

FROM THE OFFICE OF THE GILA COUNTY TREASURER

In late fall 2012 the Gila County Treasurers office was notified that our existing property tax program was becoming obsolete and would not have a maintenance agreement after December 31, 2012. Gila County does not have on staff a computer programmer who could write such a program, so a decision was made to submit to the public for bid a contract for a new tax system.

After thorough research for the best product and price, a choice was made and the contract was approved by the Board of Supervisors in the spring of 2013. Since that time, the Treasurers' office has been working with this firm on the conversion process of moving all the data from the old system to the new one. The time consuming job of proofing approximately 50,000 secured and unsecured tax records data for the prior seven years is still ongoing. Unfortunately, the technological firm we are working with has just informed the Gila County Treasurer that the date to provide data to the printer for the printing of our 2013 tax bills is going to be later than we hoped despite the many months we have expended in this process.

The Treasurer wishes to inform the public that the 2013 property tax bills will not be mailed in September this year, but as soon as they can be made available. The delinquency date **will be** moved to accommodate the late mailing. We do not expect the delay to be very long. We are in frequent contact with the printer to ensure we will have top priority when we are ready.

If you have any further questions, please call my office at 1-928-425-3231 ext. 8702, 8703, 8705. Thank you for your consideration in this matter, and as always my office is here to serve the public.