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**To:** [Peggy Fry](#)  
**Subject:** FW: proposed line siting  
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**Cc:** Incardine, Joseph J; Depukat, Kathleen; Ellen Carr  
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[REDACTED],

Thank you for your attached comments on the proposed Sun Valley to Morgan Transmission Line. The comments will be included in the project administrative record and considered in preparing the final Environmental Impact Statement.

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
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Bureau of Land Management  
Joe Incardine, National Project Manager  
Sun Valley to Morgan Proposed Project  
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November 25, 2012

Re: 2800, 1610(P010)  
AZA-35079

Dear Mr. Incardine,

I am writing to again express opposition to the Line Siting Committee's decision to place major utility lines along State Route 74. Any proposed High Voltage Utility towers would be highly detrimental to the pristine and environmentally sensitive lands along this designated Scenic Corridor. Diamond Venture's Alternate Route 3 North, which ultimately was chosen by the Line Siting Committee, poses an even greater threat to the enjoyment of tens of thousands of people in the region who utilize the Federal BLM lands for recreational and travel purposes.

The Bureau of Land Management has spent over 6 years revising the Resource Management Plan in this area to further restrict and protect its environment, sensitive habitat and recreational use. No utility lines were requested or identified during that process. The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) was enacted to help protect Federal lands that are owned by the Citizens of the United States from greedy self-interests. The BLM NEPA public process is certain to highlight and elevate the intense opposition to degradation of these environmentally-sensitive Federal Lands. NEPA requires that other alternatives must be taken if they are viable.

The last few scenic, easily accessible, critical desert habitats in the entire region should not be compromised for the benefit of those few who would profit or benefit from this line siting at the expense of the general public. The Maricopa County Regional Parks, AZ Dept of Fish & Wildlife, the AZ State Lands Dept, many environmental groups such as Sierra Club & Friends of the Sonoran Upland, not to mention APS themselves, have expressed opposition to this route. State Route 74 has both Scenic Corridor designation and BLM land on both sides of the road, therefore making this corridor the most illogical choice.

As a member/resident of the Quintero development, I am deeply concerned about this project destroying the pristine desert land that surrounds us. It is one of the attributes that led me to this location. This isn't about my backyard, but my backyard is Federal land that belongs to everyone and it should be preserved for the future posterity of all of our children and grandchildren. I appreciate your consideration in this important matter.



