

**From:** [Meredith Griffin](#)  
**To:** [Peggy Fry](#)  
**Subject:** FW: WAS AN EIS STUDY DONE REGARDING THE ENDANGERED PROTECTED DESERT TORTOISE  
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**From:** [REDACTED]  
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**Subject:** Re: WAS AN EIS STUDY DONE REGARDING THE ENDANGERED PROTECTED DESERT TORTOISE

Dear Mr. Godfrey,

I am seeking the information -----your reply to my most recent cc'd e-mail to you-----  
-----from the City of Peoria and have now for weeks--maybe a month or more.  
Under the Freedom of Information laws of the State of Arizona-----they too like you and your  
office are in violation of Federal laws regarding freedom of Information.

I was informed by the Utah Office of Joe Incardine-----that he did not have a copy ,  
was not given one and did not ask for one. On top of that, he knew and had no information regarding  
this most recent request to the City of Peoria-and my response at the time was-----THEN HIS  
HEARINGS AND COMMENT PERIOD AND HIS NOT HAVING EXTREMELY IMPORTANT  
INFORMATION, [ there are numerous other details and information issues, numerous ones that he has  
claimed he does not know, was not informed, did not include did not make public, was not included in  
any studies nor did he inform the public in any way--in fact-hide from the public along with not  
informing the public properly and according to law, these facts-----plus additional DETAILS, STUDIES  
ETC, ETC, missing, lied about, he being ill-informed, not knowing, etc, etc, MAKES HIS HEARINGS  
AND COMMENT PERIOD TOTALLY FLAWED -----and new ones must be held once ALL the  
information, the documents COPIES OF----- are made available and everything is brought out in the  
open, as is required by law.

I suggest you and Mr. Cardine go over our requests for information going back a month or more-  
-----VERY SPECIFIC REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION-----and his refusal to provide anything-----  
-----and not knowing-----and now just passing these requests on to you.

I would also suggest that you and Mr. Cardine just take our requests for information-----  
COPIES OF---- as is our right under the law-----AND PROVIDE SAID COPIES ASAP-----AS  
both you and Mr. Cardine have been purposely hiding information and delaying the process for the  
information and copies we are entitled to.

Lets be clear-----Mr. Cardine just provided the link yesterday -----YESTERDAY-----  
WHEN HE AND YOU HAVE HAD THESE REQUESTS FOR MONTHS ACCORDING TO MR.  
CARDINE. SOMETHING VERY WRONG WITH HIS OFFICE AND YOURS IF YOU ARE NOW JUST  
GETTING BACK TO ME-----

AS YOU HAVE BEEN FORMALLY NOTIFIED OF THESE REQUESTS FOR MONTHS  
BY MR. CARDINE AND HE HAS CONFIRMED THIS.

I see no need in the matter you are replying to----- THE REQUESTS OF A EIS study either  
made by the City of Peoria or by the developer's that the BLM made a land swap deal some time  
back-----HUGE CONFLICT OF INTEREST -- POSSIBLY BEING ILLEGAL-----AS MR. CARDINE  
TOLD ME HE DID NOT HAVE, DID NOT KNOW ABOUT, DID NOT ASK FOR AND DID NOT

RECEIVE, AND HIS REPLY WAS THEY WERE A CO-OPERATING AGENCY----- and my response was this co-operating agency was also in violation of State law regarding Freedom of Information laws as you and Mr. Cardine are with regards to Federal law. Mr. Cardine knew nothing about the major issues regarding the Quintero Country Club-----strange-really strange-----and other issues clearly that have to be in the public domain and are not-----and the BLM claiming they knew nothing-----sort of a Sgt.Schultz reply from the old Hogan's Hero's TV series that you are bring back into vogue-----or trying to and is not funny.

If the City has failed to provide such a study and you and the BLM failed to ask for one-----OR----- one was not done----by whom-ever, as I have been lead to believe-----that alone is reason under the law for new hearings to be scheduled . That alone.....

By the way---was informed by the BLM-and Mr. Cardine-----not his responsibility ?????????? The desert tortoise is a protected species, endangered, as is its habitat-----by the Federal government---and the BLM made a group --forcibly buy about 660 acres at a huge cost-----and now on both the north side and south side there is no issue of the desert tortoise and its habitat????????? You guys miss an awful lot. At the same time-----as you are required by law to protect this species and others and their habitat-----by having the option of using BLM land on the north side for some 9 miles-----YOU-THE BLM FULLY KNOWING AND UNDERSTANDING THAT THE SOUTH SIDE WILL TOTALLY DESTROY ANY DESERT TORTOISE'S AND THEIR HABITAT-----THAT THE BLM IS AUTHORIZING THE DESTRUCTION OF THIS PROTECTED SPECIES AND ITS HABITAT BY ALLOWING APS TO USE BLM LAND WHEN IT IS CLEAR TO ALL YOU DO NOT HAVE TO AND CAN PROTECT THE HALF THE 9 MILE STRETCH ON THE NORTH AND SOUTH SIDE-----OF BLM LAND-----WHICH YOU ARE LEGALLY REQUIRED TO DO. YOU DID DENY APS ONCE BEFORE.

There were numerous other issues we raised--- too many to go into at this time in this e-mail, and to the proper party----Mr Cardine---the responsible party-----that he knew nothing about, did not ask for, did not receive , and did not forward our requests as he was legally obligated to-----which in those issues alone-----make the demand for new hearings a for gone conclusion-----there has to be new hearings-----

Please review our requests-----all of them not just the one we cc'd you, and you are reply to just now---February 1st, 2013, regarding the City of Peoria-a so called co-operating agency that is not co-operating and is in violation of State law.

You have our formal requests for specific copies of information OR SHOULD HAVE as we were informed they were sent to you from day one. We have clearly shown new hearings must be held and the comment period extended, due to your purposely delaying these issues along with Mr. Cardine in getting the copies of information we are entitled to so we can go over and ask questions about so the public is fully informed of all the issues and all the facts and to be legally notified according to the laws you must abide by. You have not-----Mr Cardine has not.

Once you confirm you have all of our very specific requests for copies that Mr. Cardine sent you--- check with Mr Cardine---that we sent him going back a month or more-----let me know and we will be happy to review with you so we do not waste any more time .

Again-----I am in Thailand, Laos and Vietnam on business I can not call you as Mr Cardine was fully informed weeks [ Dec. 2012 } before I left [ Jan 17th, 2013 ] so he had more then enough time to properly handle these very important matters-----as you did-----

As Mr. Cardine is now passing the buck so to speak at this late date-----February 1st, 2012----- look forward to you expediting matters and we start to get copies of the information we have been requesting for weeks into months now-----thank you

regards,







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