books by Township and Range. Field Notes are filed by sequential Book Numbers that are assigned as the surveys are approved. Prior to 1986, corresponding Book Numbers were not notated on the Plats. Since BLM has moved away from Micro Fiche to a digital environment for hosting plats and notes, relating Survey Plats to the corresponding Field Notes for surveys prior to 1986 is problematic. To resolve this issue, the “2_AZ_BLM_Rec_Filterable.xlsx” spreadsheet was created to relate surveys prior to 1989 that are filed by Township and Range to the corresponding Field Note Book Number. Starting in 1982 Field Note Book Numbers were starting to be noted on the plats, somewhat intermittently, with full implementation within the next few years.

If you are looking for a set of notes and do not see them on the website, please contact the BLM Arizona Cadastral Survey Program at blm_az_cadastral_services@blm.gov or 602-417-9200.

Township and Range Fields

The first digit is only a place holder and will always be 0. The second and third digits represent the Township or Range Number. The fourth digit is used to designate 1/2 Township and Range and will be 2 if it is a 1/2 Township or Range, otherwise it will be 0.

Examples:

Township 2 South, Range 13 East designated 0020S 0130E

Township 15 1/2 North, Range 4 West designated 0152N 0040W

Principle Meridian Field

14 = Gila and Salt River Meridian

22 = Navajo (Cancelled)(Except for a portion of T05NR10W)

23 = New Mexico

26 = Salt Lake

27 = San Bernardino

Survey Line Code Field

A = Tracts (Mete-and-Bounds)

B = Boundaries (State Lines, International Boundary)

C = Segregation Survey

D = Subdivisional Lines

E = East Township Line

F = Military Boundary

G = Grant Boundary

I = Indian Reservation Boundary

N = North Township Line

M = Mineral Survey

S = South Township Line

T = Townsite Survey

W = West Township Line

X = HES