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From: Lower Sonoran RMP
Subject: Lower Sonoran Field Office and Sonoran Desert National Monument RMP

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Sent: Monday, October 10, 2011 8:23 AM
To: BLM_AZ_LSFO_SDNM_RMP
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Dear BLM:

While we now live in Colorado we spent almost 40 years in Arizona. We continue to travel with our recreational vehicle each winter to Arizona. The areas described by BLM in the Lower Sonoran Field Office and Sonoran Desert National Monument RMP documents are well worth efforts to protect but also use. While OHV use should be controlled and restricted to existing roads, trails and major washes it should not be closed off.

Hunting should be allowed under control and management of the Arizona Game and Fish Department. They have experience, expertise and enforcement personnel to make sure that hunting in these areas is biologically sound and done legally. Recreational shooting is a safe and proper use of these lands. If there are sensitive areas that need added protection restrict use in the smaller areas but not over a majority of Southwestern Arizona.

If the concern is misuse or illegal acts, please do not close off the areas to OHV, hunting and shooting, regulate the misuse and enforce the existing laws and rules. If BLM can't enforce the existing laws and feels it does not have enough Desert Rangers – hire more or commission some office people and get them out in the field. More restrictions without enforcement is stupid and just causes added problems and disrespect for all enforcement efforts.

By restricting access and use in these areas by American Citizens you are not only cutting them out of lands they've enjoyed for generations and from legal activities they enjoy, you are turning over more of our country to drug runners, illegal immigrants and others who don't care about our lands, country and traditions.

Please rethink what you are doing to our American values – this is not management it is exclusion. Please keep these areas open to multiple uses.

Sincerely;

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