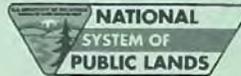


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 Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS: I think that the proposed route along SR 74 would be the best route for the proposed APS lines

Thank you

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 Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS:

THE PROPOSED ROUTE ALONG 74
 IS FINE BY US

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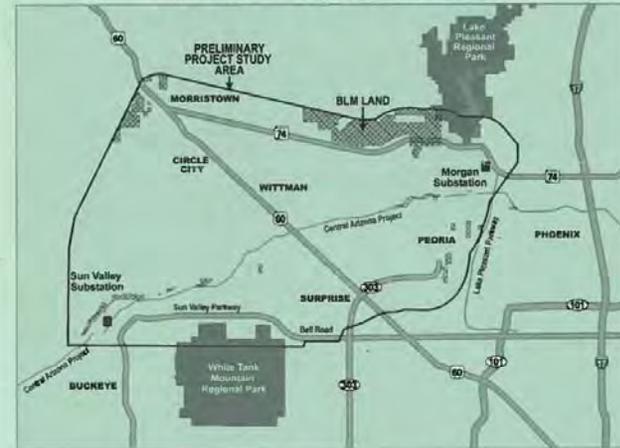
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RE: APS Sun Valley to Morgan Transmission Line Project; ACC Decision No. 70850

Dear Mr. Incardine:

The Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") appreciates the opportunity to comment on the Bureau of Land Management's ("BLM") public participation process regarding the request for amendment of BLM's Resource Management Plan. The request for amendment of BLM's RMP principally concerns Arizona Public Service Company's Sun Valley to Morgan transmission project.

By statute, the Commission has jurisdiction for transmission planning through its Biennial Transmission Assessment ("BTA") and bears the additional state responsibility to site power plants and transmission lines over 115 kV.¹ The Commission's vast involvement in the transmission arena accords it special expertise through both law and experience. As you know, the Commission granted a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility ("CEC") for APS' transmission project on March 17, 2009, which sited a 7 mile portion of the 38 mile project on BLM land.

Under statute, the Commission is required to prepare a BTA which encompasses a 10 year forward looking assessment of Arizona's transmission needs, including proposed routes, estimated operational dates, and purposes to be served by proposed transmission lines.² Since 2001, the Commission has completed and approved six separate BTA proceedings. The need for a 500 kV line through the areas North and West of the Phoenix Metropolitan area, approximating the path of the Sun Valley to Morgan project, was initially identified in the Third BTA, which was completed in 2004.³

The Commission's decision regarding APS' project was founded on extensive public participation, hearings, and thorough deliberation. In evaluating applications for a CEC, the Line Siting Committee and Commission, are statutorily required to consider environmental factors, historic and archeological sites, and total environment of the area as part of the analysis.⁴ As noted in our December 9, 2010 letter, the proceeding involved over 3,600 pages of transcript, 14 separate days before the Arizona Power Plant and Transmission Line Siting Committee, and three separate Commission hearings. Additionally, the Commission received public comment from 18 separate intervenors and numerous concerned constituents who requested a balance of the equities and an appropriate transmission path.

In selecting the approved transmission path, the Commission believed it represented an appropriate balance between the expressed concerns of intervenors, the applicant and public participants. The BLM is likely to consider transmission paths previously evaluated by the Commission. We encourage the BLM to accord due weight and standing to the work already undertaken by the Commission.

¹ A.R.S. §40-360 - 40-360.13 (2010).

² A.R.S. §40-360.02(C) (2010).

³ See Third Biennial Transmission Assessment, November 30, 2004, Table 8, Pg 63.

⁴ A.R.S. §40-360.06 (A) (2010).

Timely development of the Sun Valley to Morgan project is critical for ensuring transmission reliability, enabling access to renewable generation, and creating appropriate grid redundancies in the system. Unnecessary delay threatens the proposed in-service dates and creates additional and unneeded challenges to meeting utility loads.

As the Commission understands it, BLM's existing RMP recognizes a transportation corridor for the Arizona Department of Transportation, coincident to the approved path. Given this anticipated transportation path, the Commission believes BLM should fully consider opportunities for colocation of transmission and transportation paths along the approved route. Planned state and federal corridors, whether exclusively utility corridors or not, minimize environmental disturbances and expedite transmission development. Colocation of 500 kV and 230 kV lines is similarly advantageous for minimizing the overall transmission footprint and ratepayer costs.

As BLM moves forward with reviewing APS' request for amendment, the Commission asks that full consideration be accorded to the time, participation, and work that went into the approved CEC and transmission path.

Thank you for your consideration of these comments.

Sincerely,

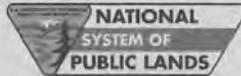
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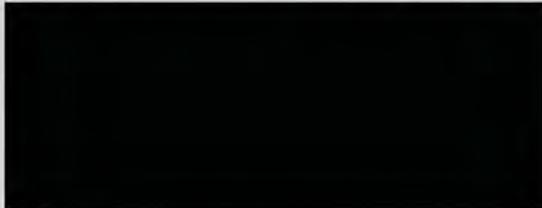
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Organization (if applicable) _____

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Withhold personal information* YES NO

Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS:

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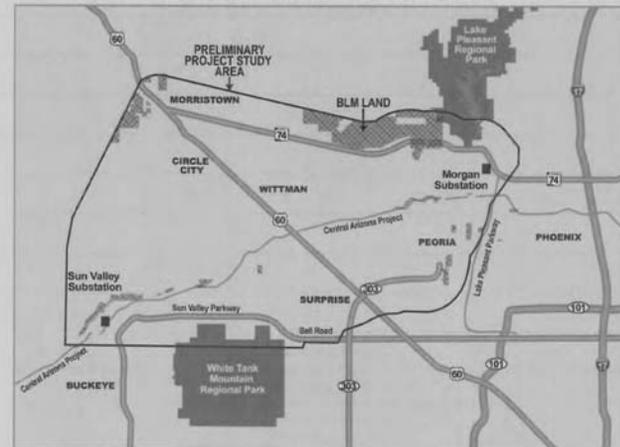
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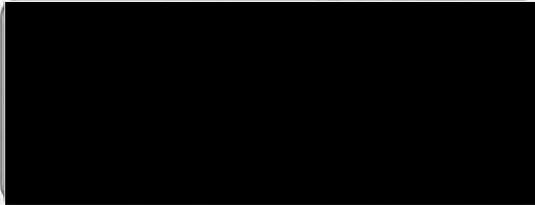
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Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS: I support the proposed resource management plan. Thank you.

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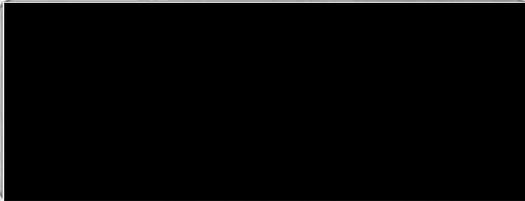
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COMMENTS:

We would like the route to be along State Route 74 as approved by the Arizona Corporation Commission. It still seems to be the most feasible - We have supported this and it was already approved.

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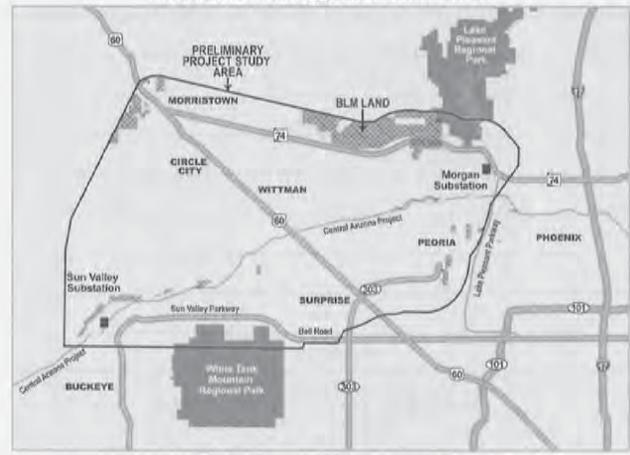
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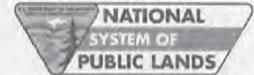
Mr Incardine/Ms Depukat;

I attended the April 28, 2011 meeting at the Peoria Community Center where the APS transmission line location from Sun Valley to Morgan was discussed. I wish to state my continued support for the location along SR 74 as proposed by APS and supported by the Arizona Corporation Commission. I do not see any valid reason(s) to locate this line at an alternate location as the co-location of this utility along a right-of-way makes good sense. SR 74 is not officially designated as a scenic corridor. It is used to get to scenic areas certainly but not in and of itself a scenic wonder. Being on the fringe of a secondary habitat for the desert tortoise is a weak issue at best. The highway adjacent is more of a hazard to the tortoise than are the power lines.

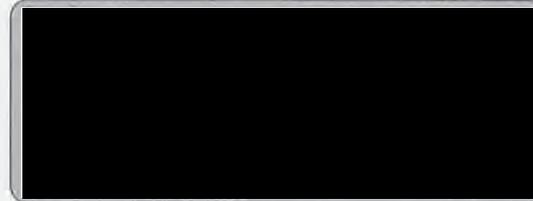
Alternate possible locations place these lines close to areas inhabited by humans. There is substantial scientific study that indicates there are potential health risks to humans subjected to close proximity to high voltage transmission lines. Additionally, alternate routes place these lines in pristine desert areas that do not have a highway right-of-way already in existence. I urge BLM to allow placement of these APS transmission lines adjacent to the north side of SR 74.

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Withhold personal information* YES NO
Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS:

I SUPPORT THE ROUTE APPROVED BY THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION USING THE SR74 ROUTE AS A MULTI-USE CORRIDOR. I URGE AMENEMENT OF THE RMP IN THIS REGARD. THE MULTI-USE OF AN EXISTING R.O.W. MAKES SENSE. THE AREA OF SR74 PROPOSED FOR THESE TRANSMISSION LINES IS SOMEWHAT SCENIC, PEOPLE ON THIS ROAD ARE ON THEIR WAY TO MORE SCENIC DESERT AREAS THAN OCCURS ALONG THE R.O.W. IN ANY EVENT, POWERSHOULD BE SIMPLE AND NOT BUILT-UP STEEL STRUCTURES.

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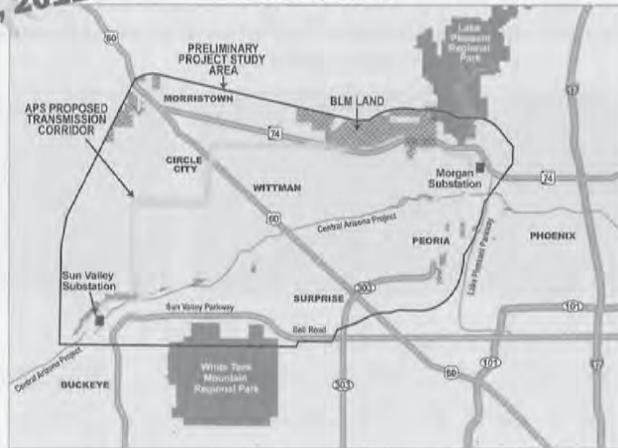
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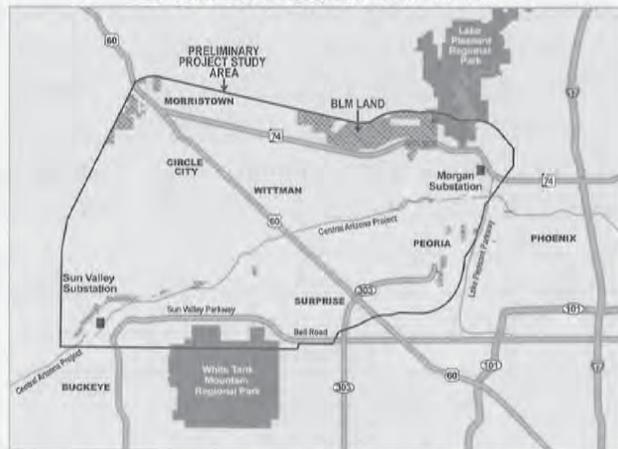
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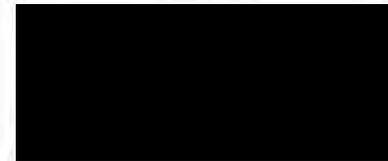
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Bureau of Land Management,

I believe your rejection of the request from APS and the residents of Visticia to place power distribution lines along the north side of SR 74 is misguided. Not only would property values in the community be affected, but the health and wellbeing of the current and future homeowners as well as the wild life in the surrounding area would be at risk. Placing these Power lines north of SR 74 would do little in disrupting the scenic views seeing as a roadway cuts through ~~this land~~ anyway. This move is supported by APS, local residents, city officials, the Arizona Corporation Commissioners and congressional representatives. So get on board and do what is right.

Thank you,



TO:

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Hassayampa Field Office
Attn: Joe Incardine/Kathleen Depukat
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DATE: May 17, 2011

MESSAGE:

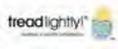
As a family who just purchased a home in Vistancia, we strongly oppose the placement of Power lines by APS on the north side of SR 74.

We are concerned for many reasons but just to list a few are as follows. We did not move to Vistancia under power lines and we do not feel it is conducive to our property values as well as our children's future health risks. 8 miles of power lines along totally pristine desert as opposed to a stretch ~~that~~ of land that is already disturbed by a major roadway? This doesn't make any sense!

that will be disturbed, the scenic views, property values as well as efficiency.

Sincerely,





Attn: Kathleen Depukat, National Project Manager, BLM Phoenix District Office/Hassayampa Field Office

Subject: Sun Valley to Morgan Scoping APS corridor EIS

Arizona Off Highway Vehicle Coalition and Arizona Trail Riders Org appreciate the chance to comment on the BLM's latest planning for the Hwy 74 Area SRMA and RMZ area that includes the Boulders OHV area. Our organizations have worked with the BLM since the early 1990s on this recreation area and its planning. It is one of the most popular OHV /multiuse areas in Maricopa County and has State And Federal Grants to manage and protect the areas natural resources.

We do not support a power line corridor in this area on BLM lands.

Our comments:

1) Don Diamond , a large developer in the Peoria area and near one of the original possible corridor locations has asked that APS look elsewhere for the power line corridor because it will affect his property values.

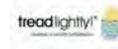
This should not be used as an excuse for moving the power line corridor on to the BLM BOULDERS OHV/multiuse Recreation area.

The BLM did not include a Power line corridor in the RMP For the BOULDERS OHV /Multiuse area. It was left out to protect the visual and natural resources in this area. Please LEAVE IT THAT WAY.

2) As was seen when the Gas Pipe Line was built along I17, the trail system will be cut up by the new road to build the power line. This will cause a huge problem with new trails being created from the access road to build the power lines. This road would provide access to areas unreachable before construction, causing further resource damage.

3) Millions of dollars have been spent on this area (Boulders OHV area), from inventory to dust treatment of the access roads.....The cost to mitigate the resource damage and repair the trail system during and after the power lines were installed would be in the hundreds of thousands of dollars. Who would foot the bill to do all the needed planning , repairs and law enforcement to recover area? ***OHV users currently contribute \$25 per OHV to State Parks Fund to keep areas open.....we should not have to pay to repair damages from APS placement of corridor.***

4) APS seems to think OHV/ multiuse recreationists don't care about what the area looks like. This areas natural beauty is part of the attraction for the public to visit this location. We also see it as a big part of the States economy. The tourist industry is the only portion of the State Economy that has been fairly stable during the down turn. Thousands visit the Boulders from Out of State each year. A natural environment is a must for site seers and OHV alike. This is not the area for a power line corridor. OHV recreation is a 4.3 BILLION dollar a year industry for AZ economy, ***we consider this as a direct impact to that recreation and tourism industry.***



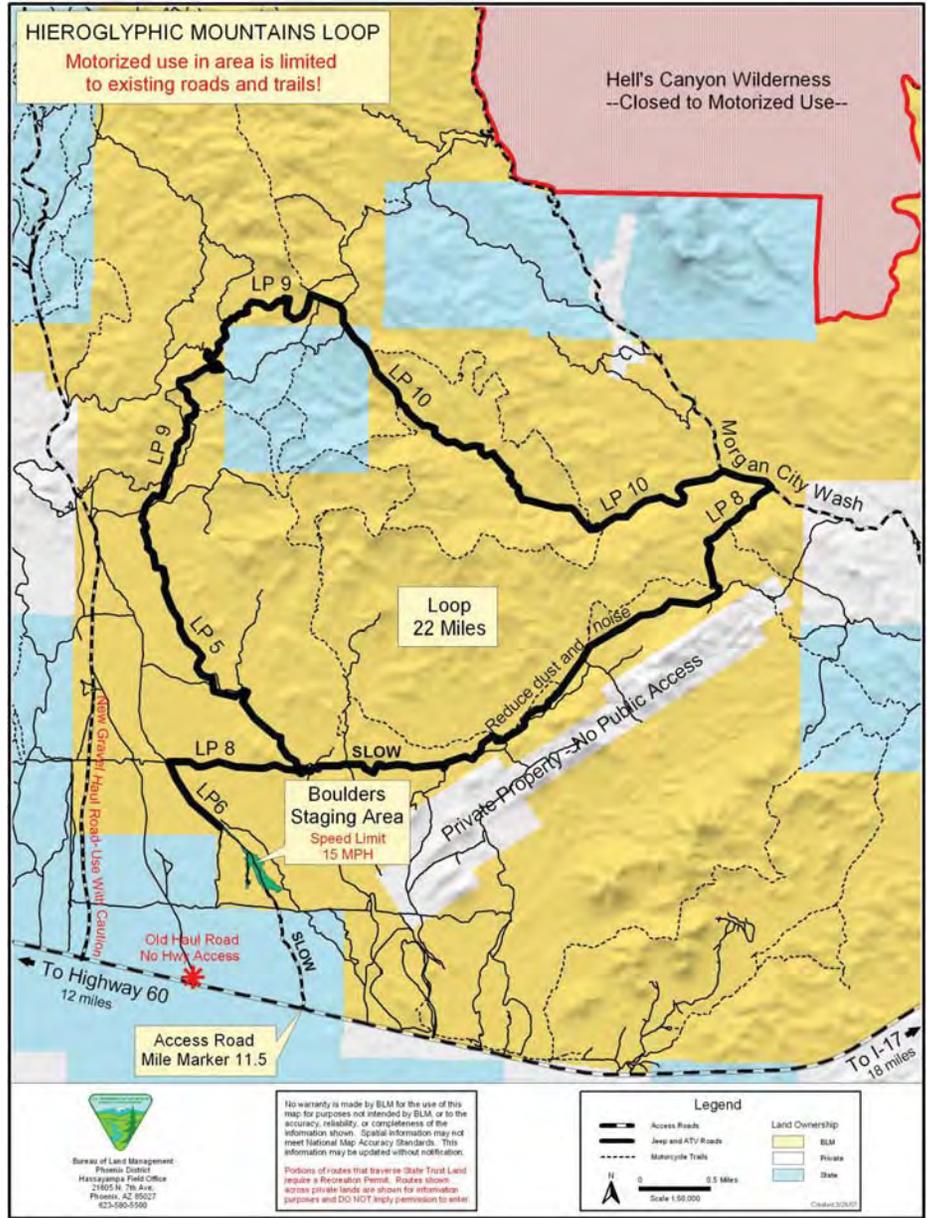
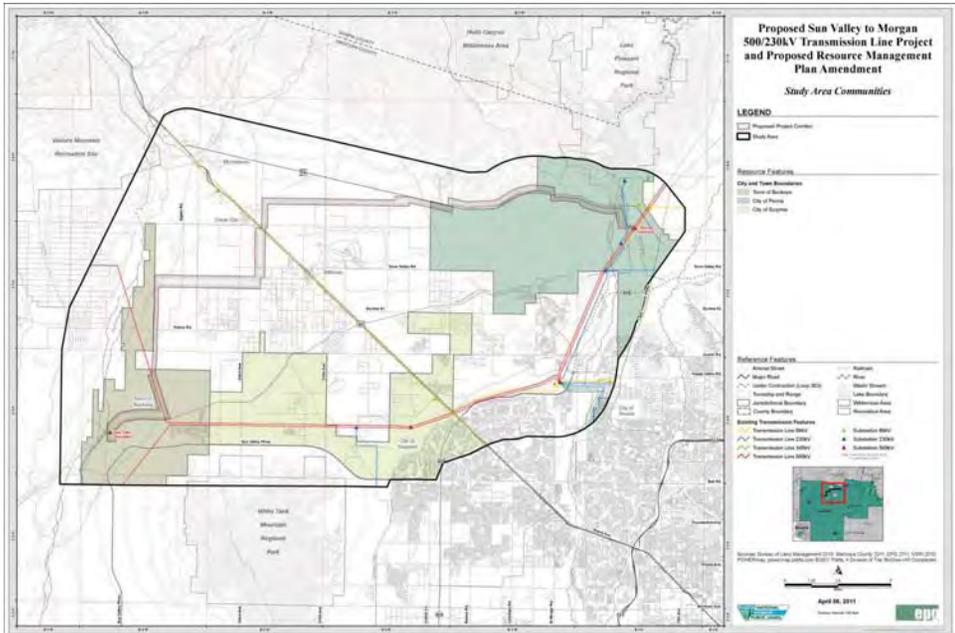
5) BLM APS project maps basically show no use in area..... Seems strange that the maps on the BLM EIS site and APS/ EPG documents don't show any recreation trails or the BLM BOULDERS staging /camping area.....they missed the mine haul roads and MM 4 recreation opportunities too. The Public has a hard time reading maps and this EIS plan should have shown where the BLM designated OHV /multiuse camping / staging area is located as well as main trail loops public uses. This would help the public locate their favorite places and help give the BLM useable comments from the public. See attached Map 1.

6) The BLM is considering projects for alternative power and public works all over the State. Solar Fields and wind farms will take away hundreds of miles of OHV multiuse trails and have a major impact on Visual resources. How do all these "new " pieces of the landscape fit into Visual Resource management practices? Visual Impacts are part of every NEPA project and was part of the original EA for this area. Please consider this impact and the Original EA's needs when deciding on the Power line placement.

In the future, please give the public a longer notice time for meetings and comments. We received the need to comment information on Monday, April 25 by phone and email.

Thank you again for the chance to comment, we hope you consider our comments when making your decision.

Sincerely, Jeff Gursh
AZOHVC and ATR
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RE: Maricopa County: Scoping Letter for the Sun Valley to Morgan Proposed Project

Dear Mr. Incardine/Ms. Depukat:

The ADEQ Air Quality Division has reviewed your letter dated April 12, 2011, concerning your request for a scoping letter for the Sun Valley to Morgan Proposed Project. Your project is located in a nonattainment area for ozone, a nonattainment area for 10-micron particulate matter (PM₁₀), and a maintenance area for carbon monoxide and, as described, may have a de minimis impact on air quality. Disturbance of particulate matter, however, is anticipated during the construction phase. Considering prevailing winds, to comply with other applicable air pollution control requirements and minimize adverse impacts on public health and welfare, the following information is provided for consideration:

REDUCE DISTURBANCE of PARTICULATE MATTER during CONSTRUCTION

This action, plan or activity may temporarily increase ambient particulate matter (dust) levels. Particulate matter 10 microns in size and smaller can penetrate the lungs of human beings and animals and is subject to a National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS) to protect public health and welfare. Particulate matter 2.5 microns in size and smaller is difficult for lungs to expel and has been linked to increases in death rates; heart attacks by disturbing heart rhythms and increasing plaque and clotting; respiratory infections; asthma attacks and cardiopulmonary obstructive disease (COPD) aggravation. It is also subject to a NAAQS.

The following measures are recommended to reduce disturbance of particulate matter, including emissions caused by strong winds as well as machinery and trucks tracking soil off the construction site:

Mr. Joe Incardine/Ms. Kathleen Depukat
May 10, 2011
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- I. Site Preparation and Construction
 - A. Minimize land disturbance;
 - B. Suppress dust on traveled paths which are not paved through wetting, use of watering trucks, chemical dust suppressants, or other reasonable precautions to prevent dust entering ambient air;
 - C. Cover trucks when hauling soil;
 - D. Minimize soil track-out by washing or cleaning truck wheels before leaving construction site;
 - E. Stabilize the surface of soil piles; and
 - F. Create windbreaks.

- II. Site Restoration
 - A. Revegetate any disturbed land not used;
 - B. Remove unused material; and
 - C. Remove soil piles via covered trucks.

The following rules applicable to reducing dust during construction, demolition and earth moving activities are enclosed:

- Arizona Administrative Code R18-2-604 through -607
- Arizona Administrative Code R18-2-804
- Maricopa County Code Rules 310 and 310.01
(see <http://www.maricopa.gov/aq/divisions/compliance/dust/Default.aspx>)

Should you have further questions, please do not hesitate to call me at (602) 771-2375, or Lhamo at (602) 771-2373.

Very truly yours,

Diane L. Amst, Manager
Air Quality Planning Section

Enclosures (2)

cc: Bret Parke, EV Administrative Counsel
Lhamo LeMoine, Administrative Secretary
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- c. If the burning would occur at a solid waste facility in violation of 40 CFR 258.24 and the Director has not issued a variance under A.R.S. § 49-763.01.
- E. Open outdoor fires of dangerous material. A fire set for the disposal of a dangerous material is allowed by the provisions of this Section, when the material is too dangerous to store and transport, and the Director has issued a permit for the fire. A permit issued under this subsection shall contain all provisions in subsection (D)(3) except for subsections (D)(3)(e) and (D)(3)(f). The Director shall permit fires for the disposal of dangerous materials only when no safe alternative method of disposal exists, and burning the materials does not result in the emission of hazardous or toxic substances either directly or as a product of combustion in amounts that will endanger health or safety.
- F. Open outdoor fires of household waste. An open outdoor fire for the disposal of household waste is allowed by provisions of this Section when permitted in writing by the Director or a delegated authority. A permit issued under this subsection shall contain all provisions in subsection (D)(3) except for subsections (D)(3)(e) and (D)(3)(f). The permittee shall conduct open outdoor fires of household waste in an approved waste burner and shall either:
1. Burn household waste generated on-site on farms or ranches of 40 acres or more where no household waste collection or disposal service is available; or
 2. Burn household waste generated on-site where no household waste collection and disposal service is available and where the nearest other dwelling unit is at least 500 feet away.
- G. Permits issued by a delegated authority. The Director may delegate authority for the issuance of open burning permits to a county, city, town, air pollution control district, or fire district. A delegated authority may not issue a permit for its own open burning activity. The Director shall not delegate authority to issue permits to burn dangerous material under subsection (E). A county, city, town, air pollution control district, or fire district with delegated authority from the Director may assign that authority to one or more private fire protection service providers that perform fire protection services within the county, city, town, air pollution control district, or fire district. A private fire protection provider shall not directly or indirectly condition the issuance of open burning permits on the applicant being a customer. Permits issued under this subsection shall comply with the requirements in subsection (D)(3) and be in a format prescribed by the Director. Each delegated authority shall:
1. Maintain a copy of each permit issued for the previous five years available for inspection by the Director;
 2. For each permit currently issued, have a means of contacting the person authorized by the permit to set an open fire if an order to extinguish open burning is issued; and
 3. Annually submit to the Director by May 15 a record of daily burn activity, excluding household waste burn permits, on a form provided by the Director for the previous calendar year containing the information required in subsections (D)(3)(e) and (D)(3)(f).
- H. The Director shall hold an annual public meeting for interested parties to review operations of the open outdoor fire program and discuss emission reduction techniques.
- I. Nothing in this Section is intended to permit any practice that is a violation of any statute, ordinance, rule, or regulation.

Historical Note

Adopted effective May 14, 1979 (Supp. 79-1). Amended effective October 2, 1979 (Supp. 79-5). Correction, subsection (C) repealed effective October 2, 1979, not shown (Supp. 80-1). Former Section R9-3-602 renumbered without change as Section R18-2-602 (Supp. 87-3). Amended effective September 26, 1990 (Supp. 90-3). Former Section R18-2-602 renumbered to R18-2-802, new Section R18-2-602 renumbered from R18-2-401 effective November 15, 1993 (Supp. 93-4). Amended by final rulemaking at 10 A.A.R. 388, effective March 16, 2004 (Supp. 04-1).

R18-2-603. Repealed**Historical Note**

Adopted effective May 14, 1979 (Supp. 79-1). Former Section R9-3-603 renumbered without change as Section R18-2-603 (Supp. 87-3). Amended effective September 26, 1990 (Supp. 90-3). Former Section R18-2-603 renumbered to R18-2-803, new Section R18-2-603 renumbered from R18-2-403 effective November 15, 1993 (Supp. 93-4). Repealed effective October 8, 1996 (Supp. 96-4).

R18-2-604. Open Areas, Dry Washes, or Riverbeds

- A. No person shall cause, suffer, allow, or permit a building or its appurtenances, or a building or subdivision site, or a driveway, or a parking area, or a vacant lot or sales lot, or an urban or suburban open area to be constructed, used, altered, repaired, demolished, cleared, or leveled, or the earth to be moved or excavated, without taking reasonable precautions to limit excessive amounts of particulate matter from becoming airborne. Dust and other types of air contaminants shall be kept to a minimum by good modern practices such as using an approved dust suppressant or adhesive soil stabilizer, paving, covering, landscaping, continuous wetting, detouring, barring access, or other acceptable means.
- B. No person shall cause, suffer, allow, or permit a vacant lot, or an urban or suburban open area, to be driven over or used by motor vehicles, trucks, cars, cycles, bikes, or buggies, or by animals such as horses, without taking reasonable precautions to limit excessive amounts of particulates from becoming airborne. Dust shall be kept to a minimum by using an approved dust suppressant, or adhesive soil stabilizer, or by paving, or by barring access to the property, or by other acceptable means.
- C. No person shall operate a motor vehicle for recreational purposes in a dry wash, riverbed or open area in such a way as to cause or contribute to visible dust emissions which then cross property lines into a residential, recreational, institutional, educational, retail sales, hotel or business premises. For purposes of this subsection "motor vehicles" shall include, but not be limited to trucks, cars, cycles, bikes, buggies and 3-wheelers. Any person who violates the provisions of this subsection shall be subject to prosecution under A.R.S. § 49-463.

Historical Note

Adopted effective May 14, 1979 (Supp. 79-1). Former Section R9-3-604 renumbered without change as Section R18-2-604 (Supp. 87-3). Amended effective September 26, 1990 (Supp. 90-3). Former Section R18-2-604 renumbered to R18-2-804, new Section

R18-2-605. Roadways and Streets

- A. No person shall cause, suffer, allow or permit the use, repair, construction or reconstruction of a roadway or alley without taking reasonable precautions to prevent excessive amounts of particulate matter from becoming airborne. Dust and other particulates shall be kept to a minimum by employing temporary paving, dust suppressants, wetting down, detouring or by other reasonable means.
- B. No person shall cause, suffer, allow or permit transportation of materials likely to give rise to airborne dust without taking reasonable precautions, such as wetting, applying dust suppressants, or covering the load, to prevent particulate matter from becoming airborne. Earth or other material that is deposited by trucking or earth moving equipment shall be removed from paved streets by the person responsible for such deposits.

Historical Note

Adopted effective May 14, 1979 (Supp. 79-1). Former Section R9-3-605 renumbered without change as Section R18-2-605 (Supp. 87-3). Amended effective September 26, 1990 (Supp. 90-3). Former Section R18-2-605 renumbered to R18-2-805, new Section R18-2-605 renumbered from R18-2-405 effective November 15, 1993 (Supp. 93-4).

R18-2-606. Material Handling

- No person shall cause, suffer, allow or permit crushing, screening, handling, transporting or conveying of materials or other operations likely to result in significant amounts of airborne dust without taking reasonable precautions, such as the use of spray bars, wetting agents, dust suppressants, covering the load, and hoods to prevent excessive amounts of particulate matter from becoming airborne.

Historical Note

Section R18-2-606 renumbered from R18-2-406 effective November 15, 1993 (Supp. 93-4).

R18-2-607. Storage Piles

- A. No person shall cause, suffer, allow, or permit organic or inorganic dust producing material to be stacked, piled, or otherwise stored without taking reasonable precautions such as chemical stabilization, wetting, or covering to prevent excessive amounts of particulate matter from becoming airborne.
- B. Stacking and reclaiming machinery utilized at storage piles shall be operated at all times with a minimum fall of material and in such manner, or with the use of spray bars and wetting agents, as to prevent excessive amounts of particulate matter from becoming airborne.

Historical Note

Section R18-2-607 renumbered from R18-2-407 effective November 15, 1993 (Supp. 93-4).

R18-2-608. Mineral Tailings

- No person shall cause, suffer, allow, or permit construction of mineral tailing piles without taking reasonable precautions to prevent excessive amounts of particulate matter from becoming airborne. Reasonable precautions shall mean wetting, chemical stabilization, revegetation or such other measures as are approved by the Director.

Historical Note

Section R18-2-608 renumbered from R18-2-408, new Section R18-2-408 adopted effective November 15, 1993 (Supp. 93-4).

R18-2-609. Agricultural Practices

- A person shall not cause, suffer, allow, or permit the performance of agricultural practices outside the Phoenix and Yuma planning areas, as defined in 40 CFR 81.303, which is incorporated by reference in R18-2-210, including tilling of land and application of fertilizers without taking reasonable precautions to prevent excessive amounts of particulate matter from becoming airborne.

Historical Note

Section R18-2-609 renumbered from R18-2-409 effective November 15, 1993 (Supp. 93-4). Amended by final rulemaking at 6 A.A.R. 2009, effective May 12, 2000 (Supp. 00-2). Amended by final rulemaking at 11 A.A.R. 2210, effective July 18, 2005 (Supp. 05-2).

R18-2-610. Definitions for R18-2-611

The definitions in Article 1 of this Chapter and the following definitions apply to R18-2-611:

1. "Access restriction" means restricting or eliminating public access to noncropland with signs or physical obstruction.
2. "Aggregate cover" means gravel, concrete, recycled road base, caliche, or other similar material applied to noncropland.
3. "Artificial wind barrier" means a physical barrier to the wind.
4. "Best management practice" means a technique verified by scientific research, that on a case-by-case basis is practical, economically feasible, and effective in reducing PM₁₀ emissions from a regulated agricultural activity.
5. "Chemical irrigation" means applying a fertilizer, pesticide, or other agricultural chemical to cropland through an irrigation system.
6. "Combining tractor operations" means performing two or more tillage, cultivation, planting, or harvesting operations with a single tractor or harvester pass.
7. "Commercial farm" means 10 or more contiguous acres of land used for agricultural purposes within the boundary of the Maricopa PM₁₀ nonattainment area.
8. "Commercial farmer" means an individual, entity, or joint operation in general control of a commercial farm.
9. "Committee" means the Governor's Agricultural Best Management Practices Committee.
10. "Cover crop" means plants or a green manure crop grown for seasonal soil protection or soil improvement.
11. "Critical area planting" means using trees, shrubs, vines, grasses, or other vegetative cover on noncropland.
12. "Cropland" means land of a commercial farm that:
 - a. Is within the time-frame of final harvest to plant emergence;
 - b. Has been tilled in a prior year and is suitable for crop production, but is currently fallow; or
 - c. Is a turn-row.

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ARTICLE 8. EMISSIONS FROM MOBILE SOURCES (NEW AND EXISTING)

R18-2-801. Classification of Mobile Sources

- A. This Article is applicable to mobile sources which either move while emitting air pollutants, or are frequently moved during the course of their utilization but are not classified as motor vehicles, agricultural vehicles, or agricultural equipment used in normal farm operations.
- B. Unless otherwise specified, no mobile source shall emit smoke or dust the opacity of which exceeds 40%.

Historical Note

Adopted effective February 26, 1988 (Supp. 88-1). Amended effective September 26, 1990 (Supp. 90-3). Amended effective February 3, 1993 (Supp. 93-1). Former Section R18-2-801 renumbered to Section R18-2-901, new Section R18-2-801 renumbered from R18-2-601 effective November 15, 1993 (Supp. 93-4).

R18-2-802. Off-road Machinery

- A. No person shall cause, allow or permit to be emitted into the atmosphere from any off-road machinery, smoke for any period greater than 10 consecutive seconds, the opacity of which exceeds 40%. Visible emissions when starting cold equipment shall be exempt from this requirement for the first 10 minutes.
- B. Off-road machinery shall include trucks, graders, scrapers, rollers, locomotives and other construction and mining machinery not normally driven on a completed public roadway.

Historical Note

Adopted effective February 26, 1988 (Supp. 88-1). Amended effective September 26, 1990 (Supp. 90-3). Former Section R18-2-802 renumbered to Section R18-2-902, new Section R18-2-802 renumbered from R18-2-602 effective November 15, 1993 (Supp. 93-4).

R18-2-803. Heater-planner Units

No person shall cause, allow or permit to be emitted into the atmosphere from any heater-planner operated for the purpose of reconstructing asphalt pavements smoke the opacity of which exceeds 20%. However three minutes' upset time in any one hour shall not constitute a violation of this Section.

Historical Note

Adopted effective February 26, 1988 (Supp. 88-1). Amended effective September 26, 1990 (Supp. 90-3). Former Section R18-2-803 renumbered to Section R18-2-903, new Section R18-2-803 renumbered from R18-2-603 effective November 15, 1993 (Supp. 93-4).

R18-2-804. Roadway and Site Cleaning Machinery

- A. No person shall cause, allow or permit to be emitted into the atmosphere from any roadway and site cleaning machinery smoke or dust for any period greater than 10 consecutive seconds, the opacity of which exceeds 40%. Visible emissions when starting cold equipment shall be exempt from this requirement for the first 10 minutes.
- B. In addition to complying with subsection (A), no person shall cause, allow or permit the cleaning of any site, roadway, or alley without taking reasonable precautions to prevent particulate matter from becoming airborne. Reasonable precautions may include applying dust suppressants. Earth or other material shall be removed from paved streets onto which earth or other material has been transported by trucking or earth moving equipment, erosion by water or by other means.

Historical Note

Adopted effective February 26, 1988 (Supp. 88-1). Amended effective September 26, 1990 (Supp. 90-3). Amended effective February 3, 1993 (Supp. 93-1). Former Section R18-2-804 renumbered to Section R18-2-904, new Section R18-2-804 renumbered from R18-2-604 effective November 15, 1993 (Supp. 93-4).

R18-2-805. Asphalt or Tar Kettles

- A. No person shall cause, allow or permit to be emitted into the atmosphere from any asphalt or tar kettle smoke for any period greater than 10 consecutive seconds, the opacity of which exceeds 40%.
- B. In addition to complying with subsection (A), no person shall cause, allow or permit the operation of an asphalt or tar kettle without minimizing air contaminant emissions by utilizing all of the following control measures:
 1. The control of temperature recommended by the asphalt or tar manufacturer;
 2. The operation of the kettle with lid closed except when charging;
 3. The pumping of asphalt from the kettle or the drawing of asphalt through cocks with no dipping;
 4. The tipping of tar in an approved manner;
 5. The maintaining of the kettle in clean, properly adjusted, and good operating condition;
 6. The firing of the kettle with liquid petroleum gas or other fuels acceptable to the Director.

Historical Note

Adopted effective February 26, 1988 (Supp. 88-1). Amended effective September 26, 1990 (Supp. 90-3). Former Section R18-2-805 renumbered to Section R18-2-905, new Section R18-2-805 renumbered from R18-2-605 effective November 15, 1993 (Supp. 93-4).

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Attn: Joe Incardine/Kathleen Dupukat
APS Sun Valley to Morgan 500/230 kV
Transmission Line Project
21605 North 7th Ave.
Phoenix, AZ 85027

To Whom it May Concern:

I am a mother of three children ages 17, 14, and 11. I am opposed to the placement of the APS power lines within such close proximity to our neighborhood because of the health risks associated with electromagnetic radiation. I work very hard to keep my children healthy and chose to reside in Vistancia because of its pristine location. It is incredibly disconcerting and frustrating to know that all the research, time, and money we invested to find an ideal place to live will be for naught as we would in no way have purchased a home in such close proximity to power lines.

There are other compelling reasons for me to oppose the placement of these power lines. Our home's property value along with the endangerment of our local wildlife is also of grave concern.

PLEASE reconsider the proposal and place the power lines on the north side of SR 74.

Sincerely,

Jia Oak Baker
30878 N. 129th Ave.
Peoria, AZ 85383
(928) 252-3550



May 22, 2011

Joe Incardine/Kathleen Depukat

BLM Phoenix District Office/Hassayampa Field Office

21605 North 7th Avenue

Phoenix, AZ 85027

RE: Proposed APS SOUTH VALLEY TO MORGAN 500/230KV Transmission Line Project & Proposed RMP Amendment

Joe and Kathleen:

We are in strong opposition to the new electrical transmission line going through public lands parallel to State Route 74 for the following reasons:

In 2000 BLM completed and published an 11 year Resource Management Plan (RMP) for the area that includes the Public Land along HWY 74. That plan did not include any allowance for HWY 74 to be used as a UTILITY CORRIDOR. Scenic Route 74 is not a designated utility corridor. The right of way request by APS seems driven only by political pressure of residents of Vistancia and other personal land developers who employ a "not in my backyard" attitude and seem only concerned with personal financial gain and visual hardship rather than the extreme environmental impact to this scenic corridor. It appears these same objections by Vistancia/others are in our opinion groundless as lines will be visual anywhere placed on the south side of the road. Why jeopardize the environment BLM clearly researched for years and destroy a scenic route for political pressure.

Congressman Franks represents all of us District 2, but clearly supported Vistancia's viewpoint at the Peoria meeting. BLM did an excellent job in their original RMP which was available for reading on their website. Their vision was not political, but grounded in research. BLM studied the impact on sensitive wildlife habitat, land use, socioeconomic resources, and health and safety to name only a few. This proposed RMP Amendment is in our opinion a slap in the face to BLM and their years of research paying attention to environmental detail, not political pressure.

It was stated at the public meeting in Peoria that State Route 74 is not a designated Scenic Highway. This is not true. Please go to Maricopa County Scenic Corridor Design Guidelines.

www.maricopa.gov/Planning/Resources/Plans/docs/pdf/State_Route_74_Scenic_Corridor_Design_Guidelines.pdf

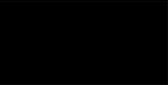
Our objections to the amended RMP are based on common sense. This is not a designated corridor, it is a scenic highway, it will jeopardize environmental habitat outlined in the BLM RMP and it was the third alternative in the original RMP. The proposed action calls for focus on "reasonable alternatives" - why alter a well researched, low impact to environment, plan? The only "unreasonable alternative" has been proposed by APS and lacks common sense.

Please add us to your mailing list, g.benz@me.com and karenbenz@me.com. We are Quintero Golf Club members, own two pieces of property at Quintero and would very much appreciate your using our comments in any documents you so choose. If we can be of any further help with these proceedings, please let us know.

Good luck!

Very truly yours,





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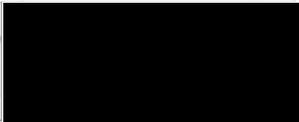
As a concerned resident of Vistancia I am writing in regards to the possible plans to build the 500kV power distribution lines just north of Lone Mountain Road, a stones throw from my front door. This disturbs me on so many levels.

The current economic times have hit home values hard and this would only depreciate home values more. This impact not only hurts home owners but city revenues as well.

One of the main attractions to Vistancia for many of us is the beauty of the desert and it's wildlife. This would surely disturb these animal populations.

And there are health risks to take into consideration. I for one can't imagine that exposure to electromagnetic radiation is high on my doctors list of treatment plans.

I do hope you reconsider the placement of these power lines.



Ms. Kathleen Depukat
United States Department of the Interior
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16 May 2011
Via email

Re: APS Sun Valley to Morgan 500/230 kV power line

Dear Ms. Depukat:

We are writing to comment on the aforementioned matter, per instructions posted at:
<http://www.blm.gov/pgdata/etc/medialib/blm/az/pdfs/energy/aps.Par.66514.File.dat/faq.pdf>

We are writing to respectfully request that the Bureau decide in concurrence with the Arizona Corporation Commission (ACC) and the City of Peoria (City) in their consideration of the proposal to locate the line adjacent to SR 74. State and local governments have carefully weighed the proposals and alternative sites and found the proposed route most desirable. It is our view that in the absence of an overriding Federal interest, the regulatory decisions of state and local governments should be given precedence. We respectfully submit that no such overriding Federal interest exists in this case.

Routing any new power line right-of-way (ROW) will, by definition, result in some degree of environmental impact. We understand the Bureau must follow Federal law (National Environmental Policy Act and related Law) in assessing the feasibility of the proposed route. Further we understand that no ROW was included in the 2010 land use plan for the affected area. We appreciate the Bureau's stewardship of the Public Lands and are grateful for the due consideration given to their protection.

In evaluating the matter, we respectfully note that many of the alternatives to the route approved by the ACC and City may result in greater environmental impact than the one before the Bureau. Locating the ROW adjacent to an existing transportation corridor will undoubtedly result in less impact on native flora and fauna than placing the ROW in what is presently undeveloped Sonoran desert. It would seem implausible that the addition of a power line ROW next to a busy state highway could result in equal or greater impact than the proposed alternatives.

Based upon the foregoing, we respectfully request that the Bureau amend the 2010 land use plan to include the proposed ROW along SR 74 as well as accept the APS application with such amendments as may be suitable and feasible to mitigate any impact on the route adjacent to SR 74.



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Organization (if applicable) _____
Add to mailing list YES NO
Withhold personal information* YES NO
Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS:

I support the APS ROW Application for the Proposed Sun Valley to Morgan 500/230 kV Transmission Line Project in the Route Approved by the ACC.

I endorse SR 74 as a designated multi-use corridor that allows large scale utilization adjacent to a Planned Corridor and Reserve for installation of 500/230 kV electric transmission facilities.

I encourage the amendments necessary to the BLM land use Plan so that the BLM land use Plan is consistent with the APS ROW Application for the Sun Valley to Morgan 500/230 kV Transmission Line Project in the Arizona Corporation Commission Certified Route.

SEND COMMENTS TO:
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May 13, 2011

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**Proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan
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and Proposed RMP Amendment**

Proposed Route



Do you have a suggested alternative?



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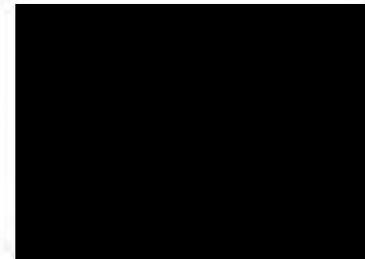
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Dear Sir or Madam,

Although I normally do not write letters of protest, I feel compelled to weigh in on the matter of the placement of the APS power lines. I have taken time to consider and review, objectively, the relevant issues. I am thus determined to state clearly:

the APS powerlines should be placed north of State route 74.

Should you wish to discuss my analysis further, please contact me at 623.218.6377



May 15, 2011

Dear Sir or Madam,

I respectfully wish to weigh in on the matter of the proposed placement of the APS powerlines in North Peoria. My husband and I have tried to objectively review all sides of this issue and come to our own clear minded ~~to~~ conclusions.

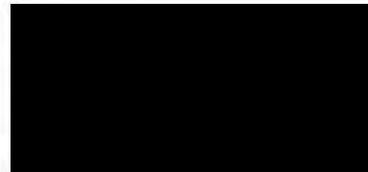
After considerable discussion and evaluation I must state that I believe that placement of the APS lines north (N) of SR 94 is the only conscionable option. My strength in this position is upheld by

(a) Grave concern about the health ramifications of proximal location of these powerlines if they run south of the SR 94. You may wish to debate the science associated with electrical field exposure. However, I come from a family of four Ph.D. scientists and eleven MDs. I also lost my sister to childhood leukemia at the age of 14. We were close to powerlines and the four children with leukemia in an 8 block radius carpooled to their chemotherapy appointments in Chicago. I am more than convinced it is a risk to be avoided.

(b) Property values are already struggling and many homeowners are struggling with the difficult decision to foreclose or short sell. A further erosion of values might create a "tipping point". With the economy in mind we need to do whatever reasonable to uphold property values. Running the power lines through the community is unreasonable.

I thank you for your attention and time. If you wish to discuss, please call at 623 218-6377 or email at sbrady1@telusplanet.net.

Kind regards,



FROM:



TO:

BLM Phoenix District Office
Hassayampa Field Office
Attn: Joe Incardine/Kathleen Depukat
APS Sun Valley to Morgan 500/230 kV
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21605 North 7th Avenue
Phoenix, Arizona 85027

DATE: *MAY 17, 2011*

MESSAGE:

*PLEASE RECONSIDER placement of the APS
power lines to the north side of SR 74.
Locating them along a transportation corridor
would be much more appropriate than
along a family community. The
community placement would impact
our property values, disrupt our
scenic views and disturb our
wildlife. Additionally the residents
would be exposed to increased
health risks.*

*Please take the time to
listen to the public and heed
our requests, by doing the most
cost effective placement along
SR 74*



May 18, 2011

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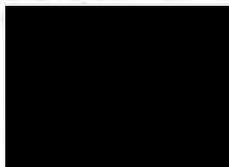
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Dear Ms. Depukat and Mr. Incardine:

I am only 13 years old, but care very much about power lines close to my home or anyone else's home.

When we moved to Vistancia, I made a new friend named Jagger. When Jagger was born his family lived in Phoenix and were living under power lines. When Jagger was two years old he got leukemia. The doctor told his parents the power lines are why he got sick. So his family moved here so they could get away from the power lines. When they found out that APS might put power lines here, they moved again. Jagger is now 11 years old and he is getting chemo again.

I miss Jagger very much and wish he never got sick. I don't want this to happen to any other kids especially my friends. Please put these power lines as far away from children as you can.



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Organization (if applicable)
 Add to mailing list YES NO
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COMMENTS:

FRA - IF OIL WERE FOUND ON THE PROPOSED
 CORRIDOR - THE EPA WOULD NEVER ALLOW DRILLING - CAUSING
 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT -
 HOW ABOUT THE IMPACT TO RESIDENTS AFFECTED
 BY THE POWER LINE -

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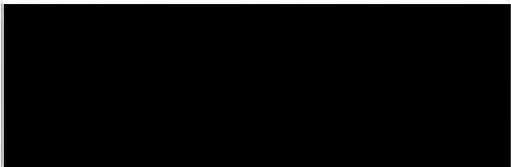


We want to hear from you!

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May 17, 2011

TO: BLM



Subject: Placement of APS power lines NS + SR 74

As a current Federal employee, I understand why current federal policies and regulations. When BLM has a current policy in place that stresses the importance of co-locating transportation and utility corridors. That in itself should be enough for BLM to deny this and approve this power line project along SR 74 where all others previous power lines are placed.

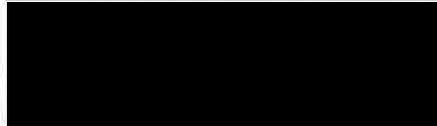
It would be irresponsible for BLM to move forward knowing that it will ignore your own policy, considering all the health risks of distance residents.

If you need to personally speak to me, please contact me [REDACTED]



May 17, 2011

TO: BLM



BLM,

Allowing power lines along my family community will affect my scenic views, as well as hundreds of others, their ability to view the scenic 100% of the time.

Newtflash - there are desert tortoise in our community and do not live only along SR 74. With all the health risks associated of childhood leukemia, is BLM seriously saying that desert tortoise are more important than my children's lives??

As a federal employee myself - I know you have to do the right thing - Co-locate the power lines away from families who are sleeping - Put the power lines along State Route 74!!! Be Responsible BLM!!



From: Ellen Carr
To: meredith.griffin@galileoaz.com; Amy Jerome
Cc: Chris Gaito
Subject: FW: Sun Valley to Morgan Scoping
Date: Thursday, May 26, 2011 10:42:26 AM

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From: dgodfrey@blm.gov [<mailto:dgodfrey@blm.gov>] On Behalf Of SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
Sent: Thursday, May 26, 2011 10:31 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: ellen.carr@galileoaz.com; jincardi@blm.gov; kdepukat@blm.gov
Subject: Re: Sun Valley to Morgan Scoping

[REDACTED]
Thank you for the comments on the proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan transmission line. Your comments will be included in the project record and considered in the evaluation of the project's potential environmental impacts.

We appreciate your interest and your participation in this process.

Dennis Godfrey
Public Affairs Specialist/Arizona State Office/Bureau of Land Management
602.417.9499 / dennis_godfrey@blm.gov

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To
<SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov>
05/25/2011 03:34 PM cc
Subject
Sun Valley to Morgan Scoping

As a property owner at Quintero, I am in strong opposition to the new electrical transmission line going through public lands parallel to State Route 74 for the following reasons:

In 2000 BLM completed and published an 11 year Resource Management Plan (RMP) for the area that includes the Public Land along Hwy 74. That plan did not include any allowance for Hwy 74 to be used as a utility corridor. Scenic Route 74 is not a designated utility corridor. The right of way request by APS seems driven only by political pressure of residents of Vistancia and other personal land developers who employ a "not in my backyard" attitude and seem only concerned with personal financial gain and visual hardship rather

than the extreme environmental impact to this scenic corridor. It appears these same objections by Vistancia/other are in my opinion groundless as lines will be visual anywhere placed on the south side of the road. Why jeopardize the environment BLM clearly researched for years and destroy a scenic route for political pressure? Congressman Franks represents all of us in District 2, but clearly supported Vistancia viewpoint at the Peoria meeting. BLM did an excellent job in their original RMP which was available for reading on their website. Their vision was not political, but grounded in research. BLM studied the impact on sensitive wildlife habitat, land use, socioeconomic resources, and health and safety to name only a few. This proposed RMP Amendment is in my opinion a slap in the face to BLM and their years of research paying attention to environmental detail, not political pressure. It was stated at the public meeting in Peoria that State Route 74 is not a designated Scenic Highway. This is not true. Please go to www.maricopa.gov/Planning/Resources/Plans/docs/pdf/State_Route_74_Scenic_Corridor_Design_Guidelines.pdf.

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Signed:

[REDACTED]

Add to mailing list - no
Withhold personal information - yes
Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategy Meetings - no

To: BLM Phoenix District Office
Hassayampa Field Office
Attn: Joe Incardine/Kathleen Dupukat
APS Sun Valley to Morgan 500/230 kV
Transmission Line Project
21605 North 7th Avenue
Phoenix, Arizona 85027

Date: May 24, 2011

From: 

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Living in Vistancia was a dream for several years until we were able to sell our home and move into our current home here in the beautiful community of Vastancia. Unfortunately, due to the downed market our home as with many others has devalued by thousands of dollars. We are currently not able to refinance or sell our home. The 500kV power line installation proposal in Vistancia will certainly not help my situation or any of the home owners in the area.

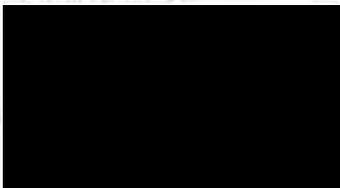
I really did not understand the health risk to people until one day I experienced it for myself. I was on a mountain bike ride along with my grandson and son-in-law when we rode under some power lines. That's when the electromagnetic power located directly over me could be heard and felt on my mountain bike. I was literally being shocked as I touched the metal on my bike. I cannot imagine this same type if not more powerful lines being installed over a residential community and near our elementary school. Our children would be exposed to this electromagnetic radiation as well as our residents. Please take this matter as if your children or family members would be exposed 24/7 to this type of electromagnetic radiation.

The best choice would be installing the power lines along the desolate SR 74, at least in the future if homes are built there people would have a choice in whether or not to buy in a location with power lines over or near their home. I bought my home with knowledge of no power lines any where near where I reside

As I understand BLM has an existing policy to install power lines in co-locating transportation and utility corridors. It is clear that installing power lines along the SR 74 area matches BLM policies.

Myself and my wife along with APS, local residents, city officials, Arizona Corporation Commissioners and congressional representatives all agree that placing the power lines along SR 74 is the most logical location and one that has the least effect on our children, families, pristine desert and wildlife.

I urge you to please locate the power lines along SR 74. It's the most efficient and the least harmful to residents.

Concerned Resident,


May 14, 2011

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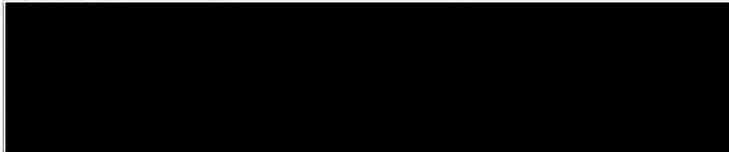
Dear Mr. Incardine and Ms. Dupukat:

We are writing to address the placement of the 500kV power distribution lines on the north side of SR 74. We purchased our home in Vistancia in 2006, at the peak of the market, because we liked the location, out of the city, and away from commerce and power lines. We wanted to live in the desert, to enjoy what it had to offer: views, wildlife, and peacefulness.

We are very disturbed that the BLM is considering placing power lines in our area, not only will this further impact our properties (which have already suffered a more than 50% drop in value, since we purchased), but will expose us and our children to unnecessary radiation, and other terrible illnesses, such as cancer. We feel that protecting our families is much more important than a desert tortoise, which seems to be one of your major concerns.

The current plan is to place these power lines along SR 74, which is already a well traveled road and will most certainly be made into a larger highway in the future – power lines are an accepted phenomenon that does not affect daily lives of the people traveling along them.

We urge you to keep the current plan, whereby the power lines will be placed north of the SR 74 and keep our community pristine, so that our families are safe, our property values increase, wildlife is protected, and the area remains an attractive and sought-after location. We have had enough hits to our economy; do not destroy our future growth potential.

Sincerely,


FROM:

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TO:

BLM Phoenix District Office
Hassayampa Field Office
Attn: Joe Incardine/Kathleen Depukat
APS Sun Valley to Morgan 500/230 kV
Transmission Line Project
21605 North 7th Avenue
Phoenix, Arizona 85027

DATE: 5/17/11

MESSAGE:

We moved from New York in 2008 to Vistancia, Arizona because of its beautiful view. The desert surrounded by the mountain range is spectacular. The sunset behind the mountain is specially beautiful.

We cannot imagine looking at the ugly transmission towers ~~from~~ running over the mountain.

We request you to allow the transmission towers running north of the route SR 74. Co-locating transportation and utility corridors would be an optimum solution.

TO:

Joe Incardine / Kathleen Depukat

BLM Phoenix District Office
Hassayampa Field Office
Attn: Joe Incardine/Kathleen Depukat
APS Sun Valley to Morgan 500/230 kV
Transmission Line Project
21605 North 7th Avenue
Phoenix, Arizona 85027

DATE: 5/17/11

MESSAGE:

Dear Joe and Kathleen,

We are opposed to placing APS powerlines through the communities of Vistancia + Blackston. Instead, we support placing the APS powerlines along the north side of SR 74.

We bought property in Trilogy at Vistancia in 2008 because we fell in love with the scenic views. Placing powerlines close to Trilogy, Vistancia, + Blackstone would affect these scenic views and residents of these communities would be exposed to the view of powerlines 100% of the time. This also affects our property values and the future demographics of northwest Peoria. Why would individuals want to buy in this part of Peoria knowing

that their scenic views would be disrupted
and property values lowered? Put the powerlines
along SR 74 and not disrupt these
communities.

Thank you for your consideration.

TO:

BLM Phoenix District Office
Hassayampa Field Office
Attn: Joe Incardine/Kathleen Depukat
APS Sun Valley to Morgan 500/230 KV
Transmission Line Project
21605 North 7th Avenue
Phoenix, Arizona 85027

DATE: May 17, 2011

MESSAGE:

Everyday I come home to spectacular views
away from the city noise, lights, and crowds.
The natural landscape and pristine views are
the reasons I moved to Arizona and Visiting.
~~From~~ I see nature everyday with coyotes
howling, javelins scampering, bobcats bobbing, and
rodentons running.

By placing these power lines you will be
destroying the pristine connectivity ~~at~~ in all lines
in (Nature + People). Please consider SR 74
as this location makes the logical sense.



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Sun Valley to Morgan Project
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Attn: Joe Incardine/Kathleen Depukat

Dear Mr. Incardine and Ms. Depukat:

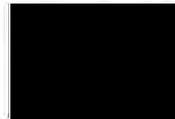
Re: APS Power Line – Sun Valley to Morgan Project

This letter is being sent to voice my concerns and objections to the currently proposed placement of the new high voltage power lines and support to the alternate proposal which involves placement along the SR 74 corridor. My support of the alternative route and objections to the currently proposed plan are as follows:

- Placement of the high voltage transmission lines along RS74 is supported by APS, local residents, city officials, Arizona Corporation Commissioners and congressional representatives who have all considered alternative routes and deemed as the most logical location and one that will least affect families, pristine desert and wildlife
- The alternative routing protects current and future home owners south of SR 74 from potential health risks
- The United States National Council on Radiation Protection states, "There is a powerful body of impressive evidence showing that even low exposure to electromagnetic radiation has a long-term effect on health." Some effects listed in the report include sudden infant death, childhood leukemia, changes in brain chemistry, impairment of the immune system and inhibition of melatonin production which suppresses certain cancers. Considering the 500kV lines are the most powerful in existence, this statement is quite alarming. Keeping this in mind, is the BLM more concerned about protecting desert tortoise over people?
- The alternate route protects property values already negatively impacted by current economic conditions
- Lower property values will affect tax revenues already suffering from current economic conditions
- Lower property values and lost revenues will hurt school funding throughout Peoria
- Precedence has been established in placing power lines along transportation corridors such as Loop 303 and I-17
- Power lines along a transportation corridor affects scenic views on a part-time basis; power lines along family communities affects scenic views 100% of the time
- SR 74 is not officially designated as a scenic corridor
- Why would BLM force power lines along totally pristine desert as opposed to an 8 1/2 mile stretch of land already disturbed by a major roadway expected to be widened in the future?

- Residents in Vutancia, Trilogy and Blackstone enjoy a multitude of wildlife in our community including coyote, javalina, roadrunners, bobcats, wild donkey, quail, rabbits and squirrels – surely alternative alignments in pristine desert will disturb these populations
- Concerns have been voiced about desert tortoise along SR 74. Does the BLM honestly believe no desert tortoise live along alternative power line routes?
- It has been said that the BLM has an existing policy stressing the importance of co-locating transportation and utility corridors so why isn't this policy being enforced for the short 8 1/2 mile stretch of BLM land along SR 74?
- The public meeting held at the Peoria Community Center on April 28, 2011 had dozens of BLM staff, power point presentations, large colored display boards, enlarged maps. Additionally, BLM staff indicated a decision would not be made for 2 years. Just how much money are taxpayers footing for a BLM decision over a mere 8 1/2 mile stretch?
- If BLM rejects alignment along the north side of SR 74, APS will need to start the entire placement process from the beginning, thus delaying the much needed power lines

Accordingly, I respectfully request that BLM amend their Resource Management Plan to allow placement of APS power lines on the north side of SR 74.



We are in strong opposition to the new electrical transmission line going through public lands parallel to State Route 74 for the following reasons:

- In 2000 BLM completed and published an 11 year Resource Management Plan (RMP) for the area that includes the Public Land along Hwy 74. That plan did not include any allowance for Hwy 74 to be used as a utility corridor. Scenic Route 74 is not a designated utility corridor. The right of way request by APS seems driven only by political pressure of residents of Vistancia and other personal land developers who employ a “not in my backyard” attitude and seem only concerned with personal financial gain and visual hardship rather than the extreme environmental impact to this scenic corridor. It appears these same objections by Vistancia/other are in my opinion groundless as lines will be visual anywhere placed on the south side of the road. Why jeopardize the environment BLM clearly researched for years and destroy a scenic route for political pressure?
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May 16, 2011

Good day,

I am writing on behalf of my family that lives at 13645 W Tyler Trail, Peoria AZ 85383. We have been informed of the possibility of power lines being placed just north of our home. We strongly urge you to choose an alternate location as this will definitely affect our property value. We have struggled in this economy to make sure we have a home and while many have bailed on their mortgages, we have chosen to keep our home. This will make our home worth less. I have also heard that the argument for the other placement possibility is the wildlife. If my understand is correct, it will be placed by a road which currently has a wildlife affect and we have wildlife in our community that would be affected as well. Another concern, is the affect on people from the power lines. I work in the health field and studies do show problems. I don't want this worry.

For once, chose people over wildlife and scenic routes. It's the right thing to do. We have thousands of acres of desert that won't be affected.



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May 14, 2011

BLM Phoenix District Office
Transmission Line Project
21605 North 7th Avenue
Phoenix, Arizona 85027

Attn: Joe Incardine/Kathleen Depukat

I am writing to express my opinion in regard to the placement of the Power Distribution Lines North of the SR 74

I feel this is the most logical location and one that will least affect families, pristine desert and wildlife

Residents in Vistancia, Blackstone and Trilogy enjoy a multitude of wildlife in our community including coyote, javalina, rabbits, roadrunners, wild donkey, quail, bobcats, and squirrels Surely alternative alignments in pristine desert will disturb these populations

It would protect current and future homeowners south of SR 74 from potential health risks- The United States National Council on Radiation Protection states, "There is a powerful body of impressive evidence showing that even low exposure to electromagnetic radiation has a long-term effect on health "

It would protect our property values If the values are lowered tax revenues and school funding throughout Peoria will be negatively affected

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If BLM rejects alignment along the north side of SR 74, APS will need to start the entire placement process from the beginning, thus delaying the much needed power lines

I am requesting BLM amend their Resource Management Plan to allow placement of APS power lines on the north side of SR 74

Thank you for considering my concerns,



U.S. Department of Interior
Bureau of Land Management
Phoenix District Office / Hassayampa Field Office
COMMENT FORM
SCOPING MEETING - PEORIA
APRIL 28, 2011



Proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan 500/230kV Transmission Line Project & Proposed Resource Management Plan
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT



Organization (if applicable) _____

Add to mailing list YES NO

Withhold personal information* YES NO

Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS:

We are being asked for alternatives - why?? It was my understanding there were several alternatives and the one that was approved by the ACC is being dismissed.

SEND COMMENTS TO:
Proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan 500/230kV Transmission Line Project & Proposed RMP Amendment
Joe Incardine / Kathleen Depukat
BLM Phoenix District Office / Hassayampa Field Office
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All comments MUST be postmarked by May 27, 2011

*Submittal of comments are completely voluntary and any identifying information provided will become part of the public record, and as such, must be released to any individual upon request. Requests to withhold comments and associated personal identifying information from public review cannot be guaranteed.

**Comment
Deadline
May 27, 2011**

**Proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan
500/230kV Transmission Line Project
and Proposed RMP Amendment**

Proposed Route

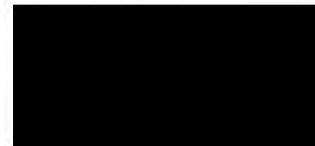


Do you have a suggested alternative?



We want to hear from you!

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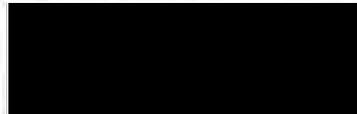
Request is respectfully made to align the APS power lines along the north side of SR 74 to avoid beginning the entire process again and thus delaying the power lines, much needed. Haven't transportation corridors like Loop 303 and I-17 already been established precedents?

Property values are at stake as well as the numerous and varied types of wildlife and our scenic views that will be impacted 100%.

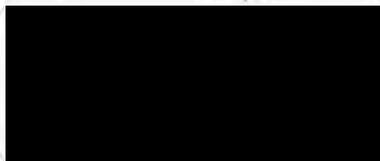
Another issue of great importance is just how taxpayers will be effected, i.e., what percentage for the BLM decision will be expected from existing and future homeowners?

Your attention in this critical matter will be greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,



FROM:



TO:

BLM Phoenix District Office
Hassayampa Field Office
Attn: Joe Incardine/Kathleen Depukat
APS Sun Valley to Morgan 500/230 kV
Transmission Line Project
21605 North 7th Avenue
Phoenix, Arizona 85027

DATE:

MESSAGE:

I am writing this letter to protest your APS Power line alignment. As a homeowner that lives within 1 mile of this dangerous!! proposal, I have many serious concerns!

My entire life Savings (what's left) will be totally eliminated - along with the property value of my home (if you were in my place you would be ~~rate~~ with this proposal) as well.

The health risks that you plan to impose on hundreds or thousands of people including children (2 ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS) within 1/2 mile - 1 mile is incomprehensible. What if it were your children ?? Then what !!

The main traffic corridor is along SR 74. Not thru a master planned Residential Community. The reason this area has ~~so~~ been ^{so} successful is partially due to the scenic views. I am sorry that certain "X" government officials want to preserve their personal views & interests - however - they are not directly impacted as we are. Why is the BLM not enforcing its own policy?? Please Reconsider the families - people - children - wildlife that will be affected - and Ruined by not Relocating these dangerous power lines



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May 25, 2011

To Whom it May Concern:

I am a Vistancia resident and would find it counter productive to our quality Of life here in this Community to have power lines running adjacent to our area. We have worked hard to create an environment that reflects and protects nature, the desert, our bunnies, birds, cactus, the peace and quiet of living out of mainstream Phoenix.

To add power lines, the evasive clearing, the distraction to wildlife, and the visual obstruction would be a real disaster to our community both economically and visually.

I ask that you keep the power lines within the highway easement and corridors and in other commercial areas that are not impacted by power lines. They are not consistent with residential neighborhoods, nature, and the health of the children that live in our homes.

My heartfelt request to keep the power lines out of Vistancia is sincere and I hope it Results in the power lines being kept away from our community.

I appreciate your time and consideration.



Mr. Joe Incardine
U. S. Bureau of Land Management
Phoenix District Office,
Hassayampa Field Office
21605 North 7th Ave.,
Phoenix, Arizona, 85207-2929

Re: Proposed Sun Valley to Morgan 500/230kV Transmission Line Project (Formerly Called TS-5 to TS9), Maricopa County, Arizona, and Possible Land Use Plan Amendment.

COMMENTS ON BEHALF OF DIAMOND VENTURES, INC.

I. INTRODUCTION

Diamond Ventures, Inc. ("Diamond Ventures") appreciates this opportunity to submit comments on the United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) Notice of Intent to Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Proposed Sun Valley to Morgan 500/230kV Transmission Line Project ("Transmission Line" or "Project") (Formerly Called TS-5 to TS-9), Maricopa County, Arizona, and Possible Land Use Plan Amendment. The comments below are submitted as part of the scoping process for the EIS associated with the Transmission Line and possible amendment to the Bradshaw-Harquahala Resource Management Plan (BHRMP).¹

As BLM initiates this scoping process, we understand that it is implementing multiple directives of Congress. First, BLM is carrying out the procedural and analytical obligations Congress has imposed through the enactment of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). Second, it must determine whether to grant the right of way as requested by the Arizona Public Service (APS) as the Department of the Interior is charged through the Federal Land Management Policy Act of 1974 (FLPMA), as amended. Finally, because a change in the current land use plan for BHRMP may be necessary, BLM may be required to carry out the land use planning process also contained within FLPMA. These three activities are procedurally intertwined, but they have slightly different purposes.

We recognize that the purpose of the scoping process under NEPA is to determine relevant issues that will influence the scope of the environmental analysis including alternatives,

¹ "Scoping is the process by which the BLM solicits internal and external input on the issues, impacts, and potential alternatives that will be addressed in an EIS or EA as well as the extent to which those issues and impacts will be analyzed in the NEPA document." H-1790-1 *National Environmental Policy Act Handbook*, Sec. 6.3. (Jan. 30, 2008).

and guide the process for developing the EIS. The objective of NEPA is to "declare a national policy which will encourage productive and enjoyable harmony between man and his environment; to promote efforts which will prevent or eliminate damage to the environment and biosphere and stimulate the health and welfare of man," among other things. 42 USC § 4321. In evaluating the request for a right of way by APS, BLM may reasonably consider the effects of wildlife and visual impacts that it described in the Notice of Intent, but its analysis may not stop there. It is obligated to consider the broader impacts and cumulative benefits on the human environment that would come from granting the right of way, and it must consider those broader impacts and benefits when evaluating each alternative to the proposed action, including a decision to not grant the right of way.

The land use planning process under FLPMA, itself, requires careful consideration of the plans and approvals of State and local jurisdictions. Unfortunately, a close examination of the recent land use planning process for the BHRMP calls into question whether BLM adequately met its statutory mandate when developing the recent land use plan, and now it must reasonably act to correct its earlier failings. Those failings are particularly acute in regard to the coordination of the current BHRMP with the land use plans and priorities of the State of Arizona and local governments. When developing or revising land use plans, the Secretary of the Interior, through BLM, is required to consider "the present and potential uses of the public lands." FLPMA, P.L. 94-579 § 202(c)(5).

Moreover, BLM is required to the extent consistent with the laws governing the administration of the public lands, to coordinate the land use inventory, planning, and management activities of or for such lands with the land use planning and management programs of other Federal departments and agencies and of the States and local governments within which the lands are located." *Id.*, § 202(c)(9). Therefore, Congress has specifically directed that to the full extent, consistent with Federal law, BLM coordinate its own planning and management activities with those of the State of Arizona and the local government within which these particular lands are located. BLM has also been charged to "assure that consideration is given to those State, local, and tribal plans that are germane in the development of land use plans for public lands." *Id.* Finally, Congress has declared that land use plans of the Secretary "shall be consistent with State and local plans to the maximum extent he finds consistent with Federal law and the purposes of this Act." *Id.*

Through FLPMA, Congress has also granted the Secretary of the Interior, the authority to grant, issue, or renew rights-of-way over, upon, under, or on BLM lands for a wide variety of purposes including "systems for generation, transmission, and distribution of electric energy." FLPMA, P.L. 94-579, § 501. BLM's own manual recognizes that rights of way "are a principal and major use of public lands." BLM Manual, § 2801(2)(A). Vitally important in this instance, as with the land use planning responsibility, a key objective of the BLM's right of way program is to coordinate to "the fullest extent possible" with state and local governments, interested individuals, and appropriate quasi-public entities." 43 CFR § 2801.2(d). Finally, Congress has recognized that "in order to minimize adverse environmental impacts and the proliferation of separate rights-of-way, the utilization of rights-of-way in common shall be required to the extent practical," and "the Secretary concerned shall take into consideration national and State land use policies, environmental quality, economic efficiency, national security, safety, and good engineering and technological practices." FLPMA, PL 94-579 § 503.

As discussed in more detail below, it is our understanding as a participant in the Arizona Corporation Commission (ACC) process, that the five-member statewide-elected ACC, an instrumentality of the State of Arizona with State Constitutional authority, has determined after

an extensive public and environmental review that the proposed routed Transmission Line is (1) in the public interest and (2) essential for the development of renewable energy in the State of Arizona. Accordingly, the EIS prepared in connection with this Project should provide that the route approved by the ACC is the preferred alternative.

Although Diamond Ventures does not believe that an amendment to the BHRMP is necessary for BLM to approve the right-of-way requested by APS, to the extent that it is amended, it should be amended to promote maximum joint use of the existing route and designate the State Route-74 transportation corridor as a multi-use corridor. Doing so would (1) be consistent with the broad scale goals and objectives of the BHRMP, (2) minimize any negative impacts to the environment and private property rights, and (3) be consistent with the federal policy of siting renewable energy projects on public lands and using joint use corridors whenever possible.

For the reasons described in detail below, Diamond Ventures supports the grant of the applicant's proposed right of way request that would site the proposed transmission line in the route certified by the ACC within the State Route-74 transportation corridor.

A. BACKGROUND

1. The Transmission Line

On July 1, 2008, the APS submitted an application to construct the Transmission Line.² The 300-foot wide right-of-way (ROW) for the Transmission Line would cross approximately seven miles of BLM-administered lands lying north of Arizona Route 74 between 163rd Ave. and El Mirage Road alignments and south of State Route 74 between El Mirage Road and 115th Ave. alignments. IBLA 2010-151 at 1, n. 2 (Oct. 6, 2010). Among other things, the Project "would strengthen the reliability of the regional 500-kV system and could facilitate the delivery of renewable energy resources to load centers, such as the Phoenix metropolitan area." 76 Fed. Reg. 69, 20,007 (Apr. 11, 2011).

2. Procedural History

The ACC has statutory responsibility for transmission lines designed for 115kV or higher in the State of Arizona. The relevant approval process has two steps. First, the 11 appointed members of the Arizona Power Plant and Transmission Line Siting Committee (the "Committee")³ hold public hearings and conduct an environmental review of the proposed

² In 2003, APS submitted a letter to BLM, which included a map that indicated where a series of alternative routes might be required for the 500kv line. State Route 74 was identified in the letter submitted. The ACC requires all utility providers to submit statewide information on their long-range needs assessment and plans for review and publication in a Biennial Transmission Assessment (BTA). This statewide BTA has been available to BLM every two years beginning in 2000.

³ In 1971, the Arizona Legislature required that the Commission establish a power plant and line siting committee. The Committee provides a single, independent forum to evaluate applications to build power plants (of 100 megawatts or more) or transmission projects (of 115,000 volts or more) in the state. Indeed, "the Committee was created after the Legislature found that existing law did not provide adequate opportunity for individuals, groups interested in conservation and the protection of the environment, local governments, and other public bodies to participate in timely fashion the decision to locate a specific major facility at a specific

transmission line. See A.R.S. §§ 40-360.04 and 40-360.06(A)(6). The Committee may then issue a recommended Certificate of Environmental Compatibility (CEC). If the Committee recommends a CEC, the ACC can accept, deny, or modify the certificate. In arriving at this decision, the ACC must "balance, in the broad public interest, the need for an adequate, economic and reliable supply of electric power with the desire to minimize the effect thereof on the environment and ecology of this state." A.R.S. § 40-360.07(B).

As part of the ACC proceedings regarding the APS route, 18 separate parties intervened and the Committee held 16 days of public hearings in 2008, which resulted in 3,600 pages of transcript. Following the Committee's process, the ACC held hearings on the Committee's recommendation for three additional days including one day dedicated to public testimony.

On March 17, 2009, the ACC granted the CEC issued by the Committee, approving APS's Transmission Line using a route that crosses BLM-administered land ("ACC Certified Route"). In doing so, the ACC found that:

- (1) the project is in the public interest because it aids the state in meeting the need for an adequate, economical and reliable supply of electric power;
- (2) in balancing the need for the Project with its effect on the environment and ecology of the state, the determinations and conditions placed on the CEC by the Committee as modified by the Commission effectively minimize its impact on the environment and ecology of the state;
- (3) the determinations and conditions placed on the CEC by the Committee as modified by the Commission resolve matters concerning the need for the Project and its impact on the environment and ecology of the state raised during the course of proceedings, and as such, serve as the finding on the matters raised; and
- (4) the balancing in the broad public interest results in favor of granting the CEC as modified by the Commission.

ACC Decision No. 70850 (Mar. 17, 2009).

Arizona law specifically spells out the criteria for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility. These factors include:

- Existing plans of the state, local government and private entities for other developments at or in the vicinity of the proposed site.
- Fish, wildlife and plant life and associated forms of life upon which they are dependent.
- Noise emission levels and interference with communication signals.
- The proposed availability of the site to the public for recreational purposes, consistent with safety considerations and regulations.

- Existing scenic areas, historic sites and structures or archaeological sites at or in the vicinity of the proposed site.
- The total environment of the area.
- The technical practicability of achieving a proposed objective and the previous experience with equipment and methods available for achieving a proposed objective.
- The estimated cost of the facilities and site as proposed by the applicant and the estimated cost of the facilities and site as recommended by the committee, recognizing that any significant increase in costs represents a potential increase in the cost of electric energy to the customers or the applicant.
- Any additional factors which require consideration under applicable federal and state laws pertaining to any such site.

A.R.S. § 40-360.06.

After the ACC granted the CEC, on April 29, 2009, APS submitted its ROW application for the Project to BLM. On April 22, 2010, BLM issued the BHRMP Record of Decision. A year after receipt of the ROW application, on April 28, 2010, BLM rejected APS's application, stating merely that "[i]t is BLM's position that the application filed by APS is not in conformance with the objectives and decisions of the approved [BHRMP]. Thus the application is hereby denied." Letter from Steven Cohn, Field Manager, BLM (Apr. 28, 2010).

APS appealed BLM's decision to the Interior Board of Land Appeals (IBLA). The Mayor and City Council for the City of Peoria, Arizona, on behalf of the City and Diamond Ventures and Vistancia LLC (collectively "Peoria Entities") filed a pleading entitled "Answer to APS' Notice of Appeal and Statement of Reasons for Appeal" in support of the appeal filed by APS. IBLA granted the Peoria Entities' Motion to Intervene and considered their arguments in reaching its decision. IBLA 2010-151 at 1, n. 1.

IBLA reversed and remanded BLM's decision, stating "[w]e cannot determine from the Decision, as supported by the record, whether BLM fully evaluated the application, and whether the decision is based on a reasoned analysis of the relevant factors involved, made with due regard for the public interest. . . APS was entitled to a reasoned and factual explanation providing a basis for understanding and accepting the decision or, alternatively, for appealing and disputing it before the board." *Id.* at 7.

II. ISSUES THAT INFLUENCE THE SCOPE OF THE NEPA ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS INCLUDING ALTERNATIVES AND THE POTENTIAL AMENDMENT TO THE LAND USE PLANS.

- A. **The ACC Certified Route for the Transmission Line Should be the Preferred Alternative Because it is in the Public Interest and Consistent with the National Policies of Promoting Renewable Energy, Creating Jobs, and Protecting Private Property Rights.**

site "<http://www.cc.state.az.us/divisions/utilities/electric/linesiting-faqs.asp> (last visited May 9, 2011)(quoting Historical Notes, Laws 1971, Ch. 67, §1.)

1. The Proposed ROW is in the Public Interest.

"A decision approving a right-of-way application must be made upon a reasoned analysis of the factors involved in the right-of-way, with due regard for the public interest." *Desert Survivors*, 96 IBLA 193, 196 (1987). As discussed, after an extensive public process and environmental review, the ACC found that "the project is in the public interest because it aids the state in meeting the need for an adequate, economical and reliable supply of electric power." ACC Decision No. 70850 (Mar. 17, 2009) (emphasis added).

The Staff Brief before the Arizona Power Plant and Transmission Line Siting Committee prepared by the Commission Utilities Division Staff ("Commission Staff") also concluded that there is a need for the project. Specifically, the Commission Staff found that the "[p]roject is needed and will contribute to the delivery of power in an adequate, economical and reliable manner." Staff Brief, p. 2 (Feb. 12, 2009). The Commission staff stressed that the project would, among other things:

- complete a continuous 500 kV path from the Palo Verde Hub to the Pinnacle Peak substation;
- improve the Palo Verde Hub's transfer capability into the Metropolitan Phoenix area by 600 MW;
- contribute to APS's ability to access renewable energy generation that is anticipated to interconnect through the Palo Verde Hub, thereby facilitating APS' ability to comply with its Renewable Energy Standard requirements;
- strengthen the Metropolitan Phoenix area high voltage transmission system, thereby improving the reliability of power; and
- complete the northwestern arc of the 500 kV loop around the Phoenix metropolitan area.

Staff Brief, p. 3.

The United States Department of Energy ("DOE") also recognized the need for the project in its 2009 National Electric Transmission Congestion Study. In DOE's 2006 National Electric Transmission Congestion Study, it identified the Phoenix-Tucson area as a "Congestion Area of Concern." P. 40. The 2009 DOE study, however, found that the Phoenix-Tucson area is no longer a Congestion Area of Concern. p. 98, Table 5-6. DOE based its conclusions, in part, on APS's Project' status, projected in service date, and completion of the ACC line siting process.

In addition, members of the Arizona congressional delegation have stated that:

[t]he installation of the TS-5 to TS-9 electric transmission line by its scheduled in-service date is essential for the elimination of electric transmission congestion and for furthering the development and conveyance of renewable energy, including the numerous solar energy ROW applications pending on BLM lands. BLM's acceptance

of the APS ROW application for this line will address area-wide constraints and restrictions for energy transmission, and the need for enhanced redundancy and reliability. The TS-5 to TS-9 transmission line per the ACC decision will better promote the long-term sustainability of the population and environment in Arizona.

Letter to BLM from United States Representatives Giffords, Franks, and Pastor (Jul. 1, 2010), a copy of which is attached hereto as Attachment "A".

As evidenced by the ACC proceedings and the 2009 DOE Study, the Transmission Line is in the public interest because it satisfies a critical energy need in the region. Moreover, the ACC proceedings, themselves, constitute a significant effort of broad community negotiation, compromise and agreement on behalf of a state to identify the public interest.

Furthermore, many local land use and infrastructure plans in proximity to State Route 74 have been approved by Arizona voters and their elected officials and representatives after lengthy public processes. For example, the Maricopa County voters approved a sales tax designated for roadway and transportation improvements that included the expansion of SR74. In addition, the Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG) and Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) include the SR 74 expansion in their relevant planning documents.⁴

As such, the impacts that are reasonably foreseeable to arise from the proposed project and each alternative to each plan and project must be accounted for by BLM as it evaluates the proposed action and each alternative. At a minimum, BLM must examine: (1) the increased costs, (2) the potential for delay, (3) the time and effort that would be required, and (4) the potential lack of comity between Federal land managers and local officials, among other issues for the proposed action and each alternative.

2. The Proposed Transmission Line Furthers the National Policy of Promoting Renewable Energy, Creating Jobs, and Protecting Private Property Rights.

i. The Proposed ROW is Necessary for the Development of Renewable Energy in the Southwest.

In 2009 and 2010, the Secretary of the U.S. Department of the Interior stated that "[e]ncouraging the production, development, and delivery of renewable energy is one of the Department's highest priorities." Secretarial Order No. 3285 (2009), Secretarial Order No. 3285A-1 (2010). On January 28, 2010, Secretary Salazar reaffirmed this policy before the United States Senate Environment and Public Works Committee, testifying that:

Renewable energy development is one of President Obama's highest priorities.

We must recognize that the development of transmission capacity for this new energy production is a crucial element. Developing solar and other renewable energy resources, which are often located in remote areas, will require new transmission capacity to bring this clean energy to the population centers where it is needed.

Solar Energy Technology and Clean Energy Jobs: Hearing Before the S. Comm. on Environment and Public Works, 111th Cong. (2010) (statement of Ken Salazar, Sec. of the Interior) (emphasis added).

⁴ ADOT completed an SR74 Right of Way Preservation Study in January 2010.

The BHRMP itself provides: "[w]henever possible, promote energy transfer efficiency and support alternative energy sources. . . ." See Management Action LR-17. Moreover, Section 211 of the Energy Policy Act encourages the siting of renewable energy projects on public lands. Pub. L. 109-58 (2005).⁵ The BHRMP states that "[t]he decision will not change the BLM's obligation to conform to current or future national policy," which is to promote the deployment of renewable energy. See §1.4.2.

As noted, the Transmission Line would provide a vital link between the Phoenix metropolitan area and renewable energy projects in Arizona. "The proposed 500-kV portion of the project would strengthen the reliability of the regional 500-kV system and could facilitate delivery of renewable energy resources to load centers, such as the Phoenix metropolitan area." 76 Fed. Reg. 69 (Apr. 11, 2011) (emphasis added). The Staff Brief for the ACC also noted that the proposed ROW will "contribute to APS's ability to access renewable energy generation that is anticipated to interconnect through the Palo Verde Hub, thereby facilitating APS' ability to comply with its Renewable Energy Standard requirements." Staff Brief, p. 3.

To be consistent with federal renewable energy policy, the EIS should (1) reflect the fact that the Transmission Line would assist the region in meeting the national policy of providing renewable energy; (2) provide that the ACC Certified Route for the Transmission Line is the preferred alternative; and (3) recognize that any other action is likely to significantly delay the implementation of this line by increasing the needed review time at both the state and local level by essentially restarting the approval processes.

- ii. *The Approval of the ACC Certified Route Will Assist in the Creation of Jobs and the Protection of Private Property Rights.*

In these austere economic times, job creation is essential to the recovery of the national economy, especially in hard-hit areas such as in the American Southwest. Approval of the Transmission Line in the ACC Certified Route will accelerate the creation of jobs for the region in the construction of the Transmission Line. The potential for developing renewable energy generation sites and facilitating the construction of homes and commercial, retail, office, industrial, civic buildings will create both temporary employment as well as permanent jobs and will generate revenue for the region in fees and taxes. Therefore, BLM is required to examine how the approval of the Transmission Line in the ACC Certified Route would create jobs in the region. Moreover, BLM must consider the reasonably foreseeable timing of those jobs compared to other alternatives it wishes to examine.

In addition, if a high voltage transmission line such as the one associated with the Project is located on private lands, it will adversely impact the assessed value of privately-owned land. To be consistent with national policy, public lands should be used for public purposes such as the production of renewable energy. See P.L. 109-58 § 211. Private land owners should not bear the burden of implementing the Administration's policy when a suitable and existing corridor already exists on public land for the Transmission Line. Therefore, BLM

⁵ Section 211 provides:

It is the sense of the Congress that the Secretary of the Interior should, before the end of the 10-year period beginning on the date of enactment of this Act, seek to have approved non-hydropower renewable energy projects located on the public lands with a generation capacity of at least 10,000 megawatts of electricity.

must consider the potentially negative impacts to private adjacent landowners if BLM were to deny or modify the proposed action to place all or components on lands that are outside of its lands of jurisdiction.

Moreover, siting the Transmission Line in the ACC Certified Route would lessen homeowners' concerns regarding the potential public safety and health risks associated with prolonged exposure to a high voltage transmission line. As a result, BLM must take into consideration that the approval of the Transmission Line in the ACC Certificate Route would allay current and future residents' concerns regarding public safety and the health risks of prolonged exposure of living in close proximity to a high voltage line compared to other potential alternatives.

To preserve property values and to avoid any public safety and health concerns, the ACC Certified Route should be the preferred alternative.

B. To be Consistent with Federal and State Policy Regarding Joint Use Corridors, Any Preferred Alternative for the ROW Should be Located within the ACC Certified Route.

Under the BHRMP, BLM is required to "[e]ncourage joint use whenever possible." § 2.3.5.2.2. It further provides that "[t]he designated transportation corridor may be suitable to accommodate more than one type of right-of-way use or facility or one or more right-of-way uses or facilities which are similar, identical, or compatible." *Id.* § 2.3.5.1, LR-3. BLM's Standard Operating Procedures for Utility and Transportation Corridors provide that "[t]ransportation routes . . . should be co-located with utilities in designated corridors to the maximum degree possible." *Id.* § A.6.2.

With respect to the Transmission Line, the Arizona Department of Transportation ("ADOT"), which has the transportation easement within the Bradshaw-Harquahala Planning Area, indicated that "[b]ased on the information provided, the Department does not see any conflicts with the placement of this line adjacent to our future right-of-way easement needs as identified in the ADOT SR 74 Feasibility Report, Right-of-Way Preservation." Letter from Robert Samour, Deputy State Engineer, ADOT, to BLM (Dec. 7, 2010), a copy of which is attached hereto as Attachment "B".

As noted, the proposed ROW for the Transmission Line is within an existing transportation corridor. ADOT has indicated that the Transmission Line would be a compatible use adjacent to its transportation easement. The shared use of the transportation corridor with the Transmission Line would also minimize any environmental disturbance associated with the line. Therefore, to be consistent with federal land policy and to minimize any environmental negative impacts associated with the corridor, any preferred alternative for the Transmission Line should be located within BLM's designated State Route 74 transportation corridor as approved by the ACC.

C. The EIS Should Reflect BLM's Regulations, Which Encourage Consensus-Based Management

For BLM activities subject to NEPA analysis, BLM encourages consensus-based management, from initial scoping to implementation of the bureau decision. 43 C.F.R. § 46.110. "In incorporating consensus-based management in the NEPA process, bureaus should consider

any consensus-based alternative(s) put forth by those participating persons, organizations or communities who may be interested in or affected by the proposed action." *Id.*

In addition, ". . . bureaus must be able to show that the reasonable consensus-based alternative, if any, is reflected in the evaluation of the proposed action and discussed in the final decision." *Id.* "The Responsible Official must, whenever practicable, use a consensus-based management approach to the NEPA process." *Id.* "If the Responsible Official determines that the consensus-based alternative, if any, is not the preferred alternative, he or she must state the reasons for this determination in the environmental document." *Id.*

In this case, the ACC has already conducted an extensive review process that properly determined that the Transmission Line should be sited within the existing SR-74 transportation corridor. The ACC process was conducted with rigor and extensive participation involving multiple parties and completed before the BHRMP Record of Decision. In addition, ADOT has indicated that the Transmission Line would not pose a conflict for the use of the SR-74 transportation corridor. Moreover, there is broad community consensus regarding the ACC Certified Route as evidenced by the adopted and approved land use and infrastructure plans that are compatible with the ACC Certificated Route and APS ROW application. See also Peoria Parties' Appeal Answer to APS's Notice of Appeal and Statement of Reasons for Appeal (July 20, 2010); Letter from Blackstone at Vistancia Community Association to BLM (Dec. 6, 2010); and Letter from Vistancia Village Corporation to BLM (Dec. 6, 2010). Copies of the letters with attachments from Blackstone and Vistancia Village Corporation are attached hereto as Attachments "C" and "D" respectively. Accordingly, in order to be consistent in the federal policy of consensus-based management, the EIS should give considerable weight to the ACC proceedings and decision as well as the significant community support for the ACC Certified Route. Importantly, while a broad array of citizens may participate and provide comments to the BLM, the most directly impacted individuals are those that currently or will reside in Peoria communities adjacent to SR74.

D. The Right of Way Could be Granted Without an Amendment to the RMP.

The BHRMP fosters adaptive management by "the presentation of desired future conditions that focus on reaching outcomes rather than identifying inflexible standards and prescriptions that may not be applicable situations." § 2.12.2. The plan further provides that "[w]hen land use plan actions or best management practices are found to be ineffective, modifications may occur without amendment of the plan as long as assumptions and impacts disclosed in the analysis remain valid and broad-scale goals and objectives are not changed." *Id.* A plan amendment may become necessary if **major changes** are needed or in consideration of a proposal or action that is not in conformance with the plan." § 2.11.7 (emphasis added).

The BHRMP provides that BLM is encouraged to (1) use joint uses of existing corridors and (2) promote renewable energy. §2.3.5.2.2. The ACC Certified Route fits squarely within these directives.⁶ Consequently, because the "assumptions and impacts disclosed in the

⁶ The ACC Certified Route also fits within the policies set forth in BLM Rights-of-Way Manual, which directs BLM to provide policy, procedures, and guidance for managing ROWs on public land so as to:

2. Minimize the proliferation of separate ROWs.

analysis remain valid and broad-scale goals and objectives" are not changed, it would not be a "major change" for BLM to approve the ACC Certified Route. Accordingly, no amendment to the plan is necessary. Requiring an amendment to the plan would be applying inflexible standards and prescriptions that should not be applicable to a situation such as this where the Transmission Line fits squarely within the plan's goals and objectives.

E. If the BHRMP Is Revised, Omissions and Inconsistencies Should Be Resolved.

1. If revised, the BHRMP should consider the consensus-based decisions/plans adopted by the ACC, ADOT, and impacted local communities.

As discussed above, BLM encourages consensus-based management, from initial scoping to the implementation of the bureau decision. Federal regulations require BLM to consider any consensus-based alternative(s) put forth by those participating persons, organizations or communities who may be interested in or affected by the proposed action. See 43 C.F.R. § 46.110. Therefore, if the BHRMP is revised, it should be amended to reflect the ACC proceedings relating to this matter. BLM must also evaluate the proposed action and any alternatives, to ensure that they are consistent with the Voter Approved City of Peoria General Plan and the Maricopa County Voter Approved expansion of SR74 through the Regional Transportation Sales Tax.

2. To the extent that the BHRMP does not adequately reflect the Administration's priority of promoting renewable energy, it should be revised accordingly.

The BHRMP provides that "many decisions are not appropriate at this level of planning and are not included in the ROD, including the decision . . . to change the BLM's obligation to conform to current or future national policy." § 1.4.2. As discussed, the Administration has consistently stated that the promotion of renewable energy is one of its "highest priorities." Secretarial Order at 3. The BHRMP, however, provides some potentially conflicting guidance. Specifically, it states, in relevant part, that:

3. Promote the sharing of ROWs with respect to engineering and technological compatibility, national security, and land use planning.
4. Provide a system of designated ROW corridors on public land to help meet future ROW needs as appropriate.
5. Promote efficiency in granting ROWs.
6. Promote uniform ROW application processing and granting requirements and procedures.

§ 2801, 2(B).

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State Directors, District Managers and Field Managers, within their delegated areas of responsibility, are responsible for uniformly implementing and carrying out the guidance and instruction contained in this 2800 Manual/Handbook/IM series.

§ 2801, 4(C).

- all major utilities will be routed through designated corridors. Encourage new rights-of-way within designated corridors to promote the maximum use of existing routes. Encourage joint use whenever possible.
- whenever possible, promote energy transfer efficiency and support alternative energy sources. . .
- whenever possible, design or route transmission lines to minimize adverse visual impacts to the surrounding lands and vistas.

§ 2.3.5.2.2.

These directives in the RMP create a potential inconsistency between the national policy that the Administration has embraced for renewable energy and the directive to route major utilities through designated corridors on the one hand the desire to minimize adverse visual impacts on the other hand. As a result, the BHRMP should be amended to reflect one of the Administration's "highest" national priority of promoting renewable energy projects, particularly when they can be located within existing designated corridors.

3. If amended, the BHRMP should be revised to clarify certain key terms in a manner consistent with federal policy encouraging joint use.

"Utility corridors" and "transportation corridors" appear as section headings in the Table of Contents in the BHRMP and are jointly referenced throughout the BHRMP. Neither term, however, is a defined term in the BHRMP Glossary. Although the term "Multi-Use Corridor" appears as an undefined term on the legend of Map 9 referenced in the BHRMP, it does not appear anywhere in the BHRMP text and is also not defined in the Glossary. "Designated Corridor" is the only defined term for any corridor in the BHRMP. It is defined as "BLM's preferred route for placing rights-of-way for utilities (i.e. pipelines and power lines) and transportation (i.e. highways and railroads)."

To be consistent with BLM directives regarding joint-use corridors, the BHRMP should be revised to include definitions of both utility and transportation corridors. The definitions should expressly provide that both that transportation and utility corridors should be co-located wherever possible and that transmission lines, regardless of capacity, are not precluded within transportation corridors.

4. If the RMP is amended, it should be revised to designate the SR-74 transportation corridor as a multi-use corridor.

As discussed in detail above, BLM policy expressly encourages the joint use of corridors whenever possible. BHRMP, § 2.3.5.2.2. Here, there is an existing transportation corridor, which DOT has confirmed will accommodate the Transmission Line. Moreover, both the Committee and the ACC approved the siting of the Transmission Line within the SR-74 transportation corridor after an extensive public and environmental review. Designating the subject transportation corridor as a multi-use corridor would minimize any environmental impacts while satisfying the national policy of promoting renewable energy. Therefore, the RMP should be revised to designate the SR-74 transportation corridor as a multi-use corridor that would accommodate the Transmission Lines.

5. The BHRMP should clarify that the boundary of the Castle Hot Springs Management Unit is the northern boundary of the designated corridor on SR74.

Certain maps contained within the BHRMP⁷ indicate that the Castle Hot Spring Management Unit (CHSMU) includes the area contained within the one-mile designated corridor of SR74 and extends south of SR 74 to include BLM lands. However, the location of the CHSMU boundary on the northern edge of the designated corridor of SR74 is more consistent with the desired future conditions of this management unit because the CHSMU is bounded by the designated transportation corridor of SR74 (Carefree Highway) on the south, which provides (1) for accessible open space and recreational opportunities on federal lands to the north, (2) acknowledges the development associated with the corridor designation and expansion of SR74, and (3) recognizes that SR 74 serves the urban growth areas on State and private lands to the south in the City of Peoria and greater metropolitan Phoenix area.

F. Other Relevant Issues That Require Analysis.

In addition to the issues described above, issues that require analysis for the proposed action and each reasonable alternative meriting a detailed analysis include, but are not limited to the following:

- BLM must evaluate the amount of time each alternative will take to proceed through any State or local permitting processes compared to the proposed project given the Department of the Interior's interest in expeditiously increasing the amount of renewable energy generation and transmission.
- BLM should consider how approval of the Transmission Line and the development that would occur would generate fees, property and sales taxes for the state, county, region, and city governments in comparison to other alternatives.
- The current RMP lists plans that were consulted in its development. However, most of the Plans consulted were for the 1998-2001 timeframe. Arizona and Metro Phoenix experienced incredible growth during the RMP process. Numerous Plans with new information and changed circumstances were being adopted by agencies within the RMP boundaries during the PEIS and FEIS. Each of those plans must be incorporated into the RMP to the maximum extent feasible.

⁷ See:

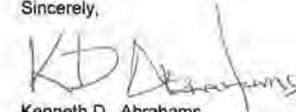
- o Map 4 Planning Area Management Units
- o Map 9 Utility & Transportation Corridors and Communication Sites
- o Map 10 Closed to Leasable Minerals
- o Map 11 Closed to Saleable Minerals
- o Map 12 Closed to Locatable Minerals
- o Map 13 Grazing Allotments
- o Map 15a Route Network for the South Black Canyon and Castle Hot Springs MUs
- o Map 16 Visual Resource Management
- o Map 18 Wilderness Characteristics
- o Map 21 Castle Hot Springs Management Unit

- The BHRMP text indicating 115kV electric transmission facilities as a facility significant for the basis of corridor designation may not be reasonably interpreted as precluding placement of 115kV or greater transmission right of way as a shared use in a designated corridor that is a transportation corridor.
- Only a small amount of all the lands in Arizona are privately owned and an even smaller amount of private land has potential to be developed. Therefore, BLM must consider both the social and economic consequences which are both forestalling development opportunities and also delaying the provision of services that are in the public interest when examining the proposed action in comparison to other alternatives.
- In the event that BLM considers alternatives that are not on BLM lands, BLM must evaluate whether those alternatives are currently compatible with the approved land use plans on State land and private land south of SR 74, and BLM is obligated to analyze the impacts of that alternative on the visual resources, desert tortoise and other desert wildlife values.
- BLM must consider the potentially negative impacts to private adjacent landowners if BLM were to deny or modify the proposed action to place all or components on lands that are outside of its lands of jurisdiction.
- BLM must consider the availability of recently generated environmental data and information that was produced relative to the Transportation Corridor (proposed Multi-Use Corridor) during the BHRMP process that concluded in 2009. The recent approval of the BHRMP supported by a recent EIS provides a significant opportunity to accelerate the review and approval of the amendment to the BHRMP due to the availability of recently generated and approved environmental data and information.
- BLM must consider the evaluation of Recreational Impacts relative to the City of Peoria approved General Plan. As represented in the City of Peoria's voter approved General Plan, the recreational uses south of SR 74 would be severely impacted by the placement of the power line south of SR 74 due to the highly integrated nature land uses on the south side of SR 74 involving schools, parks, commercial, residential and open space. By comparison, the relative recreational impact of locating the power line north of SR 74 would be much less than the location of the power lines south of SR 74.
- BLM must consider the evaluation of Visual Impacts performed as part of the ACC line siting process. The Visual Impacts of the proposed line of the transmission line were thoroughly reviewed during the ACC line siting process relative their placement north or south of SR 74. A forensic level visual resource impact analysis was prepared for the ACC line siting process that demonstrated the lower visual impact of locating the power lines north of SR 74. The visual impact analysis also demonstrated how visual impact of the power line north of SR 74 can be mitigated while being co-located with the planned transportation improvements for SR 74.

III. CONCLUSION

As discussed above, the Transmission Line (1) will assist the region in meeting the national policy of promoting renewable energy and (2) is in the public interest. The ACC Certified Route is also consistent with BLM's policy of siting rights-of-way for utilities and transportation within existing designated corridors, both transportation and utility corridors. Accordingly, the EIS should provide that the ACC Certified Route for the Transmission Line is the preferred alternative and proceed to expeditiously approve the right of way request.

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Dear State Director Kenna, Ms. Bullets and Mr. Cohn,

As the elected Arizona Congressional Representatives serving Districts 2, 4, and 8, we are writing to request that you exercise your authority and rescind your April 28, 2010 rejection of Application AZA-35079, the Arizona Public Service Company application for Transportation and Utility Systems and Facilities on Federal Lands. The Right-of-Way application submitted to the BLM by Arizona Public Service Company included the corridor that was approved by the Arizona Corporation Commission in Decision 70850 after extensive environmental and public review. Not considering this valid and important information in evaluating APS' ROW application is not in the best interest of the State of Arizona and our constituents. Further, it is consistent with Section 2.1.10 Mission and Goals of the final 1610 (AZP010) Bradshaw Harquahala Resource Management Plan and Record of Decision, (RMP).

The RMP accommodates the complexity of the land planning process by providing flexibility and identifying a number of administrative actions which your office may employ to address the current situation. These are provided for in the RMP under "Modifications", "Clarifications", "Plan Monitoring", "Implementation Monitoring" and "Effectiveness Monitoring" as well as "Adaptive Management". Additionally, the BLM H-1601-1 Land Use Planning Handbook has specific sections which address the importance of "Coordination and Cooperation with Other Federal Agencies and State and Local Governments" as well as the procedures for administrative

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authority in "Considering New Proposals, Circumstances and Information", and "Amending and Revising Decisions".

The installation of the TS-5 to TS-9 electric transmission line by its scheduled in-service date is essential for the elimination of electric transmission congestion and for furthering the development and conveyance of renewable energy, including the numerous solar energy ROW applications pending on BLM lands. BLM's acceptance of the APS ROW application for this line will address area-wide constraints and restrictions for energy transmission, and the need for enhanced redundancy and reliability. The TS-5 to TS-9 transmission line per the ACC decision will better promote the long-term sustainability of the population and environment in Arizona.

There are at least three important reports and decisions that occurred in 2009 which provide data and refer to issues covered in the RMP. These include: Arizona Corporation Commission Decision No. 70850, Docket No. L-00000D-08-0330-00138; Department of Energy National Electric Transmission Congestion Study; and BLM RMP ROD Designation of Energy Corridors on Bureau of Land Management Administered Lands in 11 Western States. These are not listed in the "Related Plans" section of the RMP. The integration of information from these State and Federal documents warrant an administrative adjustment to the management decisions and would not affect the broad-scale goals and objectives of the RMP.

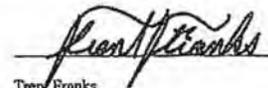
The ACC decision and the DOE and BLM reports were available to the BLM prior to the April 2010 RMP Record of Decision. These reports provide information which create a changed circumstance and make the granting of the ROW north of State Route 74 an appropriate location for the APS TS-5 to TS-9 Project. The information from these 2009 State and Federal Agencies is important to be integrated into the Bradshaw Harquahala RMP land use plan implementation.

In addition, it appears that there may be an incorrect designation of BLM lands along State Route 74 as a "Transportation Corridor", which is an undefined term in the RMP Glossary. State Route 74, approved for expansion and development by the voters of Maricopa County and identified on the Regional Transportation Plans by Maricopa Association of Governments is more appropriately a "Designated Corridor". This BLM RMP defined term would be consistent with BLM's position on co-location of utility and transportation rights-of-way, regional transportation plans, the ACC decision and the APS ROW application.

We strongly urge you to consider the facts, federal policy decisions, 2009 reports, and the Arizona State Siting Process as outlined in this letter. This body of information merits the location of this electric transmission line in its ACC approved location and confirms that location as consistent with the RMP. Please take a course of action, including the possibility of errata that will expedite the approval of the APS ROW application.

It is our goal, as Congressional Representatives, to ensure that the State of Arizona continues to be a leader in promoting renewable energy projects in the west, which will help relieve our dependence on fossil fuels. The APS TS-5 to TS-9 500/230kV Transmission Line Project will help achieve that goal. We thank you in advance for your consideration and swift action to approve these recommendations.

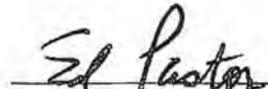
Most sincerely,



Trent Franks
United States Congress



Gabrielle Giffords
United States Congress



Ed Pastor
United States Congress

Attachment "B"



Janice K. Brewer
Governor
John S. Hallikowaki
Director

Arizona Department of Transportation
Intermodal Transportation Division
206 South Seventeenth Avenue Phoenix, Arizona 85007-3213

Floyd Roehrich, Jr.
State Engineer

December 7, 2010

Bureau of Land Management
21605 N. 7th Avenue
Phoenix, AZ 85027

ATTN: Steve Cohen
Hassayampa Field Manager

RE: SR 74

Mr. Steve Cohen

This letter is in follow up to a request by our industry and agency partners to review a proposed 500kV/230kV electric transmission line by Arizona Public Service adjacent to SR 74. As you know, the Arizona Department of Transportation has a transportation easement within the Bradshaw-Harquahala Planning Area for our facility. Based on the information provided, the Department does not see any conflicts with the placement of this line adjacent to our future right-of-way easement needs as identified in the ADOT SR 74 Feasibility Report, Right-of-Way Preservation. Please let me know if you have any questions or would like to discuss this further.

Sincerely

Robert Samour

Robert Samour, P.E.
Deputy State Engineer
(602) 712-8274

C: John Hallikowaki, ADOT Director
Steve Burg, City of Peoria
Eric Anderson, MAG Transportation Director
Priscilla Storm, Diamond Ventures, Inc.

Attachment "C"



BLACKSTONE

December 6, 2010

Mr. Jim Keena, Director
Bureau of Land Management
Arizona State Office
One North Central Avenue
Suite 800
Phoenix, AZ 85004-4427

Re: BLM Right of Way for APS TS-5 to TS-9 Transmission Facilities

Dear Director Keena:

Enclosed please find a copy of a letter that the Blackstone at Vistancia Community Association recently sent to Congressman Trent Franks reasserting our community's support of the Arizona Corporation Commission (ACC) decision regarding the route for the above referenced planned energy transmission facilities. We believe the planned energy transmission facilities and the existing and expanded State Route 74 transportation facilities are compatible and should be co-located within BLM's current designated Transportation Corridor.

The community of Blackstone at Vistancia has and will continue to monitor BLM's activities on this matter. We anticipate being active in any public comment or other input process and highly energized in support the co-location of the planned energy facilities in accordance with the current approved ACC certificated route. We will also be active in any comment or other public input process and highly energized in opposition of any alternative alignments that is not consistent with and within the current ACC certificated route.

The community of Blackstone at Vistancia urges BLM to promptly proceed with the acceptance of the APS right of way application in accordance with the ACC certificated route and to establish an approval process that meets the regulatory requirements of BLM and enables APS to achieve its in-service date for the TS-5 to TS-9 transmission facilities.

Thank you for your cooperation on this matter.

Sincerely,


Lisa M. Jundrow, CMCA, AMS, CAAM
Blackstone at Vistancia Community Manager

CC: Congressman Trent Franks
Councilmember Cathy Carlat
Paul Herndon - APS Project Manager



BLACKSTONE

December 6, 2010

Congressman Trent Franks
7121 West Bell Road
Suite 200
Glendale, AZ 85308

Re: Arizona Public Service Company (APS) – TS-5 to TS-9 Transmission Facility

Dear Congressman Franks:

The community of Blackstone at Vistancia is located in the City of Peoria, Arizona and is currently the home for 210 residents. Blackstone at Vistancia is planned for 600 homes and a future population of over 2,100 residents. The Blackstone at Vistancia Community Association has actively monitored and participated the above referenced power transmission facility alignment and decision process over the past several years and formally intervened in the Arizona Corporation Commission (ACC) line siting process that resulted in a decision that established the certificated route for the planned future facilities. Blackstone at Vistancia is in full support of the ACC decision to co-locate the TS-5 to TS-9 transmission facilities with State Route 74 and to coordinate the planned transmission facilities with the planned expansion of State Route 74.

We understand that since the ACC decision in March 2009 BLM has yet to accept the APS right of way application or take the necessary actions that would result in BLM accepting the right of way application for the portion of the planned transmission facility that is on BLM lands. The Blackstone at Vistancia Community Association is very concerned that such non-action on the part of BLM may force APS to revisit this matter with the ACC since BLM's non-action directly threatens APS's ability to meet its established 2016 in-service date.

In the unfortunate event that this matter must be revisited by the ACC due to BLM's lack of action to approve the APS right of way application All of Vistancia Village will again be highly involved and active in its support of the current ACC certificated route and opposed to any changes in the approved route for the TS-5 to TS-9 transmission facilities.

The community of Blackstone at Vistancia remains vigilant and highly engaged on this matter. We appreciate your long standing support of our community's position and the position of the ACC on this matter.

Sincerely,

Lisa M. Lundsow, CMCA, AMS, CAAM
Blackstone at Vistancia Community Association Manager

C: BLM Director Kenna
APS Project Manager Herndon
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Attachment "D"



December 6, 2010

Mr. Jim Kenns, Director
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Arizona State Office
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Phoenix, AZ 85004-4427

Re: BLM Right of Way for APS TS-5 to TS-9 Transmission Facilities

Dear Director Kenns:

Enclosed please find a copy of a letter that the Vistancia Maintenance Corporation recently sent to Congressman Trent Franks reasserting the Maintenance Corporation's support of the Arizona Corporation Commission (ACC) decision regarding the route for the above referenced planned energy transmission facilities. We believe the planned energy transmission facilities and the existing and expanded State Route 74 transportation facilities are compatible and should be co-located within BLM's current designated Transportation Corridor.

The Vistancia Maintenance Corporation has and will continue to monitor BLM's activities on this matter. We anticipate being active in any public comment or other input process and highly energized in support of the co-location of the planned energy facilities in accordance with the current approved ACC certificated route. We will also be active in any comment or other public input process and highly energized in opposition of any alternative alignments that is not consistent with and within the current ACC certificated route.

The Vistancia Maintenance Corporation urges BLM to promptly proceed with the acceptance of the APS right of way application in accordance with the ACC certificated route and to establish an approval process that meets the regulatory requirements of BLM and enables APS to achieve its in-service date for the TS-5 to TS-9 transmission facilities.

Thank you for your cooperation on this matter.

Sincerely,

Lisa M. Lunszkow, CMCA, AMS, CAAM
Vistancia Maintenance Corporation Manager

CC: Congressman Trent Franks
Councilmember Cathy Carlet
Paul Herndon -- APS Project Manager



December 6, 2010

Congressman Trent Franks
7121 West Bell Road
Suite 200
Glendale, AZ 85308

Re: Arizona Public Service Company (APS) - TS-5 to TS-9 Transmission Facility

Dear Congressman Franks:

The Vistancia Maintenance Corporation is located in the City of Peoria, Arizona and maintains hundreds of acres of common area for the residents of all of Vistancia Village. The Vistancia Maintenance Corporation has actively monitored and participated the above referenced power transmission facility alignment and decision process over the past several years and formally intervened in the Arizona Corporation Commission (ACC) line siting process that resulted in a decision that established the certificated route for the planned future facilities. Vistancia Maintenance Corporation is in full support of the ACC decision to co-locate the TS-5 to TS-9 transmission facilities with State Route 74 and to coordinate the planned transmission facilities with the planned expansion of State Route 74.

We understand that since the ACC decision in March 2009 BLM has yet to accept the APS right of way application or take the necessary actions that would result in BLM accepting the right of way application for the portion of the planned transmission facility that is on BLM lands. The Vistancia Maintenance Corporation is very concerned that such non-action on the part of BLM may force APS to revisit this matter with the ACC since BLM's non-action directly threatens APS's ability to meet its established 2016 in-service date.

In the unfortunate event that this matter must be revisited by the ACC due to BLM's lack of action to approve the APS right of way application all of Vistancia Village will again be highly involved and active in its support of the current ACC certificated route and opposed to any changes in the approved route for the TS-5 to TS-9 transmission facilities.

The Vistancia Maintenance Corporation remains vigilant and highly engaged on this matter. We appreciate your long standing support of our community's position and the position of the ACC on this matter.

Sincerely,

Lisa M. Lunszkow, CMCA, AMS, CAAM
Vistancia Maintenance Corporation Manager

C: BLM Director Kenns
APS Project Manager Herndon
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Trilogy at Vistancia Community Association
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7740 N. 16th Street, Suite 300
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December 6, 2010

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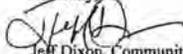
Enclosed please find a copy of a letter the community of Trilogy at Vistancia recently sent to Congressman Trent Franks reasserting the Maintenance Corporation's support of the Arizona Corporation Commission (ACC) decision regarding the route for the above referenced planned energy transmission facilities. We believe the planned energy transmission facilities and the existing and expanded State Route 74 transportation facilities are compatible and should be co-located within BLM's current designated Transportation Corridor.

The community of Trilogy at Vistancia has and will continue to monitor BLM's activities on this matter. We anticipate being active in any public comment or other input process and highly energized in support the co-location of the planned energy facilities in accordance with the current approved ACC certificated route. We will also be active in any comment or other public input process and highly energized in opposition of any alternative alignments that is not consistent with and within the current ACC certificated route.

The community of Trilogy at Vistancia urges BLM to promptly proceed with the acceptance of the APS right of way application in accordance with the ACC certificated route and to establish an approval process that meets the regulatory requirements of BLM and enables APS to achieve its in-service date for the TS-5 to TS-9 transmission facilities.

Thank you for your cooperation on this matter.

Sincerely,


Jeff Dixon, Community Manager
Trilogy at Vistancia

CC: Congressman Trent Franks
Councilmember Cathy Carlat
Paul Herndon – APS Project Manager

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Congressman Trent Franks
7121 West Bell Road
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December 6, 2010

Re: Arizona Public Service Company (APS) – TS-5 to TS-9 Transmission Facility

Dear Congressman Franks:

The community of Trilogy at Vistancia is located in the City of Peoria, Arizona and is currently the home for 5,697 residents. Trilogy at Vistancia is planned for 2,368 homes and a future population of over 7,100 residents. Over the past several years Trilogy at Vistancia Community Association has actively monitored and participated in the above referenced power transmission facility alignment and decision process. Additionally, we have formally intervened in the Arizona Corporation Commission (ACC) line siting process that resulted in a decision that established the certificated route for the planned future facilities. Trilogy at Vistancia is in full support of the ACC decision to co-locate the TS-5 to TS-9 transmission facilities with State Route 74 and to coordinate the planned transmission facilities with the planned expansion of State Route 74.

We understand that since the ACC decision in March 2009 BLM has yet to accept the APS right of way application or take the necessary actions that would result in BLM accepting the right of way application for the portion of the planned transmission facility that is on BLM lands. The Trilogy at Vistancia Community Association is very concerned that such non-action on the part of BLM may force APS to revisit this matter with the ACC since BLM's non-action directly threatens APS's ability to meet its established 2016 in-service date.

In the unfortunate event that this matter must be revisited by the ACC due to BLM's lack of action to approve the APS right of way application. Rest assured Trilogy at Vistancia Community Association will again be highly involved and active in its support of the current ACC certificated route and opposed to any changes in the approved route for the TS-5 to TS-9 transmission facilities.

The community of Trilogy at Vistancia remains vigilant and highly engaged on this matter. We appreciate your long standing support of our community's position and the position of the ACC on this matter.

Sincerely,


Jeff Dixon, Community Manager
Trilogy at Vistancia

Cc: BLM Director Kenna
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Organization (if applicable) _____
 Add to mailing list YES NO
 Withhold personal information* YES NO
 Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS:

- Leave APS + ACC supported plan in place - already approved;
- extreme health risks to school children and residents if moved thru Ustancia;
- protect our property values;
- SR 74 is not a scenic scenic highway;
- most importantly: PEOPLE before TORTISES

SEND COMMENTS TO:

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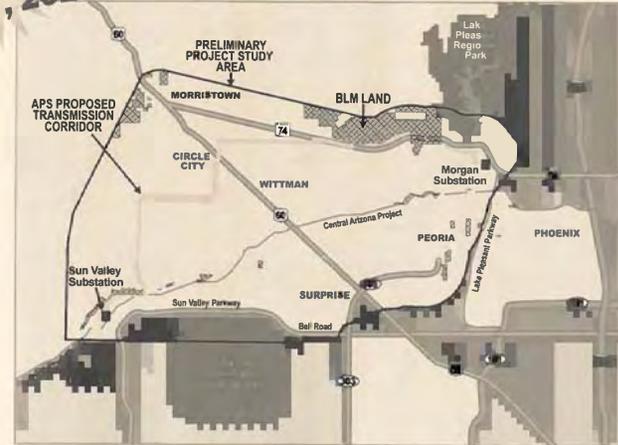
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Proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan 500/230kV Transmission Line Project and Proposed RMP Amendment

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Do you have a suggested alternative?



We want to hear from you!

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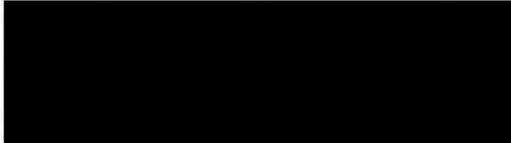
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To Whom It May Concern:

We are Vistancia residents in Peoria Arizona and support the placement of power lines along the north side of SR74. Almost a year ago, we decided to move to the Vistancia community. The scenic views played a significant role in making our decision to move, and we would like to protect it. While making our daily commute, we see the power lines heading north along Vistancia Blvd. These lines are an eye sore already, and we could not imagine having more within sight of our community.

Along with the views, we have health concerns with the power lines. Our 4 year daughter does not need to be exposed to the radiation from the power lines. It seems practical to place these lines along SR74, where you do not have to worry about impacting a community and the health of its residents.

Regards,



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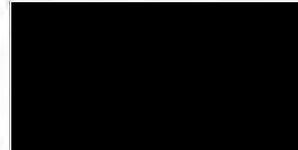
Dear Ms. Depukat and Mr. Incardine:

I respectfully request that you revise your Resource Management Plan to allow placement of the APS 500/250kV power distribution lines on the north side of SR 74. There are many compelling arguments in support of this request, including, but not limited to:

Should BLM officials reject alignment along the north side of SR 74, APS will have no choice but to place the power distribution lines along the "Carefree Highway alignment" which literally draws an imaginary line from the southern most section of the Carefree Highway extending across pristine desert land. This land is home to coyote, bobcats, javalina, roadrunners, wild donkey, quail, rabbits, squirrels, desert tortoise. These populations will be dramatically affected by the power lines and placement of a roadway in order for APS to perform maintenance and repairs.

It just makes sense to limit the amount of desert land affected by human development. We must protect all wildlife. Rather than scourge two areas of desert, please place the power lines along the north side of SR 74 and keep the destruction of our desert to a minimum.

Respectfully yours,



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BLM Phoenix District Office
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Attn: Joe Incardine / Kathleen Depukat
APS Sun Valley to Morgan 500/230 kV
Transmission Line Project
21605 North 7th Avenue
Phoenix, AZ 85027

Good morning Joe and Kathleen

I am writing you in regard to the proposed power line placement. I support the placement of the APS power lines on the north side of SR 74. My reasons are as follows:

- This placement is supported by APS, local residents, city officials, Arizona Corporation Commissioners and congressional representatives who have all considered alternative routes and deem placement along SR 74 as the most logical location and one that will least affect families, pristine desert and wildlife. Sounds like a no-brainer to me.
- This placement protects current and future home owners south of SR 74 from potential health risks.
- This placement protects property values already negatively impacted by current economic conditions. Why negatively impact my property value? Lower property values will affect tax revenues already suffering from current economic conditions and lost revenues will hurt school funding throughout Peoria. The state is hurting for money!
- SR 74 is not officially designated as a scenic corridor. Why would BLM force power lines along totally pristine desert as opposed to an 8.5 mile stretch of land already disturbed by a major roadway expected to be widen in the future?
- I am a resident in Vistancia and enjoy a multitude of wildlife in our community including coyote, javalina, roadrunners, bobcats, wild donkey, quail, rabbits and squirrels. Surely alternative alignments in pristine desert will disturb these populations and disturb my quality of life. Also, it has been said that the BLM has an existing policy stressing the importance of co-locating transportation and utility corridors so why is this policy not being enforced for the short 8.5 mile stretch of BLM land along SR 74?

Please amend your Resource Management Plan to allow placement of the APS power lines on the north side of SR 74

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BLM Phoenix District Office
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Attn: Joe Incardine / Kathleen Depukat
APS Sun Valley to Morgan 500/230 kV
Transmission Line Project
21605 North 7th Avenue
Phoenix, AZ 85027

Dear Joe and Kathleen

Please consider placement of the APS power lines on the north side of SR 74. There is already precedence established to place power lines along transportation corridors such as Loop 303 and I-17. Why would BLM sway from this precedence and place power lines through scenic desert property?

Placement of these power lines along SR 74 was deemed most logical by APS, local residents, city officials, Arizona Corporation Commissioners and congressional representatives. They have all considered alternative routes and deem placement along SR 74 as the most logical location and one that will least affect families, pristine desert and wildlife.

I request you consider another aspect of these power lines. The United States National Council on Radiation Protection states, "There is a powerful body of impressive evidence showing that even low exposure to electromagnetic radiation has a long-term effect on health." Some effects listed in the report include sudden infant death, childhood leukemia, changes in brain chemistry, impairment of the immune system and inhibition of melatonin production which suppresses certain cancers. Considering the 500kV lines are the most powerful in existence, this statement is quite alarming. Are you more concerned about protecting desert tortoise over people?

SR 74 is not officially designated as a scenic corridor, and power lines along a transportation corridor affects scenic views on a part-time basis; power lines along family communities affects scenic views 100% of the time. I must ask; why would BLM force power lines along totally pristine desert as opposed to an 8.5 mile stretch of land already disturbed by a major roadway expected to be widen in the future?

Drawing your attention to the public meeting held at the Peoria Community Center on April 28, 2011. There were dozens of BLM staff, power point presentations, large colored display boards, enlarged maps for your viewing pleasure. BLM staff indicated a decision would not be made for 2 years. Just how much money are taxpayers footing for a BLM decision over a mere 8.5 mile stretch? And if BLM rejects alignment along the north side of SR 74, APS will need to start the entire placement process from the beginning, thus delaying the much needed power lines and raising my APS bill!

It is my request BLM amends your Resource Management Plan to allow placement of the APS power lines on the north side of SR 74

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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May 18, 2011

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Dear Sir or Madame:

It is my understanding that you are seriously considering rejecting alignment of APS power lines along the north side of SR 74 and are planning to instead install them along an 8 mile stretch in the Vistancia Village.

I recently moved to this area from New York with the hopes of enjoying a long and healthy retirement but knowing the potential health risks of these power lines I am disheartened to know that this might not be the case. I cannot understand why the powers that be would be more concerned with desert tortoise over our people here in Vistancia.

Furthermore, I do not understand that if APS supports their power lines along the SR 74 why you would want to affect so many people in Vistancia. I live in an area where the housing market suffered a profound hit and I had high hopes when the economy stabilized the housing market would then continue to grow as it once did and our area would again start building. I am afraid that if these power lines go up we will not see the growth that was forthcoming as the installation of power lines negatively impacts property values not to mention people who are already here might want to leave their homes because of the health risks.

We all bought here for the promise of our scenic views that we now enjoy not to mention the wildlife that are in our area. What do you think will happen to our coyote, javalina, roadrunners, bobcats, donkey, quail, rabbits and squirrels along with "our" desert tortoise if you decide to install those power lines here?

I have heard that Mr. Dan Quayle lives in the area or owns land in the area and this might be the reason for you not wanting to install on the north side of SR 74. While I respect Mr. Quayle and the office that he served, is it fair to hinder the lives of so many thousands of people in Vistancia so you may heed the request of one man?

I beseech you to please reconsider the initial determination by APS which is in the best interest of everyone concerned to place the power lines along the north side of SR 74 and not through Vistancia Village.

Thank you so much for your time in this matter.



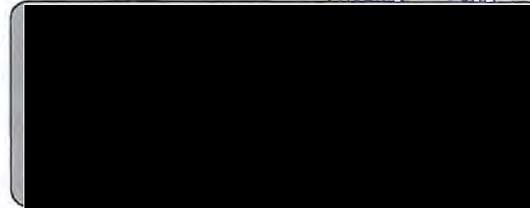
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Organization (if applicable) _____

Add to mailing list YES NO

Withhold personal information* YES NO

Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS:

Why don't you put these unsightly and potentially harmful power lines and towers along the canal

Sincerely

Laura A. Emmett



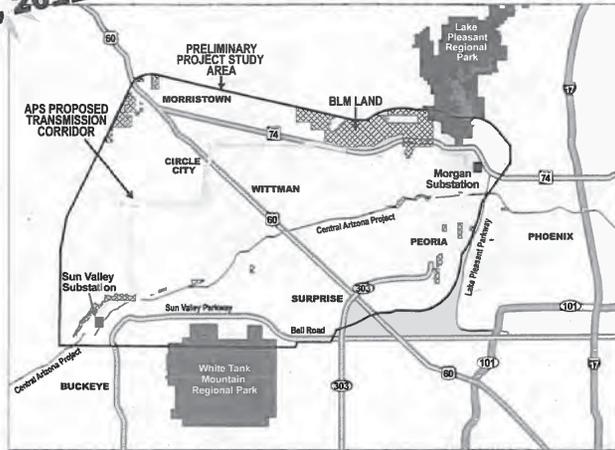
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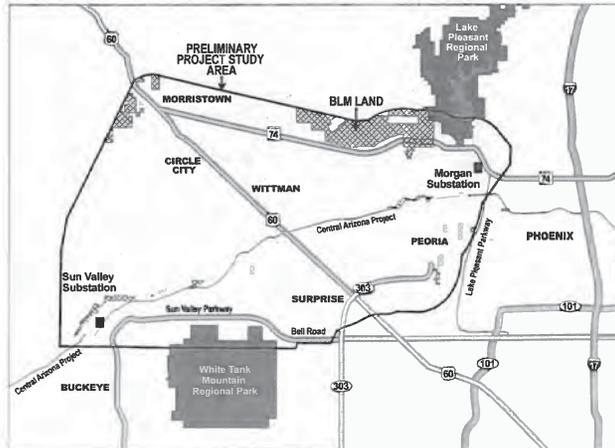
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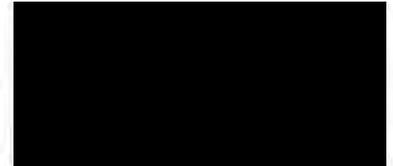
Do you have a suggested alternative?



We want to hear from you!

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FROM:



TO:

BLM Phoenix District Office
Hassayampa Field Office
Attn: Joe Incardine/Kathleen Dupukat
APS Sun Valley to Morgan 500/230 kV
Transmission Line Project
21605 North 7th Avenue
Phoenix, Arizona 85027

DATE: 5-17-11

MESSAGE:

Dear BLM Management -
As a resident of Vistancia I request that the APS power lines be placed on the north side of SR 74 and NOT in or near our residential community. Placement of the power lines in/near our community, I truly believe, will result in loss of property values plus destroy the scenic beauty of our community. The power lines are already in an existing corridor S.E. of us in an eye bar.
It has been the policy of BLM to co-locate transportation facilities corridors, so why not with the stretch on SR 74. Concerning our wildlife - while there are existing corridors already on SR 74, it is not necessary to disturb

Wildlife in our area.

Relocating the power lines will reduce health risk to current & future homeowners.

The US National Council on Radiation states of the evidence showing low exposure to electromagnetic radiation has long term effects on health. I believe it is your duty to do everything in your power to protect the lives of families, and wildlife, living in this area. Protect humans first!

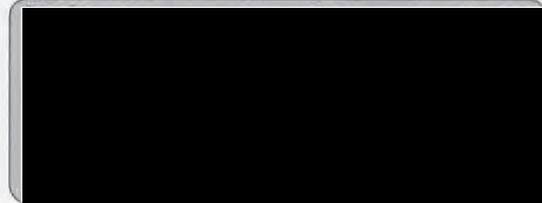
I implore you to place the power lines in the identified non-residential area



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Organization (if applicable) _____
Add to mailing list YES NO
Withhold personal information* YES NO
Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS:

Please support the Peoria State Route plan in Peoria

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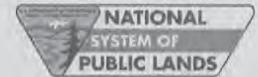
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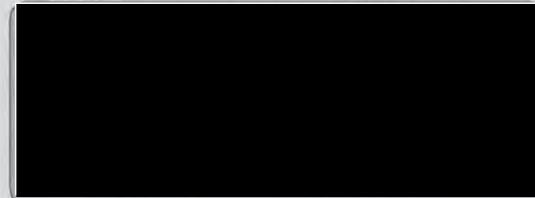
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VISTA MIN RESIDENT
Organization (if applicable)
Add to mailing list YES NO
Withhold personal information* YES NO
Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS:

Please follow the proposed North Side along 74 OR within IMMEDIATE LINES just below 74. It is beyond reason that a MAJOR LAND residential Area would be even considered a viable option when there is an approved other area along a traffic corridor. please hear us and go ahead approve this change to BLM.

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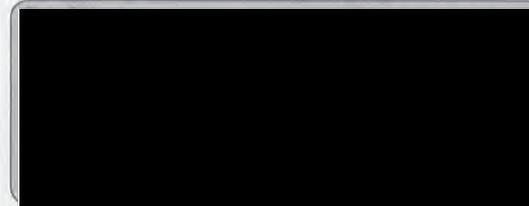


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Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS: WHILE I AM SENSITIVE TO ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS WITHIN THE PROPOSED AREA, BLM SHOULD GIVE CONSIDERABLE EMPHASIS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT DECISIONS. THE ACC PERMIT CONSIDERS PRIVATE VS PUBLIC NEEDS, SUSTAINABILITY AND ECONOMIC IMPACT ON PRIVATE PROPERTY. I ENCOURAGE THE AMENDMENT OF THE RMP TO INCLUDE A UTILITY CORRIDOR LIMITING CONSTRUCTION AND ADDITIONAL LAND USE IN DESERT AREAS.

VIEWSCAPE ALONG SR 74 IS IMPORTANT, HOWEVER SO IS VIEWSCAPE IN RESIDENTIALLY ZONED AREAS ALONG OTHER ALTERNATIVES. IT SEEMS APPROPRIATE TO USE PUBLIC LANDS FOR PUBLIC PURPOSES. THE PROPOSAL MINIMIZED IMPACT ON BLM LANDS SINCE IT SKIRTS THE SOUTHERN BORDER. FINALLY, WHY DID BLM NOT ENGAGE THIS ISSUE WHILE STILL IN THE RMP PROCESS SO WE WOULD NOT BE HERE TODAY?

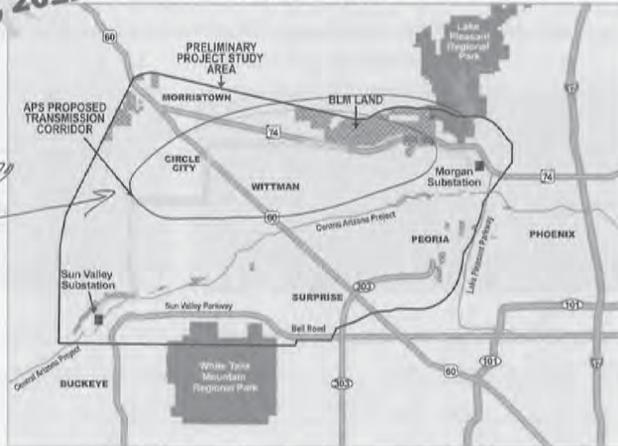
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PHOENIX, ARIZONA



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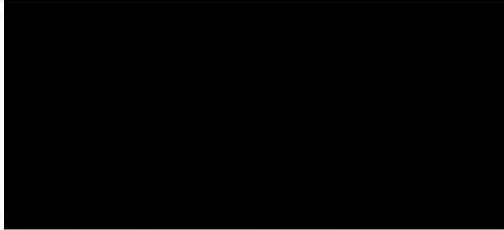
I am writing this letter in hopes that the BLM will reconsider placing power lines on the north side of SR 74 instead of in the Vistancia area. My family and I have recently purchased a home in the Entrada neighborhood in Vistancia and are extremely concerned that APS may possibly put power lines very close to this community. We have concerns that the close placement of these power lines will have a negative impact on our property value, potential life threatening health risks, and the fact that it would disturb such a beautiful community that was built to enjoy the pristine desert lifestyle.

Thank you,



5/17/11

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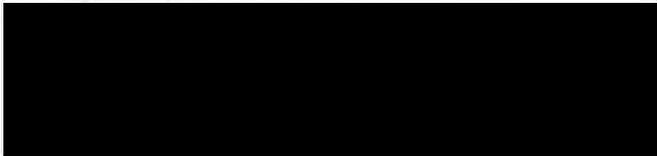
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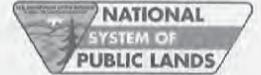
DATE:

MESSAGE:

I want BLM to keep
power lines near SR 74
NOT NEAR VISTANCIA
which ~~was~~ is the best place
for them



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VISTANCIA

Organization (if applicable)
Add to mailing list YES NO
Withhold personal information YES NO
Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS:

Keep proposed lines close to # 74 Road
no alternative
close to existing road
no need to go close to residential
homes.

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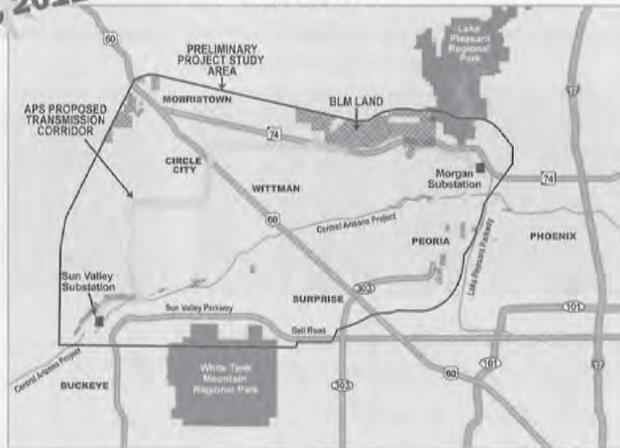
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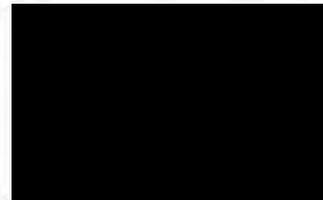
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Please use the recommended route that uses SR74 for the placement of the APS power lines. This route will direct the lines away from the health hazard it would create for the Vistancia community and the public school located nearby.

SR74 is a major highway and it makes sense to co-locate transportation and utility corridors rather than disturbing another area of pristine land. The precedent has been set with both Loop 303 and I-17 and most Arizonians are used to seeing these power lines when they are on the major highways.

The 8 mile stretch along SR74 would be a minor obstruction while driving along at +55 MPH compared to the constant viewing the Vistancia residents would be subjected to view. Not to mention the loss of property value and related lower tax revenue that an alternative route would create.

Thank You for your consideration of this letter...



To: BLM

5/17/2011

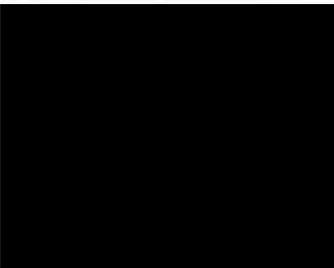
From: Darlene A Fassette

To whom it may concern;

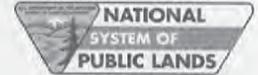
I am writing as a concerned Vistancia resident regarding the placement of Power Lines. I am strongly opposed to placing these lines anywhere near Vistancia. My main objection is the obvious one; health issues. There is strong evidence reported by the US National Council on Radiation Protection that any exposure to electromagnetic radiation, even small doses has a long term effect on health. Including SIDS, childhood leukemia and impairment to the immune system just to list a few.

Besides the negative impact on our personal property values and lost revenue this will hurt school funding throughout the Peoria district.

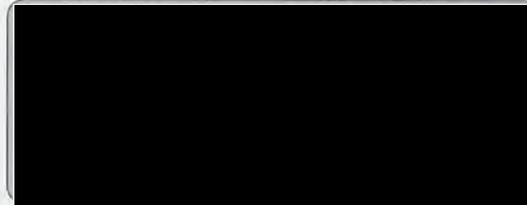
Precedence has been established in placing power lines along transportation corridors such as Loop 303 and I-17. Power lines along these corridors affect scenic views on a part-time basis. Power line placed within or along family communities affects scenic views on a permanent 24/7 - 365 basis.



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Add to mailing list YES NO

Withhold personal information YES NO

Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS:

In 2008 the Arizona Corporation Commission approved the route North of Hwy. 74. It was my understanding that post 3 years that we were proceeding along this corridor. My question is WHY after numerous meetings, we are here once again dealing with this same situation.

Please stay with the APS approved route North of Hwy 74. Thank you in advance

Darlene Fassette

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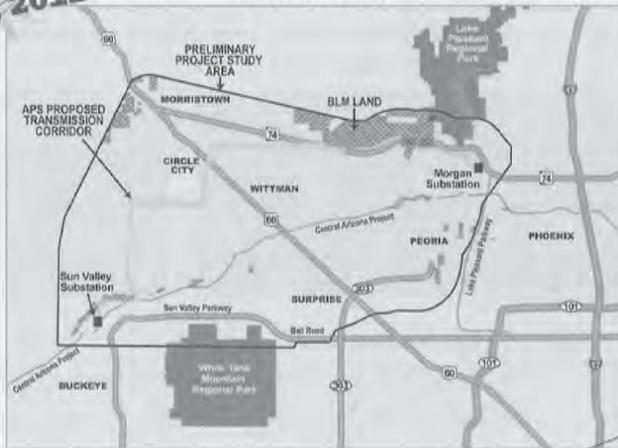
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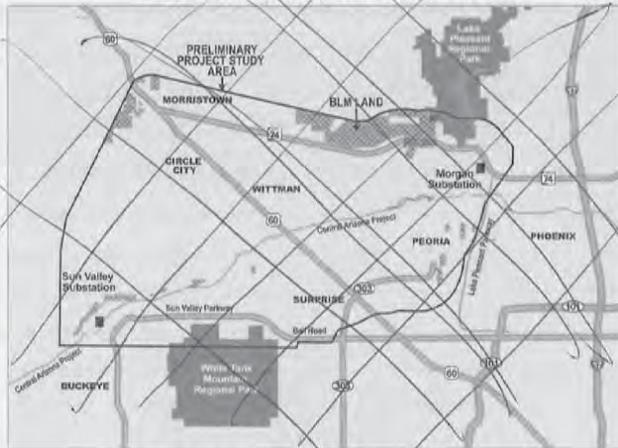
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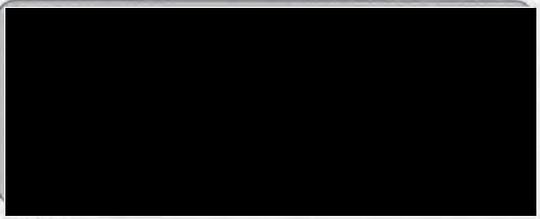
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 Add to mailing list YES NO
 Withhold personal information YES NO
 Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS:

PLEASE STAY WITH THE APS APPROVED ROUTE
ON BLM LAND NORTH OF ROUTE 74
"SUN VALLEY TO MORGAN 500/230KV"

M. J. Jurek 4/29/11

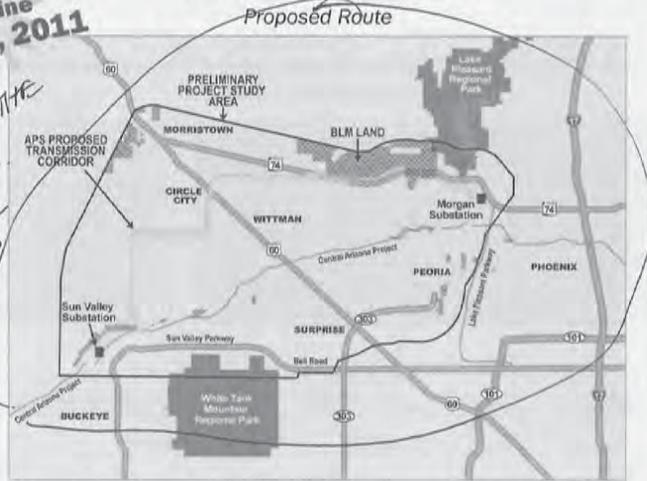
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*THIS IS THE
BEST ROUTE
M. J. Jett*



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11 MAY 23 PM 2:58
BUREAU OF LAND MGT
PHOENIX, ARIZONA

Dear Sir:

I am writing as a concerned citizen who lives in Vistancia. I was informed the BLM rejected the request from APS to place the 500kV power distribution lines along the north side of SR 74. Since this is supported by APS, local residents, city officials, AZ Corp. Commissioners and congressional representatives, who have all considered alternative routes and deem placement along SR 74 as the most logical location, I hope you would reconsider.

Being aware of the potential health risk of even low exposure to electromagnetic radiation has a long term effect on residents health, it shouldn't be taken lightly where to place this power line.

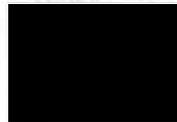
Property values will also suffer if the power line is placed near the residents, which in turn will affect tax revenues already suffering from current economic conditions. Precedence has been established in placing power lines along transportation corridors such as Loop 303 and I-17.

I see no reason why BLM would force power lines along a totally pristine desert as opposed to an 8.5 mile stretch of land already disturbed by major roadway expected to be widened in the near future.

Power lines along family communities affect scenic views 100% of the time. Along with all the other negatives: home values, health risks, and lost revenues hurting school funding throughout Peoria.

There is a multitude of wildlife in our communities of Vistancia, Trilogy and Blackstone including coyote, javalina, roadrunners, bobcats, and wild donkeys.

Please consider the families of our community seriously.



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BUREAU OF LAND MGT
PHOENIX, ARIZONA

Dt: May 19, 2011

Re: Using the Horizontal Division along Happy Valley Road by amending the "Resource Management Plan" to allow placement of APS power lines on the North Side of SR 74

As residents of Vistancia Village, we strongly urge you to amend the "Resource Management Plan" to allow placement of APS power lines on the north side of SR 74 for the following reasons:

- *Will protect Vistancia home owners from potential health risks
- *Protects property values
- *Lower property values will negatively affect tax revenues, which ultimately lowers tax support for schools
- *Horizontal division along Happy Valley Road preserves the integrity of the Mesquite District

We hope that we will be contacted soon, indicating that the health and welfare of Vistancia's inhabitants will supersede the health and welfare of tortoises. The tortoises carry their homes on their backs. We humans are still trying to get our mortgages off our backs!

Please contact us if we can answer questions or provide more information.

From: [Ellen Carr](#)
To: [meredith.griffin@galileoaz.com](#); [Amy Jerome](#)
Cc: [Chris Garbo](#)
Subject: FW:
Date: Thursday, May 26, 2011 10:39:54 AM
Attachments: [pic10144.jpg](#)

-----Original Message-----

From: dgodfrey@blm.gov [<mailto:dgodfrey@blm.gov>] On Behalf Of SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
Sent: Thursday, May 26, 2011 10:20 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: kdepukat@blm.gov; jincardi@blm.gov; ellen.carr@galileoaz.com
Subject: Re:

Mr. [REDACTED]
I've been asked to respond to your comments on the proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan transmission line. Thank you for taking the time to get involved in this process. Your comments will be included in the project record and considered in the evaluation of the project's potential environmental impacts.

Dennis Godfrey
Public Affairs Specialist/Arizona State Office/Bureau of Land Management
602.417.9499 / dennis_godfrey@blm.gov

[REDACTED]
05/25/2011 07:13 AM
To: <SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov>
cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: [REDACTED]

To: Kathleen Depukat
National Project Manager
BLM Phoenix District Office
21605 North 7th Ave
Phoenix, AZ 85027

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Dear Ms Depukat,
I am in strong opposition to the new electrical transmission line going through public lands parallel to State Route 74 for the following reason:

My objection to the amended RMP is based on common sense. This is not a designated corridor, it is a scenic highway, it will jeopardize environmental habitat outlined in BLP Rmp and it was the third alternative in the original RMP. The proposed action calls for focus on "reasonable alternatives"- why alter a well researched, low impact to environment plan? The only "unreasonable alternative" has been proposed by APS and lacks common sense.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From: [Ellen Carr](#)
To: [Meredith Griffin](#); [Amy Jerome](#)
Cc: [Chris Garbo](#)
Subject: FW: 500/230kv Transmission Line Project (Sun Valley to Morgan)
Date: Monday, June 06, 2011 12:39:38 PM

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From: dgodfrey@blm.gov [<mailto:dgodfrey@blm.gov>] On Behalf Of SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
Sent: Monday, June 06, 2011 12:06 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: jincardi@blm.gov; kdepukat@blm.gov; ellen.carr@galileoaz.com
Subject: Re: 500/230kv Transmission Line Project (Sun Valley to Morgan)

[REDACTED]
Thank you for your comments concerning the proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan transmission line.

We received your comments during the public scoping period, so they will be included in the project record and considered by the Bureau of Land Management as it evaluates the project's potential environmental impacts on public lands. The BLM is obligated to consider the issues raised by the public during the public scoping process, however, we are not conducting a "vote." Each issue raised is evaluated without regard to how many people or organizations favor or oppose the issue.

We appreciate your interest in this project and in the public lands managed by the BLM.

Dennis Godfrey
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[REDACTED]

To
<SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov>
cc
05/27/2011 11:37 AM
Subject
500/230kv Transmission Line Project
(Sun Valley to Morgan)

The line should be routed North of State Route 74. This was approved by the city of Peoria with the consent and knowledge of most of the resident of this area. Do we still have the right to vote and express our opinion ?!?!?!!

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<http://www.eset.com>

From: Ellen Carr
To: meredith.griffin@galileoaz.com; Amy Jerome
Cc: Chris Garbo
Subject: FW: ALLOW Placement of APS Power Lines on the North Side of SR 74
Date: Monday, June 06, 2011 2:29:03 PM

-----Original Message-----

From: dgodfrey@blm.gov [mailto:dgodfrey@blm.gov] On Behalf Of SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
Sent: Monday, June 06, 2011 2:10 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: ellen.carr@galileoaz.com; jincardi@blm.gov; kdepukat@blm.gov
Subject: Re: ALLOW Placement of APS Power Lines on the North Side of SR 74

Ms. [REDACTED]

Thank you for your comments concerning the proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan transmission line. The comments will be included in the project record and considered by the Bureau of Land Management as it evaluates the project's potential environmental impacts on public lands.

We appreciate your comments and your interest in public lands managed by the BLM.

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[REDACTED]@ [REDACTED]
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Connie Newman <connieaz@mac.com>,
Please respond to Greg Newman <grnewman@mac.com>,
Karen Langran paulahew <hewgang@hotmail.com>
<karennewyork@yahoo.com> Subject
ALLOW Placement of APS Power Lines
on the North Side of SR 74

Hello. I am a resident of Vistancia and have major concerns over the placement of APS power lines, and wish to express those grave concerns..

This is a sincere request that BLM amend their Resource Management Plan to ALLOW PLACEMENT OF APS POWER LINES ON THE NORTH SIDE OF SR 74. First, I attended the meeting on this topic a few weeks ago and was appalled that the BLM staff indicated a decision would not be made for 2 years! Just how much money are taxpayers like us footing for a BLM decision over a mere 8 1/2 mile stretch? This has gone on for over 10 years already and is still not solved. We must move on and listen to the people in our community, along with our city officials, AZ Corporation Commissioners and congressional representatives, as well as APS, who all SUPPORT the placement along SR 74 as the most logical location and one that will least affect families, pristine desert and wildlife.

Second, the placement along SR 74 would protect current and future homeowners south of SR 74 from potential health risks. You say, what risks....well, let me expound upon the impressive evidence showing that electromagnetic radiation has a long-term ill effect on health. As a Licensed Massage Therapist, I am heavily aware of energy fields and see on a daily basis how it affects our health down to our cellular level! Furthermore, the United States National Council on Radiation Protection lists several effects in their reports such as sudden infant death, childhood leukemia, changes in brain chemistry, impairment of the immune system and inhibition of melatonin production which suppresses certain cancers. Knowing all of these effects, is it really a priority to protect the desert tortoise over the people?! Does the BLM honestly believe no desert tortoise live along alternative power line routes? I find it incredibly disappointing that intelligent people cannot see these issues. Residents of Vistancia, Trilogy and Blackstone enjoy a variety of wildlife such as coyote, javalina, roadrunners, bobcats, wild donkey, quail, rabbits and squirrels -- thus, it is a given that alternative alignments in pristine desert will disturb these populations.

Lastly, federal lands should be used for federal priorities. Energy transmission and generation is a national federal priority established by the President, Congress and Department of Energy. These are much needed power lines and it is entirely appropriate that Public Lands should be used to accommodate this priority.

I hope as a citizen and a Vistancia resident who is greatly affected by this decision, you will weigh these grave concerns seriously and in an efficient manner, so as not to delay the much needed power lines and force APS to start the entire placement process from the beginning. We not only do not have the time, but the people do not deserve their health to be affected for generations to come. Please consider my request, along with my family's request, that the BLM amend their Resource Management Plan to allow placement of APS power lines on the north side of SR 74.

Thank you.
Sincerely
[REDACTED]

From: Ellen Carr
To: meredith.griffin@galileoaz.com; Amy Jerome
Cc: Chris Garbo
Subject: FW: Amend Resource Management Plan
Date: Monday, June 06, 2011 2:30:10 PM

-----Original Message-----

From: dgodfrey@blm.gov [mailto:dgodfrey@blm.gov] On Behalf Of SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
Sent: Monday, June 06, 2011 2:15 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: jincardi@blm.gov; ellen.carr@galileoaz.com; kdepukat@blm.gov
Subject: Re: Amend Resource Management Plan

Ms. [REDACTED] & Mr. [REDACTED]

Thank you for your comments concerning the proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan transmission line. The comments will be included in the project record and considered by the Bureau of Land Management as it evaluates the project's potential environmental impacts on public lands.

Dennis Godfrey
Public Affairs Specialist/Arizona State Office/Bureau of Land Management
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05/27/2011 07:49 PM

To
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cc

Subject
Amend Resource Management Plan

We request that BLM amend their Resource Management Plan to allow placement of APS power lines on the north side of SR 74.

Sincerely
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

From: Ellen Carr
To: meredith.griffin@qalileoaz.com; Amy Jerome
Cc: Chris Garbo
Subject: FW: APS - Jennifer Petz comments
Date: Thursday, May 26, 2011 1:55 00 PM

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From: jincardi@blm.gov [<mailto:jincardi@blm.gov>]
Sent: Thursday, May 26, 2011 1:49 PM
To: dgodfrey@blm.gov; kdepukat@blm.gov
Cc: Ellen Carr
Subject: Fw: APS - [REDACTED] comments

FYI...

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[REDACTED]
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Subject
Re: APS - Jennifer Petz comments

Thank you. I plan to attend.

--- On Thu, 5/26/11, jincardi@blm.gov <jincardi@blm.gov> wrote:

From: jincardi@blm.gov <jincardi@blm.gov>
Subject: APS - [REDACTED] comments
To: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@[REDACTED].net>
Date: Thursday, May 26, 2011, 11:52 AM

[REDACTED] we at BLM thank you for your comments on the APS proposal, which will be included in the official record. BLM is early on in this NEPA process, and are required under this law to evaluate the environmental impacts of placing such a project on public land that it manages. That process includes public involvement in identifying substantive issues, so that we may develop potential alternative actions additional to the APS proposal.

You may be interested to know that the BLM is conducting an Economic Strategies Workshop on the APS proposal from 5 to 9 p.m., June 8, 2011, at

the BLM National Training Center, 9828 N. 31st Avenue, Phoenix. We desire

to include further public involvement and ideas in the arena of social & economic impacts, and will include discussion and ideas on issues as you have brought forward. The workshop will allow people to speak about how they believe the transmission lines on the proposed location would affect them. We expect to hear conflicting views on the proposal. We at BLM will be in a listening mode, striving to recognize the competing issues surrounding this project, already hearing strong advocacy in several different directions.

Please feel free to contact me with any further thoughts or questions you may have, and I'll try to help...

Joe Incardine
National Project Manager
Stationed in Salt Lake City, Utah
Office: 801-524-3833

[REDACTED]
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To: joe_incardine@blm.gov
05/26/2011 09:56 AM
cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: scopin comments

BLM,

I bought a house in Vistancia (Peoria, AZ) less than a year ago. I was just told that BLM is trying to put in power lines right behind my home! Besides the fact that there are possible health risks attached to power

lines, I bought my home specifically for the mountain views. It's already tough enough to keep property values from plummeting in this awful market, but until my husband retired 8 months ago, we were a military family and had moved 8 times within my husbands career. After many sacrifices, we were finally able to settle down. We decided to move back to AZ where I am originally from and settle down out here in the beautiful desert. After many years of moving around, living on base and in rental homes, we found our dream home (out of all the places in the country we could chose from) to purchase here in Vistancia. This is our first home that we've owned and after all of our moving around, wanted it to be our last. We looked at many areas and many homes, but the deciding factor was that there were no power lines or freeways running though our view and after all of our sacrifices and having no control over where we were to live during the military years, I wanted a peaceful, beautiful place of our choice to raise our children. Now we find out that our beautiful views will be destroyed. There are people living here. I'm sure when this was originally proposed, there were not thousands of people living here, but now there are. Please don't destroy what we've worked so hard to finally attain. We gave so much and all we want is to enjoy our home and beautiful desert views. Putting up powerlines in an area that people are actually living over an area that is government land with no homes close by makes no sense. People can't even sell their homes in this market as it is, people are losing their homes all the time because the value of the homes here aren't what they were went we bought. Imagine what will happen if the lines go up. A local real estate agent has already told us that the houses will automatically go down at least \$30,000 even if the lines are just in view. We shouldn't even have to fight for this right. BLM should do the right thing. The "plan" that the BLM made YEARS ago NEEDS to be changed. It may have worked years ago, but things change. It is nothing but laziness in not wanting to make changes when necessary. BLM is a

GOVERNMENT agency and people within that agency should have NO right in acting as if BLM belongs to them. It belongs to all of us. Certain people who are from AZ originally have been researching reasons for BLM's "reasoning" for not wanting APS to use the land and rumor (or maybe not rumors) are that someone within your agency has made a personal deal with someone in Wickenburg that NO power lines would be used on the land. There is NO reason why the power lines shouldn't go on BLM land WHERE NO PEOPLE LIVE. THAT IS EXACTLY WHERE THEY SHOULD GO!!! Some people are convinced that BLM is fighting the APS proposal for 1 of 3 reasons. 1. someone within BLM made an UNETHICAL deal with someone in Wickenburg. (some people think it might even be with the Quayle family because former Vice-President Dan Quayle has a ranch out in Wickenburg. 2. Because there is a private golf club along the BLM land (where the lines would go) and BLM made a deal with them not to put lines up. 3. BLM wants a better deal and is holding out for solar power. No matter the case, people (the people who should matter- the majority) know that the BLM is playing dirty. BLM should be ashamed of themselves as a government agency. It sickens me that people within the agency are either too lazy to make changes to a plan that needs to change with the growth of the state or that someone within your agency is making deals with BLM land as if it is their own. Something STINKS at the BLM.

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From: Ellen Carr
To: meredith.griffin@galileoaz.com; Amy Jerome
Cc: Chris.Garbo
Subject: FW: APS Transmission Line
Date: Thursday, May 26, 2011 10:39:00 AM

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From: dgodfrey@blm.gov [<mailto:dgodfrey@blm.gov>] On Behalf Of SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
Sent: Thursday, May 26, 2011 10:17 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: jincardi@blm.gov; kdepukat@blm.gov; ellen.carr@galileoaz.com
Subject: Re: APS Transmission Line

Mr & Ms [REDACTED]

I've been asked to respond to your comments on the proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan transmission line. We appreciate your interest in this project. Your comments will be included in the project record and considered in the evaluation of the project's potential environmental impacts.

Thank you for your participation in this process.

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AM
Subject
APS Transmission Line

that effort.

One can not dispute the issue that APS believes they need additional transmission capacity for redundancy or new growth although the growth is probably a long way off. If using the BLM land was either the most direct routing or the only reasonable routing then compromises must be made. Neither is the case here.

The commission's proposed routing thru the BLM public land is an alternative which destroys forever the scenic characteristic of the area. A large transmission line with its support towers is not compatible with the concept of a scenic area. The public has too few scenic areas close in to the metropolitan area and those areas we enjoy deserve preservation. That is one of the BLM roles in managing their land area, as I am sure most will agree.

The original routings of the line did not run near the BLM land. There is much undeveloped private land well south of highway 74 that should be used for the line which is intended to benefit the future development of that private land. Development entails some infrastructure to support it. We should not destroy scenic recreational land to support private development. The BLM is the organization that the public has given the responsibility for managing and protecting our public land for current and future generations.

We strongly urge the BLM to hold fast against this unwarranted violation of the Plan and the Scenic aspects of the area.

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Joe Incardine,

I have attended one of your meetings recently and reviewed many comments, both for and against, the latest APS proposal to install a transmission line on BLM property. First let me say I was very impressed at the extent and time involved in developing the BLM project plan. There were many issues that were considered and a huge amount of input was obtained from many sources. Certainly a lot of taxpayer money was spent in

From: [Ellen Carr](#)
To: [meredith.griffin@galileoaz.com](#); [Amy Jerome](#)
Cc: [Chris Garbo](#)
Subject: FW: APS Line Route
Date: Friday, May 27, 2011 9 58:07 AM

Thank you for your consideration of this important matter.

Sincerely, [REDACTED]

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Sent: Friday, May 27, 2011 9:53 AM
To: [REDACTED]@cox.net
Cc: [jincardi@blm.gov](#); [kdepukat@blm.gov](#); [ellen.carr@galileoaz.com](#)
Subject: Re: APS Line Route

Ms. [REDACTED]

Thank you for the comments on the proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan transmission line. Your comments will be included in the project record and considered in the evaluation of the project's potential environmental impacts.

We appreciate your interest and your participation in this process.

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05/26/2011 10:45 PM

To: SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
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Subject

APS Line Route

My husband and I have been residents of Trilogy of Vistancia for six years. We are currently building a new, larger home in the Trilogy community.

We are very concerned about the route that is chosen for the new power lines. Our wish is that the lines be built along an already established route, Highway 74. That route will make the least impact on the environment for people and for animals and plants.

From: [Ellen Carr](#)
To: [meredith.griffin@galileoaz.com](#); [Amy Jerome](#)
Cc: [Chris Garbo](#)
Subject: FW: APS Power line - SunValley-Morgan comments
Date: Thursday, May 26, 2011 10 50:50 AM

prime view lot of the mountains. If you continue to put these lines in our community, I will be giving my house back to the bank and throwing in the towel. I'm sure many other homeowners would feel the same way and further deteriorate the neighborhood. Be sensible and move it away from our kids, the schools, and our families.



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From: dgodfrey@blm.gov [<mailto:dgodfrey@blm.gov>] On Behalf Of SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
Sent: Thursday, May 26, 2011 10:48 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: jincardi@blm.gov; ellen.carr@galileoaz.com; kdepukat@blm.gov
Subject: Re: APS Power line - SunValley-Morgan comments

Mr. [REDACTED]

Thank you for the comments on the proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan transmission line. Your comments will be included in the project record and considered in the evaluation of the project's potential environmental impacts.

We appreciate your interest and your participation in this process.

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[REDACTED]
<[REDACTED]@yahoo.com>
05/26/2011 08:12 AM
Please respond to [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@yahoo.com>

To
"SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov"
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cc

Subject
APS Power line - SunValley-Morgan comments

I am a concerned homeowner in Vistancia and would ask that everyone in all the government and private organizations to take a pragmatic approach to the placement of these power lines from SunValley/Morgan stations. Any power lines through our community would add additional pressure on our home prices that are already 50-60% underwater. Plus, these power lines would be directly in my view from my backyard, which I paid \$30,000 extra for a

From: Ellen Carr
To: meredith.griffin@galileoaz.com; Amy Jerome
Cc: Chris Garbo
Subject: FW: APS Power Line Along SR 74
Date: Monday, May 23, 2011 11:11:21 AM

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From: dgodfrey@blm.gov [mailto:dgodfrey@blm.gov] On Behalf Of SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
Sent: Monday, May 23, 2011 11:08 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: jincardi@blm.gov; ellen.carr@galileoaz.com; kdepukat@blm.gov
Subject: Re: APS Power Line Along SR 74

Mr. [REDACTED]

Thank you for your comments on the proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan transmission line. Your comments will be included in the project record and considered in the BLM's environmental evaluation of the proposal.

We appreciate your interest in public lands.

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To: <SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov>
05/22/2011 07:42 AM
Cc: [REDACTED]@cox.net
Subject: APS Power Line Along SR 74

As a resident of Trilogy at Vistancia in Peoria, I would like to submit my support of the proposed placement of APS power lines on the north side of SR 74. As I understand it, this proposed placement is also supported by those most impacted and local authorities: APS, local residents, city officials, the AZ Corporation Commission and congressional representatives. It is the most logical location that will have the least impact on families, pristine desert and wildlife in the area. I also submit the following to support placing these power lines on the north side of SR 74:

- Protects current and future home owners south of SR 74 from potential health risks
- The United States National Council on Radiation Protection states, "There is a powerful body of impressive evidence showing that even low exposure to electromagnetic radiation has a long-term effect on health." Some effects listed in the report include sudden infant death, childhood leukemia, changes in brain chemistry, impairment of the immune system and inhibition of melatonin production which suppresses certain cancers. Considering the 500kV lines are the most powerful in existence, this statement is quite alarming. Keeping this in mind, is the BLM more concerned about protecting desert tortoise over people?
- Protects property values already negatively impacted by current economic conditions
- Lower property values will affect tax revenues already suffering from current economic conditions
- Lower property values and lost revenues will hurt school funding throughout Peoria
- Precedence has been established in placing power lines along transportation corridors such as Loop 303 and I-17
- Power lines along a transportation corridor affects scenic views on a part-time basis; power lines along family communities affects scenic views 100% of the time
- SR 74 is not officially designated as a scenic corridor
- Why would BLM force power lines along totally pristine desert as opposed to an 8 ½ mile stretch of land already disturbed by a major roadway expected to be widen in the future?
- Residents in Vistancia, Trilogy and Blackstone enjoy a multitude of wildlife in our community including coyote, javalina, roadrunners, bobcats, wild donkey, quail, rabbits and squirrels – surely alternative alignments in pristine desert will disturb these populations
- Concerns have been voiced about desert tortoise along SR 74. Does the BLM honestly believe no desert tortoise live along alternative power line routes?
- It has been said that the BLM has an existing policy stressing the importance of co-locating transportation and utility corridors so why isn't this policy being enforced for the short 8 ½ mile stretch of BLM land along SR 74?
- The public meeting held at the Peoria Community Center on April 28, 2011 had dozens of BLM staff, power point presentations, large colored display boards, enlarged maps. Additionally, BLM staff indicated a decision would not be made for 2 years. Just how much money are taxpayers footing for a BLM decision over a mere 8 ½ mile stretch?
- If BLM rejects alignment along the north side of SR 74, APS will need to start the entire placement process from the beginning, thus delaying the much needed power lines.

I respectfully request that BLM amend their Resource Management Plan to allow placement of APS power lines on the north side of SR 74.

Thank you
[REDACTED]

From: [Ellen Carr](#)
To: [meredith.griffin@galileoaz.com](#); [Amy Jerome](#)
Cc: [Chris Garbo](#)
Subject: FW: APS POWER LINE MATTER
Date: Monday, May 23, 2011 11:11:04 AM

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Sent: Monday, May 23, 2011 11:04 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: jincardi@blm.gov; ellen.carr@galileoaz.com; kdepukat@blm.gov
Subject: Re: APS POWER LINE MATTER

Ms. [REDACTED]
Thank you for your comments on the proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan transmission line. Your comments will be included in the project record and considered in the BLM's environmental evaluation of the proposal.

We appreciate your interest in public lands.

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05/21/2011 02:49 PM
Subject
APS POWER LINE MATTER

Placement of APS power lines on the north side of SR 74 for the following reasons;

- Supported by APS, local residents, city officials, Arizona Corporation Commissioners and congressional representatives who have all considered alternative routes and deem placement along SR 74 as the most logical location and one that will least affect families, pristine desert and wildlife.
- Protects current and future home owners south of SR 74 from potential

health risks, including the Vistancia and Blackstone developments.

- The United States National Council on Radiation Protection states, "There is a powerful body of impressive evidence showing that even low exposure to electromagnetic radiation has a long-term effect on health." Some effects listed in the report include sudden infant death, childhood leukemia, changes in brain chemistry, impairment of the immune system and inhibition of melatonin production which suppresses certain cancers. Considering the 500kV lines are the most powerful in existence, this statement is quite alarming. Keeping this in mind, is the BLM more concerned about protecting desert tortoise over people?

- Protects property values already negatively impacted by current economic conditions and the slow development of the current power line area.

- Lower property values will affect tax revenues already suffering from current economic conditions. By connecting the 303 to Happy Valley out to 17 should help to grow that area if there is a reason not to, it is the power lines.

Regards;



From: [Ellen Carr](#)
To: ["Meredith Griffin"; Amy Jerome](#)
Cc: [Chris Garbo](#)
Subject: FW: APS Power Lines on SR 74
Date: Tuesday, June 07, 2011 6:00:07 PM

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From: dgodfrey@blm.gov [<mailto:dgodfrey@blm.gov>]
Sent: Tuesday, June 07, 2011 8:33 AM
To: jincardi@blm.gov; kdepukat@blm.gov; ellen.carr@galileoaz.com
Subject: Fw: APS Power Lines on SR 74

This came in after the deadline. Forwarded FYI.
Dennis

----- Forwarded by Dennis C Godfrey/AZSO/AZ/BLM/DOI on 06/07/2011 08:31 AM -----



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To
<SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov>
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Subject
APS Power Lines on SR 74

Attn: Joe Incardine/Kathleen Depukat

We are writing in support of the APS power lines along SR 74 which seems to be the most logical location. Our support of that placement is joined by other local residents, city officials, the Arizona Corporation Commissioners and congressional representatives.

It makes no sense to place power lines along totally pristine desert as opposed to an 8 mile section of land which is already disturbed by a major roadway and which is expected to be widened in the near future. We encourage amendments necessary to the BLM Land Use Plan to be consistent with the APS Right-of-Way Application.

We endorse SR 74 as a designated multi-use corridor. The route selected by Arizona Corporation Commission is the correct route and no alternative should be considered.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]

From: [Ellen Carr](#)
To: [meredith.griffin@galileoaz.com](#); [Amy Jerome](#)
Cc: [Chris Garbo](#)
Subject: FW: APS Power Lines on the north side of SR 74
Date: Thursday, May 26, 2011 12:06:41 PM

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Sent: Thursday, May 26, 2011 10:59 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: kdepukat@blm.gov; ellen.carr@galileoaz.com; jincardi@blm.gov
Subject: Re: APS Power Lines on the north side of SR 74

Mr. & Mrs. [REDACTED]

Thank you for the comments on the proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan transmission line. Your comments will be included in the project record and considered in the evaluation of the project's potential environmental impacts.

We appreciate your interest and your participation in this process.

Dennis Godfrey
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Subject
APS Power Lines on the north side
of SR 74

To the Bureau of Land Management

I am writing to you to Place the APS power lines on the north side of SR 74

This Placement is supported by APS, local residents, city officials, Arizona Corporation Commissioners and congressional representatives who

have all considered alternative routes and deem placement along SR 74 as the most logical location and one that will least affect families, pristine desert and wildlife .

As well this Placement protects current and future home owners south of SR 74 from potential health risks.

Please consider these points very carefully.

[REDACTED]

From: [Ellen Carr](#)
To: [meredith.griffin@galileoaz.com](#); [Amy Jerome](#)
Cc: [Chris Garbo](#)
Subject: FW: APS Proposed Sun Valley to Morgan
Date: Thursday, May 26, 2011 9:50:13 AM

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Sent: Thursday, May 26, 2011 9:47 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: jincardi@blm.gov; kdepukat@blm.gov; ellen.carr@galileoaz.com
Subject: Re: APS Proposed Sun Valley to Morgan

Mr [REDACTED]
I've been asked to respond to your comments on the proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan transmission line. We appreciate your interest in public lands and in this project. Your comments will be included in the project record and considered in the evaluation of the project's potential environmental impacts.

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Subject
APS Proposed Sun Valley to Morgan

Mr. Incardine,

The RMP process for the area in question was an 11 year process which was just completed. There were no requests that I can remember for a Utility Corridor North of SR 74. While I can sympathize with the residents of Trilogy and Vistancia, I see no viable reason the transmission lines cannot be routed on the Southside of SR 74 except for a "not in my backyard" attitude.

One of the big issues concerning the RMP were the visual vistas associated with the views to the North of Hierglyphic Mountain and the Southern

Bradshaws. So now we just throw that concern of thousands of people involved in the RMP process away? If the City of Peoria had such a shortsighted master plan, then shame on them, I see no reason to amend the RMP because of their poor planning.

Another issue that concerns me is the additional access to the area. We have a big enough problem attempting to keep ATVs and Jeeps off of designated singletrack trails. One thing that accompanies large overhead transmission lines is access roads to build and service these lines. Placing the lines on the Southside of SR 74 will be a non-issue as that area is already closed to off-road travel.

Thanks for your time and consideration,

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From: [Ellen Carr](#)
To: [meredith.griffin@galileoaz.com](#); [Amy Jerome](#)
Cc: [Chris Garbo](#)
Subject: FW: APS proposed Transmission line project
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Subject: Re: APS proposed Transmission line project

Ms. [Redacted]
I've been asked to acknowledge that we have received your comments concerning the proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan transmission line. The comments will be included in the project record and considered by the Bureau of Land Management as it evaluates the project's potential environmental impacts on public lands.

Dennis Godfrey
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Subject
APS proposed Transmission line project

May 27, 2011

Mr. Joe Incardine,

I am writing to you in response to the planning of APS proposed Transmission line that you are planning to run through my neighborhood. I am very upset about this and am definitely against it. I DO NOT want this to ruin the beautiful views which is what I moved all the way out to

the Wittmann area for nor do I want to look at them. Most importantly there is NO proof of the long term health effects that this can have on people. I have two young children that I do not wish to have exposed to this. When I am at the bus stop at 259th and Patton I can hear them buzzing. I highly doubt that you would want to live directly by them nor would you want your family near them. There is no housing or anything a few miles beyond 259th avenue heading towards Whispering Ranch. Why not there? Why not tie into the existing power poles? Why not bury them underground? It is only a few miles for what I have been told.

What about property values? The economy is bad enough, property values have already dropped a huge amount and now you want to lower our property values even more? This is totally unacceptable to do to the tax paying residents that live out here. Are you going to accommodate the residents for the loss of property values? I am asking you to please reconsider and come up with a better option for the people on 259th avenue and Patton. Again, we don't want our views ruined by these big ugly power lines and we definitely don't want to have any health issues or discover years down the road health problems we have due to being under power lines. Please think of your own families when considering this. I know there are many other options to be considered and much better choices.

Please keep me up to date on this matter in the future.

[REDACTED]

From: [Ellen Carr](#)
To: [meredith.griffin@galileoaz.com](#); [Amy Jerome](#)
Cc: [Chris Garbo](#)
Subject: FW: APS Sun Valley to Morgan 500/230 KV Transmission Line Project 21605 North 7th Avenue Phoenix, AZ 85027
Date: Friday, May 27, 2011 9:56:52 AM

-----Original Message-----
From: dgodfrey@blm.gov [<mailto:dgodfrey@blm.gov>] On Behalf Of SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
Sent: Friday, May 27, 2011 9:47 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: kdepukat@blm.gov; jincardi@blm.gov; ellen.carr@galileoaz.com
Subject: Re: APS Sun Valley to Morgan 500/230 KV Transmission Line Project 21605 North 7th Avenue Phoenix, AZ 85027

Mr. & Mrs. [REDACTED]
I have been asked to respond to your e-mail comments on the proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan transmission line. Your comments will be included in the project record and considered in the BLM's evaluation of the project's potential environmental impacts.

If you would like your names included in the project mailing list please provide your complete address.

We appreciate your interest and your participation in this process.

Dennis Godfrey
Public Affairs Specialist/Arizona State Office/Bureau of Land Management
602.417.9499 / dennis_godfrey@blm.gov

[REDACTED] cc

05/26/2011 02:25 PM Subject
APS Sun Valley to Morgan
500/230 KV Transmission Line
Project 21605 North 7th Avenue
Phoenix, AZ 85027

BLM Phoenix District Office
Hassayampa Field Office

Attn: JOE INCARDINE/KATHLEEN DEPUKAT

[REDACTED]

We have owned land for 25 years south of SR74, just east of 211th Avenue and just north of the former Chrysler Proving Grounds (now Grand Vista Master Planned Community).

We strongly oppose the APS proposed route which would run the transmission corridor in very close proximity to our land. Obviously our land value would be greatly affected by this location. We have lived close to a transmission line in Phoenix. Not only is it a huge eye sore, but we were very concerned about the health consequences and possible weather-induced accidents, especially during monsoon season.

We strongly support locating the transmission lines in a utility corridor to follow SR74 from Peoria (Morgan Substation) all the way to the junction of SR60 in the Morristown area where there will be minimum impact on people—preferably on the north side of SR74 where there is little development presently and not on the south side of SR74 where it is presently proposed.

Thank you for allowing us to voice our comments and concerns on this important issue.

[REDACTED]

From: Ellen Carr
To: meredith.griffin@galileoaz.com; Amy Jerome
Cc: Chris Garbo
Subject: FW: APS Sun Valley to Morgan 500/230 KV Transmission Line Project 21605 North 7th Avenue Phoenix, AZ 85027
Date: Monday, June 06, 2011 2:37:34 PM

-----Original Message-----

From: dgodfrey@blm.gov [<mailto:dgodfrey@blm.gov>]
Sent: Monday, June 06, 2011 2:33 PM
To: jincardi@blm.gov; kdepukat@blm.gov; ellen.carr@galileoaz.com
Subject: Fw: APS Sun Valley to Morgan 500/230 KV Transmission Line Project 21605 North 7th Avenue Phoenix, AZ 85027

These folks previously provided these comments. They are responding here because in the reply to the comments I told them we would need their full address if they were to be included in the project mailing list.
Dennis

----- Forwarded by Dennis C Godfrey/AZSO/AZ/BLM/DOI on 06/06/2011 02:31 PM -----

[REDACTED] cc

06/02/2011 09:49 AM Subject
FW: APS Sun Valley to Morgan
500/230 KV Transmission Line
Project 21605 North 7th Avenue
Phoenix, AZ 85027

Please add our names to project mailing list.

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Thursday, May 26, 2011 2:26 PM
To: 'SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov'
Subject: APS Sun Valley to Morgan 500/230 KV Transmission Line Project 21605 North 7th Avenue Phoenix, AZ 85027

Importance: High

BLM Phoenix District Office
Hassayampa Field Office
Attn: JOE INCARDINE/KATHLEEN DEPUKAT

[REDACTED]

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Thank you for allowing us to voice our comments and concerns on this important issue.

[REDACTED]

From: [Ellen Carr](#)
To: [meredith.griffin@galileoaz.com](#); [Amy Jerome](#)
Cc: [Chris Garbo](#)
Subject: FW: APS transmission corridor
Date: Monday, May 16, 2011 6:51:19 AM

-----Original Message-----

From: dgodfrey@blm.gov [<mailto:dgodfrey@blm.gov>] On Behalf Of SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
Sent: Friday, May 13, 2011 11:53 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: kdepukat@blm.gov; jincardi@blm.gov; ellen.carr@galileoaz.com
Subject: re: APS transmission corridor

[REDACTED]

Thank you for your comments concerning the proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan transmission line. The comments will be included in the project record and considered in the assessment of the potential environmental impact.

We appreciate your interest in this project and in the public lands managed by the Bureau of Land Management.

Dennis Godfrey
Public Affairs Specialist/Arizona State Office/Bureau of Land Management
602.417.9499 / dennis_godfrey@blm.gov

[REDACTED]

.com> To
<sunvalley-morgan@blm.gov> cc
05/11/2011 09:57
PM
Subject
re: APS transmission corridor

Hello!

I am writing to comment on the proposed APS transmission corridor through the White Tank Mountain Regional Park and Lake Pleasant Regional Park. I think that this corridor should be kept outside of the park boundary of

both parks. There is no reason to interfere with the natural beauty and environment of park areas. I strongly oppose only this part of the plan.

Kam Majer

[REDACTED]

From: [Ellen Carr](#)
To: [meredith.griffin@galileoaz.com](#); [Amy Jerome](#)
Cc: [Chris Garbo](#)
Subject: FW: APS Transmission Line Project
Date: Thursday, May 26, 2011 10:54:15 AM

-----Original Message-----

From: dgodfrey@blm.gov [<mailto:dgodfrey@blm.gov>] On Behalf Of SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
Sent: Thursday, May 26, 2011 10:51 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: kdepukat@blm.gov; jincardi@blm.gov; ellen.carr@galileoaz.com
Subject: Re: APS Transmission Line Project

Mr [REDACTED]

I've been asked to respond to your comments on the proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan transmission line.

We appreciate your interest in this project. Your comments will be included in the project record and considered in the evaluation of the project's potential environmental impacts.

Thank you for your participation in this process.

Dennis Godfrey
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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] <SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov>
05/26/2011 08:50 AM [REDACTED] cc
[REDACTED]
Subject
APS Transmission Line Project

May 25, 2011

course we were particularly interested in the area and the clean look of the entrance sort of giving it a welcome place but not obtrusive in any way. The routing of power lines would not add to the value of our properties at all and would probably hurt our resale's into the future. The property values in Arizona are already being pummeled by a lot of outside influences and we are hoping that this power line routing wont be another one.

If there is an alternative, I hope you follow it!

Respectfully yours,

[Redacted signature]

From: [Ellen Carr](#)
To: [meredith.griffin@galileoaz.com](#); [Amy Jerome](#)
Cc: [Chris Garbo](#)
Subject: FW: APS Transmission Lines
Date: Thursday, May 26, 2011 9:42 08 AM

-----Original Message-----

From: dgodfrey@blm.gov [<mailto:dgodfrey@blm.gov>] On Behalf Of SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
Sent: Thursday, May 26, 2011 9:37 AM
To: [Redacted]@blm.gov
Cc: jincardi@blm.gov; ellen.carr@galileoaz.com; kdepukat@blm.gov
Subject: Re: APS Transmission Lines

Mr [Redacted]
Thank you for the comments on the proposed APS Sun Valley to Mrogan transmission line. Your comments will be included in the project record and considered in the evaluation of the projects potential environmental impacts.

Dennis Godfrey
Public Affairs Specialist/Arizona State Office/Bureau of Land Management
602.417.9499 / dennis_godfrey@blm.gov

[Redacted]
com>
To
<SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov>
05/24/2011 02:53 PM cc
Subject
APS Transmission Lines
Please respond to
<[Redacted]@blm.gov>
com>

To Whom it may concern,
I'm in favor of the proposed utility corridor along SR 74. It seems most logical to place utilities on public land thus not affecting the public, property values, etc. Thanks for your consideration.

Sincerely,

[Redacted signature]

[REDACTED]

From: [Ellen Carr](#)
To: [meredith.griffin@galileoaz.com](#); [Amy Jerome](#)
Cc: [Chris Garbo](#)
Subject: FW: Attn Joe Incardine
Date: Thursday, May 26, 2011 10:40:47 AM

-----Original Message-----

From: [dgodfrey@blm.gov](#) [<mailto:dgodfrey@blm.gov>] On Behalf Of
SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
Sent: Thursday, May 26, 2011 10:24 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [jincardi@blm.gov](#); [kdepukat@blm.gov](#); [ellen.carr@galileoaz.com](#)
Subject: Re: Attn Joe Incardine

Mr [REDACTED]

I've been asked to respond to your comments on the proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan transmission line. Your comments will be included in the project record and considered in the evaluation of the project's potential environmental impacts.

Thank you for participating in this process.

Dennis Godfrey
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[REDACTED]@ya
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hoo com> To
SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov cc
05/25/2011 11:31
AM
Subject
Attn Joe Incardine

To: Joe Incardine - re:
APS Proposed Sun Valley to Morgan
500/230kV Transmission Line Project
BLM Phoenix District Office

I am a Vistancia Resident and request that the power lines go as far away

from our community as possible.



From: [Ellen Carr](#)
To: [meredith.griffin@galileoaz.com](#); [Amy Jerome](#)
Cc: [Chris Garbo](#)
Subject: FW: BLM Proposed Transmission Line
Date: Monday, May 16, 2011 11 53:22 AM

-----Original Message-----

From: dgodfrey@blm.gov [<mailto:dgodfrey@blm.gov>] On Behalf Of SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
Sent: Monday, May 16, 2011 11:47 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: jincardi@blm.gov; ellen.carr@galileoaz.com; kdepukat@blm.gov
Subject: Re: BLM Proposed Transmission Line

Ms. [REDACTED]
Thank you for your comments on the proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan transmission line. The comments will be included in the project record and considered in the environmental assessment of the project.

Dennis Godfrey
Public Affairs Specialist/Arizona State Office/Bureau of Land Management
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[REDACTED]@
yahoo.com> To
"SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov"
05/13/2011 01:10 <SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov>
PM cc
Subject
Please respond to BLM Proposed Transmission Line
[REDACTED]
yahoo.com>

To: BLM

Subject: BLM Proposed Transmission Line

I moved from the East Coast to the beautiful "Vistancia" community in Peoria and after learning of the proposed transmission line I would like to express my position regarding this issue. I support 100 percent the installation of the Transmission Line Project along the State Route 74 (Carefree High way) and think that this is the only feasible alternative for it.

I am concerned about potential health issues and the loss of property value should the line be sent through our community.

Best regards,

[REDACTED]

From: [Ellen Carr](#)
To: [meredith.griffin@galileoaz.com](#); [Amy Jerome](#)
Cc: [Chris Garbo](#)
Subject: FW: BLM Scoping Comment Period
Date: Friday, May 27, 2011 9:57:21 AM

-----Original Message-----

From: dgodfrey@blm.gov [<mailto:dgodfrey@blm.gov>] On Behalf Of SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
Sent: Friday, May 27, 2011 9:51 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: jincardi@blm.gov; kdepukat@blm.gov; ellen.carr@galileoaz.com
Subject: Re: BLM Scoping Comment Period

I have been asked to reply to your e-mail comments on the proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan transmission line. Your comments will be included in the project record and considered in the evaluation of the project's potential environmental impacts.

We appreciate your interest and your participation in this process.

Dennis Godfrey
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[REDACTED]
<[REDACTED]@cox.net>

05/26/2011 09:43 PM

To
<SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov>
cc

Subject
BLM Scoping Comment Period

Joe Incardine,

We are very concerned about having the APS proposed Transmission line project going along Lone Mountain Road, where we own 5 acres. This property that we own has gone down in value A LOT, since we bought it many years ago and running that high voltage line right next to it, will surely bring our property value down to next to nothing. As an owner of such property we are

not only concerned with the value, we are also concerned with the health and safety of people that would live right next to it and the ruined view of the desert. Other than the ease of using a road already in place, it makes absolutely no sense to put the Transmission line there instead of much farther north of Lone Mountain road, using land that is uninhabited and not privately owned.

[REDACTED]

From: [Ellen Carr](#)
To: "[Meredith Griffin](#)"; [Amy Jerome](#)
Cc: [Chris Garbo](#)
Subject: FW: Comment from a Hwy. 74 Scenic Corridor Committee member on the Transmission lines
Date: Friday, May 27, 2011 9:30:40 AM

-----Original Message-----

From: dgodfrey@blm.gov [<mailto:dgodfrey@blm.gov>] On Behalf Of SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
Sent: Friday, May 27, 2011 9:20 AM
To: [REDACTED]@aol.com
Cc: jincardi@blm.gov; ellen.carr@galileoaz.com; kdepukat@blm.gov
Subject: Re: Comment from a Hwy. 74 Scenic Corridor Committee member on the Transmission lines

Mr [REDACTED]
Thank you for the comments on the proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan transmission line. The comments will be included in the project record and considered in the BLM's evaluation of the project's potential environmental impacts.

We appreciate your interest in public lands.

Dennis Godfrey
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602.417.9499 / dennis_godfrey@blm.gov

[REDACTED]@aol.com

05/26/2011 12:52 PM To SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov cc

Subject
Comment from a Hwy. 74 Scenic
Corridor Committee member on the
Transmission lines

I am against the Sun Valley to Morgan Transmission Line Project Transmission line proposal along Hwy 74 because of the decisions reached in the 1990s by the Highway 74 Scenic Corridor Committee, of which I was a member for 3 years. I represented the Sierra Club and the Sun City Hikers.

The Scenic Corridor Committee was composed of local and state government officials, stakeholders, environmentalists, real estate interests, business interests, etc. All recognized the unique beauty of the Hwy 74 landscape, in many ways unique to Arizona and Maricopa County. The recommendations established building heights, setbacks, colors, development standards, road placements, etc. These recommendations subsequently went to the Maricopa County Board of Supervisors for hearings and final decision.

These power lines are directly contrary to the scenic preservation decisions of the Hwy 74 Scenic Corridor Committee, approved by the Maricopa Board of Supervisors. I would ask that the transmission lines be located well south of Hwy 74, largely out of sight from Hwy. 74. This placement would also shorten the total length of the lines by eliminating the northward placement of the lines, making a more direct approach to the Morgan Substation from the Sun Valley Substation.

[REDACTED]

From: [Ellen Carr](#)
To: [meredith.griffin@galileoaz.com](#); [Amy Jerome](#)
Cc: [Chris Garbo](#)
Subject: FW: comment re aps transmission line
Date: Monday, May 16, 2011 6:50:40 AM

-----Original Message-----

From: dgodfrey@blm.gov [<mailto:dgodfrey@blm.gov>] On Behalf Of SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
Sent: Friday, May 13, 2011 11:52 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: kdepukat@blm.gov; ellen.carr@galileoaz.com; jincardi@blm.gov
Subject: Re: comment re aps transmission line

Mr [REDACTED]

Thank you for your comments concerning the proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan transmission line. The comments will be included in the project record and considered in the assessment of the potential environmental impact.

We appreciate your interest in this project and in the public lands managed by the Bureau of Land Management.

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[REDACTED]
<[REDACTED]@cox.net> To
<[REDACTED]> <sunvalley-morgan@blm.gov>
05/11/2011 02:48 PM cc
Subject
comment re aps transmission line

BLM should not allow the transmission lines along one of the few scenic drives in the Phoenix area. Further, there are serious safety issues regarding the power lines within 1200 feet of the runway at Thunder Ridge airport which is located along 235th ave. The only reason the power lines are allowed that close to an airport is because it is privately owned with the various corporations ignoring standard FAA guidelines for such

construction for a public runway. If a public runway is 3200feet long, the FAA would be involved with the placement of the power lines within 10,000 feet of a runway.

[REDACTED]

From: [Ellen Carr](#)
To: ["Meredith Griffin"; Amy Jerome](#)
Cc: [Chris Garbo](#)
Subject: FW: Comment/APS proposal
Date: Tuesday, May 24, 2011 2:56:46 PM

-----Original Message-----

From: dgodfrey@blm.gov [<mailto:dgodfrey@blm.gov>] On Behalf Of SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
Sent: Tuesday, May 24, 2011 1:07 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: jincardi@blm.gov; kdepukat@blm.gov; ellen.carr@galileoaz.com
Subject: Re: Comment/APS proposal

Thank you for your interest in the proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan transmission line and in your comments. They will included in the project record and considered as the BLM evaluates the environmental impact.

Dennis Godfrey
Public Affairs Specialist/Arizona State Office/Bureau of Land Management
602.417.9499 / dennis_godfrey@blm.gov

[REDACTED]
<[REDACTED]@gmail.com> To
SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
05/24/2011 09:53 AM cc
Subject
Comment/APS proposal

After attending meetings on the subject we agree with the APS proposal(Sun Valley to Morgan 500/230kV Transmission line project) for transmission lines along SR 74.

The impact is minimal to public lands (7 miles) and the lines will closely parallel an existing road (existing impact). We think the project has weighed the concerns of current residents and concern for the open space we are so fond of in a logical way.

Green energy must be transmitted and this is a practical and sensitive way to do that.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From: [Ellen Carr](#)
To: [meredith.griffin@galileoaz.com](#); [Amy Jerome](#)
Cc: [Chris Garbo](#)
Subject: FW: Comments - Sun Vally to Morgan 500/230kV Transmission Line Project
Date: Monday, May 16, 2011 6:53 02 AM

-----Original Message-----

From: [dgodfrey@blm.gov](#) [<mailto:dgodfrey@blm.gov>] On Behalf Of [SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov](#)
Sent: Friday, May 13, 2011 12:07 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [jincardi@blm.gov](#); [kdepukat@blm.gov](#); [ellen.carr@galileoaz.com](#)
Subject: Re: Comments - Sun Vally to Morgan 500/230kV Transmission Line Project

Mr [REDACTED]

Thank you for your comments concerning the proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan transmission line. The comments will be included in the project record and considered in the assessment of the potential environmental impact.

We haven't tallied the responses and comments we've received on this project as to pro and con. We've certainly received comments on both sides.

In terms of the evaluation process, we are less concerned about the number of comments for or against than we are about comments that focus on the substance of the issue and on matters that should be considered in the environmental impact study.

We appreciate your interest in this project and encourage you to stay involved and informed on this matter.

Dennis Godfrey
Public Affairs Specialist/Arizona State Office/Bureau of Land Management
602.417.9499 / dennis_godfrey@blm.gov

[REDACTED]

ox.net> <SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov>
05/12/2011 12:18 AM
Subject: Comments - Sun Vally to Morgan 500/230kV Transmission Line Project
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED] <[\[REDACTED\]@cox.net](mailto:[REDACTED]@cox.net)>

Dear Sirs:

I own 10 acres of land off of Castle Hot Springs, North of the study area.
I am also a US citizen.

Short and simple I am completely against running these power lines over the BLM land. This is pristine, natural desert that will be spoiled by these proposed lines. I am sure that the Federal Government in Washington would be appalled at this proposal as well as all of the environmental groups. So for proposal one - I do not support creating a utility corridor. Proposal two - I do not support approving the APS application.

I heard that APS bused in supporters to the meetings (I could not attend). That is just wrong if it is used to indicate support of these power lines.

Please let me know which way this is leaning - are more support letters coming in or more not in support?

Respectfully
[REDACTED]

From: [Ellen Carr](#)
To: "[Meredith Griffin](#)"; [Amy Jerome](#)
Cc: [Chris Garbo](#)
Subject: FW: Comments on Sun Valley to Morgan Scoping
Date: Tuesday, May 24, 2011 2:55 52 PM

-----Original Message-----

From: dgodfrey@blm.gov [<mailto:dgodfrey@blm.gov>] On Behalf Of SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
Sent: Tuesday, May 24, 2011 1:01 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: ellen.carr@galileoaz.com; jincardi@blm.gov; kdepukat@blm.gov
Subject: Re: Comments on Sun Valley to Morgan Scoping

Mr [REDACTED]

Thank you for your interest in the proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan transmission line and in your comments. They will included in the project record and considered as the BLM evaluates the environmental impact.

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<[REDACTED]@aol.com>
> o
SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov cc
05/24/2011 07:46 AM
Subject
Comments on Sun Valley to Morgan Scoping

I am strongly opposed to the new electrical transmission line going through public lands parallel to State Route 74. A Previous Resource Management Plan(RMP) in 2000 did not include any allowance for Hwy 74 to be used as an Utility Corridor. This was because Hwy 74 is a scenic road. The changes clearly have been driven for political reasons--primarily from Vistancia residents and personal land developers. The proposal to use Hwy 74 will not avoid the sight of towers--but will harm a scenic route. In summary, Route 74 is a scenic highway and towers along the route will jeopardize an environmental habitat as outlined in the BLM RMP [REDACTED]

From: Ellen Carr
To: meredith.griffin@galileoaz.com; Amy.Jerome
Cc: Chris.Garbo
Subject: FW: Comments
Date: Monday, June 06, 2011 2:04:12 PM

-----Original Message-----

From: dgodfrey@blm.gov [<mailto:dgodfrey@blm.gov>] On Behalf Of SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
Sent: Monday, June 06, 2011 1:48 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: jincardi@blm.gov; kdepukat@blm.gov; ellen.carr@galileoaz.com
Subject: Re: Comments

Ms. [REDACTED]

I've been asked to acknowledge that we have received your comments concerning the proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan transmission line. The comments will be included in the project record and considered by the Bureau of Land Management as it evaluates the project's potential environmental impacts on public lands.

We appreciate your taking time to comment on this project. We also appreciate your interests in public land managed by the BLM.

Dennis Godfrey
Public Affairs Specialist/Arizona State Office/Bureau of Land Management
602.417.9499 / dennis_godfrey@blm.gov

[REDACTED]@g
mail.com> To
sunvalley-morgan@blm.gov cc
05/27/2011 01:41
PM
Subject
Comments

May 27, 2011

Sun Valley-Morgan to Proposed Project
ATTN: Joe Incardine/Kathleen Depukat

Bureau of Land Management, Phoenix District Office/Hassayampa Field Office
21605 N. 7th Avenue
Phoenix, AZ 85027-2929
Via electronic mail to SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov

Re: Sun Valley to Morgan Scoping Comments

Dear Mr. Incardine and Ms. Depukat:

I am writing because I'm concerned about the lands included in your proposal (as a hiking enthusiast, I've enjoyed the wildlife and outdoor recreation values in the area).

I'd like to echo some of the other comments you've no doubt seen by now that recommend dealing with environmental concerns in the scoping process.

The short of it is that I strongly encourage the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) to reject the right-of-way application. A transmission line north of State Route 74 (SR74) threatens sensitive habitat and impairs the scenic corridor.

Thankfully, the BLM, can (in fact, must) take into account cumulative impacts. Because the scale of this project is huge, so are the environmental impacts. I believe - and others are arguing (rightly) - that the situation warrants an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

To review this project and related alternatives adequately, please:

work with utilities to determine whether any new transmission infrastructure is truly needed, ensure new infrastructure minimizes local and regional environmental impacts, including to public lands, plan the development of any new infrastructure so as to avoid/minimize harm to wildlife, wildlife habitat, and wilderness values, among other important issues, and require utilities to first mine efficiency and develop more distributed generation in order to minimize the need for new transmission infrastructure.

Good planning can accommodate additional transmission infrastructure while protecting the natural environment.

Protecting BLM lands north of SR74 has long been a value for cities, land managers, and citizens who care about these areas, aka, Lake Pleasant Resource Conservation Area (RCA). Let's carefully consider alternatives before intensifying the development of power transmission infrastructure in these sensitive public lands. The application before the BLM should be rejected. Thanks for entering my comments into the public record; I trust you will inform me of the next steps in the process?

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From: [Ellen Carr](#)
To: [meredith.griffin@galileoaz.com](#); [Amy Jerome](#)
Cc: [Chris Garbo](#)
Subject: FW: Electrical Transmission Lines-State Route 74
Date: Monday, May 23, 2011 11:16:23 AM

-----Original Message-----

From: [dgodfrey@blm.gov](#) [<mailto:dgodfrey@blm.gov>] On Behalf Of [SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov](#)
Sent: Monday, May 23, 2011 11:11 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [kdepukat@blm.gov](#); [ellen.carr@galileoaz.com](#); [jincardi@blm.gov](#)
Subject: Re: Electrical Transmission Lines-State Route 74

Mr & Mrs. [REDACTED]

Thank you for your comments on the proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan transmission line. Your comments will be included in the project record and considered in the BLM's environmental evaluation of the proposal.

We appreciate your interest in public lands.

Dennis Godfrey
Public Affairs Specialist/Arizona State Office/Bureau of Land Management
602.417.9499 / dennis_godfrey@blm.gov

[REDACTED]
et> To
<SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov>
05/22/2011 02:23 cc
PM
Subject
Electrical Transmission Lines-State
Route 74

Dear Sirs,

We are landowners at the Quintero Golf Community along HWY 74. We are in strong opposition to the new electrical transmission line going through public lands parallel to State Route 74 for the following reasons:

. In 2000 BLM completed and published an 11year Resource Management Plan (RMP) for the area that includes the Public Land along Hwy 74. That plan did not include any allowance for Hwy 74 to be used as a utility corridor. Scenic Route 74 is not a designated utility corridor. The right of way request by APS seems driven only by political pressure of residents of Vistancia and other personal land developers who employ a "not in my backyard" attitude and seem only concerned with personal financial gain and visual hardship rather than the extreme environmental impact to this scenic corridor. It appears these same objections by Vistancia/other are in my opinion groundless as lines will be visual anywhere placed on the south side of the road. Why jeopardize the environment BLM clearly researched for years and destroy a scenic route for political pressure?

. Congressman Franks represents all of us in District 2, but clearly supported Vistancia viewpoint at the Peoria meeting. BLM did an excellent job in their original RMP which was available for reading on their website. Their vision was not political, but grounded in research. BLM studied the impact on sensitive wildlife habitat, land use, socioeconomic resources, and health and safety to name only a few. This proposed RMP Amendment is in my opinion a slap in the face to BLM and their years of research paying attention to environmental detail, not political pressure.

. It was stated at the public meeting in Peoria that State Route 74 is not a designated Scenic Highway. This is not true. Please go to Maricopa County Scenic Corridor Design Guidelines. www.maricopa.gov/Planning/Resources/Plans/docs/pdf/State_Route_74_Scenic_Corridor_Design_Guidelines.pdf

. My objection to the amended RMP is based on common sense. This is not a designated corridor, it is a scenic highway, it will jeopardize environmental habitat outlined in BLM RMP and it was the third alternative in the original RMP. The proposed action calls for focus on "reasonable alternatives" - why alter a well researched, low impact to environment plan? The only "unreasonable alternative" has been proposed by APS and lacks common sense.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From: Ellen Carr
To: meredith.griffin@galileoaz.com; Amy Jerome
Cc: Chris Garbo
Subject: FW: Sun Valley to Morgan Scoping
Date: Thursday, May 19, 2011 4:25:42 PM

-----Original Message-----
From: dgodfrey@blm.gov [<mailto:dgodfrey@blm.gov>] On Behalf Of SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
Sent: Thursday, May 19, 2011 3:46 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: jincardi@blm.gov; ellen.carr@galileoaz.com; kdepukat@blm.gov
Subject: Re: FW: Sun Valley to Morgan Scoping

Mr. & Mrs. O'Donnell,

Thank you for your comments on the proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan transmission line. The comments will be included in the project record and considered in the environmental assessment of the project.

We appreciate your interest in this project and in the public lands of the United States.

Dennis Godfrey
Public Affairs Specialist/Arizona State Office/Bureau of Land Management
602.417.9499 / dennis_godfrey@blm.gov

[REDACTED]@ [REDACTED] com>
To: <sunvalley-morgan@blm.gov>
05/18/2011 01:35 PM cc
Subject: FW: Sun Valley to Morgan Scoping

My name is [REDACTED] and I live in Overland Park, KS. My wife, [REDACTED] and I purchased property in the Quintero Golf Community along State Route 74 several years ago. We are in strong opposition to any electrical transmission line going through public lands parallel to State Route 74.

The BLM completed a Resource Management Plan that includes the public land

along Hwy 74. This is a designated Scenic Route, not a utility corridor. The millions of people who drive this highway have come to expect this pristine environment, not a highway full of power lines.

Why jeopardize the environment BLM clearly researched for years and destroy a scenic route for political pressure? This proposed RMP Amendment is in our opinion a slap in the face to BLM and their years of research paying attention to environmental detail, not political pressure.

We ask you to please deny any change to your land use plan to create a utility corridor along SR74 and deny in full the APS application for a change in location. A lot of time, money and effort was spent by BLM to study the impact on sensitive wildlife habitat, land use, and health and safety to name a few. Please don't waste this money and time spent. Besides, you'll be keeping a scenic highway beautiful for the millions who will drive it.

Sincerely,

[Redacted signature]

From: [Ellen Carr](#)
To: [Amy Jerome](#); [Chris Garbo](#)
Subject: FW: Hello and good morning
Date: Tuesday, May 31, 2011 12:10:30 PM

From: [Redacted] [mailto:[Redacted]@cox.net]
Sent: Tuesday, May 31, 2011 11:55 AM
To: jincardi@blm.gov; Ellen carr@galileoaz.com; meredith.griffin@galileoaz.com
Subject: FW: Hello and good morning

Hello and good morning-----The below e-mail was sent by me to the designated person that was offering information regarding the transmission lines and also handed out the so called bullet points that present day Vistancia is asking people to use-----Ms Kathleen Depukat should be receiving a copy of the bullet points that I sent the other day that Vistancia is handing out.....

Based on what I know-----and some of my points could be incorrect in some minor ways-----and correct me if I am wrong-----as I plan to use them and other points I find important and based on the true facts as true information / details that one should know to make an intelligent and informed opinion and not just one based on what someone tells you as the gospel as they know it.

I want to be informed-----with the truth and the true facts and details as they are-----not how people think they are and to protect some possible hidden investors and builders that are looking out totally for their own interests thank you

See you at the meeting

[Redacted signature]

From: [Redacted] [mailto:[Redacted]@cox.net]
Sent: Tuesday, May 31, 2011 7:30 AM
To: 'Lynda and Tom Reithmann'
Subject: RE: Hello and good morning

Hello and good morning,

Thanks for your e-mail address that you gave me when we met a FEW WEEKS AGO, but it

seems you are more concerned about the Future Vistancia and land that will not be developed for many, many years and possibly the greatest benefit you are promoting just happens to be Sun Belt Holdings, Shea Homes, Diamondback Ventures and Saddleback Heights to mention a few. I would have hoped you would have been obligated to represent the whole truth and all the facts as I have found them out to be. I was also informed by a Ms. Cathy Carlot, that you have been instrumental in this fight against the proposed power lines from Sun Valley to Morgan.

By the way-----this is for the record and will be sent to BLM, APS and Ms. Carlots office.

Here are the facts;

a.] based on the approved ACC proposed construction lines-----the nearest point to PRESENT DAY Vistancia TO OUR WEST-----is approx..ly 14 miles----- at the closest point. [most being from 14 miles to 20 miles away from present day vistancia]

b.] based on the approved ACC proposed construction lines-----the nearest point to PRESENT DAY VISTANCIA TO OUR NORTH----is approx..ly 8 miles----- at the closest point[most being from 8 miles to 14 miles away to the north]

c.] there are no present day suggestions or proposals to follow the Care Free Highway line from the junction of Care Free Hyw and Lake Pleasant Road going directly west.

D.] we who live at Vistancia Village A-----travel under three powerful transmission lines as we enter and exit Vistancia-----as well as traveling along another transmission line to the west of our entrance for about a mile and a half.

E.] to our east-----there is a transmission line that follows along the 303 corridor which at times is about 1 mile to the east of present day Vistancia Village A

Your stated concerns;

a.] this family you mentioned that lived in the Phoenix area that had a child born with or developed some very serious health matters-----you claim due to the power lines they lived near at the time-----moved to Vistancia to get away from these power lines and all others, that they felt was the cause of their daughter's illness-----

b.] You fail to explain why they then would move to Vistancia Village A-----as we are surrounded by power lines ----as we travel along Happy Valley road directly to the south to the entrance to 303, then the sub-station and then having to pass under three power lines and then to the west as they enter-having to travel along side of an additional power line directly to the west as we all enter and leave Vistancia. Then you have the transmission line that goes north along the 303 directly to our east. All of these transmission lines well within about 2 miles of us all leaving here in Vistancia Village A. [the proposed new lines are about 14 miles and 8 miles away at the CLOSEST POINTS]

c.] You mention health risks-----You are suggesting these new transmission lines being no closer than 14 miles to the west of Vistancia and 8 miles north or present day Vistancia, lines will theoretically cause health risks-----There is no confirmed or validated evidence at all regarding any electromagnetic radiation that has or will cause any effect on our health.

ARE YOU AWARE ??????; IF SO----- BOTH YOU AND THE HOA FAIL TO MENTION THESE FACTS AND THE ONES BELOW----WHY ????

Our cell phone tower will emit the same radiation and a lot more as it is elevated and will possibly affect everyone with in a four [4] mile radius-----especially children-----

JUST RECENTLY THE HOMEOWNERS OF VISTANCIA APPROVED THE NEW CELL PHONE TOWER IN THE OBSERVATION TOWER OVER LOOKING ALL OF VISTANCIA AND MOST IMPORTANTLY, ABOVE THE COMMUNITY CENTER, THE POOL, CHILDREN OF ALL AGES ATTENDING AND USING, THE TENNIS COURTS, THE GYM , ALONG WITH MANY OTHER AREAS THAT WILL BE EXTREMELY CLOSE TO THIS NEW CELL PHONE TOWER.

Did you inform this family you mentioned that they will be exposed to these electromagnetic radiation waves within 2 to 2 ½ miles of the community center-----and it being raised way above ground level-----these radiation waves could extend out possibly in a 4 mile radius.

- A. You are aware that cell phone towers emit these same electromagnetic radiation waves-----and for a distanced of about 2 miles or more at ground level. Should we not inform the residents of Vistancia.???
- B. For cell phone towers ----the U.S. Government allows up to 500 to 1,000 micro watts per sq. cm among the least protective in the world-yet we approved this cell phone tower at our Community Center.
- C. Canada , Russia, Italy allow only 10 micro watts per sq. cm
- D. China 6
- E. Switzerland 4

HOW MUCH WILL OUR CELL PHONE TOWER EMIT IN ELECTROMAGNETIC RADIATION OVER A 2 TO 4 MILE RADIUS-AFFECTING THE POOLS, THE TENNIS COURTS AND THE COMMUNITY CENTER AND GYM AREAS ??? If we do not know-----we should and this should has to be---made known to all here at Vistancia.HOW MUCH WILL OUR CELL PHONE TOWER EMIT IN ELECTROMAGNETIC RADIATION OVER A 2 -2 ½ MILE RADIUS IF IT WERE AT GROUND LEVEL-WHAT ABOUT IT BEING ELEVATED AND THESE RADIATION WAVES GOING OUT OVER A 4 MILE RADIUS AND POSSIBLY EVEN MORE ??? ?????????????? DO WE KNOW EVEN AND IF NOT----WHY NOT ????

WE HAVE A RIGHT TO KNOW.....

You are aware that just recently a new study came out about these same electromagnetic radiation waves coming from cell phones and causing brain tumors, brain cancer, sterility in men, and I am guessing you along with so many others that are so concerned about this radiation from 14 to 8

miles away-----ARE GIVING UP YOUR CELL PHONES JUST TO BE SAFE...I AM SURE THIS FAMILY YOU MENTIONED GAVE UP THEIR ?????

You are aware that in the future-----there could be 25,000 homes built between the north end of Blackstone and the south side of Route 74 Care free Highway ????. Are you protecting these future investors and their proposed developments over present day Vistancia and the residents ??? and if so----- Why ????

You go on to say; Scenic Views-----from Blackstone north to Route 74-----will be roof tops when all the developers finish their communities-----that will ruin 100% of any scenic views.

Wildlife-----when these developers finish their communities-----there will be no wild life at all north of Blackstone-----

BLM policy is for the greater good of ALL AMERICANS----- not the developers you are trying to protect -----or might even work for.

The developers will do far more damage to our scenic views, raising our taxes, eliminating wild life and to move the transmission line north over BLM land instead of going in a straight line along the side of 74-----we the rate payers will just be charged more-----to cover the costs.

THIS 8 ½ MILE SECTION OF TRANSMISSION LINE SHOULD BE PLACED JUST SOUTH OF ROUTE 74 THAT GOES EAST AND WEST-----PRETTY MUCH AS THE ACC PROPOSED. NOT ON BLM LAND

I had sent you some questions not too long ago-----which you failed to answer and find that very strange and as a homeowner here in Vistancia, I find it disturbing you will not be forth coming with the facts and the truth no matter which side they fall on. But maybe this goes back to when you failed to admit you paid less then you should have for your view fence to be painted and others subsidized the actual cost you should have paid . I can maybe understand why you would be happy having others pay for your fence being painted with the approval of our HOA.

One would have to assume that you can not answer these very important questions or will not, to possibly cover things up as best one can.

As you are the front person for this topic as Cathy Carlot mentioned-----I would expect you to provide the answers to anyone's questions especially any and all residents of Vistancia, and the concerns they have regarding this matter.

Thank you for your time in this important matter and hope you are able to spread some additional light the facts and the whole truth-----on this important matter.

And at all times-please correct me on anything that maybe I am confused about or was given the wrong information about.

My best,

From: [redacted] and [redacted] [mailto:[redacted]@cox.net]
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2011 2:42 PM
To: [redacted]
Subject: Re: Hello and good morning

Mr [redacted]

Please do not e-mail me any more.

----- Original Message -----

From: [redacted]
To: [redacted]@cox.net
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2011 8:20 AM
Subject: Hello and good morning

Hello and good morning,

We met yesterday morning regarding the proposed APS transmission lines and sorry to say—I am still confused.

I have spoken to both APS and BLM and it seems that based on everything-----present day Vistancia is about 6 miles south of the closet point north, and some 20 miles east of these proposed transmission lines

Even future Vistancia's undeveloped property-----for an additional maybe 20,000 homes, -----all of it south of the canal-----is some 4 miles south and some 14 miles east of any of the proposed lines .

Having gone to see maps in the City of Peoria-----the ACC Certificated Corridor-----most, well over 90%, is not on private property and really the only private property that the transmission line does encroach on is some developers property on the south side of route 74---- maybe about 8 miles --which they and others are asking the BLM accept the transmission line so they will not lose money-----in their future development of their property-----think they are Diamondback Ventures and Saddleback Heights-----might be others. Are there other developers involved that you know of ????

So why is our HOA and others asking the residents to become so involved in this situation that really has nothing to do with them-----but getting them involved to protect a developers money-----and investment-----for which we will receive no benefit from-----Actually—we will lose some major scenic views of this undeveloped land --when it is developed.??? Among other things that will have a negative impact on our community when all this land is developed in the future ..

Is Shea Homes ?????? Is Sun Belt Holdings ?????? others ??????

Is Sun Belt Holdings involved with this developer and community by chance.???????

Have to be honest-----if it comes down to this transmission line being on BLM land-which is owned by all Americans-----and being on some developers private property -----which might not be developed for another 10 years-----maybe more-----better the transmission line be on this property and we protect the peoples land as the over riding fact in the best interest of all Americans over the long run.

Now-if I have any of this wrong-----or do not understand correctly-----please correct me and the Bullet Points that are being handed out.

What is so wrong about the proposed Certificated Corridor----approved years ago by the ACC of Arizona-----that so involves present day Vistancia -----not the future Vistancia but that could be a concern---just do not know what at this time.

Any help in this matter-----would be greatly appreciated-----I do not know who to believe in this matter-----so any help -----thanks

My best,

[REDACTED]

From: Ellen Carr
To: meredith.griffin@galileoaz.com; Amy Jerome
Cc: Chris.Garbo
Subject: FW: Placement of APS Power Lines
Date: Monday, June 06, 2011 2:30:30 PM

-----Original Message-----

From: dgodfrey@blm.gov [<mailto:dgodfrey@blm.gov>] On Behalf Of SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
Sent: Monday, June 06, 2011 2:17 PM
To: [REDACTED]@comcast.net
Cc: jincardi@blm.gov; kdepukat@blm.gov; ellen.carr@galileoaz.com
Subject: Re: Placement of APS Power Lines

Mr. & Mrs. [REDACTED]

I've been asked to acknowledge that we have received your comments concerning the proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan transmission line. The comments will be included in the project record and considered by the Bureau of Land Management as it evaluates the project's potential environmental impacts on public lands.

Dennis Godfrey
Public Affairs Specialist/Arizona State Office/Bureau of Land Management
602.417.9499 / dennis_godfrey@blm.gov

[REDACTED]@comcast.net

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05/27/2011 09:14 PM

To
SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
cc

Subject
Placement of APS Power Lines

Attn: Joe Incardine:

I am writing to strongly encourage BLM to reconsider the placement of additional APS power lines in such a manner as to not adversely impact the Vistancia community. There is evidence that power lines placed close to communities have been associated with adverse long term health affects. This clearly is the most concerning reason to not place these power lines in our community.

I have been a home owner and part-time resident in the Vistancia area for 1

1/2 years. My husband and I will soon be retiring and will make this our permanent home. One of the many reasons we chose this community was due to the beauty and serenity of this area. Placing power lines along SR 74 would mean limited impact to the wonderful scenic views this community enjoys.

I sincerely hope BLM will seriously listen to the input from our community and select an alternate place for these power lines. Thank you for your consideration.



From: [Ellen Carr](#)
To: [meredith.griffin@galileoaz.com](#); [Amy Jerome](#)
Cc: [Chris Garbo](#)
Subject: FW: Please
Date: Thursday, May 26, 2011 10:38:42 AM

-----Original Message-----

From: [dgodfrey@blm.gov](#) [<mailto:dgodfrey@blm.gov>] On Behalf Of SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
Sent: Thursday, May 26, 2011 10:14 AM
To: [REDACTED]@aol.com
Cc: [ellen.carr@galileoaz.com](#); [kdepukat@blm.gov](#); [jincardi@blm.gov](#)
Subject: Re: Please

Ms. [REDACTED]

Thank you for the comments on the proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan transmission line. Your comments will be included in the project record and considered in the evaluation of the project's potential environmental impacts.

Dennis Godfrey
Public Affairs Specialist/Arizona State Office/Bureau of Land Management
602.417.9499 / dennis_godfrey@blm.gov

[REDACTED]@aol.com

05/24/2011 04:24 PM To SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
cc
Subject
Please

I live in Vistancia and I went to the Meeting last month. It is a sorry state of affairs that APS dropped the ball by not requesting a variance from you earlier.
Still-we here are boxed in on 3 sides already by massive power lines.

Please consider using Carefree Highway Rt 74 for the few miles. According to what I heard at the Peoria Meeting that area is not a designated Scenic highway, the wildlife would be any more impacted by vehicular traffic and it would prevent this area from being boxed in entirely.

[REDACTED]

From: [Ellen Carr](#)
To: [meredith.griffin@galileoaz.com](#); [Amy Jerome](#)
Cc: [Chris Garbo](#)
Subject: FW: power lines near Vistancia
Date: Monday, May 16, 2011 6:54 04 AM

-----Original Message-----

From: [dgodfrey@blm.gov](#) [<mailto:dgodfrey@blm.gov>] On Behalf Of [SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov](#)
Sent: Friday, May 13, 2011 12:11 PM
To: [REDACTED]@aol.com
Cc: [jincardi@blm.gov](#); [kdepukat@blm.gov](#); [ellen.carr@galileoaz.com](#)
Subject: Re: power lines near Vistancia

Mr. & Mrs. [REDACTED]

I've been asked to respond to your e-mail concerning the proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan transmission line. Thank you for your comments, which will be included in the project record and considered in the assessment of the potential environmental impact.

We appreciate your interest in this project and in the public lands managed by the Bureau of Land Management.

Dennis Godfrey
Public Affairs Specialist/Arizona State Office/Bureau of Land Management
602.417.9499 / dennis_godfrey@blm.gov

[REDACTED]@aol.com

05/12/2011 07:44 PM To: [sunvalley-morgan@blm.gov](#)
cc
Subject: power lines near Vistancia

Mr. Joe Incardine/Kathleen Depukat:

It has recently come to our attention that there is still consideration of running a very large power corridor near our community of Vistancia. My husband and I were surprised and dismayed to hear of this,

since we were not aware of any plans as such at the time we purchased our home approximately a year ago. We were so enthralled with the natural beauty of Vistancia and also amazed at the size of this community...planned in the range of 40,000 homes when complete. It is shocking to hear of such a plan when there are such vast stretches of land elsewhere that would seem less likely to be impacted by this corridor. What is particularly disconcerting is the fact that there is already a road (SR 74) with the endorsement of a vast number of residents, the state and local representatives of Arizona.

My husband and I are transitioning from Richmond, Virginia to our new home in Vistancia. My husband is a retired electrical engineer and finds much of this debate perplexing since his experience also finds power passages near roads. With strong support from community leaders and the practical appeal of SR 74, we are urgently writing to voice our objection to any plan near our community of Vistancia. We would be present if it were possible, but have obligations here in Virginia. Still, we hope you hear our voice very clearly. We support the SR 74 plan, which we are under the impression was endorsed as the optimal plan by APS and our elected representatives. We appreciate your attention to this matter which is so important to us. We hope you will look with fresh eyes on this matter and see that perhaps much has changed since your initial review 11 years ago. We hope you will see the value in embracing this alternate plan (SR 74) as an important and practical solution, aligning with an existing road, to minimize impact on landscape and communities. Thank you for your time and attention.

Sincerely
[Redacted]

From: [Ellen Carr](#)
To: "[Meredith Griffin](#)"; [Amy Jerome](#)
Cc: [Chris Garbo](#)
Subject: FW: Power lines
Date: Friday, May 27, 2011 9:26:02 AM

-----Original Message-----

From: dgodfrey@blm.gov [<mailto:dgodfrey@blm.gov>]
Sent: Friday, May 27, 2011 9:12 AM
To: ellen.carr@galileoaz.com
Subject: Fw: Power lines

Please add to the mailing list.
Dennis

----- Forwarded by Dennis C Godfrey/AZSO/AZ/BLM/DOI on 05/27/2011 09:11 AM -----

[Redacted]
<[Redacted]@cox.net> To
05/26/2011 11:29 AM "SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov"
AM <SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov> cc
Subject
Re: Power lines

Thank you so much for responding. Our address is:

[Redacted]
[Redacted]

Sent from my iPhone

On May 26, 2011, at 10:39 AM, SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov wrote:

> [Redacted]
> Thank you for the comments on the proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan
> transmission line. Your comments will be included in the project record
> and
> considered in the evaluation of the project's potential environmental
> impacts.

From: Ellen Carr
To: meredith.griffin@galileoaz.com; Amy Jerome
Cc: Chris.Garbo
Subject: FW: Power lines
Date: Thursday, May 26, 2011 10:44:57 AM

-----Original Message-----

From: dgodfrey@blm.gov [<mailto:dgodfrey@blm.gov>] On Behalf Of SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
Sent: Thursday, May 26, 2011 10:39 AM
To: [REDACTED] Dragons
Cc: jincardi@blm.gov; ellen.carr@galileoaz.com; kdepukat@blm.gov
Subject: Re: Power lines

[REDACTED]
Thank you for the comments on the proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan transmission line. Your comments will be included in the project record and considered in the evaluation of the project's potential environmental impacts.

If you want to be included in the project's mailing list please provide your full address.

We appreciate your interest and your participation in this process.

Dennis Godfrey
Public Affairs Specialist/Arizona State Office/Bureau of Land Management
602.417.9499 / dennis_godfrey@blm.gov

[REDACTED]
<[REDACTED]@cox.net> To
"SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov"
05/25/2011 06:24 PM <SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov>
cc
Subject
Power lines

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing on behalf of my family of six, future children and

grandchildren. It is our deepest hopes that the proposed power lines not be placed in our community. We are adamantly opposed to the idea of more power lines in our community.

I have always felt passionate about never living near power lines. The health risks were never something I was willing to gamble my families safety on. The pre existing power lines were a major drawback in our families decision to move here. Luckily, they are far enough away to ease my tensions. They are not within site of Vistancia. If power lines are brought into our community I most certainly will not want to live here. Currently, we feel that there is no greater community to live in on the west side of town. It doesn't take long to see, hear, feel, and experience how Vistancia is different from other communities. Look around at the desert. See the Palo Verde in bloom, notice the squirrels sunbathing on the rocks, walk the trails as the sun sets, meet with the garden club in the clubhouse or spend the evening with the community manager learning to create a new dinner dish. There is so much to do here. If new power lines are brought into our community our family will be cheated out of the lifestyle they pay to enjoy. We love our home, and the natural beauty that surrounds Vistancia. If power lines are brought in, we will lose the quality of life we are entitled to. We need to save for our children's education, not long term medical bills. We paid top dollar for our homes. We pay high taxes, we pay high homeowners fees, and we support our local city businesses. It is unfair for whomever is in charge of this project to think they can disrupt our lifestyle for the sake of what? Our health? Our happiness? Our wellbeing? No. Please hear our voices as we beg for whomever is in charge of this operation to please choose the other option. Please don't gamble our lives for the sake of someone's bottom dollar. Please hear our plea. It completely infringes on our rights. Had they been pre existing, we would have had a choice. If power lines are put within site of our community we will have had no choice. I would never choose to live in a community of power lines.

If you were compassionate enough to read my letter thus far, I thank you so very much. Thank you for caring and knowing that you really do have families on the other side of these letters who are deeply concerned and troubled that we are even in this negotiation process. Thank you for anything you are able to do. I pray that you posses empathy and compassion for people, not big business. In the end it is your choice. Do you hear our voice?

Most Sincerely,

[REDACTED]
Sent from my iPhone

From: Ellen Carr
To: "Meredith Griffin"; Amy Jerome
Cc: Chris Garbo
Subject: FW: Proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan 500/230 KV Transmission Line Project & RPM Amendment
Date: Friday, May 20, 2011 10:21:56 AM

AM

Subject
Proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan
500/230 KV Transmission Line
Project & RPM Amendment

-----Original Message-----

From: jincardi@blm.gov [mailto:jincardi@blm.gov]
Sent: Friday, May 20, 2011 7:24 AM
To: SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov; [REDACTED]
Cc: kdepukat@blm.gov; Ellen Carr; Dennis C Godfrey
Subject: Re: Proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan 500/230 KV Transmission Line Project & RPM Amendment

[REDACTED] & [REDACTED] it's good to hear from you again. We thank you for your comments and look forward to seeing you at the Economic Strategies meeting June 8th...

Joe Incardine
National Project Manager
Stationed at Salt Lake City
cell: 801-560-7135
office: 801-524-3833

----- Original Message -----

From: SunValley to Morgan Transmission Line Project
Sent: 05/19/2011 04:54 PM MDT
To: [REDACTED]@gmail.com>
Cc: Joe Incardine; Kathleen Depukat; ellen.carr@galileoaz.com
Subject: Re: Proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan 500/230 KV Transmission Line Project & RPM Amendment
Mr. & Mrs. Clemons,

Thank you for your comments on the proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan transmission line. The comments will be included in the project record and considered in the environmental assessment of the project.

We appreciate your interest in this project, as evidenced by your attendance at the three scoping meetings. We also appreciate your continued interest in the public lands of the United States.

Dennis Godfrey
Public Affairs Specialist/Arizona State Office/Bureau of Land Management
602.417.9499 / dennis_godfrey@blm.gov

Joe,

Please find attached my comments on the proposed project. My Wife and I own a home near Hwy 74 and spend 6 months per year in Arizona. We attended all three of the BLM meetings held last month and listened to all of the comments. It appears to me that the only reason for choosing the current proposed path for the power lines is for economic or political benefit of government agencies or individual property owners. You may add my e-mail address to your contact list, you do not need to withhold our personal information, and we would be interested in participating in the Economic Strategies Workshops. Feel free to contact us on this issue. Thanks for your diligence in addressing this issue.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
<[REDACTED]@gmail.c

om> To
SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
05/19/2011 10:38 cc

From: [Ellen Carr](#)
To: [meredith.griffin@galileoaz.com](#); [Amy Jerome](#)
Cc: [Chris Garbo](#)
Subject: FW: Proposed Sun Valley Line Project
Date: Monday, June 06, 2011 2:34:25 PM

-----Original Message-----

From: dgodfrey@blm.gov [<mailto:dgodfrey@blm.gov>] On Behalf Of SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
Sent: Monday, June 06, 2011 2:24 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: jincardi@blm.gov; kdepukat@blm.gov; ellen.carr@galileoaz.com
Subject: Re: Proposed Sun Valley Line Project

Mr. [REDACTED]
I've been asked to acknowledge that we have received your comments concerning the proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan transmission line. The comments will be included in the project record and considered by the Bureau of Land Management as it evaluates the project's potential environmental impacts on public lands.

Dennis Godfrey
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[REDACTED]@qwest.net>
<[REDACTED]>
05/27/2011 10:17 PM To: <SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov>
cc
Subject
Proposed Sun Valley Line Project

May 27, 2011

Mr. Incardine,
I am writing to you in response to the proposed Sun Valley transmission line project.
I as well as many of my neighbors are VERY upset about APS plans to run a 500/230 KV transmission line down 259th Avenue off of Patton Road in Wittmann, AZ. My family attended your meeting at Nadaburg School about this issue. We are very

much against this and would appreciate it if you could come up with another option. As I can tell there are better choices for the community as well as the people. This is a HUGE health risk for the people and it is a huge eyesore for the residents living off of 259th Avenue. I am asking you to seek out better options on this matter. This will ruin our beautiful scenery and could pose as a health risk to all that live out here not to mention what it will do to our property values that have already taken a dump. We cannot afford the health risk or the decline in property values. Please think of your family when considering this. Would you want to live under a power line? Would you submit your kids to living under one? If so and this line goes through please consider buying our house. And what are you going to compensate the people who are going to lose their houses? Because I can pretty much guarantee you nobody is going to want to move all the way out here in what is currently a beautiful area to live under Big ugly power lines. Again, I am asking you to come up with a better option and do the right thing for the tax paying citizens of Wittmann. Please don't ruin our beautiful neighborhood. Beyond 259th Avenue is nothing but desert with no houses why not there and make everyone happy? Please think about that or putting it underground. If it is truly only the short distance you state underground is also another good option or tacking onto the existing poles that are currently up?

Sincerely
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

From: [Ellen Carr](#)
To: [meredith.griffin@qalileoaz.com](#); [Amy Jerome](#)
Cc: [Chris Garbo](#)
Subject: FW: Proposed Sun Valley Transmission Line Project
Date: Monday, June 06, 2011 2:33:20 PM

-----Original Message-----

From: dgodfrey@blm.gov [<mailto:dgodfrey@blm.gov>] On Behalf Of SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
Sent: Monday, June 06, 2011 2:22 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: jincardi@blm.gov; ellen.carr@qalileoaz.com; kdepukat@blm.gov
Subject: Re: Proposed Sun Valley Transmission Line Project

Ms. [REDACTED]
I've been asked to respond to your comments concerning the proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan transmission line. We appreciate your comments and will include them in the project record and consider them as we evaluate the project's potential environmental impacts on public lands.

] Dennis Godfrey
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602.417.9499 / dennis_godfrey@blm.gov

[REDACTED]@qwest
.net> To
<SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov>
05/27/2011 09:58 PM cc
Subject
Proposed Sun Valley Transmission
Line Project

Mr. Incardine [REDACTED]
My name is [REDACTED] and I live off of 259th Avenue and Patton by my daughter's house. Currently my computer is down so I am sending you a e-mail from her house since today is the deadline to respond on the Sun Valley Line project.
I am totally against this project. Not only will this ruin our views and our property values but there are many health concerns involved. I have my two young grandchildren, my daughter, son-in-law and myself as well as my

husbands health to worry about and at the meeting they could not say if there was a health risk or not. This is not something I am willing to risk!
Would you live under a power line? I doubt it! I do not want to find out years down the road what it has done to any of us. I cannot be healthy . I can hear the electricity running in the one by the mail box and I definitely do not want to hear it by my house either. Who is going to compensate for the loss of property values? Who would even think about buying our houses being directly under a power line? We are all struggling with the economy and bad property values as it is so please I am asking you to go out beyond 259th avenue towards Whispering Ranch where there are no houses. What about by the Hassayampa? Add on to the existing power lines? Bury it underground because from what I heard at the meeting it is on about 14 miles long by here? Please keep the desert natural. We want the views we moved all the way out here for. Let us keep our property values up and most important please think of the health risks this could pose to our families. There are many more reasonable options and I am begging you to please research it and look for a better area. Please keep our road safe and beautiful which is why we moved here and why we love it out here. Please keep me up to date on the situation.

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

From: [Ellen Carr](#)
To: [Meredith Griffin](#); [Amy Jerome](#)
Cc: [Chris Garbo](#)
Subject: FW: public comment
Date: Monday, June 06, 2011 12:43:23 PM

-----Original Message-----

From: dgodfrey@blm.gov [<mailto:dgodfrey@blm.gov>] On Behalf Of SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
Sent: Monday, June 06, 2011 12:17 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: ellen.carr@galileoaz.com; jincardi@blm.gov; kdepukat@blm.gov
Subject: Re: public comment

Ms. [REDACTED]

Thank you for your comments concerning the proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan transmission line. The comments will be included in the project record and considered by the Bureau of Land Management as it evaluates the project's potential environmental impacts on public lands.

Dennis Godfrey
Public Affairs Specialist/Arizona State Office/Bureau of Land Management
602.417.9499 / dennis_godfrey@blm.gov

[REDACTED]@aol.com

05/27/2011 11:49 AM To SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
cc
Subject public comment

I encourage the BLM to deny the APS request to construct high-voltage transmission lines along Hwy 74. There is no need to create a 7 mile long eyesore along one of AZ's most scenic highways. Other alternatives, such as following the CAP canal, should be recommended. The land around the CAP canal is already cleared, which should result in cost savings to APS and the consumer as well as minimize the impact on wildlife and vegetation.

[REDACTED]

From: [Ellen Carr](#)
To: [meredith.griffin@galileoaz.com](#); [Amy Jerome](#)
Cc: [Chris Garbo](#)
Subject: FW: Scoping Comments for APS Proposed Sun Valley to Morgan Transmission Line
Date: Monday, June 06, 2011 2:29:40 PM

-----Original Message-----

From: dgodfrey@blm.gov [<mailto:dgodfrey@blm.gov>] On Behalf Of SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
Sent: Monday, June 06, 2011 2:12 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: kdepukat@blm.gov; ellen.carr@galileoaz.com; jincardi@blm.gov
Subject: Re: Scoping Comments for APS Proposed Sun Valley to Morgan Transmission Line

Mr. [REDACTED]

Thank you for your comments concerning the proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan transmission line. The comments will be included in the project record and considered by the Bureau of Land Management as it evaluates the project's potential environmental impacts on public lands.

We appreciate your interest in this project and in public lands managed by the BLM.

Dennis Godfrey
Public Affairs Specialist/Arizona State Office/Bureau of Land Management
602.417.9499 / dennis_godfrey@blm.gov

[REDACTED]
.com> To SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
05/27/2011 05:01 PM [REDACTED]@gmail.com cc
Subject Scoping Comments for APS Proposed Sun Valley to Morgan Transmission Line

Dear Sir:

I wish to offer the following comments and concerns regarding the proposed Sun Valley to Morgan Transmission Line project:

1. The BLM Resource Management Plan (RMP) for this area was developed after years of very extensive public involvement and collaboration. The results of that collaboration are reflected in the RMP decisions. The area envisioned for the transmission line project north of Hwy 74 was not identified as a utility corridor. Rather, that area is part of the Castle Hot Springs Management Unit. This entire management unit was allocated to the Castle Hot Springs Special Recreation Management Area. This decision was not made lightly. It reflects the outstanding recreation and resource values within the management unit and particularly within the Hieroglyphic Mountains Recreation Management Zone. The desired future conditions for this management unit include an emphasis on preserving open space and scenic/visual qualities and maintaining an array of recreation settings for both motorized and non-motorized activities. This area also has other important resource values, including category 2 desert tortoise habitat and class II visual resources.

2. I believe the NEPA analysis must include an assessment of the adverse impacts that would be created by the proposed transmission line, including impacts to the resource values and public uses and enjoyment of these public lands. This analysis should address all of the desired future conditions and management actions for these lands to determine in detail the scope and level of adverse impacts. For example, what are the impacts to the desired future conditions and management actions for both motorized and non-motorized trail systems, facilities, and staging areas? In addition, the NEPA analysis should examine the terrain north of Hwy 74 and assess the difficulty and relative cost of placing a transmission line across the Hieroglyphic Mountains and how that would change the character and integrity of these lands.

3. If possible, the NEPA analysis should also explore alternative locations for the transmission line project. For example, can existing transmission line corridors south of Hwy 74 be used for this project? Can the transmission line be sited along the Central Arizona Project (CAP) canal corridor (which appears to be a more direct route)?

In summary, I believe BLM must very carefully weigh the consequences of amending a land use plan that was developed with extensive public support and input.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide these comments. Please add my name to your mailing list and keep me informed as future opportunities arise for public comment.

Sincerely,

[Redacted signature]

From: [Ellen Carr](#)
To: [meredith.griffin@qalileoaz.com](#); [Amy Jerome](#)
Cc: [Chris Garbo](#)
Subject: FW: Sun Valley to Morgan APS Project
Date: Monday, May 16, 2011 3:35 59 PM

From: jincardi@blm.gov [mailto:jincardi@blm.gov]
Sent: Monday, May 16, 2011 3:32 PM
To: kdepukat@blm.gov; Dennis C Godfrey; Ellen Carr
Subject: Fw: Sun Valley to Morgan APS Project

For the record
Joe

From: Joe Incardine
Sent: 05/16/2011 04:31 PM MDT
To: [Redacted]
Subject: Re: Sun Valley to Morgan APS Project

[Redacted] we at BLM thank you for your comment, and this will be included in the record. I don't have the list in front of me this second to check if you're on there, but if you'd like to be on our mailing list we'll need your full address. Thanks

Joe Incardine
National Project Manager
Stationed at Salt Lake City
cell: 801-560-7135
office: 801-524-3833

From: [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted]@netzero.net]
Sent: 05/16/2011 12:40 PM CST
To: Joe Incardine
Subject: Sun Valley to Morgan APS Project

Hello Joe - I'm writing in regard to the APS power lines along 74 in the NM valley. Please protect my public lands. Since I moved to AZ there has been an unmitigated assault on open space. I don't know just how much the Peoria homeowners are actually being impacted, but I suspect this is mostly a case of nimby. I appreciate the 74 scenic corridor, and I recreate west of Lake Pleasant. My experience and the experiences of hundreds, if not thousands, of BLM land users will be impacted by the APS towers. People who bring development into the desert must know that there are consequences (power lines) that they are at least partly responsible for. If their health is not impacted, I have little sympathy. I'm counting on BLM to be good stewards of the land.



From: [Ellen Carr](#)
To: [meredith.griffin@galileoaz.com](#); [Amy Jerome](#)
Cc: [Chris Garbo](#)
Subject: FW: Sun Valley to Morgan scoping
Date: Thursday, May 26, 2011 10:03:42 AM

-----Original Message-----

From: dgodfrey@blm.gov [<mailto:dgodfrey@blm.gov>] On Behalf Of SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
Sent: Thursday, May 26, 2011 9:56 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: kdepukat@blm.gov; ellen.carr@galileoaz.com; jincardi@blm.gov
Subject: Re: Sun Valley to Morgan scoping

Mr. & Mrs. [REDACTED]

Thank you for the comments on the proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan transmission line. Your comments will be included in the project record and considered in the evaluation of the project's potential environmental impacts.

Dennis Godfrey
Public Affairs Specialist/Arizona State Office/Bureau of Land Management
602.417.9499 / dennis_godfrey@blm.gov



[REDACTED]@yahoo.com> To
SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov cc
05/24/2011 03:31 PM
Subject
Sun Valley to Morgan scoping

Hello-

My wife and I own a home in the Quintero community just north of HWY.74. The address is 16329 Serenity Lane. We bought in Quintero because of the natural beauty of the area as evidenced by the many tourists in autos and motorcycles that travel the route to enjoy the scenery and unspoiled environmental terrain. The variety of wildlife, flora and fauna in the unspoiled desert is spectacular. We understood that BLM had designated this area as an environmentally sensitive corridor. We now understand that a group wants to change the BLM's original plan for this corridor. This note is to let you know that we strongly object to the

approval of this modification.

Our objection to the amended RMP is based on common sense. This is not a designated corridor, it is a scenic highway, it will jeopardize environmental habitat outlined in BLM RMP and it was the third alternative in the original RMP. The proposed action calls for focus on "reasonable alternatives" - why alter a well researched, low impact to environment plan? The only "unreasonable alternative" has been proposed by APS and lacks common sense.

Please take the only action that makes sense and stick to the original BLM plan. [REDACTED]

From: [Ellen Carr](#)
To: [Amy Jerome](#); [Chris Garbo](#)
Subject: FW: Sun Valley to Morgan Scoping
Date: Wednesday, May 18, 2011 7:59:36 AM

-----Original Message-----

From: jincardi@blm.gov [<mailto:jincardi@blm.gov>]

Sent: Wednesday, May 18, 2011 7:55 AM

To:

[REDACTED], godfrey@blm.gov; ellen_carr@galileoaz.com; kdepukat@blm.gov; 'Meredith Griffin'
Subject: RE: Sun Valley to Morgan Scoping

[REDACTED] the map you were sent has at the top of the Legend: "Proposed Project Corridor" - this is the trace for the transmission lines being PROPOSED by APS, for which you are inquiring. The existing transmission lines shown are also shown to help with opportunities for developing alternate alignments, as we are required to do by NEPA. Please contact me directly if we can be of further service...

Thanks, Joe

Joe Incardine
National Project Manager
Stationed in Salt Lake City, Utah

Office: 801-524-3833

[REDACTED]

To
"ellen_carr@galileoaz.com" <ellen.carr@galileoaz.com>
05/17/2011 09:49 PM cc
"dgodfrey@blm.gov" <dgodfrey@blm.gov>,
"jincardi@blm.gov" <jincardi@blm.gov>,
"kdepukat@blm.gov" <kdepukat@blm.gov>, "Meredith Griffin" <meredith_griffin@galileoaz.com>
Subject
RE: Sun Valley to Morgan Scoping

Thank you. I don't see any reference to proposed transmission lines, only

existing. Can you specify?

Thanks

[Redacted]

-----Original Message-----

From: Ellen Carr [mailto:ellen.carr@galileoaz.com]

Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2011 5:32 PM

To: [Redacted]

Cc: dgodfrey@blm.gov; jincardi@blm.gov; kdepukat@blm.gov; 'Meredith Griffin'

Subject: RE: Sun Valley to Morgan Scoping

Thank you Mr. [Redacted]. A map of the proposed route is available on the BLM website: <http://www.blm.gov/az/st/en.html>. I have attached a copy to this email message as well.

Ellen

-----Original Message-----

From: [Redacted] [mailto:[Redacted]]

Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2011 5:22 PM

To: ellen.carr@galileoaz.com

Cc: dgodfrey@blm.gov; jincardi@blm.gov; kdepukat@blm.gov; Gary A Willkom

Subject: RE: Sun Valley to Morgan Scoping

[Redacted]

Cant you just send me the map?

Thanks

[Redacted]

-----Original Message-----

From: Ellen Carr [mailto:ellen.carr@galileoaz.com]

Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2011 4:07 PM

To: [Redacted]

Cc: dgodfrey@blm.gov; jincardi@blm.gov; kdepukat@blm.gov

Subject: FW: Sun Valley to Morgan Scoping

Good afternoon Mr. [Redacted]

I am a contractor assisting the BLM on the proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan project. I am following up on my voice message from this afternoon. So that we can assist the BLM in responding to your questions, please provide your home address and we can research the location of the proposed route in relationship to your property. Once we have completed that, Joe Incardine, BLM National Project Manager will be able to follow up with you.

Thank you,

Ellen Carr
Galileo Project, LLC
480 629.4705

----- Forwarded by Dennis C Godfrey/AZSO/AZ/BLM/DOI on 05/17/2011 03:25 PM -----

[Redacted]

exp.com>

05/16/2011 12:29 PM

To
"SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov"

<SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov>

cc

[Redacted]

Subject

Sun Valley to Morgan Scoping

I have a concern that the proposed APS, above-ground power lines, will be too close to my neighborhood. I live in WestWing Mountain. Will I be able to see these new Power Lines? Can you send me the proposed route?

Thank you!

Thanks

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

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From: [Ellen Carr](#)
To: ["Meredith Griffin"; Amy Jerome](#)
Cc: [Chris Garbo](#)
Subject: FW: Sun Valley to Morgan Scoping
Date: Tuesday, May 24, 2011 2:56:22 PM

Yours truly, [REDACTED]

-----Original Message-----

From: dgodfrey@blm.gov [<mailto:dgodfrey@blm.gov>] On Behalf Of SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
Sent: Tuesday, May 24, 2011 1:05 PM
To: [REDACTED]@aol.com
Cc: jincardi@blm.gov; ellen.carr@galileoaz.com; kdepukat@blm.gov
Subject: Re: Sun Valley to Morgan Scoping

Ms. [REDACTED]

Thank you for your comments concerning the proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan transmission line. Your comments will be included in the project record and considered as the BLM does an evaluation of the environmental impact.

We appreciate your interest in the public lands managed by the Bureau of Land Management.

Dennis Godfrey
Public Affairs Specialist/Arizona State Office/Bureau of Land Management
602.417.9499 / dennis_godfrey@blm.gov

[REDACTED]@aol.com

05/24/2011 08:21 AM To
SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
cc
Subject
Sun Valley to Morgan Scoping

As a member of Quintero Golf and Country Club I am strongly opposed to the new electrical transmission lines going through public lands parallel to State Route 74. A previous resource management plan in 2000 did not include any allowance for the Hwy 74 to be used as a Utility Corridor. Hwy 74 is a scenic road and any changes, clearly been driven by political reasons, will be unsightly with tower lines. As outlined in the BLM RMP the scenic highway will surely be jeopardized along with the environmental habitat.

From: [Ellen Carr](#)
To: [meredith.griffin@galileoaz.com](#); [Amy Jerome](#)
Cc: [Chris Garbo](#)
Subject: FW: Sun Valley to Morgan Scoping
Date: Thursday, May 26, 2011 10:40:06 AM

[REDACTED]

-----Original Message-----

From: dgodfrey@blm.gov [<mailto:dgodfrey@blm.gov>] On Behalf Of
SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
Sent: Thursday, May 26, 2011 10:21 AM

[\[REDACTED\]](#) arr@galileoaz.com; jincardi@blm.gov; kdepukat@blm.gov
Subject: Re: Sun Valley to Morgan Scoping

Mr. [\[REDACTED\]](#)

Thank you for the comments on the proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan transmission line. Your comments will be included in the project record and considered in the evaluation of the project's potential environmental impacts.

Thank you for participating in this process.

Dennis Godfrey
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602.417.9499 / dennis_godfrey@blm.gov

[\[REDACTED\]](#)
om> To
<SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov> cc
05/25/2011 08:58
AM
Subject
Sun Valley to Morgan Scoping

I want to voice my opposition to the proposed APS transmission line on Scenic Route 74. Route 74 is not a designated utility corridor. Imposition of this utility corridor reverses the environmentally sound resource plan established by BLM. My wife & I have owned a casita in Peoria for 15 years & have recently purchased property in Quintero, largely because of the estetic beauty of the Highway. This plan is crazy.

From: [Ellen Carr](#)
To: [meredith.griffin@galileoaz.com](#); [Amy Jerome](#)
Cc: [Chris Garbo](#)
Subject: FW: Sun Valley To Morgan Scoping
Date: Monday, May 16, 2011 6:50:04 AM

neighborhoods. Please have APS look for other suitable locations that won't affect the lives of it's neighbors.

Sincerely,
[REDACTED]

-----Original Message-----

From: [dgodfrey@blm.gov](#) [<mailto:dgodfrey@blm.gov>] On Behalf Of SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
Sent: Friday, May 13, 2011 11:49 AM
To: [REDACTED] & Anita
Cc: [jincardi@blm.gov](#); [kdepukat@blm.gov](#); [ellen.carr@galileoaz.com](#)
Subject: Re: Sun Valley To Morgan Scoping

Ms. [REDACTED]

Thank you for your comments concerning the proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan transmission line. The comments will be included in the project record and considered in the assessment of the potential nvironmental impact.

We appreciate your interest in this project and in the public lands managed by the Bureau of Land Management.

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602.417.9499 / dennis_godfrey@blm.gov

[REDACTED]
ahoo.com> To
SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
05/11/2011 10:40 AM cc
Subject
Sun Valley To Morgan Scoping

Dear BLM Phoenix,

We are residents in the Westwing Mountain neighborhood in North Peoria. We feel that the proposed power lines as outlined by APS are too close to our neighborhood. The Morgan location would cause a potential health risk to the residents here in Westwing Mountain, Cibola Vista, and Pleasant Hills

From: ellen.carr@galileoaz.com
To: [Amy Jerome](#); [Chris Garbo](#)
Subject: Fw: SUN VALLEY TO MORGAN TRANSMISSION LINE
Date: Monday, May 30, 2011 11:04 55 AM

Sent from my Verizon Wireless BlackBerry

From: '[REDACTED] cox.net'
Date: Mon, 30 May 2011 10:46:38 -0700
To: <jincardi@blm.gov>; <Ellen.carr@galileoaz.com>;
<meredith.griffin@galileoaz.com>
Subject: SUN VALLEY TO MORGAN TRANSMISSION LINE

TO: Joe Incardine
Kathleen Depukat
Steven Cohn

From: [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

To whom it may concern,

I am sorry this written letter is about a few days late, but have spoken to all of you at one time or another and as my computer crashed and is now up and running again, I hope this letter will be accepted. As mentioned-----I will be attending the meeting on June 8th, and will want to speak for the time that I am allotted -----

For the record-----I do not want the transmission lines placed on any BLM land---period. The proposed transmission line can and should be placed along south side the Route 74 corridor---Care Free Highway-----and as close to the highway as possible. This would be the most practical and least invasive route to follow for all parties with any concerns.

For the record also-----our HOA and a Ms. Lynda Reithmann along with Vice Mayor Cathy Karlot, are giving out false and miss leading information along with not providing all the facts and truths as we all know them to be. This concerns me greatly.

I am fully prepared to bring this to the attention of all those that attend the June 8th, meeting at the BLM Training Center.

Thank you and your cooperation is greatly appreciated with my being late,

From: [Ellen Carr](mailto:Ellen_Carr)
To: meredith.griffin@galileoaz.com; [Amy Jerome](mailto:Amy_Jerome)
Cc: [Chris Garbo](mailto:Chris_Garbo)
Subject: FW: SunValley to Morgan Scoping APS Corridor
Date: Tuesday, May 17, 2011 8:52:35 AM
Attachments: [4.25.11 AZOHVC Powerline corridor project com.doc](#)

From: Ellen Carr [<mailto:ellen.carr@galileoaz.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, April 27, 2011 9:41 AM
To: 'Joe Incardine'; 'Steven Cohn'; 'kdepukat@blm.gov'; 'dgodfrey@blm.gov'
Subject: FW: SunValley to Morgan Scoping APS Corridor

Good morning,
I am forwarding this message. Jeff also included two maps, which we will post to the BLM CORE team FTP site. I removed them from the forward since they were so large.

Please let Pamela know we have received the maps. She gave Jeff my email address so he could submit the large files.

Thanks,

Ellen

From: Gursh1spud@aol.com [<mailto:Gursh1spud@aol.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, April 27, 2011 9:15 AM
To: Ellen.carr@galileoaz.com
Subject: SunValley to Morgan Scoping APS Corridor

Attn: Kathleen Depukat, National Project Manager, BLM Phoenix District Office/Hassayampa Field Office

Subject: Sun Valley to Morgan Scoping APS corridor EIS

Arizona Off Highway Vehicle Coalition and Arizona Trail Riders Org appreciate the chance to comment on the BLM's latest planning for the Hwy 74 Area SRMA and RMZ area that includes the Boulders OHV area. Our organizations have worked with the BLM since the early 1990s on this recreation area and its planning. It is one of the most popular OHV /multiuse areas in Maricopa County and has received State And Federal Grants to manage and protect the areas natural resources. Please accept the attached comments and maps as the views of both our organizations members. Sincerely,
Jeff Gursh
AZOHVC and ATR

From: [Ellen Carr](mailto:Ellen_Carr)
To: meredith.griffin@galileoaz.com; [Amy Jerome](mailto:Amy_Jerome)
Cc: [Chris Garbo](mailto:Chris_Garbo)
Subject: FW: The transmission line should be located along the south side of Highway 74.
Date: Monday, June 06, 2011 1 56:09 PM

-----Original Message-----

From: dgodfrey@blm.gov [<mailto:dgodfrey@blm.gov>] On Behalf Of SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
Sent: Monday, June 06, 2011 1:43 PM
To: Butchpen@aol.com
Cc: jincardi@blm.gov; kdepukat@blm.gov; ellen.carr@galileoaz.com
Subject: Re: The transmission line should be located along the south side of Highway 74.

Mr. Pendergast,

I've been asked to respond to your e-mail concerning the proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan transmission line.

It's not clear to me whether these were comments sent previously to Joe Incardine and Kathleen Depukat, and thus are already part of the project record. In any case, I am forwarding the comments and they will be included in the record and considered by the Bureau of Land Management in assessing the project's potential environmental impacts on BLM land.

Thank you for the comments and for your interest in public lands managed by the BLM.

Dennis Godfrey
Public Affairs Specialist/Arizona State Office/Bureau of Land Management
602.417.9499 / dennis_godfrey@blm.gov

Butchpen@aol.com

05/27/2011 12:05 PM To
SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
cc

Subject
The transmission line should be located along the south side of Highway 74.

Robert E. and Jacqueline T. Pendergast
29747 N 130th Drive, Peoria, AZ 85383. Tel 623 374-2816, 1 866 210-0709.
butchpen@aol.com

APS Sun Valley-Morgan to 500/250kV Transmission Line Project
Bureau of Land Management, Phoenix District Office/Hassayampa Field Office
21605 N. 7th Avenue
Phoenix, AZ 85027-2929
ATTN: Joe Incardine/Kathleen Depukat
By email to SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov

Re: Comments

My comment is that the transmission line should be located along the south side of Highway 74. Here are the reasons:

Referring to the BLM's 4/21/11 "Land Ownership" map distributed at the April 28 public meeting, with the exception of an anomalous four-mile section within BLM land on the north side, the entire route of the proposed line on and near BLM land is on the south side of Highway 74. No explanation or reason for that anomaly was presented at the April 28 meeting.

Consequently, unless there is some compelling environmental, geologic, or other reason favoring the north side in that 4-mile section, and since it would make sense aesthetically, would be more in the public's interest, and would be less expensive from a planning, design and construction standpoint, the entire line should be located on the south side of highway 74.

In addition, to the extent that there is concern about visual impacts and protection of wildlife and habitat on BLM land, it makes more sense to have the line on the south side. This is because, except for a short portion at the east end of the 4-mile section, none of the land on the south side is under BLM management.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Pendergast

From: [Ellen Carr](#)
To: "[Meredith Griffin](#)"; [Amy Jerome](#)
Cc: [Chris Garbo](#)
Subject: FW: transmission line north of 74
Date: Tuesday, June 07, 2011 6:00:22 PM

-----Original Message-----

From: dgodfrey@blm.gov [<mailto:dgodfrey@blm.gov>]
Sent: Tuesday, June 07, 2011 8:34 AM
To: jincardi@blm.gov; ellen.carr@galileoaz.com; kdepukat@blm.gov
Subject: Fw: transmission line north of 74

This came in after the deadline. Forwarded FYI.
Dennis

----- Forwarded by Dennis C Godfrey/AZSO/AZ/BLM/DOI on 06/07/2011 08:33 AM -----

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06/04/2011 04:16 AM

To
SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
cc

Subject
transmission line north of 74

Please reconsider the proposed transmission line north of 74. This project would have significant environmental impact of desert tortoise as well as many other species. It would also impact the beautiful character of the natural environment which people enjoy. This is not fair to do to the public so as to increase the land value of a few.

Sincerely
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From: [Ellen Carr](#)
To: [meredith.griffin@galleoaz.com](#); [Amy Jerome](#)
Cc: [Chris Garbo](#)
Subject: FW: Transmission line project and RMP Amendment
Date: Thursday, May 26, 2011 10:40:26 AM

-----Original Message-----

From: dgodfrey@blm.gov [<mailto:dgodfrey@blm.gov>] On Behalf Of SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
Sent: Thursday, May 26, 2011 10:22 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: jincardi@blm.gov; kdepukat@blm.gov; ellen.carr@galleoaz.com
Subject: Re: Transmission line project and RMP Amendment

Mr. & Mrs. [REDACTED]

Thank you for the comments on the proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan transmission line. Your comments will be included in the project record and considered in the evaluation of the project's potential environmental impacts.

Thank you for participating in this process.

Dennis Godfrey
Public Affairs Specialist/Arizona State Office/Bureau of Land Management
602.417.9499 / dennis_godfrey@blm.gov

[REDACTED]
<[REDACTED]@gmail.co
m> To
SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
05/25/2011 11:06 cc
AM
Subject
Transmission line project and RMP
Amendment

It is our deepest desire to keep power lines away from our community. We love our Vistancia community and have felt blessed that the eyesore power lines are mostly out of our view. Please reconsider installing them on the north side of SR74 where there would be less impact on health, animals, environment and the beauty of the desert.
Sincerely,

From: Ellen Carr
To: "Meredith Griffin"; Amy Jerome
Cc: Chris Garbo
Subject: FW: Transmission Line Proposal
Date: Monday, May 23, 2011 8:46:14 AM

From: jincardi@blm.gov [mailto:jincardi@blm.gov]
Sent: Monday, May 23, 2011 8:42 AM
To: [REDACTED] SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
Cc: Ellen Carr; Dennis C Godfrey
Subject: Re: Transmission Line Proposal

[REDACTED] we at BLM thank you for your comments, which are being included in the record for the project EIS. We will include you on all our public mailings.

Joe Incardine
National Project Manager
Stationed at Salt Lake City
cell: 801-560-7135
office: 801-524-3833

From: [REDACTED]@kbebuilding.com]
Sent: 05/23/2011 10:32 AM AST
To: SunValley to Morgan Transmission Line Project
Cc: <ellen.carr@galileoaz.com>; Joe Incardine
Subject: Transmission Line Proposal

I would like to see the transmission line stay on the RT 74 corridor as originally planned. I would also like to be included in any further items, notifications, etc which may be coming down the pike for future development in the area of my property. Part of my property butts up against blm property. I bought this property as my retirement investment many, many years ago and I am looking for the benefit of this investment in the near future, so any and all info would be greatly appreciated. Right now it is zoned as 1acre residential lots. Are they looking to rezone this as commercial anytime soon?

You may also e-mail me to my home address at [REDACTED]
Thank you

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From: Ellen Carr
To: meredith.griffin@galileoaz.com; Amy Jerome
Cc: Chris Garbo
Subject: FW: Transmission line
Date: Monday, June 06, 2011 2:29:47 PM

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From: dgodfrey@blm.gov [mailto:dgodfrey@blm.gov] On Behalf Of SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
Sent: Monday, June 06, 2011 2:14 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: jincardi@blm.gov; ellen.carr@galileoaz.com; kdepukat@blm.gov
Subject: Re: Transmission line

Thank you for your comments on behalf of the Sun City Hiking Club concerning the proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan transmission line. The comments will be included in the project record and considered by the Bureau of Land Management as it evaluates the project's potential environmental impacts on public lands.

Dennis Godfrey
Public Affairs Specialist/Arizona State Office/Bureau of Land Management
602.417.9499 / dennis_godfrey@blm.gov

[REDACTED]
<[REDACTED]@hotmail.com> To
<sunvalley-morgan@blm.gov> cc
05/27/2011 05:53 PM
Subject
Transmission line

Thank you for requesting input. The Sun City Hiking Club is against additional construction, restrictions and unsightly overhead towers. In addition, roads for construction and maintenance will cut up the land. The beauty and serenity for outdoor activity is to get away from development -- towers emit voltage as well as disrupt the beauty God gave us. It is important to save the breathtaking views for our children and grandchildren.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From: [Ellen Carr](#)
To: [meredith.griffin@galileoaz.com](#); [Amy Jerome](#)
Cc: [Chris Garbo](#)
Subject: FW: Trnsmision Line Project
Date: Thursday, May 26, 2011 10:42:46 AM

-----Original Message-----

From: [dgodfrey@blm.gov](#) [<mailto:dgodfrey@blm.gov>] On Behalf Of [SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov](#)
Sent: Thursday, May 26, 2011 10:33 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [kdepukat@blm.gov](#); [jincardi@blm.gov](#); [ellen.carr@galileoaz.com](#)
Subject: Re: Trnsmision Line Project

Mr [REDACTED]

Thank you for the comments on the proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan transmission line. Your comments will be included in the project record and considered in the evaluation of the project's potential environmental impacts.

We appreciate your interest and your participation in this process.

Dennis Godfrey
Public Affairs Specialist/Arizona State Office/Bureau of Land Management
602.417.9499 / dennis_godfrey@blm.gov

[REDACTED]

<[REDACTED]> To
SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
05/25/2011 04:22 PM cc
Subject
Trnsmision Line Project

As a sportsman and conservationist it is important to me to see this work done with as little ground disturbance as possible. The roads that are going to be created and trenching needed should be done in a manner that keeps wildlife in mind. Wildlife have travel corridors that should be taken into account and if rerouting is needed to avoid these travel corridors, then please take the time and make the effort to be sensitive to their needs. Thank you.

[REDACTED]

From: [Ellen Carr](#)
To: [meredith.griffin@galleoaz.com](#); [Amy Jerome](#)
Cc: [Chris Garbo](#)
Subject: FW: Vistancia area transmission line project
Date: Thursday, May 26, 2011 10:38:01 AM

-----Original Message-----

From: dgodfrey@blm.gov [<mailto:dgodfrey@blm.gov>] On Behalf Of SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
Sent: Thursday, May 26, 2011 10:12 AM
To: [REDACTED]@aol.com
Cc: kdepukat@blm.gov; ellen.carr@galleoaz.com; jincardi@blm.gov
Subject: Re: Vistancia area transmission line project

Mr [REDACTED]

Thank you for the comments on the proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan transmission line. Your comments will be included in the project record and considered in the evaluation of the project's potential environmental impacts.

Dennis Godfrey
Public Affairs Specialist/Arizona State Office/Bureau of Land Management
602.417.9499 / dennis_godfrey@blm.gov

[REDACTED]

05/24/2011 04:04 PM To
SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
cc
Subject
Vistancia area transmission line
project

I don't understand why you would consider routing the lines through a pristine desert area with all its natural wild life and beauty. The highway is a direct route and the wild life has already been disturbed. It seems like a natural route to follow a highway. I know there has been talk of the desert animals being disturbed but it seems that we are forgetting that they also live in the proposed area also and maybe since that area hasn't been disturbed that there are probably more animals there than along highway 73.

Following the route along highway 73 that seems like easy solution to a number of problems and the best solution to the problem and would probably serve the area north of 73 in the future.

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PHOENIX, ARIZONA

Attn: Joe Incardine / Kathleen Depukat
APS Sun Vallery to Morgan 500/230 kV
BLM Phoenix District Office
Hassayampa Field Office
21605 North 7th Avenue
Phoenix, AZ 85027

Dear Joe Incardine / Kathleen Depukat:

I am a resident of the Eagle Ridge community in Vistancia, and I am writing to express my concern about recent discussion and the pending decision to place power lines within sight of my home. With the increasingly hard economy, my property value has gone down in the past two years. With the unsightly towers in my back yard, I would have no chance of recovering the already lost equity in my home.

I chose my home's location due to the environment. I chose to live further from the pollution of the city. The potential health risks from the power lines were not part to the environment I wanted to live in.

I do not understand why the BLM would want to tear up undisturbed desert as opposed to a stretch of land already disturbed by a major roadway that is expected to be widened in the future.

BLM has an existing policy stressing the importance of co-locating power lines and transportation corridors. Why isn't this policy being enforced for the short 8 1/2 mile stretch of BLM land along SR 74? It is appropriate the Public Land be used to accommodate the federal priority of energy transmission and generation established by the President, Congress, Department of Energy, Department of Interior, and Department of Homeland Security.

I would like to request that the Resource Management Plan be amended to allow placement of APS power lines on the north side of SR 74. This proposed location already has the support of the APS, local residents, city officials, Arizona Corporation Commissioners and congressional representative.

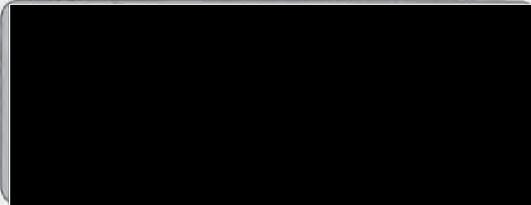
This location will have the least affect on families, pristine desert and wildlife.

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 Organization (if applicable)
 Add to mailing list YES NO
 Withhold personal information* YES NO
 Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS: The powerline has already provided a centerline route along 74. I propose that BLM stays with that plan. Anything south will affect existing and future residential and commercial development. Powerlines must run along 74 and through BLM land. There is much beauty south of 74 and I can't imagine how horrible it would be to have huge power lines running south of BLM land.

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 Phoenix, AZ 85027
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We want to hear from you!

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BLM

May 17, 2011

I have been to several meetings regarding the APS Power lines and understand why BLM wants and needs to be involved. After hearing every thing BLM had to say during the last open meeting, I am confused as to why they might hesitate when there is such overwhelming demand by the Residents, APS and even some of the Politicians present at the last BLM open meeting. My main concern is safety and home values dropping further which will both probably occur if the lines go up in or near the Vistancia Community. I moved into this community because of the beauty that too will change, I am a nature lover and understand the concern about the turtle. BLM spoke of but Vistancia also has wildlife that will be affected and when the 74 expands.

those turtles will be affected Anyway. I implore you to stick to and agree with what was already agreed upon by the previous parties -



There are many reasons my family in Vistancia would like you to keep the Power Lines on the North side of SR 74. However the biggest reason is very personal... cancer and the associated risks and impacts on Vistancia's health. My family moved here from New York almost 6 years ago knowing about the power lines that already existed here. Far enough away from our home, we bought a house here and planned to stay for quite a long time to our child grow up in a family friendly atmosphere very different from NY. However this ongoing battle of new power lines was never disclosed to us. Not would we have ever considered moving to Vistancia if we knew this was in the process of even being thought about.

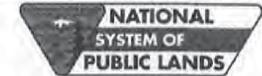
The ongoing problem on Long Island is with the power lines and clusters of cancer. This has directly affected friends and neighbors, but most importantly my Mother-in-law, who has had a double mastectomy due to breast cancer. This horrible disease has killed her mother as well as her sister who has passed on battling this horrible disease. As far as the majority on Long Island goes, it is a known and powerful deterrent to people buying homes near power lines. You can't give homes away near the lines if you tried...unheard of for upscale neighborhoods on prestigious Long Island.

We ask that you please reconsider and keep Vistancia the place we bought into 6 years ago and protect our current and future home owners south of SR 74 from the health risks associated with the power lines. We already have them here - we do not want more. There is a vast area of desert out there, please put them somewhere where this will not affect our families who don't have an option to move away during this economy. Precedence has been established in placing power lines along transportation corridors such as Loop 303 and I-17. I would be happy to fly my mother-in-law here as she has a vast amount of knowledge on cancer. She would be happy to share her knowledge with anyone interested in hearing her. Arizona TV News teams perhaps would benefit from this knowledge. Arizona does not cover this sort of news like Long Island does, perhaps it is time. My family's health is the most important thing I can fight for.

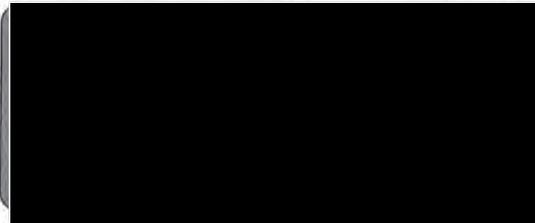
I strenuously request that BLM amend their Resource Management Plan to allow placement of APS power lines on the north side of SR 74. Thank you,



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Organized? If so, please add:	
Add to mailing list?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
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Would you like to participate in the following Scoping Workshops?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO

COMMENTS:

STRONGLY
PLEASE CONSIDER AMENDING THE BLM LAND USE PLAN TO BE CONSISTENT WITH THE APS ROW APPLICATION FOR THE SUN VALLEY TO MORGAN TRANSMISSION LINE PROJECT IN THE AOC CERTIFIED ROUTE

I URGE YOU TO ENDORSE SR74 AS A MULTI-USE CORRIDOR ^{TO ALLOW} ~~SO THAT~~ THE INSTALLATION OF LARGE SCALE UTILITIES ADJACENT TO SR74.

THERE IS ALREADY A HIGHWAY (SR74) NEAR AND THROUGH THE AOC CERTIFIED CORRIDOR. IT IS ALREADY A TRANSPORTATION CORRIDOR. MOVING THE PROJECT SOUTH OF SR74 ONTO PRIVATE LAND WOULD HAVE AT LEAST AS MUCH IMPACT ON NATURAL RESOURCES AS THE SR74 ROUTE, AND

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WOULD SERIOUSLY IMPACT THE EXISTING NEIGHBORHOODS.

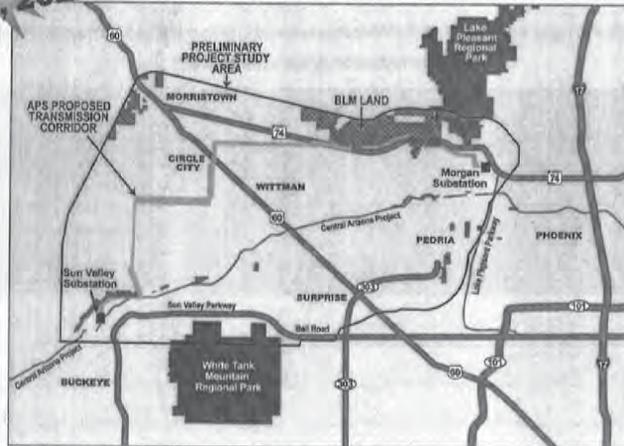
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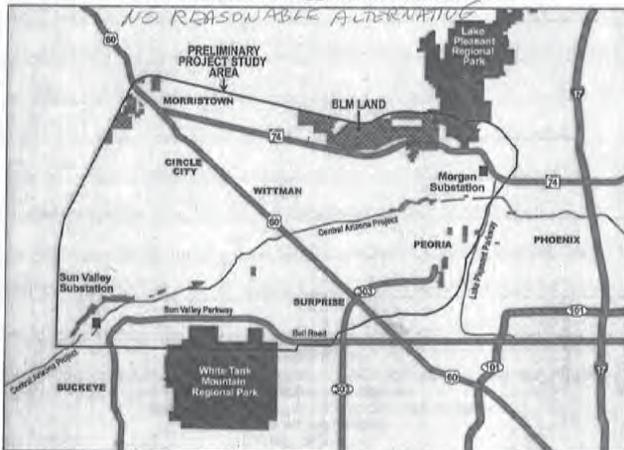
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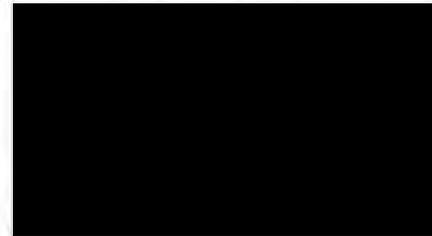
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May 15, 2011

BLM Phoenix District Office
Hassayampa Field Office
Attn: Joe Incardine / Kathleen Dupubal
Re: APS Sun Valley to Morgan 500/230kV
Transmission Line Project
21605 N. 7th Ave
Phoenix, AZ 85027

Dear Mr. Incardine & Ms. Dupubal,
This letter is to request placement of the 500kV
power distribution lines along the north side of SR 74.
My husband and I are very concerned about the health
risks posed by living near these power lines,
the views from our property and the property value
of our house should this request be denied.
Thank you very much for your consideration



MAY 15, 2011

TO JOE INCARDINE / KATHLEEN DEPUKAT,

We, as residents of Vistancia would like to wholeheartedly support the placement of power lines on the north side of SR 74. We purchased our home to be away from the power lines and to retain its value and the beautiful wildlife that exist here. We know that the placement near our homes will greatly negatively affect all our values in an already devalued economy. I have already contacted Mr. Trent Franks with my concerns.

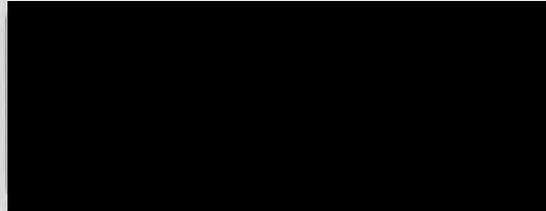
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Organization (if applicable) _____
Add to mailing list YES NO
Withhold personal information* YES NO
Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS:

I would like to see the N of Rk 74, as approved by the Arizona Corporation Commission, go through. I do not see any alternatives. My concerns include the big health concerns, lowered home values, lowered lifestyle living.

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*NO - Lines as
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By the
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BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
PHOENIX, ARIZONA

To the Bureau of Land Management,

I am a concerned resident of the Vistancia Community and have recently heard about the issue regarding new 500kV power lines being placed in an area that affects several of the reasons why I bought in to this community.

First and foremost, I am concerned about my health and the negative effect this will have on my property value. I do not know anyone in their right mind that would pay to live near 500 kV powerlines in their direct line of sight. They detract from the views we enjoy every day and there will always be health concerns. Like my fellow residents, I am aware of the study from the United States National Council on Radiation Protection. Effects from even low electromagnetic radiation include leukemia, sudden infant death, changes in brain chemistry, impairment to the immune system, etc. And the BLM is proposing to put in the largest and most powerful lines that exist to the north of our community. It may be that these lines are planned far enough away that it is a mild distraction, but that is not a bet I am willing to take.

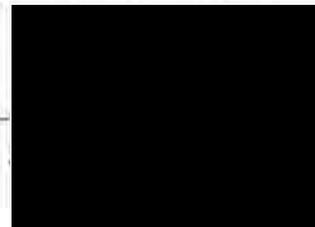
That being said, what would I do if the powerlines are overbearing and the day comes that my family has outgrown my house? Who will want to pay a reasonable price that doesn't leave me significantly underwater for a home so close to powerlines, let alone purchase one. I have worked incredibly hard for this home, and continue working hard to pay the mortgage each month. The placement of these lines by the BLM could effectively ruin all of the effort and years I have put into securing my piece of the American dream. Property values also affect revenue which hurt our local schools, schools that my future children and the children of this community attend.

There are other issues that I am concerned with as a resident. One of the reasons myself, and anyone else in the community bought into Vistancia is the view. Our community is far out from the rest of metropolitan area and provides us with beautiful views of the mountains and desert. These scenic views and environment make home life pleasurable and a place that draws people in. A view of powerlines will destroy that. We are also provided with a wide variety of wildlife that the lines would affect. The local wildlife is another reason why I chose to live here. It offers such a sense of relief from the bustle of the city, and admittedly, hearing wild donkeys at night adds such amusement to my day. Again, powerlines too close to Vistancia may destroy that sense of home.

As I understand it, a solution had been proposed to move the lines 8 1/2 miles north of the SR74. I also have been informed that the BLM's reason for not moving them north is to protect the desert tortoise. Although I do advocate protecting wildlife, I see the BLM using the desert tortoise as a petty excuse because there is no other one that could hold water (not that the BLM's current excuse does). I do see that powerlines further north would render that land less valuable for the BLM, which of course would hurt profits. However, how would it be fair to push that loss onto a community that is already existing vs. a community that isn't?

The proposal to have the lines built north of the SR74 is supported by not only residents of the community, but APS, city officials, congressional representatives, and the Arizona Corporation Commissioners. With all of this support, I would think the BLM would be much more willing to move the lines. It may save time and money right now to keep the plan for the 500 kV lines where they are, but my guess is that the backlash from that decision may have a far greater effect.

I urge the BLM to reconsider the placement of the lines to north of the SR74. It is apparent to me that this is best for all parties involved.



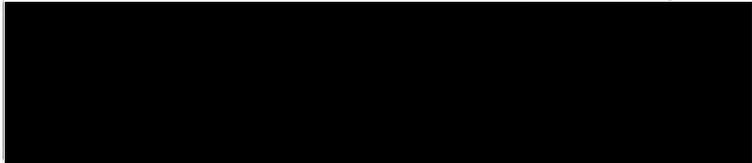
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To: BLM PAVANIK DISTRICT OFFICE

AS A VISANUELA RESIDENT, WE BOUGHT OUR HOUSE IN A PLANNED COMMUNITY THAT HAS WON AWARDS FOR SCENIC AND PRESERVED DESERT LANDSCAPE. OUR VIEWS, AMBIANCE AND NEIGHBORHOOD WILL BE ADVERSELY AFFECTED IF THE POWER LINES ARE NOT PLACED NORTH OF STATE 74.

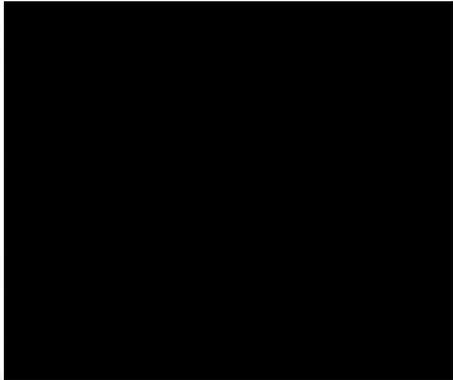
THE CARRESE HIGHWAY (STATE 74) IS NEITHER SCENIC NOR DESIGNATED AS A SCENIC HIGHWAY BY THE STATE. THIS IS THE PROPER PLACEMENT OF THE POWER LINES (WHERE LINES ARE ALREADY VISIBLE).

THIS HAS ALREADY BEEN ARGUED AND ACCEPTED BY APS. I AM UPSET THAT WE ARE HAVING TO FIGHT THIS YET AGAIN.



BLM - Joe Incardine / Kathleen Depukat

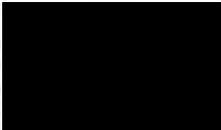
I want the power lines North of State 74. My home property is important to me. Don't go against the wishes of the people



To whom it may concern,

The current economic downturn coupled with the severe drop in real estate values has placed a severe financial burden on the American public in general and Vistancia residents in particular. The placement of the Sun Valley to Morgan 500/230 kV transmission line along the Carefree alignment in northern Peoria adjacent to the Vistancia community would only exacerbate an already difficult situation.

As a concerned Vistancia resident, I am urging you to amend the BLM land use policy to create a utility corridor around State Route 74 which will allow APS to place the transmission line along the SR 74/Carefree Highway, a non-residential area.

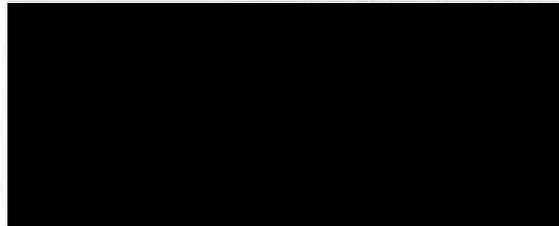


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Add to mailing list YES NO
Withhold personal information* YES NO
Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS:

I support the proposed resource management plan

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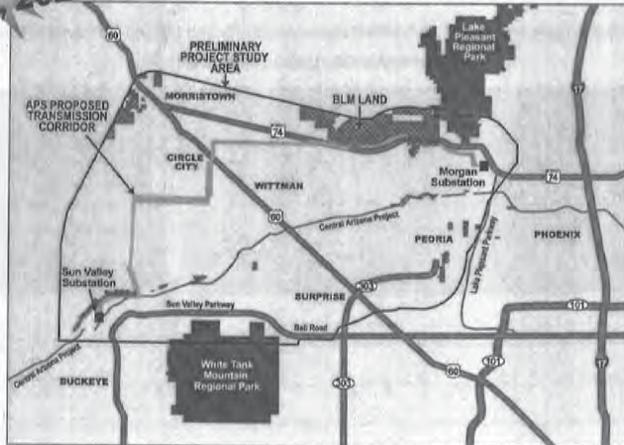
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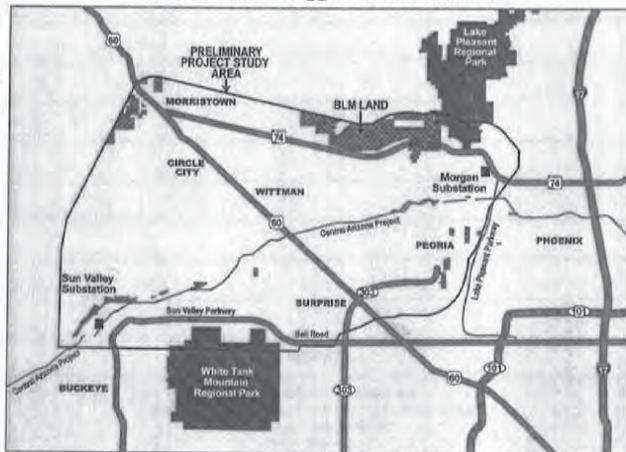
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Dear Mr. Incardine and Ms. Depukat:

As a property owner in the Vistancia community and a Pediatrician in Peoria I want to point out my strong preference in support of the APS request to route the new power distribution lines along the north side of SR74.

I understand the potential hazard to children due to electromagnetic radiation. I have two young children and do not want them exposed to this potential hazard day and night. The routing along SR74 would affect fewer people and for shorter time periods.

In addition, I believe the precedence in Arizona and across the country of locating power lines along transportation routes is cost effective. Given the current financial crisis, all decisions like these should strongly consider cost effectiveness.

The APS conducted a multiyear study and concluded the SR74 routing is the best alternative.

Please consider these points as you make your decision.



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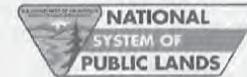
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As a resident of Vistancia, I am requesting that BLM officials revise the Resource Management Plan (RMP) and place the power lines on the north side of SR 74.

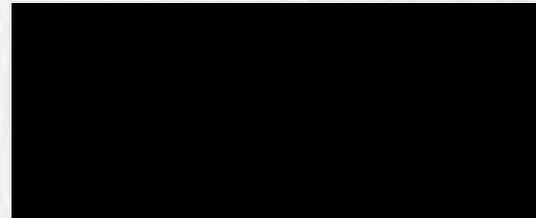
Co-locating transportation and utility corridors is logical and efficient. It aligns with past precedence (Loop 303 and I-17) and has an economic and environmental benefit for the City of Peoria. It prevents lost tax revenues due to lower property values, has minimal impact on wildlife, and protects current and future home owners south of SR from potential health risks. Plus, if the BLM rejects alignment north along the north side of SR 74, APS will need to start the entire placement process from the beginning. Thus, delaying the much needed power lines.

Please seriously consider amending the RMP. To reiterate, I am requesting that the power lines be placed on the north side of SR 74.

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Add to mailing list YES NO
Withhold personal information? YES NO
Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS: *I support the installation of the electrical transmission lines on the north side of state route 74 on the BLM land. Keep the proposed route.*

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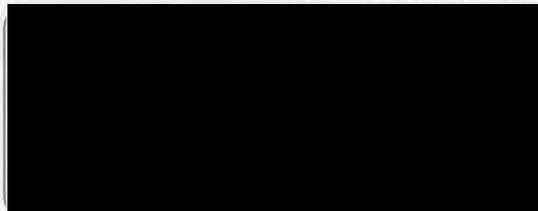
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Add to mailing list YES NO

Withhold personal information* YES NO

Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS:

I strongly request that BLM:

- Consider SR74 as a designated multi-use corridor + let APS build the power lines there*
- Support the APS ROW application in the route approved by the ACC*
- Make the BLM Land Use Plan consistent with the APS ROW application for the Transmission Line Project in the ACC Certified Route*

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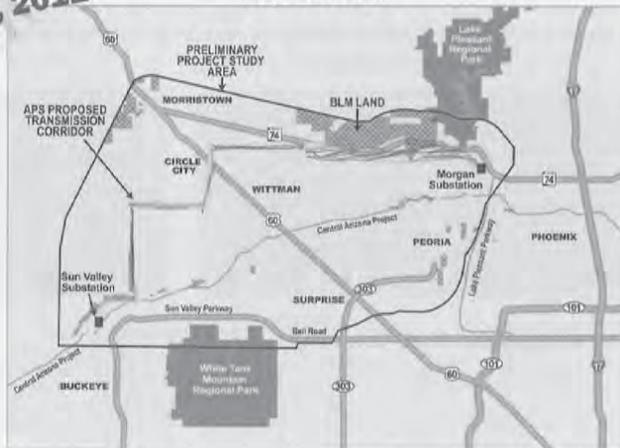
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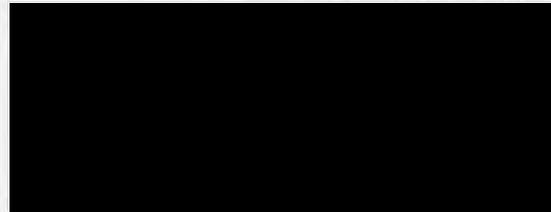
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Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS:

I urge you to support + endorse the use of State Route 74 as a multi-use corridor so that APS may construct the proposed power lines along an already developed piece of land. I am curious that with all of our concern about environmental impact, there would be any thought of running these lines anywhere other than SR 74. SR 74 has already disturbed the environment - why widen the impact beyond where it already is disturbed?

Please adopt any amendments necessary to the BLM Land Use Plan so that it will allow construction of the power lines as indicated in the APS Row Application for the proposed route as approved by the ACC.

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Do you have a suggested alternative?



*NO
ALTERNATIVE!
unless you
can bury the
lines on the
BLM land*

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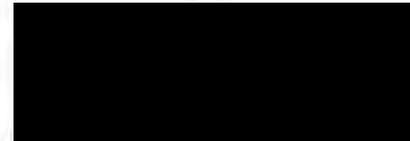
MESSAGE:

It makes so much more sense to have the APS power lines placed north of SR 74. Doing so has minimal impact on the community of Vistona. It is also an efficient use of Federal lands. Property values would be protected, the abundant wildlife would be able to continue in their present habitat, and Pecos's tax revenue would be able to fund our schools in the current manner.

I strongly recommend and ask the BLM to allow placement of the APS power lines along the north of SR 74.



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DATE: 5/17/11

MESSAGE:

PROTECTS PROPERTY VALUE THAT IS ALREADY IMPACTED BY THE ADVERSE ECONOMIC CONDITIONS. THIS WILL RESULT IN LOWER PROPERTY VALUES THAT WILL HURT SCHOOL FUNDING THROUGHOUT PECOIA.

POWER LINES ALONG FAMILY COMMUNITIES AFFECTS SCENIC VIEW 100% OF TIME.

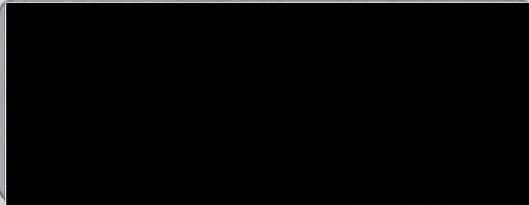
VISTARCAIN, TRILGY + BLACKSTONE HAVE A MULTITUDE OF WILD LIFE IN OUR COMMUNITY - ALTERNATIVE ALIGNMENT IN PRISTINE DESERT WOULD DISTURB THESE POPULATIONS.

I STRONGLY RECOMMEND & REQUEST THE BLM TO ALLOW THE PLACEMENT OF THE APS LINES BE ALONG THE NORTH SIDE OF SR 74.





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Withhold personal information* YES NO
Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS:

I believe That the Statis Current
Route Plan Best suites The Needs of
The City of Peoria. Therefore I support
So:2 Plan.

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Dear Ms. Depukat and Mr. Incardine,

I'm writing you to request that you reconsider revising your 'resource management plan' to allow for the proposed APS power lines to run along the North side of SR74.

I'll soon be turning 60 years old, and purchased my home in the far North section of Vistancia 3 ½ years ago anticipating it to be the last one that I (and my wife) would ever buy. I bought it primarily due to its location and the beautiful views and surrounding desert that it afforded me. As you know, we've already incurred a substantial loss in the value of our home due to the economy, and this will definitely impact us further.

I read where you're concerned about the desert tortoise, as well am I. However, do you really believe that the power lines will affect them any more than when SR-74 is completed? If so, then why not just put a fence up that will restrict them to where they'll be safe from all harm?

I could continue to provide you with a number of reasons why you should allow the revision.....but I know that you're already aware of all of them. I just wanted to let you know about several more lives that will be adversely affected if you don't.

Your consideration will be greatly appreciated.

May 26, 2011

Sun Valley to Morgan Proposed Project
Kathleen Depukat, National Project Manager
BLM Phoenix District Office/Hassayampa Field Office
21605 North 7th Avenue
Phoenix, AZ 85027-2929

Dear Ms. Depukat,

I am writing to let you know I am vehemently opposed to the proposed plan to install an APS transmission line on scenic State Route 74.

As a resident of Scottsdale and a member of Quintero Golf & Country Club, I have had occasion to enjoy the pristine environment and its natural habitat on State Route 74. It's my understanding that the BLM Resource Management Plan, completed in 2000, did not include any allowance for Hwy 74 to be used as a utility corridor. The only reason I can see that this route is now being considered is that residents of Vistancia and others have adopted a "not in my backyard" attitude, putting political pressure on APS. I don't see any reason to jeopardize the environment BLM has clearly spent years researching and destroy a scenic route for political pressure.

It became apparent that this issue is a political football when Congressman Franks, who represents all of us in District 2, clearly supported the Vistancia viewpoint at the Peoria meeting. Juxtaposed to this political interest was BLM, whose well-grounded research made it evident that its concern was strictly for the environment. Their research included the impact on sensitive wildlife habitat, land use, socioeconomic resources and health and safety.

My opposition to the amended RMP is just common sense. This is not a designated corridor – it is a scenic highway. The amendment will jeopardize the environmental habitat outlined in the BLM RMP, and it was the third alternative in the original RMP. The proposed action calls for focus on "reasonable alternatives" – why alter a well researched plan with low impact to the environment? The only "unreasonable alternative", proposed by APS, lacks common sense.

Years of research into environmental protection should not go unheeded – State Route 74 should not be the site on which the new transmission line is installed.

Sincerely,

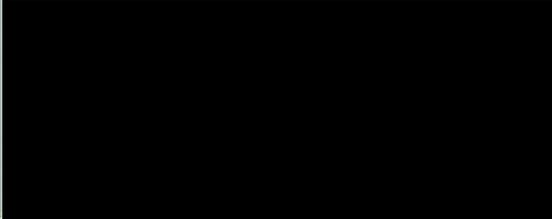
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 Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS: We do not want the proposed Transmission Line to access BLM land adjacent to SR74. We would like to see an alternate route which shares or parallels the CAP (as shown other side of page).
 Merits/Demerits as follows:

- ① Already existing utility corridor and maintainance traffic.
- ② It is shortest distance Sun Valley ← → Morgan (cost advantage).
- ③ Additional powerline near Sun City Festival not such big impact since that community was planned while existing powerlines were already in the area.
- ④ Need more discussion w/ Luke AFB (Can Aux Field be relocated? Is there already a plan to decommission it? can Powerline be "delicately" routed around their zone?)
- ⑤ CAP, nearer to White Tank Mtns, is low-lying land (less visual eyesore).

P.S. Thanks For 4/27/11 Mtg @ Nadaburg School. Very Informative, Good Job! -Kevin

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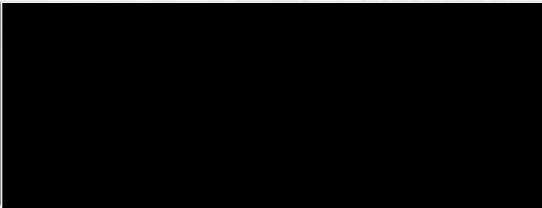
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 Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS:
 KEEP AS PROPOSED. KEEP TO ORIGINAL PLAN.
 We fought for NORTH OF RT 74.
 No other options!

OUR PROPERTY VALUES WOULD BE AT RISK
 CANCER + HEALTH ISSUES.

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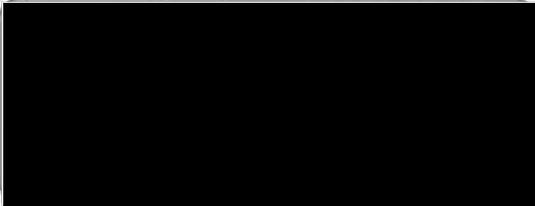
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 Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshop? YES NO

COMMENTS: NO OPTIONS. KEEP AS PROPOSED - NORTH OF CT 74
THIS IS THE OPTION WE FOUGHT FOR. KEEP TO
THE PLAN. NO OTHER ALTERNATIVES REQUESTED

CONSERVATION ARE HEALTH ISSUES LIKE CANCER & PROPERTY
VALUES WHICH WOULD EXCEED.

WHILE BLM MORE CONCERNED ABOUT DESERT TORTOISES THAN
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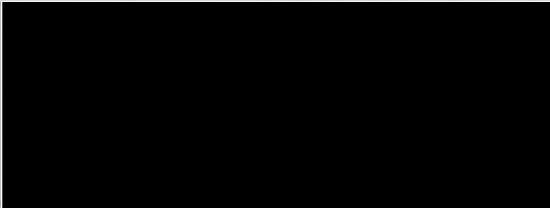


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Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS:

Land use plans should be elastic in their ability to make allowances now and in the future
As far as this transmission line - it was a long and hard road to get to this point
I truly hope that any decision you make will be beneficial to current and future generations who will be living in this area.
Thank you!
Harouaine Kopol

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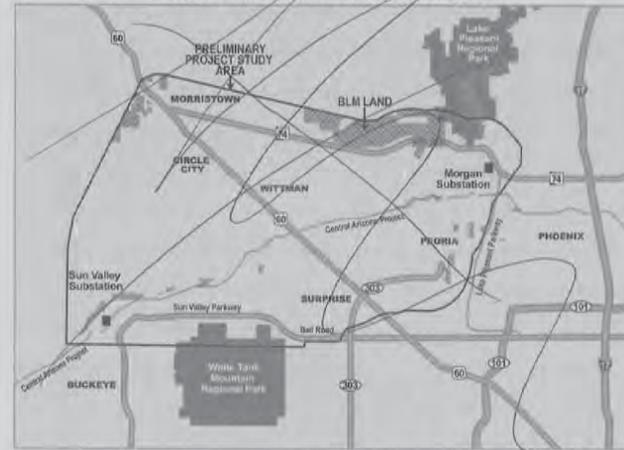
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Do you have a suggested alternative?



NO!

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We are residents of the Vistancia planned development in Peoria and would like to voice our concerns regarding the proposed placement of 500/230 kV power lines from APS Sun Valley to Morgan stations. We attended the open meeting regarding this issue in Peoria on 4/28/11 because we feel strongly that the lines should be placed on the north side of SR 74, rather than adjacent to our neighborhood. Our reasons are as follows:

- Other routes have been considered by APS, congressional representatives, AZ Corporation Commissioners and many local residents, but they agree that the most sensible decision is to place the lines on the north side of SR 74, least affecting residents as well as desert wildlife.
- We have definite health risk concerns regarding exposure to electromagnetic radiation (even at low levels) and its connection to childhood leukemia, SIDS, and other long-term health issues.
- Lower property values will not only negatively affect residents, but tax revenues and school funding in our area.
- SR 74 is not officially designated as a "scenic highway," and is slated to be widened in the future. Other transportation corridors have precedents set to include power lines; SR 74 should be included.

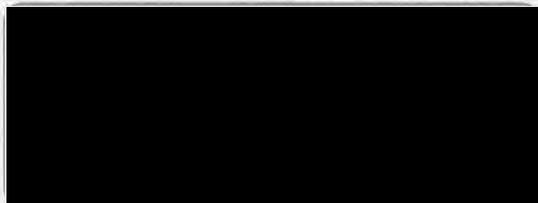
We would like to request that BLM amend your RMP so that the APS power lines will be placed on the north side of SR 74. Thank you for your consideration of this request.



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Add to mailing list YES NO
Withhold personal information* YES NO
Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS: *The only viable route is the route along state Route 74 as approved by the Arizona Corporation Commission.*

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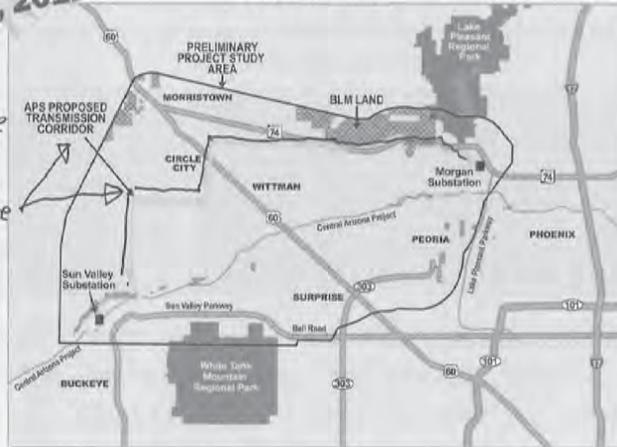
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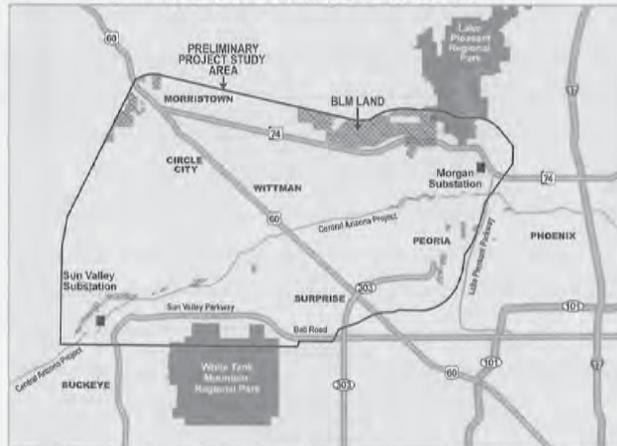
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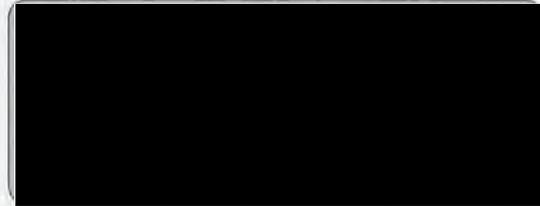
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Withhold personal information YES NO
Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS: PLEASE APPROVE THE MOST SENSIBLE ROUTE, WHICH IS ALONG STATE ROUTE 74 (NORTH SIDE) WHICH HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION. THE PROPERTY VALUES WOULD BE SEVERELY IMPACTED, TO SAY NOTHING OF THE LONG-TERM ADVERSE EFFECTS TO THE HEALTH OF RESIDENTS.

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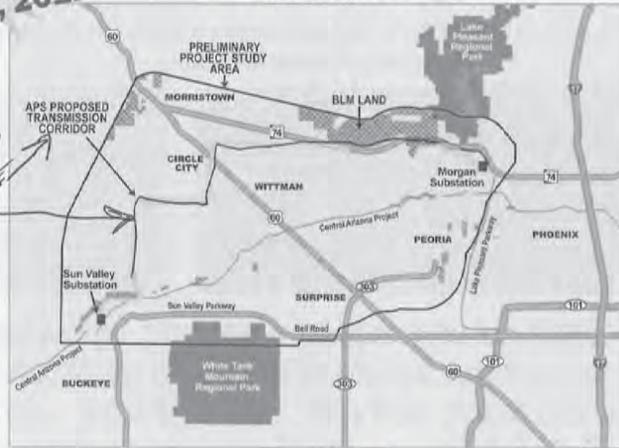
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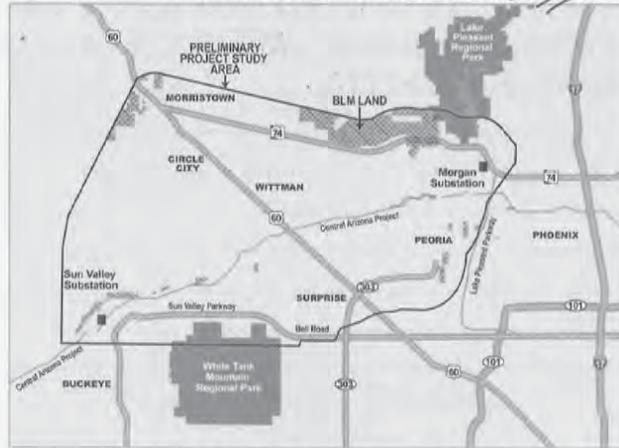
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VIABLE ROUTE



Do you have a suggested alternative? ← NO

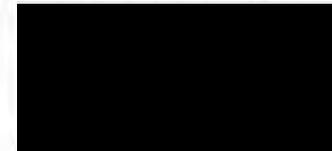


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APS SUN VALLEY TO MORGAN 500/230KV
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21605 N. 7TH AVE
PHOENIX, AZ 85027

I AM WRITING TO YOU IN ORDER TO MAKE VERY CLEAR, AND IN NO UNCERTAIN TERMS, THAT I FEEL YOU ARE PERHAPS MORE CONCERNED WITH YOUR EGOS AND LESS CONCERNED WITH THE DESIRES AND FINANCES OF THE PEOPLE WHO PAY YOUR SALARIES. THE HOLLOW ARGUMENTS YOU MAKE AND CLING TO (IE. TORTOISE ENDANGERMENT, DISRUPTION OF SCENE VIEWS, ETC) PALE IN COMPARISON TO THE HEALTH RISKS TO HUMANS. I WOULD ALMOST BET THAT YOU WOULD SING A DIFFERENT TUNE IF YOU WERE LIVING WHERE WE LIVE. AREN'T YOU FORTUNATE TO BE SO REMOVED FROM OUR NEIGHBORHOOD AND STILL BE ABLE TO IMPOSE YOUR WILL UPON THOSE WHOSE EXISTENCE YOU CONSIDER A MORE DISCOMFORT TO YOUR DAILY LIFE! HAVING SAID THIS, I WOULD HOPE YOU WILL SOMEHOW FIND IT IN YOUR SOUL TO PLACE THE UTILITY LINES NORTH OF SR 74 WHERE THERE WILL BE THE LEAST IMPACT UPON HUMANS AND THE ENVIRONMENT. BETTER STILL, VISIT A HEALTH CARE FACILITY TO EXPERIENCE THE EFFECTS OF PEOPLE WITH DISEASES ASSOCIATED WITH PROLONGED EXPOSURE TO ELECTROMAGNETIC RADIATION (CANCER, LEUKEMIA, BRAIN DAMAGE, ETC.) THEN MAKE YOUR POINT ABOUT THE POOR DESERT TORTOISES AND THE RUINED VIEWS OF SCRUB BRUSH AND BUSH TO THOSE VICTIMS



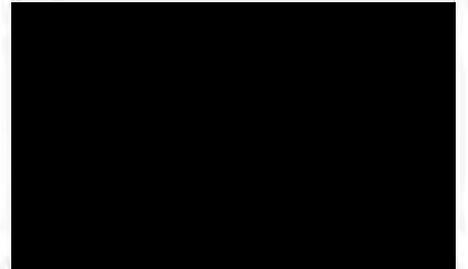
Dear BLM,

Please do not allow APS to put powerlines through my community. Our property values have already been negatively effected by our economy. This not only affects me personally but also the children who rely on property taxes to fund their schools and education. please leave our pristine forest full of wildlife alone



BLM,

Please re-consider your thoughts on the proposed Power line location, so that they do not run directly through our community. These lines are likely to bring down property values in the neighborhood of Vistancia which would also effect tax revenues, which in turn directly effects funding to schools throughout Pecos. It will disrupt the scenic views in the area, which is one of the main reasons I decided to move to Pecos, and out of Pharris. This doesn't even take into account the potential health risks associated with these lines, and how the people of Vistancia would be directly exposed to this



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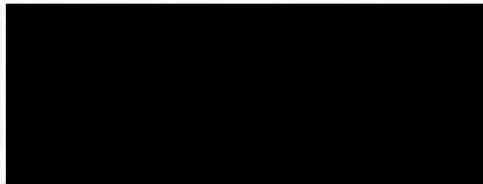
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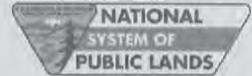
I am very concerned about the health risks
+ property values declining ^{By} putting up 500k V
lines which are the most powerful in
existence + putting them in Vistancia

Keep them under SR 74

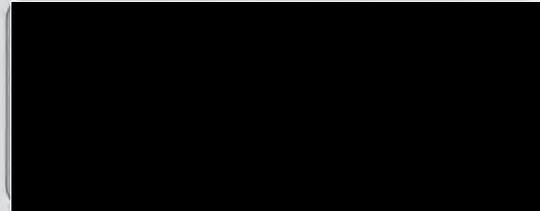
NOT near Vistancia
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Vistancia

Organization (if applicable)

Add to mailing list YES NO

Withhold personal information* YES NO

Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS:

We support the APS Row application. It is imperative to revise the BLM Land Use plan so that it is consistent with the APS Row application. We ~~are~~ must use the State Route 74 as a multi-use corridor. This is the route approved by the Arizona Corporation Commission.

A sidenote - what is more important - the children of our future being safe and not having the line through our community or the visual aesthetics of a highway? It must use State Route 74 as a multi-use corridor.

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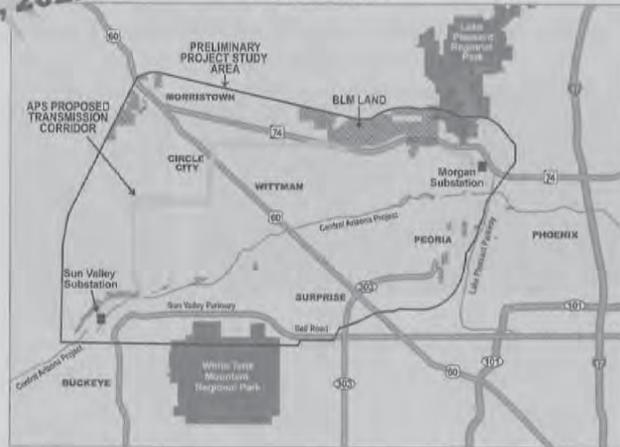
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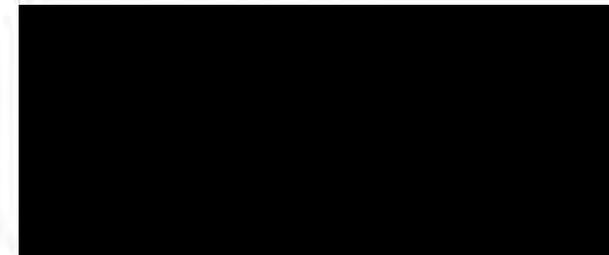
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Since moving to Arizona I have enjoyed the scenic views and wildlife from my home. I feel that placing APS power lines on SR 74 will cause less disruption to the views and wildlife I have come to love. I am also uncomfortable with the potential health risks that these power lines present. With this in mind, I respectfully ask that these lines be placed on the north side of SR 74.



PEOPLE OVER TORTISE

BLM
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I work hard to live in a power line
free zone why? Health, Welfare +
Peace of Mind.

Please put people over tortoise - or
move the powerline North or South
of the tortoise habitat.

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BUREAU OF LAND MGT
PHOENIX, ARIZONA

Dear Mr. Incardine and Ms. Kathleen Depukat,

I am writing this letter to request that the Bureau of Land Management accept the request from APS to place the 500kV power distribution lines along the north side of SR 74.

I feel that as indicated by APS, our local Entrada residents (of whom I personally walked the 50 homes and discussed the situation) the Arizona Corporation Commissioners and congressional representatives who have all considered alternative routes and deem placement along SR 74 as the most logical location and one that will least affect families, who are the taxpayers of this community.

Precedence has already been set in placing power lines along transportation corridors such as Look 303 and I-17.

Please realize we understand the need for the power lines but do not want them that close to our housing development due to the, as yet, undetermined long term effects of the risk. We have many young children and babies in our development.

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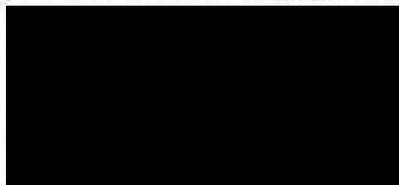
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MESSAGE:

*How would any of you in the BLM feel about large power lines out your view windows or sitting on your patio.
We bought in this community for the beauty and have upgraded to yet a second home to get even a grander view. This view is of the area you want to grace with large powerlines.
This can only hurt what we all moved out here for and hurt all of our property values.
Shame on you all!
When there is another alternative that does not impact thousands of people*

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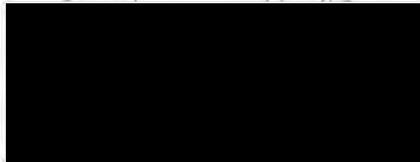
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MESSAGE:

The BLM Needs to consider the people, the economy, the damage and the hurt of the home owners. We moved here and accepted the power lines all ready here. Which is enough damage to "property values." Please consider the people and help who need help. Place along SR 74.



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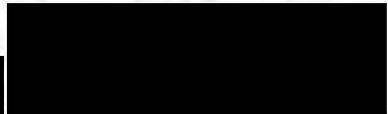
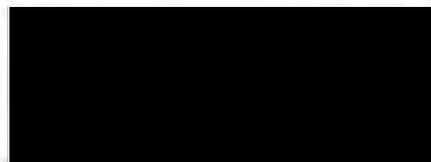
Dear Joe & Kathleen

On the subject of the APS 500kV power lines:

My husband and I learned today that the APS request to place the power lines along the north side of SR 74 has been denied. This news is distressing, to say the least. We've only lived in Vistancia for two years but this place has become one of the dearest homes we've ever known. One of our concerns is that the installation of power lines will mar the natural beauty, wildlife population and serenity that drew us to this place. Vistancia is a very special community filled with people who care about the land and its natural inhabitants.

Of greater concern is that the electromagnetic radiation emitted from the power lines will be harmful to our health, our pets, and the health of our friends and neighbors. Please don't let this happen. Why not place the power lines along the major transportation routes instead of near the residential areas and out in the scenic desert landscape?

Finally, my husband and I have personal knowledge of what happens to a community when power lines are forced into the midst of it. People pack up and move away because property values tank. This would seriously damage the economic condition here in our community. From what I understand, this would also negatively impact Peoria school funding. Please accept this heartfelt plea for the amendment of the BLM Resource Management Plan to allow placement of the APS power lines on the north side of SR 74.

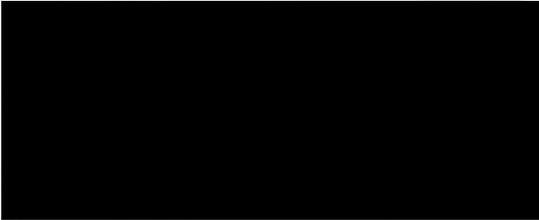


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Organization (if applicable): _____
Add to mailing list YES NO
Withhold personal information* YES NO
Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS:

The route I want is the route along State Route 74.

I support the APS ROW for the Proposed Sun Valley to Morgan 500/230 KV Transmission Line Project in the route Approved by the ACC.

The reason I endorse SR74 as a designated multi-use corridor that allows large state utilities is because I live in Vistancia and It would effect our daily living.

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Dear Ms. Depukat and Mr. Incardine:

What would you do if this was your community?

The Vistancia, Trilogy and Blackstone communities have a combined final build-out projection of 42,000 people. That is why we are actively supporting placement of the APS 500/250kV power distribution lines along the north side of SR 74 and strongly reject placement along any alternative route closer to current and future residential communities.

Research on the health effects of power lines shows an interesting pattern. Studies commissioned by power companies show "inconclusive" results. However, studies commissioned by epidemiologists and physicists world-wide show a much different conclusion. A report by the *United States National Council on Radiation Protection* stated, "There is a powerful body of impressive evidence showing that even low exposure to electromagnetic radiation has a long-term effect on health."

Some effects listed in the report include sudden infant death syndrome, childhood leukemia, changes in brain chemistry which can lead to Alzheimer's Disease, impairment of the immune system and inhibition of melatonin production which suppresses certain cancers, including prostate and breast cancers. Considering the 500kV power distribution lines are the most powerful in existence, these statements are quite alarming. Further, they reported that the "only protection from electromagnetic fields is distance from the source."

What would you do if this was your community? Would you be willing to risk the health of your loved ones?

I can site many areas in Arizona where property values are less for homes under power lines than homes that are not. One example is Sun City Grand, where homes east of the 303 sell for approximately \$20,000 more than homes on the west side of the 303 that are in sight of the power lines. Plummeting property values due to poor economic conditions have devastated thousands of families in the Valley of the Sun through short sales, foreclosures and bankruptcy. Placement of the APS 500/230kV power lines anywhere but on the north side of SR 74 will further the devastating effect of lower property values for Vistancia, Trilogy and Blackstone residents.

What would you do if this was your community? Would you be willing to further risk your family's financial security and those of your neighbors?

The viability of cities is greatly based on tax revenue coffers that provide essential services to local residents. Just as residential homes are affected, the city coffers will be dramatically lowered through lesser tax revenues. There is no doubt that homes located near power lines have a lower property value. Through the domino effect, schools will be negatively impacted as budget cuts, due to lower tax revenues, are inevitable. Our schools have already suffered severe budget cuts and can't afford to lose more funding.

What would you do if this was your community? Would you be willing to sacrifice the education of your children?

One recurring argument against placing the APS power lines on the north side of SR 74 is the protection of the desert tortoise habitat. Residents in Vistancia, Trilogy and Blackstone enjoy a multitude of wildlife in our community including coyote, javalina, roadrunners, bobcats, wild donkey, quail, rabbits and squirrels. Surely alternative alignments through pristine desert will disturb these populations and, it is hard to believe that desert tortoise do not exist within any potential alternative route as well.

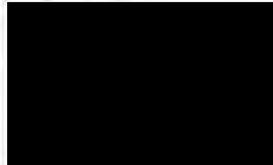
What would you do if this was your community? Would you be willing to allow more consideration placed on desert tortoise than your own family?

Power lines along a transportation corridor affects scenic views on a part-time basis; power lines along family communities affects scenic views 100% of the time. APS representative, Mike DeWitt, stated during a Q&A session at the Kiva Club in Trilogy that the power lines could be placed in front of, behind or on TOP of the beautiful mountain scenery that frames our community. The fact is, SR 74 is not designated a scenic corridor in Arizona.

What would you do if this was your community? Would you be willing to look out on surrounding mountains only to see power lines draped overhead?

The placement of the APS 500/230kV power distribution lines along the north side of SR 74 is supported by APS, local residents, city officials, Arizona Corporation Commissioners and congressional representatives who have all considered alternative routes and deem placement along the north side of SR 74 as the preferred location and one that will least affect families, pristine desert and wildlife. We are proud of the beauty of our state, the beauty of our city and the beauty of our Vistancia, Trilogy and Blackstone communities. We respectfully request that BLM officials amend their Resource Management Plan to allow placement of the APS 500/250kV power distribution lines on the north side of SR 74.

What would you do if this was your community? Would you hope that a sense of logic prevails?



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To Whom It May Concern:

I am a resident of Vistancia and it has come to my attention that APS/Bureau of Land Management are considering building 500kV power distribution lines near my community. One of the many reasons I moved to Vistancia was the multitude of wildlife, the desert, and beautiful views. If the power lines are constructed not only will the reasons I moved here be disrupted, but the property values will be impacted due to families choosing other places to live.

Please consider building the power lines somewhere else. We do not want them near our community.

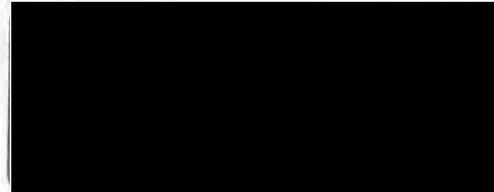


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Maricopa Association
of Governments (MAG)

Organization (if applicable)

Add to mailing list YES NO

Withhold personal information YES NO

Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS:

Please see attached page for comments.

Thank you.

Tim Straw
(602) 254-6300

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May 25, 2011

Mr. Steve Cohn
 Field Manager
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 Phoenix, Arizona 85027

Dear Steve:

Thank you for including the Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG) in the Environmental Impact Statement process for the proposed Sun Valley to Morgan 500/230 kilovolt transmission line project. As you are aware, Maricopa Association of Governments is the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for transportation planning in the Maricopa County Region. Our position on this project is that transportation corridors should accommodate roadways as well as other transportation uses such as bike and pedestrian, transmission lines, pipelines, where appropriate and compatible with the roadway. Not all transportation corridors will be able to accommodate multiple uses. Factors such as safety, emergency access, and maintenance activities in the context of the primary roadway use are important to consider.

If an alternative is identified in the EIS that could potentially locate the proposed transmission line in the designated BLM transportation corridor, MAG will support and work with the BLM on finding a successful solution that will accommodate the future expansion of State Route 74 and the Sun Valley to Morgan transmission line project.

Thank you again for allowing MAG to participate in this EIS process and we look forward to working with the BLM on this project. Please contact me or Tim Strow (tstrow@azmag.gov) at the MAG office (602)254-6300 if you need any clarification regarding this issue.

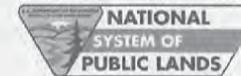
Sincerely,

Eric Anderson
 Transportation Director
 Maricopa Association of Governments

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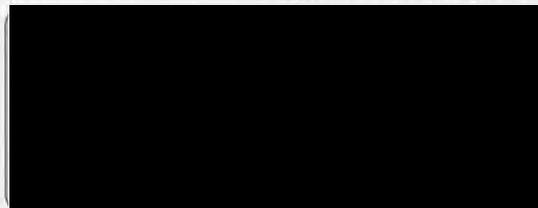
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PLEASE SUPPORT STATE ROUTE 74
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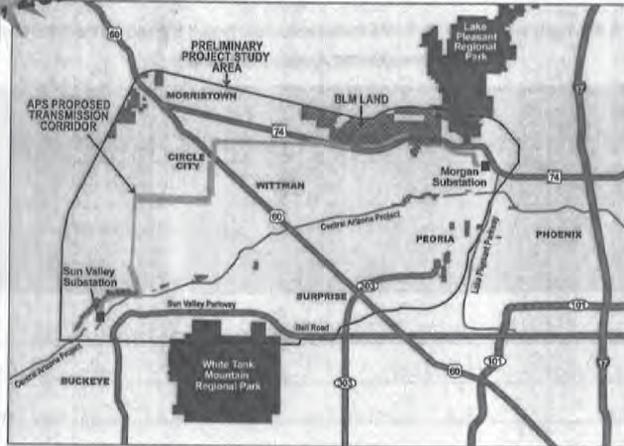
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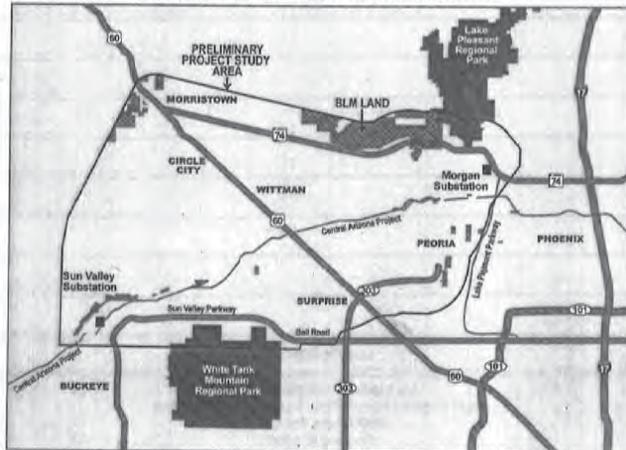
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Proposed Route



Do you have a suggested alternative?



We want to hear from you!

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**Placement of APS Power Lines
Vistancia vs. Hwy 74 Transportation/Utility Corridor**

Regarding the above issue, I hope the following points are taken into consideration:

- > The cost of construction through the mountains would be considerably greater than they would be as already accepted on the relatively flat land in the Highway 74 corridor—costs which must necessarily be passed along to customers in electricity rate increases.
- > The concern over wildlife is a non-issue. The negative impact from such a power line, if there is any at all, would be the same wherever it was placed.
- > Placing it north of 74 is consistent with BLM policy regarding routing roads and utilities together.
- > Placing it through Vistancia would further lower already hard hit property values of this mostly middle income community. Additionally power lines through a community are a full time negative affecting many people in their homes and community as opposed to driving along a highway in the desert for a few minutes a trip.



May 15, 2011

Attn: BLM

In attending several meetings regarding the placement of the APS lines, I as a resident of Peoria in Vistancia, would strongly ~~re~~commend that the APS powerlines be placed north of the SR74.

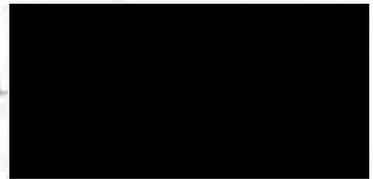
Since SR74 is slated to be widened in the future as a major roadway, it makes economic, scenic and environmental sense to place the APS powerlines next to this transportation corridor.

Understanding that wild life, such as the desert tortoisers, could "possibly" be a reason not to place the APS powerline north of the 74, it would go along with why have the SR74 there? Since the SR74 is already there and can/does have an impact on wildlife it is

reasonable to also put the powerlines next to the SR74 as to not disturb other untouched land.

In addition, running these powerlines through our community would not only negatively impact our property values, it could endanger our health in the long term. If that is the case, there is no point to continue living in this community or the northwest valley.

Please consider all impacts of this decision carefully and why it is important to place the APS powerlines north of SR74 as this is truly the best alternative.



The BLM should amend their Resource Management Plan to allow placement of APS power lines on the north side of SR 74 for a variety of reasons:

- 1- It is common sense to place utility and transportation along the same corridor. Doing so disrupts the natural deserts we value the least.
- 2- There are numerous precedents in co-locating utility and transportation along routes such as Loop 303 + I-17
- 3- BLM has an existing policy stressing the importance of co-locating transportation and utility corridors and BLM should follow their own policy
- 4- All levels of government agree this is the best route, including City of Peoria, Arizona Corporation Commission, APS, and State of Arizona. The BLM works for the citizens of the United States and we've clearly stated we want the new power lines on the north side

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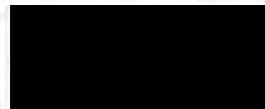
Dear Mr. Incardine and Ms. Depukat:

I support the routing of the new power distribution lines along the north side of SR74.

My position is based on the following:

- 1) The potential electromagnetic (EM) radiation hazard to our community if the Vistancia routing is selected. I have two young grandchildren that live in the Vistancia community and do not want them exposed to this risk.
- 2) Locating power lines along transportation routes is cost effective, and given the condition of federal, state and local budgets, cost should be a major factor.
- 3) The impact on wildlife along an existing roadway would be much less than across pristine desert.
- 4) The scenic impact along a roadway is much less than near residential communities.

Please consider these points as you make your final decision.



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Honorable Bob Barrett
Mayor

May 25, 2011

Via Hand-Delivery

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Re: Proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan 500/230 kV Transmission Line Project & Proposed RMP Amendment – Public Scoping Comments

Dear Mr. Incardine and Ms. Depukat:

I submit these comments on behalf of the City of Peoria, Arizona ("Peoria"). Peoria appreciates the Bureau of Land Management's ("BLM") commitment to studying this issue to determine if an amendment to the Resource Management Plan ("RMP") is necessary to establish a multi-use corridor for the Arizona Public Service Company ("APS") power lines along State Route 74 ("SR74"). Peoria strongly believes that the transmission line route adopted by the State of Arizona and sought by APS now (as reflected in the "APS Application") is the appropriate location for the power lines through and adjacent to Peoria. Peoria supports any and all necessary amendments to the RMP, including the designation of a multi-use corridor that allows large-scale utilities adjacent to a planned freeway and permits the installation of the APS power line project, so that BLM will consider the RMP to be consistent with the APS Application.

Peoria has a number of preliminary scoping comments, which are organized into the following categories:

- 1. The State of Arizona's Decision:

I can personally attest to the thoroughness of the State's line siting process, as I was subjected to half a day of witness questioning and cross-examination during the long hearing process. At the hearing I testified under oath and presented City Exhibits concerning Peoria's land use plans and why the route that was eventually adopted by the State is consistent with those plans.¹

¹ The City of Peoria's Exhibits in Arizona Power Plan and Transmission Line Siting Committee Docket No. L-0000D-080330-0013 are attached to these comments for reference. Two other City employees also testified in depth at the hearing.

Both the Arizona Power Plant and Transmission Line Siting Committee and the Arizona Corporation Commission have jurisdiction by law and special expertise for planning and determining the appropriate alignments for electric transmission projects in this State. Those State entities fulfilled their duties fully in this case, and Peoria believes that the State's work should be shown deference by BLM here.

2. Community Consensus for Expedited Approval:

Peoria has been consistent in its position – dating back to 2007 and then confirmed in a City Council Resolution adopted in June of 2008.² Now almost three years later, on April 5th the City Council adopted a new Resolution reaffirming its support for the State-approved route.³

The Peoria City Council's actions are consistent with the broad public support that exists for the APS Application. Time and time again when public input has been sought concerning the placement of electric lines through northern Peoria, the vast majority of the public who have taken the time to attend meetings, make phone calls, or send comments have expressed their support for the route that is contained in the APS Application.⁴

I am very proud that Peoria has been part of a large consensus of community partners who have worked hard to develop a consensus in this matter. We have partnered with the City of Surprise and Town of Buckeye, Maricopa County, various State agencies, federal elected officials, APS, and large master-planned communities to speak as one voice in support of the State-approved route. This broad community consensus is based on the existing land use and infrastructure plans that we all have in place. Those plans are compatible with the State's certificated route and the APS Application.

I would like to emphasize one point that the Peoria City Council emphasized in the Resolution we adopted early this month – Peoria is committed to working closely with BLM and the other interested parties to expedite this process. APS filed its Application with BLM in April of 2009, and State Director Kenna told all of us last fall that he was committed to a fast-track process to move this forward to completion. Peoria is hopeful that we can complete this effort within 18 months so that APS can begin to construct these much-needed power lines.

3. Compliance with Existing Plans:

In addition to my continued involvement throughout this process, Vice Mayor Cathy Carlat also has been actively engaged in this matter from the time

² City of Peoria City Council Resolution No. 08-97 is attached to these comments for reference.

³ City of Peoria City Council Resolution No. 2011-48 is attached to these comments for reference.

⁴ Many of those comments are contained in Exhibits presented by APS at the State hearings.

that APS first began its line siting efforts. Vice Mayor Carlat is the elected Councilmember for Peoria's Mesquite District. The Mesquite District covers 154 square miles throughout northern Peoria.

The other six Council Districts in Peoria primarily are built out, with existing residences and businesses. The Mesquite District, on the other hand, includes existing developments but also vast undeveloped land. That land is owned by the federal government, the State of Arizona, and various private property owners. The land consists of mountains, beautiful desert, a large recreational lake, and many other natural wonders.

Peoria has been planning for the growth of northern Peoria for many years, including annexing the land around Lake Pleasant in the 1990's to guide its future development and adopting detailed land use plans for the private land holdings. In the early 2000's, when the City Council sought public input and then voted to adopt land use plans for the communities of Vistancia, Saddleback Heights, and Lake Pleasant Heights, we charted a course for the thoughtful and measured inclusion of up to 75,000 future residents of the City of Peoria.⁵

The first of the communities to break ground was Vistancia. Quickly thousands of residents chose to move into this new community and make it their home. Soon Vistancia was receiving national awards for the way that it built a unique residential community that was based on the highest design standards and an overarching commitment to preserving and appreciating the natural environment.

When APS approached Peoria to explain the need to construct high-voltage lines to improve energy security and reliability, APS made it clear that the lines were going to need to pass through northern Peoria to connect to the Morgan Substation. First, Peoria studied and then determined that the proposed transmission line is necessary – it provides a homeland security benefit and will help minimize any vulnerabilities to the energy grid. Then we began to analyze Peoria's land use plans to see where the lines made sense.

While Peoria concluded that APS's preferred route would violate the City's existing plans, we worked hard to find an alternative route that would comply with those plans. That hard work paid off with the development of the route that was adopted by the State of Arizona and is being sought by APS now. That route complies with Peoria's General Plan and all other existing land plans.⁶

I am aware that BLM is required by statute to take into account state and local plans in your decision-making. I sincerely hope that BLM will review and

⁵ The three Peoria City Council-approved specific plans for those communities are attached to these comments for reference.

⁶ The Peoria General Plan is attached to these comments for reference.

incorporate the various local plans that were the main focus of the State of Arizona's decision as to where this power line corridor should be placed, and most importantly I hope that BLM will give great weight to that decision. I cannot imagine that there is any other fact that BLM will gather during this process that is as important to BLM's analysis as the fact that the State of Arizona engaged in a lengthy and thoughtful administrative proceeding which resulted in the electric transmission corridor now sought by APS in its Application.

4. Economic Benefits:

The State-approved route also will provide economic benefits to the region. Approval of the Proposed Sun Valley to Morgan 500/230kV Transmission Line Project in the ACC Certificated Route will accelerate the creation of jobs for the region in the construction of the transmission line and the potential for development of renewable energy generation sites. Construction of homes and commercial, retail, office, industrial, and civic buildings will create both temporary employment as well as permanent jobs and will generate revenue for the region in fees and taxes.

5. No Reasonable and Appropriate Alternatives:

None of the alternatives presented orally at the three public scoping meetings possess the positive attributes that are present in the APS Application.

Some alternatives would place the APS lines on private lands which already possess City-approved development plans. Approval of the proposed Sun Valley to Morgan 500/230kV Transmission Line Project in the ACC certificated route on public lands will prevent the negative impact to property values that placing a high voltage transmission line would have on private land assessed valuations. Such alternatives are not reasonable.

Splitting the lines onto separate poles in separate locations may add \$100M to the APS project cost. This is not a reasonable alternative.

BLM states that it identified the Central Arizona Project ("CAP") Canal as a utility corridor in the RMP.⁷ What is the width of that corridor? Both the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation and Central Arizona Water Conservation District are opposed to placing the APS project within such a corridor. Peoria also believes that there is insufficient federal land adjacent to the CAP Canal to accommodate safely the construction and operation of the APS power lines.

⁷ In one of the confusing aspects of the RMP, BLM stated in its presentation during the public scoping meetings that the RMP does not include any utility-only corridor designations (as opposed to "transportation-only" corridors). However, BLM also stated that there is a "utility corridor" along the CAP canal. When BLM pointed out this "utility corridor" on a map, the key to the map only identified "multi-use corridors" and "transportation corridors." The term "utility corridor" does not appear anywhere on the BLM map.

All one has to do is look at the 38-mile route adopted by the State of Arizona to understand that it was the product of a large amount of careful analysis and reasoned decision-making. Instead of being a straight line between the two substations – with no consideration for anything in its path – the route contains a number of zigs and zags as it carefully navigates existing land use plans, natural and manmade obstructions, and a variety of other real-world constraints. The overhead view of the route makes clear that it was the result of significant compromise among the participants and decision-makers. In essence the State-certificated route was an "alternative" developed by the State of Arizona to satisfy specific, varied statutory criteria.

6. BLM's Existing Transportation Corridor:

One of the most compelling justifications for locating the power line along the State-approved route is the existing BLM Transportation Corridor and the State's plans for expanding SR74 into a freeway. Peoria requested that BLM add the Transportation Corridor to the RMP to accommodate the freeway expansion plans, and frankly we are shocked that BLM has been resistant to interpreting the mile-wide Transportation Corridor as an appropriate co-location area for large utilities.

Peoria co-locates utilities and roads as a basic every-day principle, and we strongly support the co-location in this case. It makes sense to place these compatible uses within a single designated joint-use corridor. While BLM struggles to explain what undefined terms such as "Transportation Corridor," "Multi-Use Corridor," and "Utility Corridor" are intended to mean in the RMP, we urge BLM to apply common sense and move forward using terms that reflect the reality of how all of us construct the public infrastructure necessary to achieve our statutory obligations.

ADOT concurs that APS's plan for the lines is compatible with the established freeway plans.⁸ I am confident that the RMP can be amended to include a utility corridor that will be fully protective of the natural environment and all recreational uses. This co-location also will provide an important economic benefit to the entire region and the State of Arizona as a whole.

A multi-use corridor also will minimize the necessary environmental disturbance of the freeway and electric line projects and ensure that there is no proliferation of separate rights of way. Co-locating the 500 kV and 230 kV lines on a single pole, as proposed by APS and approved by the State, also accomplishes these same objectives. The co-location of the lines reduces the

⁸ I assume that the Arizona Department of Transportation has provided or will provide to you the Final Feasibility Report for SR74 Right-of-Way Preservation dated May 2010, so I will not include the document with these comments. However, the City would be happy to provide the Report to BLM if requested.

overall footprint of land disturbance, as opposed to needing two separate lines traversing twice as much land.

From everything that Peoria has read and heard, any impact on the environment created by construction of these lines can be fully mitigated. The environmental studies conducted by BLM in the development of the RMP, APS in the preparation of its application to the State, and Diamond Ventures/Vistancia in its hearing exhibits admitted into evidence by the Arizona Line Siting Committee all indicate that the environment will not be harmed. For example, in establishing the one-mile SR74 Transportation Corridor in the RMP, BLM must have studied the impacts of the freeway on the desert tortoise and other desert wildlife, and that analysis will be applicable to the work to be done here.

I believe that SR74 also is an appropriate location for a multi-use corridor because the existing road (and its planned expansion) creates a natural border between nearly all BLM lands and the non-federal lands to the south. Thus, the corridor acts as a transition to urban lands. BLM appears to embrace this perspective in its establishment of the southern boundary of the Castle Hot Springs Management Unit and the designation of the Transportation Corridor along SR74. Adding utilities to this area is consistent with that approach.

7. First Substantive Analysis:

In BLM's presentation during the public scoping meetings, BLM stated that BLM "made a site-specific decision" not to allow a utility corridor along SR74. Peoria has seen no evidence to support this claim. Peoria's review of the records of the RMP amendment provides no information that BLM specifically analyzed whether or not it should include a utility corridor along SR74. For example, Peoria has not seen a single public comment – either oral or written – submitted to BLM in the prior RMP amendment process that opposed placing a utility corridor along SR74.

In the end I do not believe it is terribly relevant to this new analysis whether BLM previously considered the area for a utility corridor. I am hopeful that we can make a clean slate now and finally proceed to analyze for the first time the merits of including utilities within the existing Transportation Corridor.

8. Visual Resources:

The Notice of Intent mentions studying visual impacts of the transmission line. BLM identified a lower visual classification for the BLM land for the freeway corridor, recognizing that a 6-10 lane urban freeway will involve interchanges and ramps and lights and components that have a visual impact. The additional impact of transmission lines adjacent to the freeway is not significant. In fact, freeways and transmission lines frequently coexist, including on other BLM lands.

Because SR74 is a State highway, State of Arizona could have designated it as a State Scenic Road. It has not done so.⁹ In fact, a witness testified at the Arizona Line Siting hearing that she inquired with ADOT about SR74, and ADOT informed her that a member of the public in the past had submitted a request to designate SR74 as a State Scenic Road and after review the State determined that the road was not worthy of such a designation.

While Maricopa County has established a scenic corridor along portions of SR-74 within the County's jurisdiction, Maricopa County has stated in writing that it is not opposed to the State-certificated route contained in the APS Application.¹⁰ In addition, evidence introduced at the State line siting hearings made clear that even within the County scenic corridor, high-voltage transmission lines are contemplated and authorized.

In summary, no existing adopted government plan prohibits the location of the APS project within the State-certificated route because of its visual impacts, so Peoria urges BLM to analyze the visual effects of the transmission line as it did the planned freeway. Peoria is confident that APS is prepared to implement any visual mitigation efforts within the corridor that BLM may develop.

9. Use of Public Lands:

Peoria acknowledges and appreciates that in order for this power line route to comply with existing land use plans much of the route needs to be located on public lands. We know that approximately two-thirds of the route will be on State Lands, so the State of Arizona is bearing most of the burden of these lines. The federal government also is being asked to participate in this effort involving a small amount of federal lands. We believe this participation is consistent and compatible with the national federal energy priority established by the President, Congress, and various federal Departments, including Energy, Homeland Security, and Interior (including specifically BLM) to renewable energy development and protection of the nation's energy grid.

During this process, Peoria will work diligently to ensure that the RMP is amended as necessary to be compatible with the Peoria General Plan, the adopted specific land use plans within the City of Peoria, the expansion of SR74 as shown in the ADOT SR74 Right of Way Feasibility Study, and all other existing government adopted plans.

10. Rectify Inconsistencies, Correct Errors, and Improve Clarity in the RMP:

⁹ The "Arizona Scenic Roads & Federal Lands" produced by the Arizona Department of Transportation is attached to these comments for reference.

¹⁰ See the letter from Maricopa County Supervisor (and then-Chairman of the Board) Max Wilson to Mike DeWitt, Arizona Public Service dated November 6, 2008 is attached to these comments.

As we have discussed with BLM over the past couple of years, the voluminous RMP does contain certain errors, inconsistencies, and lack of clarity.¹¹ These include correcting the "mapping error" by amending the boundaries of Castle Hot Springs Management Unit so that the designated 1-mile transportation corridor of SR 74 is not within the Castle Hot Spring Management Unit. Also, the definitions in the Glossary should be clarified. Designated corridors should be permitted in long-range land use plans to accommodate the full range of various types of rights of way for public purpose and community benefit infrastructure. There should not be a kilowatt distinction or utility size distinction that requires a separate utility corridor designation. This requirement should be eliminated. The term "transportation corridor" as a separate use is obsolete for planning purposes and should be replaced with the term "multi-use corridor."

11. Conclusion:

After nearly four years of effort, I believe that the final step is a simple one – the City of Peoria strongly believes that the transmission line route adopted by the State of Arizona and sought by APS now is the appropriate location for the power lines. We are committed to working to achieve this goal within the next 18 months. As Peoria has done for the past four years, we will continue to implement the consensus that has been reached with our many community partners.

If you have any questions at this time, please contact Chief Assistant City Attorney Steve Burg at 623-773-7330 or steve.burg@peoriaaz.gov.

Sincerely,



Bob Barrett
Mayor

c: (w/o att) Dan Hay, District Chief of Staff, Office of Congressman Trent Franks
Richard Stuhan, Arizona Public Service Company
Steve Burg, Chief Assistant City Attorney

¹¹ See, for example, the confusion identified in footnote 6.

List of Attachments

- 1 City of Peoria Exhibits introduced into evidence in Arizona Power Plan and Transmission Line Siting Committee Docket No. L-00000D-080330-00138 [24 Exhibits in a three-ring binder]
- 2 City of Peoria City Council Resolution No. 08-97, adopted on June 3, 2008
- 3 City of Peoria City Council Resolution No. 2011-48, adopted on April 5, 2011
- 4 City of Peoria Ordinance Nos. 01-161 and 06-13 adopting Vistancia North Planned Community District
- 5 City of Peoria Ordinance No. 02-98 adopting Saddleback Heights Planned Community District
- 6 City of Peoria Ordinance No. 05-66A and Resolution No. 05-216A adopting Lake Pleasant Heights Planned Community District
- 7 City of Peoria General Plan
- 8 "Arizona Scenic Roads & Federal Lands" produced by Arizona Department of Transportation, Intermodal Transportation Division, Transportation Enhancement – Scenic Roads Section
- 9 Letter from Maricopa County Supervisor (and then-Chairman of the Board) Max Wilson to Mike DeWitt, Arizona Public Service dated November 6, 2008

May 15/2011

To Whom it may concern (BLM),

My main concern about these powerlines is the health + safety of my children. I am a mother of two, I have a 4yr old + a 1 yr old. I understand you are concerned about the desert tortoises, but what about the health + safety of our children?? Who knows what the long term effects of radiation from these power lines are. What if Vistancia was your home and you were raising your young family here, would you want your family exposed to cancer causing radiation??!!? Please reconsider the placement of these lines. We want them placed along SR 74 and NOT through our backyards!!

BLM Phoenix District Office
Mesa/Flagstaff Field Office
Attn: Joe Incardine/Kathleen Depukat
APS Sun Valley to Morgan 500/230KV
Transmission Line Project

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing in regards to the above mentioned Transmission Line Project. I am a resident of ^{the} Vistancia Community and would like to express my objection to this project in its current plans. I do so because of the impact that the project will likely have to the health of the community, the impact to property values, and due to BLM's policies.

As a resident, I am concerned about the potential health risks posed by placing a major power line through a residential area. Numerous studies have shown that a link exists between exposure to high levels of electromagnetic radiation and certain forms of cancer. I feel that by placing these powerlines through a residential area as opposed to undeveloped land shows a reckless disregard to the constituents of this area.

As a resident and taxpayer, this project will no doubt impact the property values in the area. This poses a financial risk to me personally, and to the city. Lowered property values will no doubt negatively impact the amount of future property taxes collected and will impact future growth within the area.

Lastly, I feel that it is only appropriate that public lands be used for a public project. BLM stated policy suggests that co-locating transportation and utility corridors SR 74 seems a workable alternate solution that would have minimal impact to the residents of this area. I hope that you will consider this option seriously.

Thank you for hearing my arguments. I hope that you will seriously consider an alternate solution from the one currently proposed. Should you fail to do so, you may expect the voting constituents in this area to keep this in mind.



FROM:



TO:

BLM Phoenix District Office
Hassayampa Field Office
Attn: Joe Incardine/Kathleen Depukat
APS Sun Valley to Morgan 500/230 kV
Transmission Line Project
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Phoenix, Arizona 85027

DATE: 5/17/2011

MESSAGE:

We ask that you consider the placement of APS power lines on the north side of SR74 - It just makes sense! Do it correctly the first time and don't place residents' health in jeopardy, interrupt the local wildlife & ruin some of the scenic views we have left.

Let's do it right now - so we aren't paying for it later!



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 Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS:

I am in Wyoming right now but I am concerned for my home in Circle City your proposal looks a little to close to Circle City needs better map with the layout of the circle I would not like this in my backyard Any chance it could go under ground or a little closer to or in between Wittman & Circle city I would like to know just how safe it is for people & animals that live close by what are the risks it might have in any

*Consider Home Owner
 Send any more information to:
 Peggy E McJunkin
 P.O. Box 336
 Afton, WY 83110-0336*

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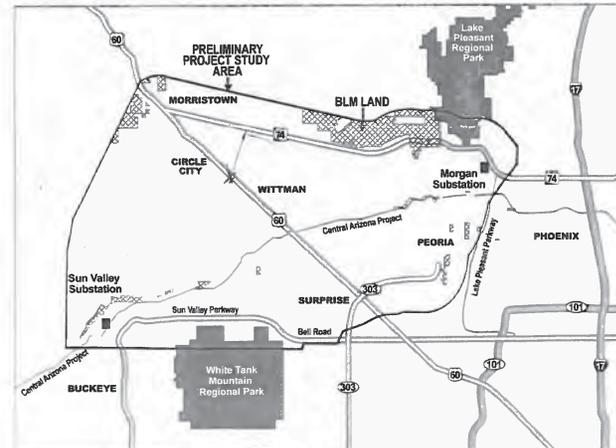
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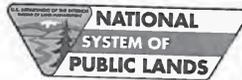
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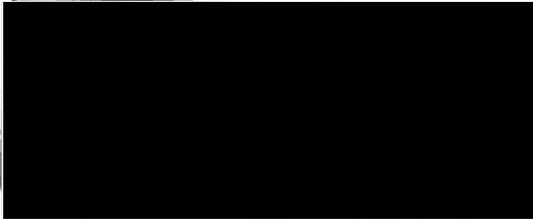
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COMMENTS: I am supportive of any improvement & necessary facility upgrades. However, I strongly oppose any upgrade that affects an established community such as Circle City. We have been residents of Circle City for 25 years and don't need ugly towers on or near our community. There HAS to be a better route that will NOT affect ~~an~~ Circle City, such as the canal which appears to be a STRAIGHT shot. It has been my experience that the little guy (or in this case, lower income communities) always get the shaft because we don't have the capital or clout to fight back.
 Sincerely,

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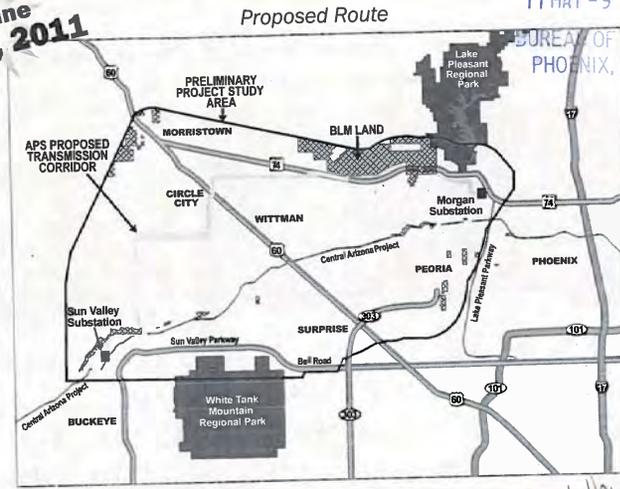
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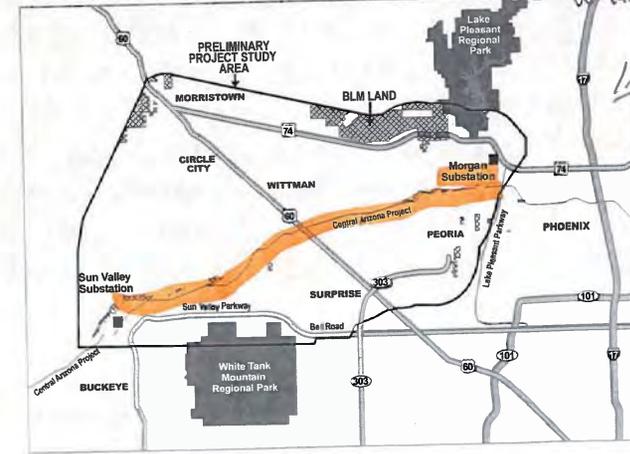
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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

PLACING THE APS TRANSMISSION LINES ALONG SR 74 IS THE OPTION THAT MUST BE TAKEN AND IT IS THE OPTION THAT IS BETTER FOR THE SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES, WILDLIFE, AND DESERT LANDSCAPE.

PROPERTY VALUES:

AN IMPORTANT CONSIDERATION AS LOWER PROPERTY VALUES [THAT WILL BE INEVITABLE IF THE LINES CUT THROUGH VISANCA] WILL AFFECT TAX REVENUES ALREADY SUFFERING FROM CURRENT ECONOMIC CONDITIONS.

WILDLIFE:

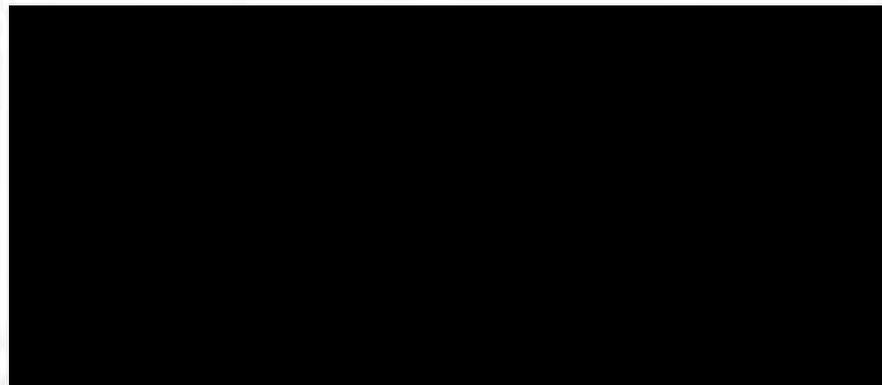
THERE ARE A MULTITUDE OF WILDLIFE THAT SURROUND VISANCA THAT MOST CERTAINLY WILL BE DISRUPTED IF CONSTRUCTION OF TRANSMISSION LINES RUNS THROUGH AN UNDISTURBED AREA OF DESERT. SR 74 HAS ALREADY BEEN DISTURBED. TO MAKE THE EXCUSE THAT DESERT TORTOISE SEEMINGLY ONLY LIVE ALONG SR 74 IS ASinine. THEY ONLY LIVE ALONG A FREEWAY? IT WOULD BE FAR MORE DISRUPTIVE TO INVADRE AN UNDISTURBED AREA OF DESERT.

SCENIC VIEWS:

~~WHY WOULD YOU EVEN CONSIDER~~ WHY WOULD YOU EVEN CONSIDER THIS ROUTE THROUGH A RESIDENTIAL COMMUNITY TO DESTROY OUR VIEWS, RUIN OUR PROPERTY VALUES? IS THIS TO SAVE A FEW DOLLARS AND PLAY AN ASinine POLITICAL GAME? THIS WOULD BE A DISASTER TO THIS COMMUNITY WE LOVE, A DISASTER TO THE WILDLIFE.

YOU MUST RECONSIDER. YOU MUST PLACE THESE TRANSMISSION LINES ALONG ALL OF SR. 74. AND ONLY ALONG SR 74.

DO THE RIGHT THING. DON'T EXPOSE US TO BAD VIEWS, POOR PROPERTY VALUES, HEALTH ISSUES BECAUSE YOU WANT TO SAVE MONEY. WHO DO YOU WORK FOR? - THE PEOPLE, SO LISTEN TO US.



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To whom it may concern,

My wife [redacted] and I live in Vistancia with our two small children (31 months and 16 months old).

We absolutely love it here. The scenic views and nature trails offer the perfect coming together of nature and society. This community and the ones surrounding it are excellent places for raising a family as the local government does a wonderful job at catering activities, etc to young growing families.

After a long rough patch with struggling property values, foreclosures, and stagnant area growth everything seems to be right back on track. Then word spread about the potential for some new power lines to pass through the North Vistancia area. This would be a huge disappointment for this growing and potentially prosperous area. The people who decided to live here took a tremendous leap of faith in buying into the idea that people and nature could live together in one large thriving community. We have this here, right now, but putting power lines in sight of our community would take much of that feeling away.

The people in this area are confused by the decision to NOT put the power lines along SR74. It is confusing because it seems as though there are two arms of the government moving in different directions. One arm is 100% committed to the growth of the Northwest Valley and highlighting it as a wonderful place to raise a family. This is evidenced by the recent opening of the 303 loop to rt 17, the opening of Happy Valley Rd to 67th, the future opening of the Lone Mountain on ramp to the 303, and the opening of an exit ramp at Beardsley off of the 101 loop. In addition to these large investments in the area the city of Peoria will soon be breaking ground on a large community park in the North Vistancia area. So it confusing to see another arm of the government decide it would rather put power lines through one of this area's largest and most unique communities as opposed to alongside some lightly traveled road. The opening of the 303 loop to Rt 17 should make SR74 even less used then it is now, making the addition of power lines along it even less significant than it would have been a few years ago.

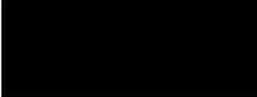
I understand that you are probably going to be bombarded by residents who are concerned about their property values from their own selfish (yet understood) perspectives. I will not waste your time with this. However, I will remind you of the far-reaching implications of decreased property values; Lower property taxes that will effect tax revenue and have an overall effect on education, area growth, etc. Remember, in addition to the 1000 homes already in Vistancia there are plans for almost 1000 more. This is a lot of tax revenue and area growth you will be putting in jeopardy.

I am concerned for the overall health of my children and for that of my neighbor's children. I see the power lines that run adjacent to the 303 and I wonder why a similar design could not be put in place along SR74. I have read literature that states the following in regards to the power lines "APS, local residents, city officials, Arizona Corporation Commissioners and congressional representatives who have all considered alternate routes have deemed the placement of lines along SR74 as the most logical location and the one that will least affect families, pristine desert, and wildlife". If this statement is true then I am very confused as to why there is even a decision to make.

It is to my understanding that there are plans for the future widening of SR74. If this is true then any wildlife that maybe disrupted by the placement of power lines would certainly be disrupted by the widening of the road as well. If it is OK to disrupt wildlife for the road widening then why not for the placement of power lines? It is naive to think that wildlife in North Vistancia would not be disrupted by the placement of these power lines as well. Not to mention the health and well being of the people who live here.

Thanks for taking the time to read over all of our concerns in regards to this matter. I trust that your organization will come to the correct decision. One that recognizes the importance of the health of the area's citizens. One that allows this area to grow yet remain a blueprint for a society living amongst nature and a scenic landscape. One that sees the difference in obstructing motorists' temporary views as opposed to resident's permanent views.

Thanks for your time.



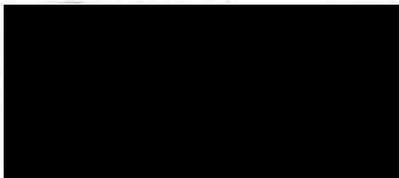
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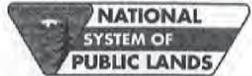
Q: WOULD PEOPLE?

IN REVIEWING THE MAP DENOTING THE RT. 74 CORRIDOR IN QUESTION, ONE PIECE OF DATA REMAINS UNANSWERED: WHAT IS THE PERCENTAGE (%) OF TOTAL BLM LAND NORTH OF SR 74 THAT THE CORRIDOR IN QUESTION REPRESENTS? IF PROTECTION OF THE DESERT TORTOISE (NOT AN ENDANGERED SPECIES) IS A PARAMOUNT CONSIDERATION, HOW MUCH OF ITS LAND NORTH OF SR 74 IS AFFECTED? BLM NEEDS TO ANSWER THAT QUESTION.

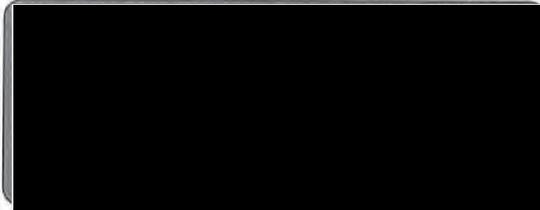
I AM ALSO GRAVELY CONCERNED ABOUT BUREAUCRATIC INERTIA IN BLM'S DECISION-MAKING PROCESS. I RECALL AT THE 4/20/11 MEETING THE BLM REPRESENTATIVE STATING - SEVERAL TIMES - THAT ITS INITIAL DECISION (THE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PLAN) WAS A RESULT OF OVER 11 YEARS OF RESEARCH, STUDY AND EFFORT ON ITS PART. HOWEVER, THIS 11-YEAR PRODUCT CLEARLY DID NOT TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION THE DYNAMIC AND CHANGING EVENTS OCCURRING IN VISTANCIA DURING THAT SAME PERIOD. NOW THAT BLM HAS BEEN FORCED TO RECOGNIZE THE POPULATION GROWTH OCCURRING SOUTH OF THE SR 74 CORRIDOR, IT CHOOSES TO IGNORE IT BECAUSE IT SPENT SO MUCH TIME AND EFFORT ON THE INITIAL RMP. THAT IS UNDERSTANDABLE, BUT NONETHELESS WIPING BLM SEEMS TO HAVE TAKEN EVERY FACTOR BUT THE HUMAN FACTOR INTO CONSIDERATION. IT IS NOW TIME FOR BLM TO FACTOR INTO THE RMP THE PEOPLE THEY WORK FOR. THE DESERT TORTOISE WILL, I AM SURE, SURVIVE.



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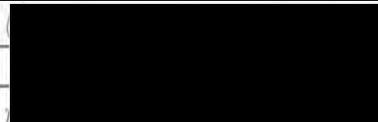
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COMMENTS:



Keep the proposed route - AZ 74

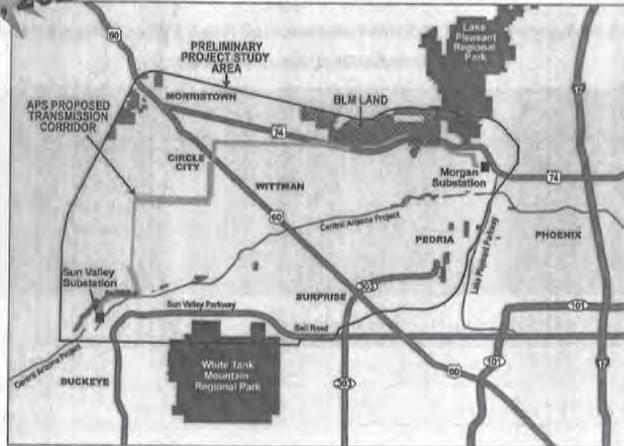
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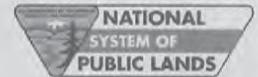
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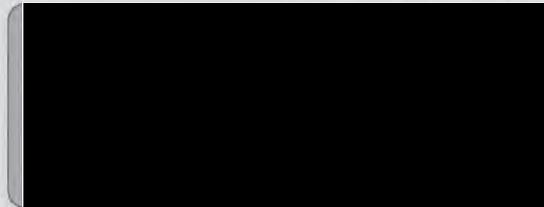
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COMMENTS:

SEE REVERSE. RUN THESE LINES ALONG AZ-74.

John

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TO:

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Attn: Joe Incardine/Kathleen Depukat
APS Sun Valley to Morgan 500/230 kV
Transmission Line Project
21605 North 7th Avenue
Phoenix, Arizona 85027

DATE: 5/17/11

MESSAGE:

I just moved here with my husband, 2 year old daughter, and will soon be having another child. I have huge concerns about the welfare of our young children if the powerlines are not placed north of SR 74. We are concerned that placement south will negatively impact the long-term health of my family. It has been shown that exposure to electromagnetic radiation can cause SIDS, childhood leukemia, changes in brain chemistry, impairment of immune system & inhibition of melatonin production. There are thousands of families in the area where the powerlines are proposed to go. Please consider the health of our children over the desert tortoise. Thank you for your consideration.

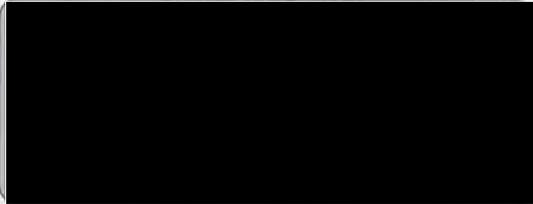
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COMMENTS:

1. Looking at the map, amending current Ruling
 BLM for the ^{small} 8-mile portion will serve
 both communities & protected wildlife
 IT is such a small area a wild not
 2. suggest the entire protected wildlife
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 study & still not protected under NEPA
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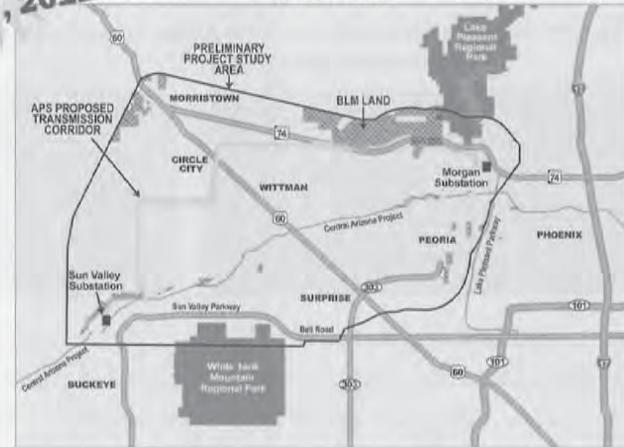
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I LIKE THE PROPOSED ROUTE WHICH IS ALONG ROUTE 74. PLEASE STICK TO THIS PROPOSED ROUTE.

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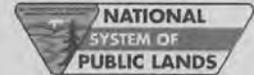
I am writing this letter to request that the Bureau of Land Management amend their Resource Management Plan to allow placement of APS power lines on the north side of SR 74.

As a resident of the master planned community of Vistancia, and a father of two small children, I am very concerned and alarmed to find out that it is even being considered to place a high voltage power line close to this highly populated community. The United States National Council on Radiation Protection states, "There is a powerful body of impressive evidence showing that even low exposure to electromagnetic radiation has a long-term effect on health." As a practicing endodontist, it is my job to diagnose and treat dental disease. To aid in diagnosis, digital x-rays are taken which expose my patients to small amounts of radiation. As small as the exposure is during a digital radiograph, I am still operating under the principle of ALARA, which defined is As Low As Reasonably Achievable, meaning I take only as many x-rays as are necessary to do the job. Exposure to radiation is a very serious health concern and I want my patients to be exposed to as little radiation as possible. I would urge the BLM to follow the same common sense principle and with consideration to the health of the many people living in Vistancia, amend the existing Resource Management Plan to allow APS power lines on the north side of SR 74, where the lines would pose less of a risk to humans.

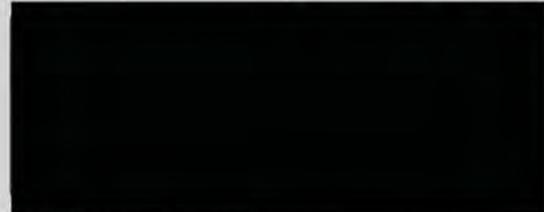
Aside from the obvious health concerns, it just makes more sense to place the power line along an easily accessible highway. It would be more efficient and cost effective. Isn't this an already existing BLM policy, to stress the importance of co-locating transportation and utility corridors? If placed close to a large master planned community like Vistancia, it would have a negative economic effect, decreasing home values which would lead to decreased taxes and decreased funds for district schools. In an already depressed economy, the overall effect could be disastrous.

In closing, I would respectfully urge the BLM to quickly amend the existing Resource Management Plan to allow APS to place the power lines on the north side of SR 74.

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COMMENTS:

THE BLM SHOULD REVISE ITS LAND USE PLAN TO ALLOW FOR THE LINE TO GO ALONG STATE ROUTE 74. THIS IS THE ROUTE APPROVED BY THE ARIZONA CORP. COMMISSION. THIS IS THE ROUTE I SUPPORT. POWER LINES SHOULD BE BUILT ALONG THE STATE ROUTE, NOT WITHIN HOUSING COMMUNITIES.

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COMMENTS: I'm told you reject Peoria and the communities plan because your master plan doesn't include utilities. The solution is simple. Change or amend your plan to accommodate the will of the people living in the affected areas. The plan should be consistent with the APS ROW app for the Sun Valley to Morgan 500/230kV Transmission Line Project amendments in the ACC certificated Route.
I personally am concerned with EMF's. The danger to my health I feel is more important than the life of a tortoise - they haven't put their life savings in buying a home.

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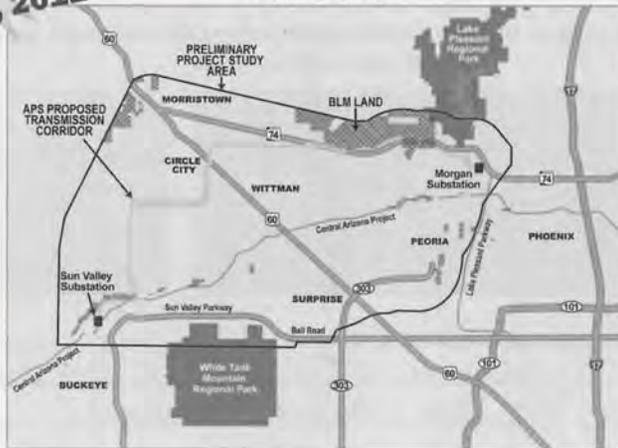
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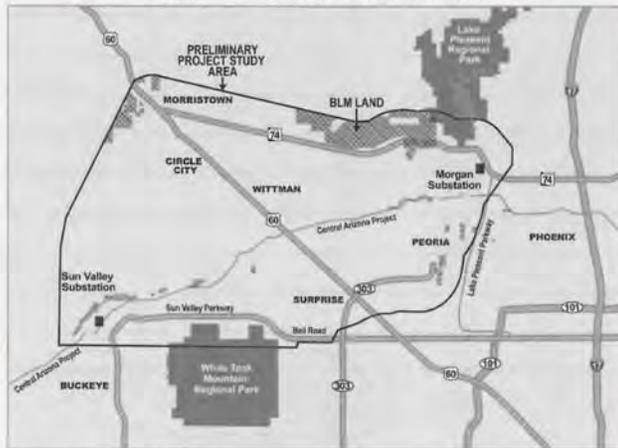
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COMMENTS:

My name is John O'Donnell and I live in Overland Park, KS. My wife, Barbara and I purchased property in the Quintero Golf Community along State Route 74 several years ago. We are in strong opposition to any electrical transmission line going through public lands parallel to State Route 74.
The BLM completed a Resource Management Plan that includes the public land along Hwy 74. This is a designated Scenic Route, not a utility corridor. The millions of people who drive this highway have come to expect this pristine environment, not a highway full of power lines. Why jeopardize the environment BLM clearly researched for years and destroy a scenic route for political pressure? This proposed RMP Amendment is in our opinion a slap in the face to BLM and their years of research paying attention to environmental detail, no political pressure.
We ask you to please deny any change to your land use plan to create a *(over)*

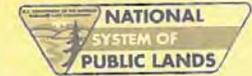
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utility corridor along SR74 and deny in full the APS application for a change in location. A lot of time, money and effort was spent by BLM to study the impact on sensitive wildlife habitat, land use and health and safety to name a few. Please don't waste this money and time spent. Besides, you'll be keeping a scenic highway beautiful for the millions who will drive it.

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N/A

Organization (if applicable) _____

Add to mailing list YES NO

Withhold personal information YES NO

Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS: I UNDERSTAND THAT APS WANTS TO PUT A LARGE ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION LINE ALONG HWY 74. WE HAVE FRIENDS IN WICKENBURG, AND DRIVE THERE QUITE OFTEN. WE PREFER HWY 74 TO HWY 60 BECAUSE OF THE BEAUTIFUL VIEWS FOUND ALONG IT. IN FACT, THAT ROAD - FROM LAKE PLEASANT TO WICKENBURG IS SPECTACULAR - VIEWS BOTH TO NORTH & SOUTH, UNENCOMBERED BY BILLBOARDS, BUILDINGS - AND POWER LINES. IT SHOULD REMAIN THAT WAY, SINCE SO FEW ROADS IN AZ ARE SO PRISTINE. THEREFORE, I AM OPPOSED TO ANY POWER LINE CONSTRUCTION ALONG HWY 74, FROM I-17 TO WICKENBURG.

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Attention Joe Incardine/Kathleen Depukat

RE APS Sun Valley to Morgan 500/230 kV Transmission Line Project

I am writing to urge the Bureau of Land Management to accept the request from APS that has also been approved by the City of Peoria officials and Congressman Trent Franks to allow placement of the 500/230KV power lines along the north side of SR 74. I have driven this area and feel that the power lines would not distract from this current route because there are already power lines in various areas along SR 74. People would see these power lines but not "live with them" on a 24/7 basis.

As a resident of Vistancia I am extremely concerned about the health risks and economic impact of placing the lines within or near an established residential area. A great deal of research that I have read indicates a real link between such power lines and several health concerns. We have two schools here. Constant exposure of our children and every individual's health should be of utmost concern vs. "scenic," rural, and sometimes recreational areas.

Property values everywhere have taken a true hit during the recent economic downturn. Adding power lines here will further the loss of property value, which in turn will impact property tax collections and school funding. If more people decide to leave the area because of the negative impact, and their homes cannot be sold, businesses will question the value of being located here. The 303 is supposed to add to long term economic growth, but that will be offset by the negative impact of the power lines. I do not believe it is a reach to say that more jobs will actually be lost.

Nature and wildlife need to be protected but the need for electricity is also a given. If there is a choice between wildlife and nature and human wellbeing and safety, how can there be any discussion. We have wildlife and beautiful scenery here, also, if that is such a big concern. SR 74 will be widened at some point further disrupting that area.

Please do not waste more time and money on an issue that so many different groups have agreed upon. Allow the placement of the lines north of SR 74.

Respectfully,

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Organization (if applicable)

Add to mailing list YES NO

Withhold personal information* YES NO

Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS:

We are in strong opposition to the new electrical transmission lines going through public lands parallel to State Route 74. In 2000 BLM completed and published an 11 year Resource Management Plan (RMP) for the area that includes the Public Land along Hwy 74.

A. That plan did not include any allowance for Hwy 74 to be used as a utility corridor. Scenic Route 74 is not a designated utility corridor. (Route 74 is a designated "Scenic Highway.")

B. Imposition of this utility corridor reverses the environmentally sound resource plan established by BLM.

C. Preservation of the natural wildlife must remain a priority

As we know, BLM is an agency responsible to manage the use of Federal land and act in the Public's best interest in planning for the use and protecting the environment. BLM did an excellent job in their original RMP. Their vision was not political, but grounded in research. BLM studied the impact on sensitive wildlife habitat, land use, socioeconomic resources, and health and safety, etc. Our concern is not only for this particular situation but for future projects. Will this set a dangerous precedent in the devaluation of BLM research and their RMP's?

Please do not alter the well researched and low environmental impact RMP

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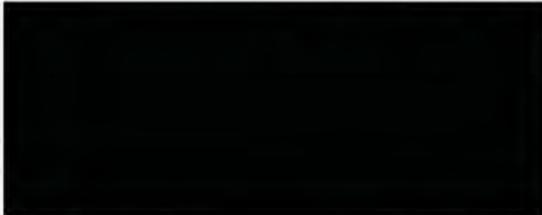
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 Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategic Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS:

I don't understand why the corridor would cross SR 74 twice, from south of SR 74 to north of SR 74 and then back from north of SR 74 to south of SR 74, to get to the Morgan Substation. If SR 74 is scheduled to be upgraded to a freeway (that impacts the environment) a utility corridor should be designed on the south side of the freeway.

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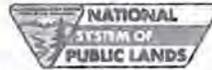
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COMMENTS: Dear members of the BLM,
I am writing to express my concerns about proposed changes in the routing of APS transmission lines such that they will go along scenic route 74. ~~One~~ One of our most precious assets is the natural beauty of this state. Most of the public will experience this along major roadways either passing from one destination to another or in access to recreational sites. I deeply hope that the decision-makers will not acquiesce to voices of those with special interests and that the final outcome of this process serves the greater good.

Respectfully, *John Jordan*

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From: Ellen Carr
To: merwith.carr@galileoaz.com; Amy Jerome
Cc: Chris Sachs
Subject: FW: Sun Valley to Morgan Scoping
Date: Thursday, May 26, 2011 10:42:26 AM

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From: dgodfrey@blm.gov [mailto:dgodfrey@blm.gov] On Behalf Of SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
Sent: Thursday, May 26, 2011 10:31 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: ellen.carr@galileoaz.com; jincard@blm.gov; kdepukat@blm.gov
Subject: Re: Sun Valley to Morgan Scoping

Thank you for the comments on the proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan transmission line. Your comments will be included in the project record and considered in the evaluation of the project's potential environmental impacts.

We appreciate your interest and your participation in this process.

Dennis Godfrey
Public Affairs Specialist/Arizona State Office/Bureau of Land Management
602.417.9499 / dennis_godfrey@blm.gov

[REDACTED]
To: <SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov>
05/25/2011 03:34 PM
Subject: Sun Valley to Morgan Scoping

As a property owner at Quintero, I am in strong opposition to the new electrical transmission line going through public lands parallel to State Route 74 for the following reasons:

In 2000 BLM completed and published an 11 year Resource Management Plan (RMP) for the area that includes the Public Land along Hwy 74. That plan did not include any allowance for Hwy 74 to be used as a utility corridor. Scenic Route 74 is not a designated utility corridor. The right of way request by APS seems driven only by political pressure of residents of Vistancia and other personal land developers who employ a "not in my backyard" attitude and seem only concerned with personal financial gain and visual hardship rather

than the extreme environmental impact to this scenic corridor. It appears these same objections by Vistancia/other are in my opinion groundless as lines will be visual anywhere placed on the south side of the road. Why jeopardize the environment BLM clearly researched for years and destroy a scenic route for political pressure? Congressman Franks represents all of us in District 2, but clearly supported Vistancia viewpoint at the Peoria meeting. BLM did an excellent job in their original RMP which was available for reading on their website. Their vision was not political, but grounded in research. BLM studied the impact on sensitive wildlife habitat, land use, socioeconomic resources, and health and safety to name only a few. This proposed RMP Amendment is in my opinion a slap in the face to BLM and their years of research paying attention to environmental detail, not political pressure. It was stated at the public meeting in Peoria that State Route 74 is not a designated Scenic Highway. This is not true. Please go to Maricopa County Scenic Corridor Design Guidelines.

www.maricopa.gov/Planning/Resources/Plans/docs/pdf/State_Route_74_Scenic_Corridor_Design_Guidelines.pdf

My objection to the amended RMP is based on common sense. This is not a designated corridor, it is a scenic highway, it will jeopardize environmental habitat outlined in BLM RMP and it was the third alternative in the original RMP. The proposed action calls for focus on "reasonable alternatives" - why alter a well researched, low impact to environment plan? The only "unreasonable alternative" has been proposed by APS and lacks common sense.

Signed:



Add to mailing list - no
Withhold personal information - yes
Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategy Meetings - no

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To: mred@h.carr@galileoaz.com; blm_tenn@blm.gov
Cc: [Chris.Garbo](mailto:Chris.Garbo@blm.gov)
Subject: FW: Sun Valley to Morgan Scoping
Date: Monday, June 06, 2011 2:17:39 PM

-----Original Message-----

From: dgodfrey@blm.gov [<mailto:dgodfrey@blm.gov>] On Behalf Of SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
Sent: Monday, June 06, 2011 1:51 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: jncardi@blm.gov; kdepukat@blm.gov; ellen.carr@galileoaz.com
Subject: Re: Sun Valley to Morgan Scoping

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I've been asked to acknowledge that we have received your comments concerning the proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan transmission line. The comments will be included in the project record and considered by the Bureau of Land Management as it evaluates the project's potential environmental impacts on public lands.

Thank you for your interest in this project and in public lands managed by the BLM.

Dennis Godfrey
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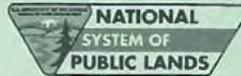
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 Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS: I think that the proposed route along SR 74 would be the best route for the proposed APS lines

Thank you

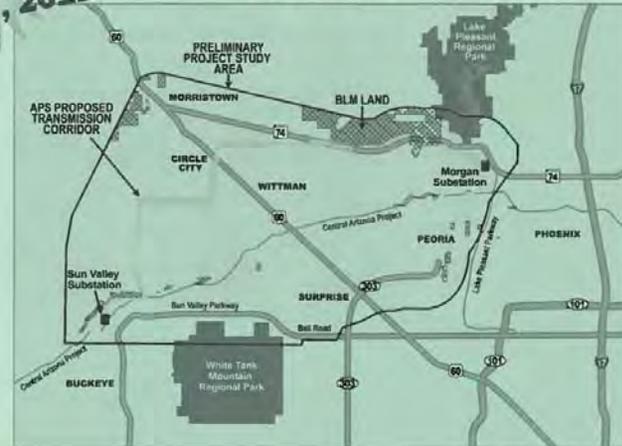
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COMMENTS:

THE PROPOSED ROUTE ALONG 74
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 Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS: *Dear, BLM please donot allow aps to use the Hwy 74 corridor. Your original denial was consistant with the way I would like to see BLM land used. I do use the boulder OHV area and enjoy the beauty of the area. The Tortz, Burros, and Saquarros enjoy this area also. All things considered please deny the application to use this portion of public land. I would suggest to use the Cave Free Hwy alignment. It would save one of the most senic drives in central Arizona. Thankyou BLM for your work.*

(NO ACTION ALTERNATIVE)

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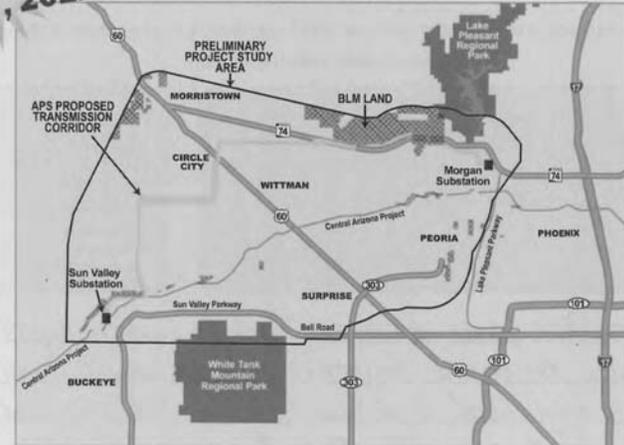
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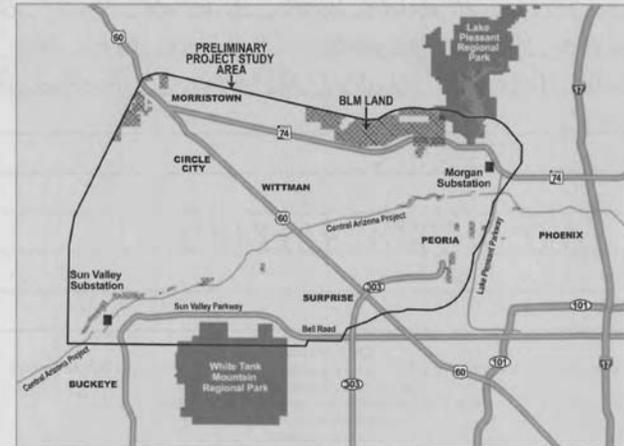
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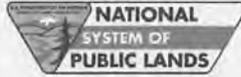
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 Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS: *With all the effort put in by all agencies over the last several years with detailed processes and inputs; just accept the APS ROW Application and amend the RMP. Save everybody time and money. Spend our tax dollars ~~judiciously~~ effectively!*

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 Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS: SR74 SHOULD BE DESIGNATED AS A MULTI-USE CORRIDOR. THE APS PROPOSED ROUTE, WHICH WAS APPROVED BY THE ARIZONA CORPORATIONS COMMISSION, IS THE ONLY VIABLE ALTERNATIVE FOR THE TRANSMISSION LINE PROJECT. THEREFORE, I STRONGLY ENCOURAGE THE BLM TO AMEND ITS LAND USE PLAN TO DESIGNATE SR74 AS A MULTI-USE CORRIDOR TO ALLOW THE APS PROPOSE ROUTE TO BE IMPLEMENTED

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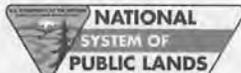
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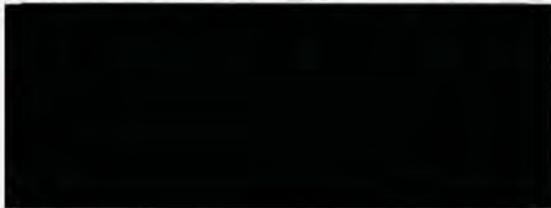
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Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS:

What is best for the communities involved is to support the APS ROW Application

Please endorse SR74 as a designated multi-use corridor. There is no alternative.

NO ALTERNATIVE.
SR74 only

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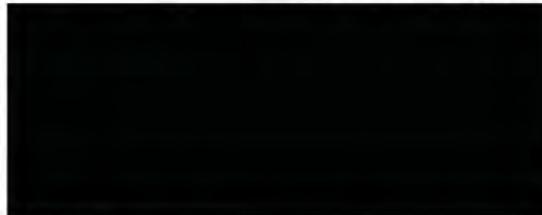
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Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS:

* Keep the ACC certified route along SR74 for the Sun Valley to Morgan Transmission Line Project.

* Please amend the RMP of BLM to allow the corridor along SR74 to become "multi-use" so that APS can use the corridor as already agreed upon w/ ACC.

* Public opinion has ~~shown~~ ^{demonstrated} an active interest resulting in the CEC of 2009 for the above request for an amendment. Reliable power for the valley is an appropriate use for this corridor w/in BLM.

* No alternatives are acceptable for this Line Project.

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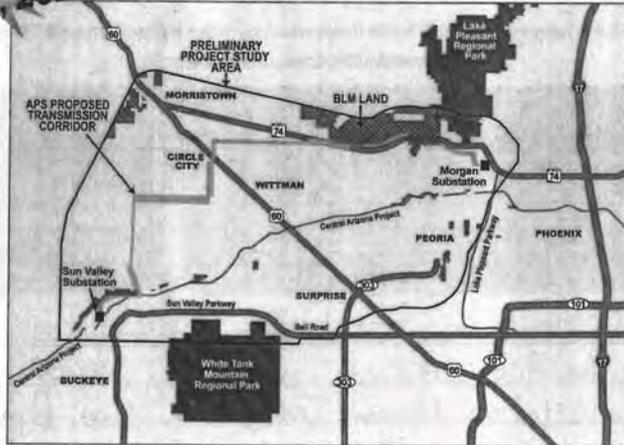
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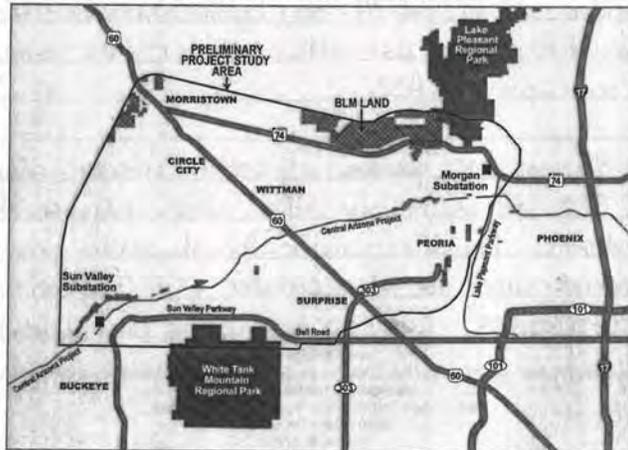
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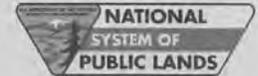
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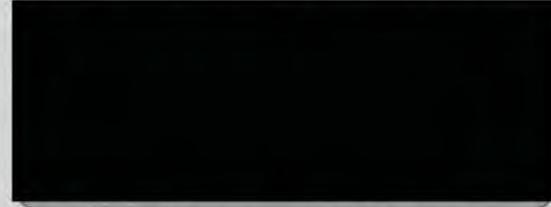
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Add to mailing list YES NO
Withhold personal information YES NO
Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS: *The route I want is the 74 hwy corridor - That was already approved*

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Do you have a suggested alternative?



No other route should be considered

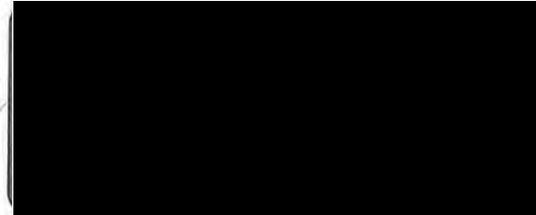
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Organization of applicable laws:
 Add to mailing list: YES NO
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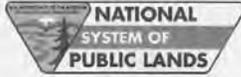
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COMMENTS:

No, I do not support an alternative. The route I support is the route along State Route 74 as approved by the Arizona Corporation Commission.



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Do you have a suggested alternative?

No! I do not support an Alternative



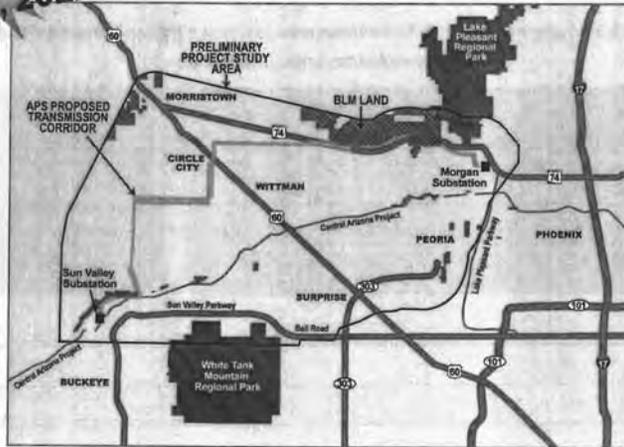
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Do you have a suggested alternative?

No other alternative



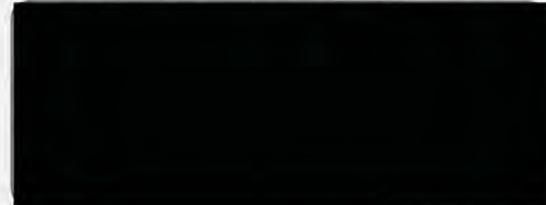
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No! I do not support an alternative



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Withhold personal information YES NO
Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS:

BASED ON THE EXISTING RESOURCE MANAGEMENT LIMITATIONS, THE USE OF THE I74 CORRIDOR SEEMS LIKE A GREAT COMPROMISE AS IT IS IN THE MOST SOUTHERLY BOUNDARY OF THE RECREATION, VISUAL IMPACT & HABITAT AREAS & WOULD CAUSE LIMITED IMPACT AND ALSO MINIMIZE IMPACT TO MORE URBAN/RESIDENTIAL/Private LANDS. GIVEN THE EXISTING I74 TRANSPORTATION CORRIDOR & THE 1/2 MILE EACH SIDE BUFFER IN THE CORRIDOR, ANY ADDITIONAL IMPACT BEYOND POSSIBLE IMPACT TO I74 WOULD BE MINIMAL. I RESPECTFULLY REQUEST BLM AMEND THE RMP TO ALLOW ACCESS ALONG I74 FOR THESE TRANSMISSION LINES.

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 Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategic Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS:

I don't understand why the corridor would cross SR 74 twice, from south of SR 74 to north of SR 74 and then back from north of SR 74 to south of SR 74, to get to the Morgan Substation. If SR 74 is scheduled to be upgraded to a freeway (that impacts the environment) a utility Corridor should be designed on the south side of the freeway.

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Do you have a suggested alternative? *yes*



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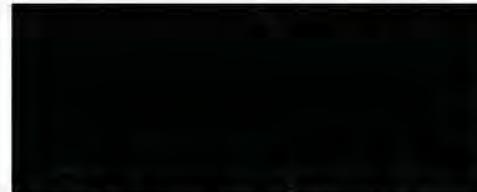
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Withhold personal information YES NO
Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS: *Dear members of the BLM,
I am writing to express my concerns about proposed changes in the routing of APS transmission lines such that they will go along scenic route 74. ~~One~~ One of our most precious assets is the natural beauty of this state. Most of the public will experience this along major roadways either passing from one destination to another or in access to recreational sites. I deeply hope that the decision-makers will not acquiesce to voices of those with special interests and that the final outcome of this process serves the greater good.*

Respectfully, _____

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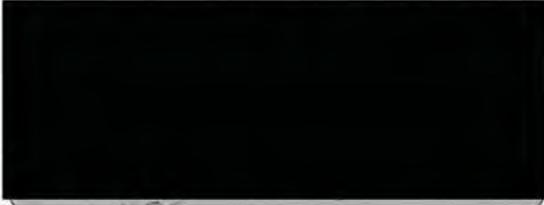
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 Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS:

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plan is My Best Plan

Please accept the Hwy 74 amendment for the 500/230kV Power line corridor.

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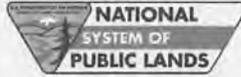
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 Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS: *With all the effort put in by all agencies over the last several years with detailed processes and inputs; just accept the APS ROW Application and amend the RMP. Save everybody time and money. Spend our tax dollars ~~judiciously~~ effectively!*

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 Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS:

What is best for the communities involved is to support the APS ROW Application

Please endorse SR74 as a designated multi-use corridor. There is no alternative.

NO ALTERNATIVE.
 SR74 only

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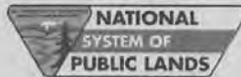


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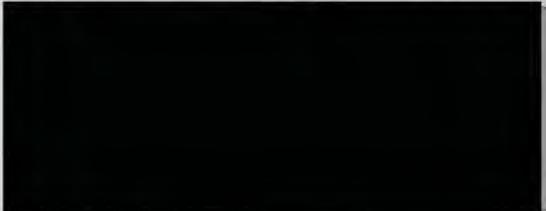


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Organization (if applicable) _____

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Withhold personal information* YES NO

Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS:

THE BLM SHOULD REVISE ITS LAND USE PLAN TO ALLOW FOR THE LINE TO GO ALONG STATE ROUTE 74. THIS IS THE ROUTE APPROVED BY THE ARIZONA CORP. COMMISSION. THIS IS THE ROUTE I SUPPORT. POWER LINES SHOULD BE BUILT ALONG THE STATE ROUTE, NOT ~~IN~~ WITHIN HOUSING COMMUNITIES.

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 Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS: SR74 SHOULD BE DESIGNATED AS A MULTI-USE CORRIDOR. THE APS PROPOSED ROUTE, WHICH WAS APPROVED BY THE ARIZONA CORPORATIONS COMMISSION, IS THE ONLY VIABLE ALTERNATIVE FOR THE TRANSMISSION LINE PROJECT. THEREFORE, I STRONGLY ENCOURAGE THE BLM TO AMEND ITS LAND USE PLAN TO DESIGNATE SR74 AS A MULTI-USE CORRIDOR TO ALLOW THE APS PROPOSE ROUTE TO BE IMPLEMENTED

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Do you have a suggested alternative? NO, BECAUSE ANY OTHER ROUTE WOULD IMPACT SIGNIFICANT PORTIONS OF PRIVATE PROPERTY.



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 Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategic Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS: I'm told you reject Peoria and the communities plan because your master plan doesn't include utilities. The solution is simple. Change or amend your plan to accommodate the will of the people living in the affected areas. The plan should be consistent with the APS ROW app for the Sun Valley to Morgan 500/230kV Transmission Line Project amendments in the ACC certificated Route.

I personally am concerned with EMF's. The danger to my health I feel is more important than the life of a tortoise - they haven't put their life savings in buying a home.

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 Email (if available) _____
 Withhold personal information? Yes No
 Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshop? Yes No

COMMENTS:

- * Keep the ACC certified route along SR 74 for the Sun Valley to Morgan Transmission Line Project.
- * Please amend the RMP of BLM to allow the corridor along SR 74 to become "multi-use" so that APS can use the corridor as already agreed upon w/ ACC.
- * Public opinion has ~~shown~~ ^{demonstrated} an active interest resulting in the CEC of 2009 for the above request for an amendment. Reliable power for the valley is an appropriate use for this corridor w/in BLM.
- * No alternatives are acceptable for this line project.

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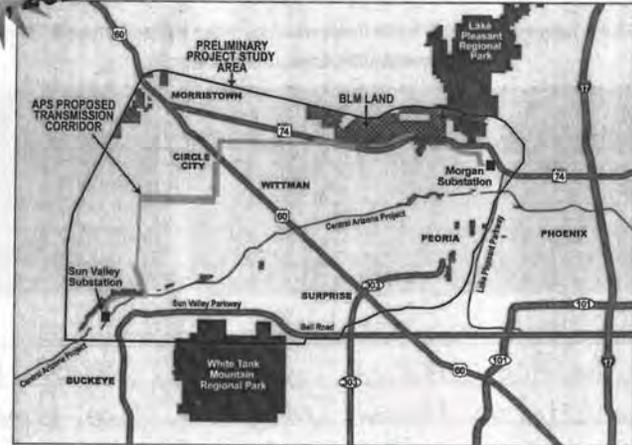
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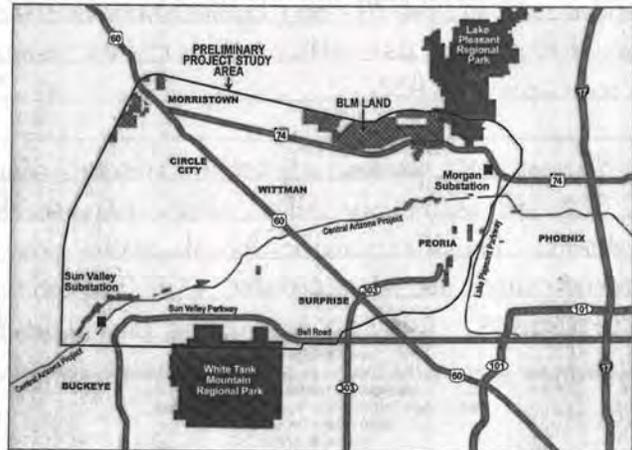
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Organization of applicant
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 Withhold personal information YES NO
 Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshop? YES NO

COMMENTS:



I ~~recommend~~ recommend that the original route along route 74 be used as previously suggested.

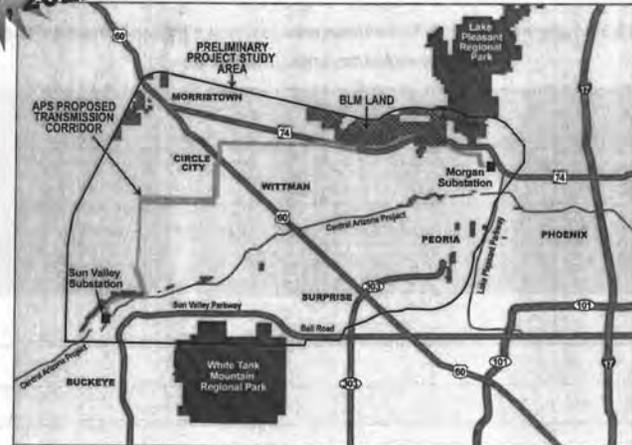
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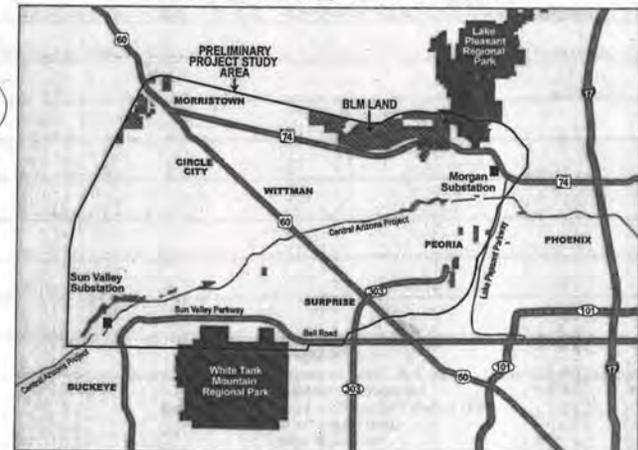
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Do you have a suggested alternative?

No other alternative



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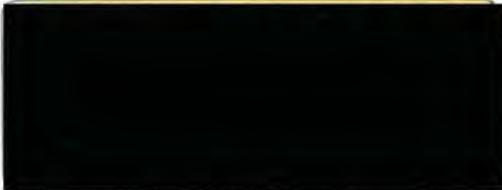
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Organization (if applicable) _____
Add to mailing list YES NO
Withhold personal information YES NO
Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS:

My name is John O'Donnell and I live in Overland Park, KS. My wife,
Barbara and I purchased property in the Quintero Golf Community along
State Route 74 several years ago. We are in strong opposition to any
electrical transmission line going through public lands parallel to
State Route 74.
The BLM completed a Resource Management Plan that includes the public
land along Hwy 74. This is a designated Scenic Route, not a utility
corridor. The millions of people who drive this highway have come to
expect this pristine environment, not a highway full of power lines.
Why jeopardize the environment BLM clearly researched for years and
destroy a scenic route for political pressure? This proposed RMP
Amendment is in our opinion a slap in the face to BLM and their years of
research paying attention to environmental detail, no political pressure.
We ask you to please deny any change to your land use plan to create a (over)

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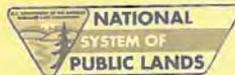
utility corridor along SR74 and deny in full the APS application for a change in location. A lot of time, money and effort was spent by BLM to study the impact on sensitive wildlife habitat, land use and health and safety to name a few. Please don't waste this money and time spent. Besides, you'll be keeping a scenic highway beautiful for the millions who will drive it.



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N/A

Organization (if applicable) _____

Add to mailing list YES NO

Withhold personal information YES NO

Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS: I UNDERSTAND THAT APS WANTS TO PUT A LARGE ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION LINE ALONG HWY 74. WE HAVE FRIENDS IN WICKENBURG, AND DRIVE THERE QUITE OFTEN. WE PREFER HWY 74 TO HWY 60 BECAUSE OF THE BEAUTIFUL VIEWS FOUND ALONG IT. IN FACT, THAT ROAD- FROM LAKE PLEASANT TO WICKENBURG IS SPECTACULAR- VIEWS BOTH TO NORTH & SOUTH, UN ENCOMBERED BY BILLBOARDS, BUILDINGS- AND POWER LINES. IT SHOULD REMAIN THAT WAY, SINCE SO FEW ROADS IN AZ ARE SO PRISTINE. THEREFORE, I AM OPPOSED TO ANY POWER LINE CONSTRUCTION ALONG HWY 74, FROM I-17 TO WICKENBURG.

SINCERELY — [Redacted]

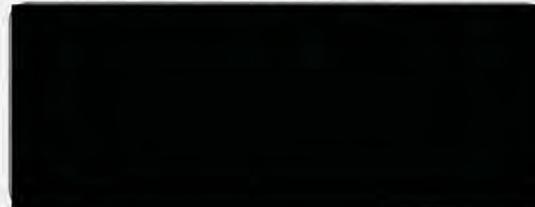
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Add to mailing list YES NO

Withhold personal information YES NO

Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS:

No, I do not support an alternative. The route I support is the route along State Route 74 as approved by the Arizona Corporation Commission.



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Do you have a suggested alternative?

No! I do not support an Alternative



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Add to mailing list YES NO

Withhold personal information* YES NO

Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS:

We are in strong opposition to the new electrical transmission lines going through public lands parallel to State Route 74. In 2000 BLM completed and published an 11 year Resource Management Plan (RMP) for the area that includes the Public Land along Hwy 74.

- A. That plan did not include any allowance for Hwy 74 to be used as a utility corridor. Scenic Route 74 is not a designated utility corridor. (Route 74 is a designated "Scenic Highway.")
- B. Imposition of this utility corridor reverses the environmentally sound resource plan established by BLM.
- C. Preservation of the natural wildlife must remain a priority

As we know, BLM is an agency responsible to manage the use of Federal land and act in the Public's best interest in planning for the use and protecting the environment. BLM did an excellent job in their original RMP. Their vision was not political, but grounded in research. BLM studied the impact on sensitive wildlife habitat, land use, socioeconomic resources, and health and safety, etc. Our concern is not only for this particular situation but for future projects. Will this set a dangerous precedent in the devaluation of BLM research and their RMP's?

Please do not alter the well researched and low environmental impact RMP

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 Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS: *Dear, BLM please donot allow aps to use the Hwy 74 corridor. Your original denial was consistant with the way I would like to see BLM land used. I do use the boulder OHV area and enjoy the beauty of the area. The Tortz, Burros, and Saquarros enjoy this area also. All things considered please deny the application to use this portion of public land. I would suggest to use the Cave Free Hwy alignment. It would save one of the most senic drives in central Arizona. Thankyou BLM for your work.*

(NO ACTION ALTERNATIVE)

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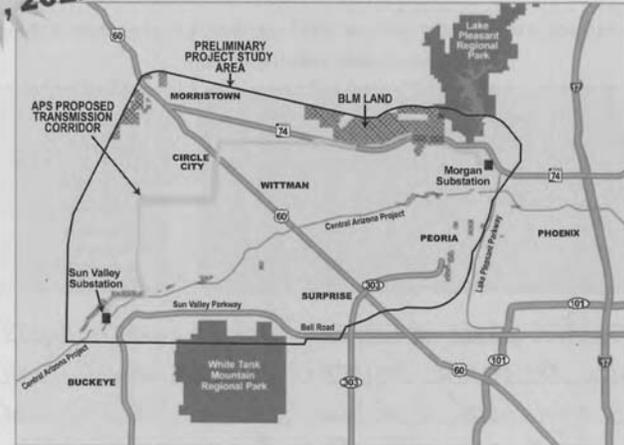
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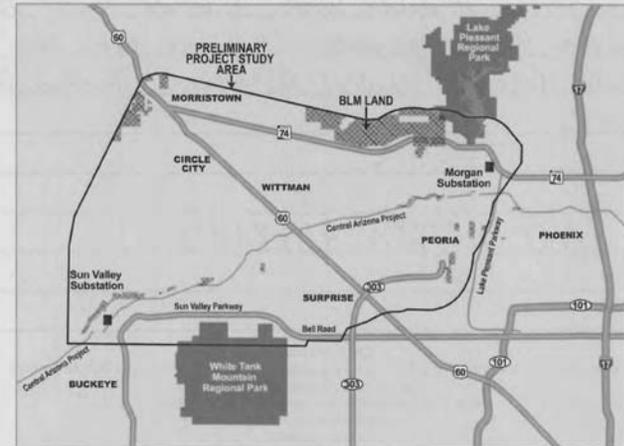
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Do you have a suggested alternative?



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From: Ellen Carr
To: meredith.griffin@galileoaz.com; Amy Jerome
Cc: Chris Garbo
Subject: FW: Sun Valley to Morgan Scoping
Date: Monday, June 06, 2011 2:17:39 PM

-----Original Message-----

From: dgodfrey@blm.gov [<mailto:dgodfrey@blm.gov>] On Behalf Of SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
Sent: Monday, June 06, 2011 1:51 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: jincardi@blm.gov; kdepukat@blm.gov; ellen.carr@galileoaz.com
Subject: Re: Sun Valley to Morgan Scoping

[REDACTED]

I've been asked to acknowledge that we have received your comments concerning the proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan transmission line. The comments will be included in the project record and considered by the Bureau of Land Management as it evaluates the project's potential environmental impacts on public lands.

Thank you for your interest in this project and in public lands managed by the BLM.

Dennis Godfrey
Public Affairs Specialist/Arizona State Office/Bureau of Land Management
602.417.9499 / dennis_godfrey@blm.gov

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To: SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
05/27/2011 02:03 PM cc
Subject: Sun Valley to Morgan Scoping

Att: Joe Incardine

[REDACTED]

Mailing Address: [REDACTED]

Organization: Quintero

Add to Mailing list: yes
Withhold Personal Info: Yes
Would NOT like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshop

Dear Joe,

We are in strong opposition to the new electrical transmission line going through public lands parallel to State Route 74 for the following reasons:

In 2000 BLM completed an 11 year Resource Management plan for this area. The plan did NOT include any allowance for Hwy 74 to be used as a Utility Corridor. The right of way requested by APS seems to be driven by political pressure of residents of Vistancia and other personal land developers. BLM did an excellent job in their original RMP. BLM studied the impact on wildlife habitat, land use, socioeconomic resources and health & safety to name a few.

State Rout 74 is designated as a Scenic Highway. Our objection to the amended RMP is based on many factors. This is NOT a designated corridor, it is a scenic highway, it will jeopardize environmental habitat outlined in the BLM RMP and this was the third alternative to the original plan. There is plenty of "other" state land that can be utilized for the utility corridor.

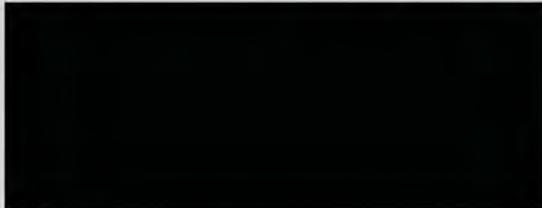
The proposed plan is unreasonable.

Regards,

[REDACTED]



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Add to mailing list YES NO

Withhold personal information* YES NO

Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS:

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I SUPPORT THE ROUTE APPROVED BY THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION TO CONNECT THE TWO SUBSTATIONS THEREFORE I ENDORSE DESIGNATING SR 74 AS A MULTI-USE CORRIDOR THROUGH THE BLM - RMP AREA. PLEASE APPROVE THE RMP TO ALLOW THIS TO GO FORWARD.

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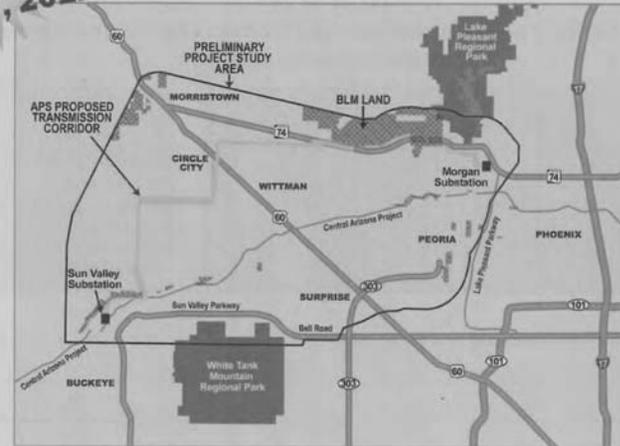
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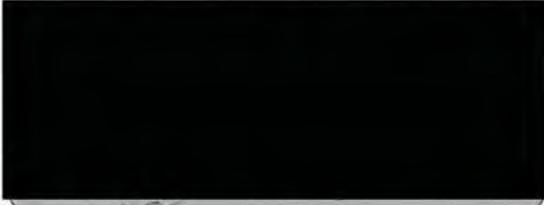
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 Withhold personal information YES NO
 Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS:

APS

plan is My Best Plan

Please accept the Hwy 74 amendment
 for the 500/230kV Power line corridor.

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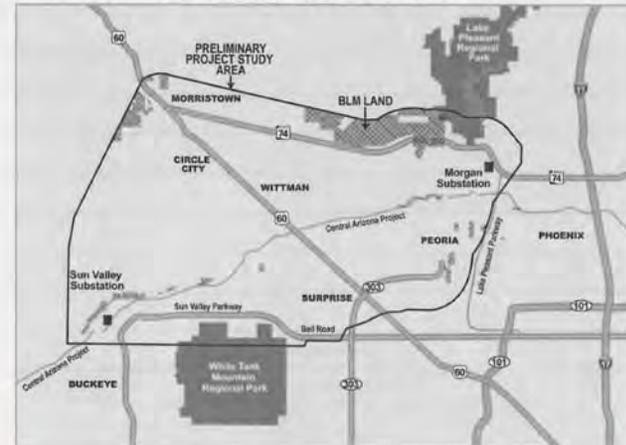
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Attn: Joe Incardine/Kathleen Deputak
APS Sun Valley to Morgan 500/230 kV
Transmission Line Project
21605 North 7th Avenue
Phoenix, Arizona 85027

Dear Joe/Kathleen:

I am a 3 year resident of the City of Peoria/Vistancia, and I am writing to express my concern about recent discussion and the pending decision to refuse APS from allowing the construction of new power lines along the North side of State Route 74. I understand the need for new infrastructure to support our growing community.

However, being a Vistancia resident, a community earning many repeated accolades in Arizona and the US as the best master planned community, I am concerned that by not allowing the power lines to be constructed along SR 74, our community value will be diminished further due to more unsightly power lines within view of our residents. I do say more, because we already are exposed to the SouthEast by power lines moving from the South to the North. These new lines will degrade our picturesque mountain views and expose our families to more health risks.

Our property values are already tarnished by the housing crisis in this country, and Vistancia has been hit as hard as any community in the country. To further impact our values effects me, my neighbors and the city of Peoria by decreasing tax revenues.

I firmly believe that apart from my biased opinions about my community, that locating these lines along SR74 makes the most sense overall. For the following reasons: If those lines are along the highway, they impact only those who temporarily drive along the highway, whereas here in our community, we would be impacted permanently; The community, city of Peoria, ACC, Congressional Representatives and APS all have supported the power lines to be located along SR 74; Your own policy states that co-location of transportation and utility is preferable; The city obviously supports co-location as precedented by power lines being located along I-17 and the 303.

Please consider a revision to your Resource Management Plan to allow for the construction of the APS proposed power lines along SR 74.



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To Whom It May Concern:

I am a resident of Vistancia Village in Peoria. Today I am writing to ask that you please consider a revision to your Resource Management Plan to allow for the construction of the APS proposed power lines along SR 74.

I am concerned for my family due to the reduced home values this will have on our homes which many of us are already heavily upside-down upon. Also I fear for the health of my kids as we have two power line corridors near where we live.

I believe it makes far more sense to install these lines along a highway, rather than right near a community and near a pristine natural habitat where vistas, wildlife and the ecology will be disturbed.

Thank you.



BLM Phoenix District Office
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My concern is that the BLM is not listening to the concerns of the residents of our community Vistancia. We oppose the route for the transmission lines. Reason is our health & the wild life in the area. It is sad that you are not taking the concerns of us, we live in this area. Do you?



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Dear Mr. Incardine & Ms. Depukat:

I am writing to urge you to revise the Resource Management Plan (RMP) so you can approve the request from APS to place the 500kV power distribution lines along the north side of SR 74.

I'm told that the BLM has an existing policy stressing the importance of co-locating transportation and utility corridors. So I don't understand why this policy isn't being enforced for the short 8½ mile stretch of BLM land along SR 74 rather than disturbing totally pristine desert.

Obviously, as a property owner in the Blackstone section of Vistancia, I am very concerned about how these power lines could adversely affect property values already negatively impacted by current economic conditions. However, as a purely practical matter, I fail to see the logic of not utilizing land already disturbed by a major roadway expected to be widened in the future.

The APS, local residents, city officials, Arizona Corporation Commissioners and congressional representatives, who have all considered alternative routes, have deemed placement along SR 78 to be the most logical location and one that will least affect families, pristine desert and wildlife. I hope you will do the same.

Thank you for considering this request.

Respectfully,



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DATE: 5/17/2011

MESSAGE:

Powerlines are a necessity for a growing community. But, lets all be reasonable & weigh but the pros/cons of the location. Why destroy an already existing pristine community like Vistancia (rated the best master-planned community so many years in a row already)?? I'm baffled that this spot was even thought of. Our city councils push for desert preservation when building communities. Vistancia has done just that & more. Powerlines are totally going to destroy the beauty of the area. There is no "preservation" of the desert when bringing in power lines.

Also, many many young & older families live here. The powerlines are a major threat to each & every individual's health here. It will NOT affect anyone's health if placed on north side of SR 74. I have 2 kids (9 & 4) & 2 seniors (75+). My hands are full already. Plz don't add to it!! Thx!!

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MESSAGE:

Please be advised that I am completely opposed to the BLM plan to place the APS lines anywhere near our Vistancia Village Community and highly support the APS lines along the north side of SR 74 (Confue Hwy). There are many reasons why the choice location should be on the NORTH SIDE OF SR 74 such as:

- 1) Protection for current and future home owners south of SR 74 from potential health risks
- 2) SR 74 is not officially designated a scenic corridor
- 3) Lower property values and lost revenue which will directly impact school funding which would affect families
- 4) Precedence has been established along transportation corridors such as the Loop 303 and I-17
- 5) Protection of Property Values already negatively impacted by current economic conditions

FROM:



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MESSAGE:

Let it be known that I want the BLM to amend their land use policy to create a utility corridor around SR74 and that I support APS placing their Sun Valley to Morgan 500/230KV Transmission line along SR74/ Carefree Hwy.

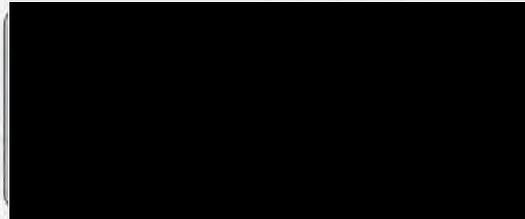
Some reasons I want the BLM to amend their policy are:

- 1) Placement along SR74 is the most logical location and one that will least affect families, pristine desert and wildlife.
- 2) It will protect current and future homeowners south of SR74 from potential health risks.
- 3) There is a powerful body of impressive evidence showing that even low exposure to electromagnetic radiation has a long-term negative effect on health.
- 4) It protects property values already negatively impacted by current economic conditions.
- 5) Lower property values and lost revenues will hurt school funding throughout Peoria.
- 6) Precedence has been established in placing power lines along transportation corridors like Loop 303 and I17.

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Add to mailing list YES NO

Withhold personal information* YES NO

Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS:

We want specifically to define the area of concern to have transmission lines north of Rt 74 and the highway. There is ^{also} a major concern with health issues that if these transmission lines are constructed near or close proximity to our elementary schools would be harmful to our children long term.

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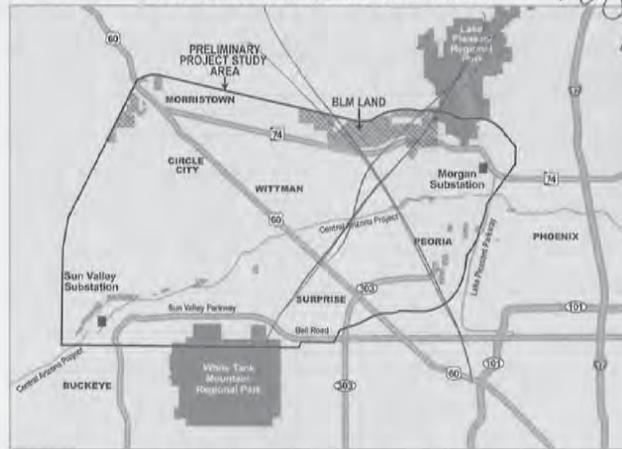
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*North South
of RMP
Keep as
a parcel*

Do you have a suggested alternative?



Northwest

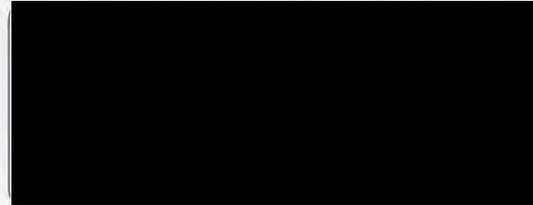
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*Resident of
Vistancia Village*

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Add to mailing list YES NO

'Withhold personal information' YES NO

Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS:

As determined in the past, lines should be constructed north of Pt 74... no other alternative or option!

Health issues, property taxes are a huge concern. Lines are unsightly!

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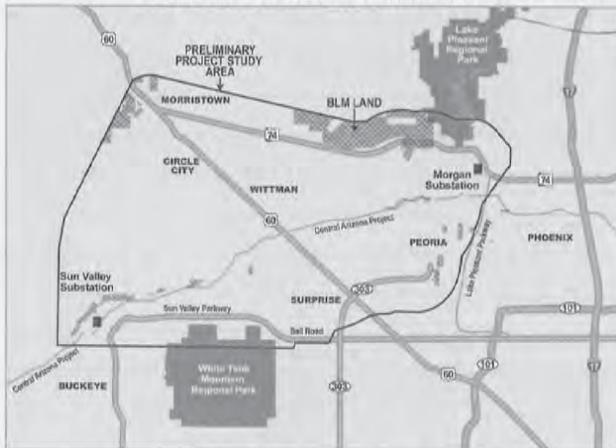
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Do you have a suggested alternative?

No - there is no alternative!!



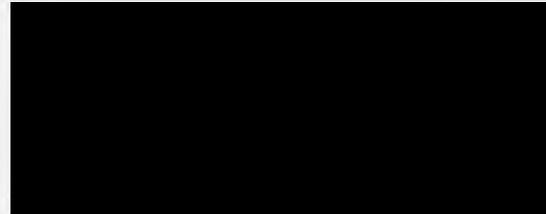
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Organization (if applicable)
Add to mailing list YES NO
Withhold personal information* YES NO
Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS:

I cant believe the lack of foresight of APS in not making plans for future growth & a plan to BLM for utility access. I dont feel they have been truthful. The substation off of Hwy 303 is extremely ugly. Please Repeal the Sun Commment is

PASS THE APS REQUEST

SEND COMMENTS TO:
Proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan 500/230kV Transmission Line Project & Proposed RMP Amendment
Joe Incardine / Kathleen Depukat
BLM Phoenix District Office / Hassayampa Field Office
21605 North 7th Avenue
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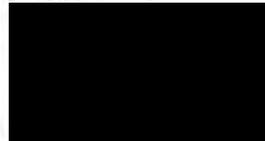
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FROM:



TO:

BLM Phoenix District Office
Hassayampa Field Office
Attn: Joe Incardine/Kathleen Dupukat
APS Sun Valley to Morgan 500/230 kV
Transmission Line Project
21605 North 7th Avenue
Phoenix, Arizona 85027

DATE: 5/17/11

MESSAGE:

Please place the power lines north of SR74. I am concerned about potential health risks to my children, my property value, and the beauty and prosperity of our wildlife. I did not purchase a home in this community so that my children would grow up under power lines. They need to be moved north.

Thank you,



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Joe and Kathleen,

Please revise the Resource Management Plan to allow APS to place the 500kV power distribution lines along the north side of SR 74.

My home is my biggest investment. If APS drops the 500kV power lines in my community, I will lose a tremendous amount of money. You will take a community that is becoming the upscale northwest valley place to live and transform it into a less valuable area. The lower property values will cause lost revenues for the city and will hurt school funding for ALL of Peoria. PLEASE revise the RMP to allow APS to place the 500kV power distribution lines OUT of our community.

The BLM has an existing policy of co-locating transportation and utility corridors. Shouldn't you keep with your policy for the short 8 ½ mile stretch of land along SR 74? The wildlife in Vistancia, Trilogy, and Blackstone will be protected and we will be able to continue to enjoy these creatures without disturbing them. The power lines through our pristine desert will hurt the desert tortoise that live in our community, in addition to the javalina, bobcats, wild donkeys, quail, rabbits, and squirrels.

PLEASE revise the RMP to allow APS to place the 500kV power distribution lines along the north side of the SR74.

Thank you.



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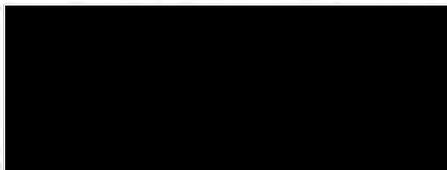
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BLM Phoenix District Office
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Attn: Joe Incardine/Kathleen Depukat
APS Sun Valley to Morgan 500/230 kV
Transmission Line Project
21605 North 7th Avenue
Phoenix, Arizona 85027

RE: APS Power Lines in the Northwest Valley

Kindly request consideration and amendment that the proposed APS power lines be placed along the north side in the transportation corridor of SR74/ Carefree Highway. This is already set up for transportation and I understand there is a policy that enables this type of sharing a location. This is also good for APS and their subscribers so APS doesn't need to re-start the entire process of placement location, thus delaying these much-needed lines.

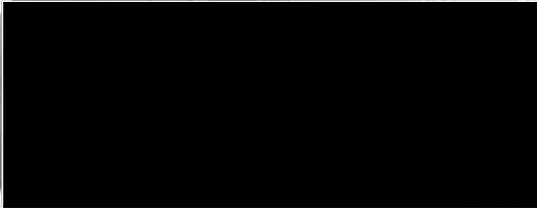
Local residents, especially of the Vistancia/Trilogy/Blackstone communities, have numerous wildlife that would be affected by the current placement plans, as well as additional lowering of property values - when this could be alleviated by BLM's amending their plan to allow the placement of these lines.



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Organization (if applicable) _____
 Add to mailing list YES NO
 Withhold personal information YES NO
 Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS:

PASS THE PLAN AS REQUESTED. APS PLAN IS

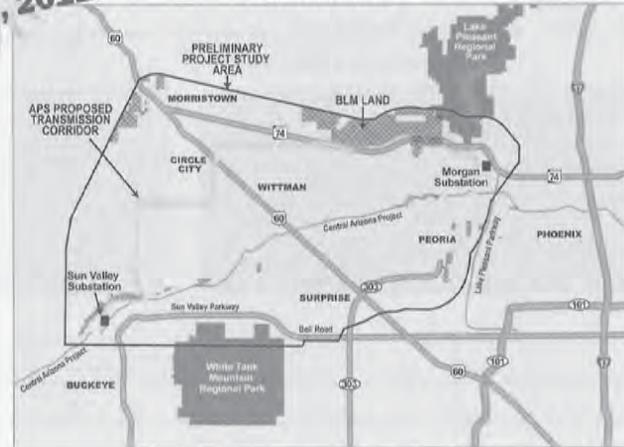
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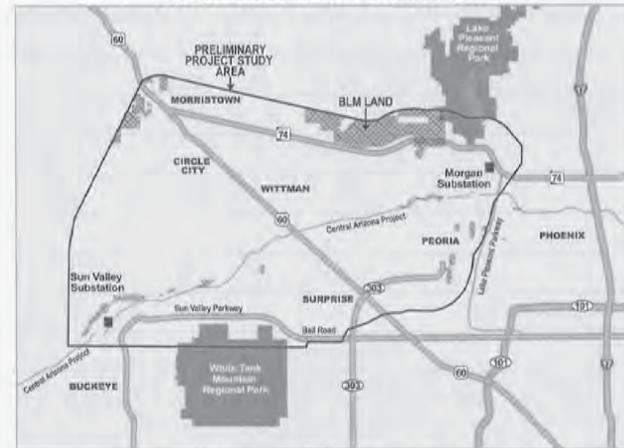
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Do you have a suggested alternative?



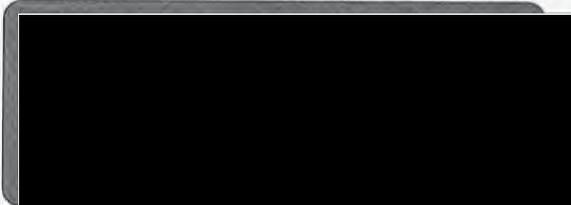
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Organization (if applicable) _____
Add to mailing list YES NO
Withhold personal information YES NO
Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS: *I want the power lines north of Route 74, which has been already approved by the ACC*

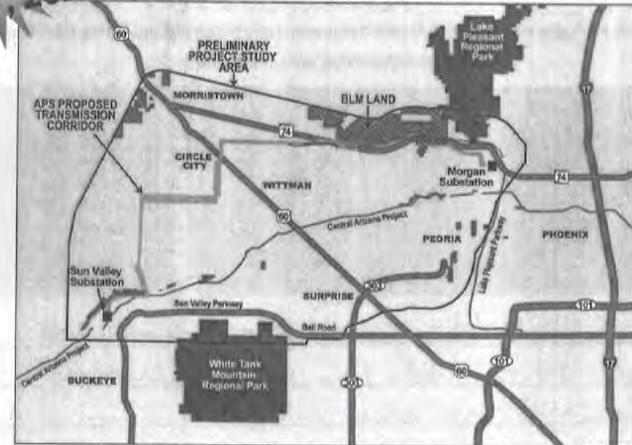
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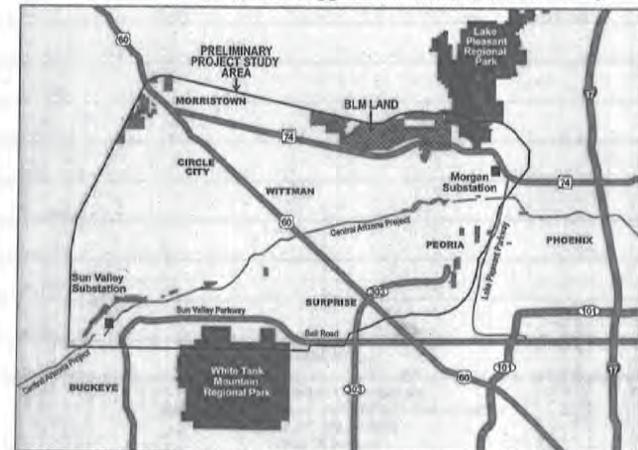
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BEST ROUTE IS NORTH SIDE OF SR 74

Do you have a suggested alternative? *NO!*



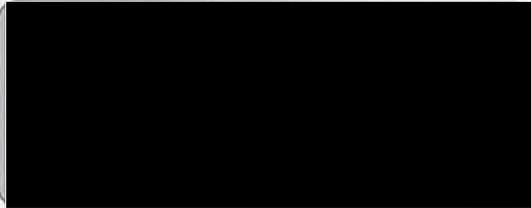
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Organization (if applicable) _____
Add to mailing list YES NO
Withhold personal information YES NO
Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS:

I would prefer the powerlines remained to the north of State Highway Seventy-Four.

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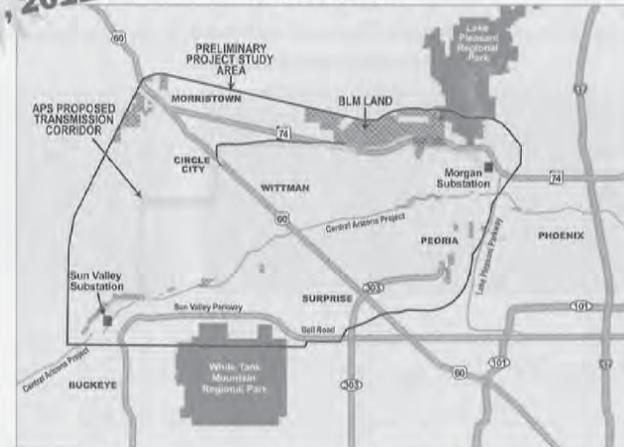
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Do you have a suggested alternative?

There are no acceptable alternatives



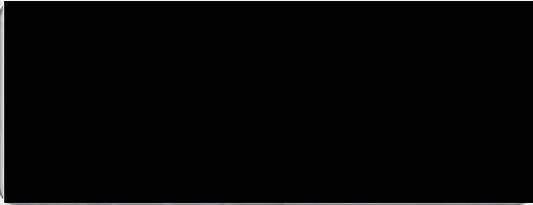
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Organization (if applicable): _____
 Add to mailing list YES NO
 Withhold personal information* YES NO
 Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS:

you keep talking about protecting the desert tortoise. SR 74 has already negatively affected the land in that area. If you do not approve placement along the north side of SR 74, APS will have no choice but to negatively affect what is now pristine desert land. How is that protecting the desert tortoise and other wildlife? Also, you keep talking about the visual effects in the area. Just as you see powerlines along the 303 and I-17, people seeing these powerlines see them on a short term basis as opposed to placing them near communities where they are seen on a full-time basis. Look up information listed on the United States National Council on Radiation Protection - childhood leukemia, Sudden Infant Death Syndrome, M.S., Changes in Brain Chemistry etc. So... are you more concerned about desert tortoise over children/people in our community?

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Do you have a suggested alternative? *THE BEST ROUTE IS NORTH OF SR 74*



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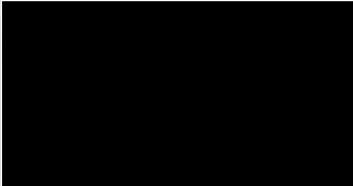
Re: APS Sun Valley to Morgan 500/230 kV Transmission Line Project

Dear Sir or Madame:

Please amend the BLM resource management plan to allow the placement on the north side of SR74 so that the Vistancia Community will continue to grow as originally planned and that the overall property values will not be negatively affected. The placement of the transmission lines on the north side of SR 74 is in keeping with the normal practice of placing these types of lines along transportation corridors. As a renter within this community, I have a vested interest in seeing it prosper. I fully believe that placing these lines on the north side of SR 74 is the best solution for our continued community development and our property values. I am deeply concerned about lower property values, lower tax revenues and reduced school funding if this transmission line is not placed on the north side of SR 74.

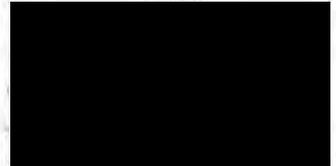
Thank you for your consideration on this issue.

Sincerely,



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PHOENIX, ARIZONA

FROM:



TO:

BLM Phoenix District Office
Hassayampa Field Office
Attn: Joe Incardine/Kathleen Depukat
APS Sun Valley to Morgan 500/230 kV
Transmission Line Project
21605 North 7th Avenue
Phoenix, Arizona 85027

DATE: May 17, 2011

MESSAGE:

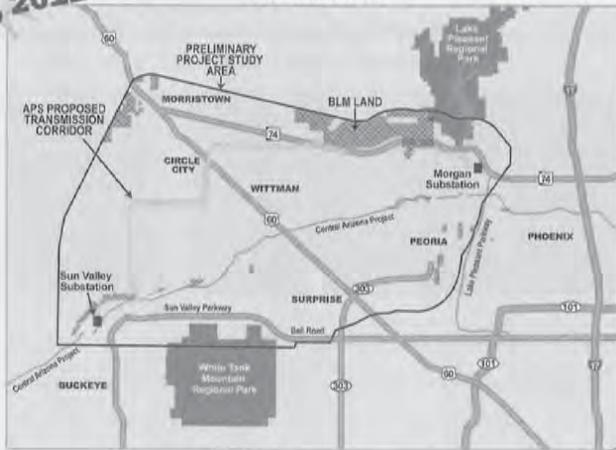
I am writing to you to appeal to your decision makers to place the APS power lines along SR 74. SR 74 is by far the most logical place for these power lines. SR 74 is already a commercial corridor that does not disrupt thousands of tax paying citizens whose homes would be negatively affected by the alternate choice. I understand the pressure to not disrupt the desert tortoise, but I assure you there is far more disruption to not only desert tortoise but all other desert wild life in the Vistancia Community. I hope the BLM will come to the only productive conclusion which is to place the power lines along SR 74.



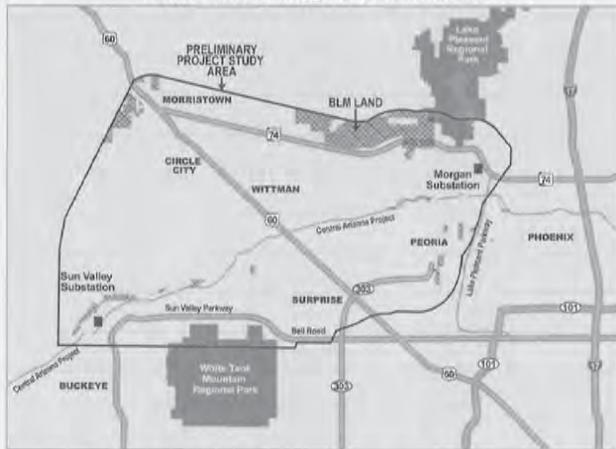
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*These are no
acceptable
alternatives*

From:

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May 23, 2011

Bureau of Land Management
Kathleen Depukat, National Project Manager
Sun Valley to Morgan Proposed Project
Hassayampa Field Office
21605 N 7th Ave.
Phoenix, AZ 85027

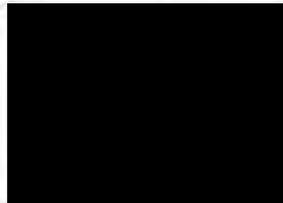
Dear Ms. Depukat,

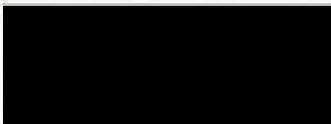
I am writing to express opposition to the Line Siting Committee's decision to place major utility lines along State Route 74. Any proposed High Voltage Utility towers would be highly detrimental to the pristine and environmentally sensitive lands along this designated Scenic Corridor. Diamond Venture's 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.





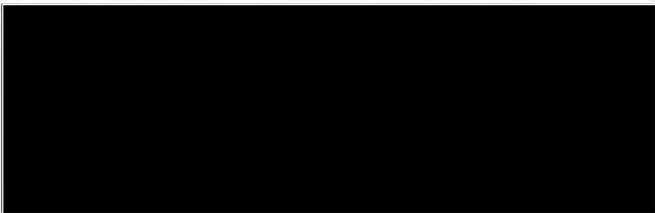
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Attn: Joe Incardine & Kathleen Depukat
 Sun Valley to Morgan Project
 BLM Phoenix District Office
 Hassayampa Field Office
 21605 North 7th Avenue
 Phoenix, AZ 85027-2929

Dear Mr. Incardine and Ms. Depukat:

Did we hear this right? Some decision-makers are more concerned with tortoise than they are with the health and welfare of humans?

We are deeply concerned about the placement of APS power lines in the Vistancia area. Because of potential health risks to residents in this neighborhood, and the visual impact it will have, we join our voices with MANY others who consider SR 74 to be the most logical location and one that will least affect families, the desert and wildlife. We strongly urge that you amend your Resource Management Plan and allow for placing the proposed power lines along SR 74.



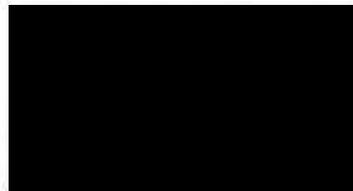
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BLM Phoenix District Office
 Hassayampa Field Office
 Attn: Mr. Joe Incardine / Kathleen Depukat
 APS Sun Valley to Morgan 500/230 KV
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 21605 North 7th Ave
 Phoenix, AZ 85027

Dear Sir/Ms

I am a Vistancia Pecos resident and would like to state my position regarding the proposed Transmission Line

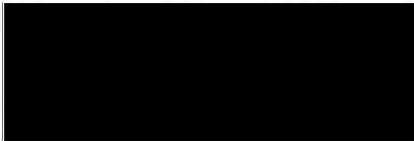
I think the transmission line should be along SR 74 because any other solution would impact greatly not only the health + well being of the Vistancia community but also lower the property value of our home.



5/15/2011

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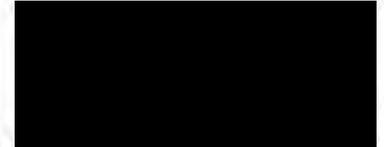
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APS SUN VALLEY TO MORGAN 500/230 KV
TRANSMISSION LINE PROJECT
21605 NORTH 7TH AVENUE
PHOENIX, ARIZONA 85027



AS A VISTALIA RESIDENT I WOULD LIKE TO
REQUEST THAT BLM AMEND THEIR RESOURCE
MANAGEMENT PLAN TO ALLOW APS POWER LINES
ON THE NORTH SIDE OF SR 74



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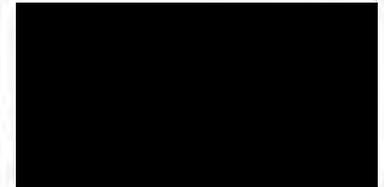
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DATE: 5-17-2011

MESSAGE:

Please protect our property values + scenic views
by supporting alignment along the north side of SR 74

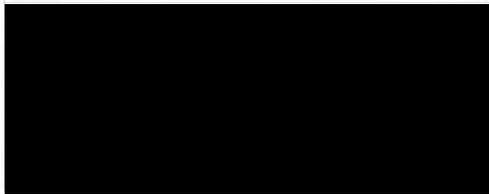
Thank You!



BLM Phoenix District Office
Havasayampa Field Office
attention: Joe Incardine

to: all the people considering this issue!

First of all do any of you live in
the Vistancia, Trilogy or Blackstone Area?
Would you want to live here and see
500 volts of electrically burning through
your neighborhood? Would you be
worried about your health or the health
of your family? would you buy a
home in this area after the lines are
up? would there be any of your concerns?
Sure they would! Then consider what
we are worried about & consider all
concerns! Pretend you are my neighbor
then you decide!



May 2011

APS Proposed Sun Valley to Morgan
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BLM Phoenix District Office
ATTN: Joe Incardine
21605 North 7th Avenue
Phoenix, Arizona 85027

Dear Mr Incardine:

In December of 2010 we moved into our new home in the K Hovnanian Estates at Blackstone in Peoria We love the home and Blackstone, but when we signed to build the home we were assured that your Transmission Line Project would not cut through the heart of Vistancia and Blackstone Country Club, but would be placed up on route 74 the Morristown New River Highway Now we are told it's still not settled

Putting that line through an up and coming development like Vistancia/Blackstone will surely cripple the progress and growth being made To ruin the property values and the tax base makes no sense to me

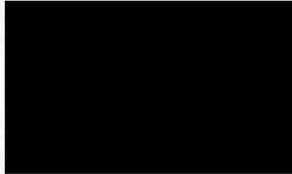
As a Pediatrician, I often counsel parents not to pick housing close to power lines for the obvious health hazards And now I find myself facing the same hazard Putting up this Line along a large highway seems ultimately more sensible and safe

Please do not allow political and corporate interests once again to spoil our landscape and further damage our housing growth in Peoria Do not put that transmission line through our growing community

Thank you for your kind consideration of our request Should you need to contact me I can be reached 24 hrs a day at 480-389-7576



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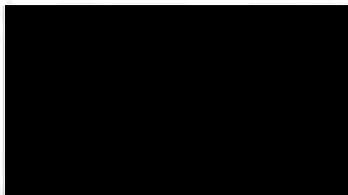
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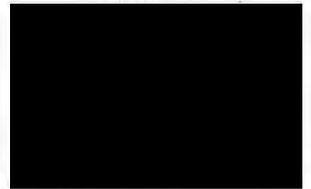
DATE: 5-17-11

MESSAGE:

Please don't put power lines in
our neighborhood !! SR 74 N side
is a much better place we love
the natural beauty of Vistancia
and would hate for it to be ruined



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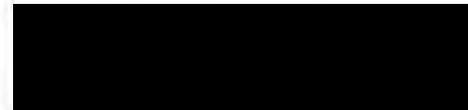
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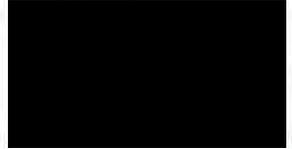
MESSAGE:

Dear BLM -
Please consider placing the APS power lines on
the north side of SR 74.
Our property values in Vistancia have been adversely
affected by the market and we fear that if power
lines are in our neighborhood - this will ruin
our values further. This could effect school
funding throughout Pecos.

Thank you



FROM:



TO:

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APS Sun Valley to Morgan 500/230 kV
Transmission Line Project
21605 North 7th Avenue
Phoenix, Arizona 85027

DATE: 5-17-11

MESSAGE:

Please protect current homeowners
health by NOT placing power lines
in Vistancia and instead on the north
side of SR 74.

We can't believe there are no desert
tortoisies along the route through Vistancia!!
This seems like a ridiculous excuse

Thanks for your consideration



FROM:



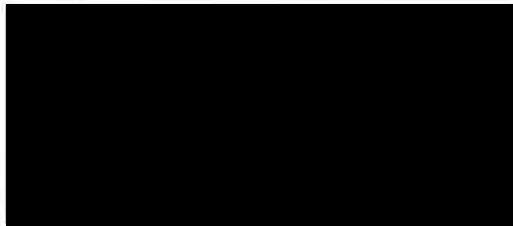
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PLEASE don't ruin our neighborhood
by putting power lines through it!!
Consider the health of our children



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Proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan 500/230kV Transmission Line Project & Proposed Resource Management Plan
 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT



Organization (if applicable) _____
 Add to mailing list YES NO
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 Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

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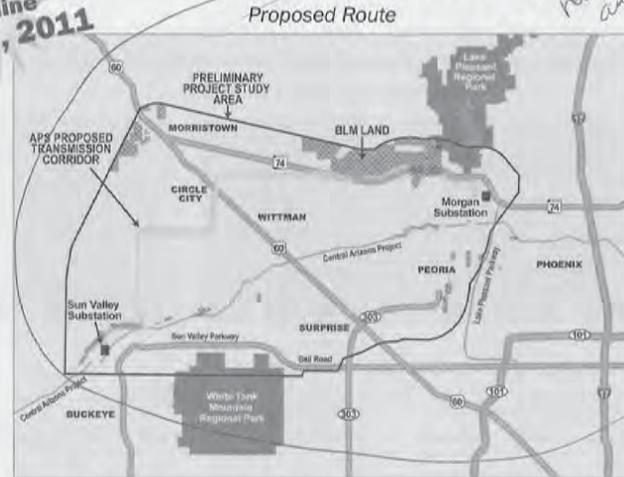
Why are we even having to submit comments now when the Arizona Corporation already approved state route 74 north side of it? Doesn't make sense. We do not approve of any other proposed route except north side of state route 74. We don't want any electrical towers in Ustancia period! We are concerned about the possible hazards to our health as well as deteriorating property values. We do not appreciate the intrusion of APS towers into our community. Also, why are you BLM more concerned about the impact of the towers on desert tortoise rather than on Ustancia schoolchildren? Children are our future. They deserve to be protected from environmental hazards, which this is.

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Comment
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 May 27, 2011

Proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan
 500/230kV Transmission Line Project
 and Proposed RMP Amendment



This is the only route we recognize and what we fought for! We like this route. No other alternative looks as good to me. Stick with this!

Do you have a suggested alternative?



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We want to hear from you!

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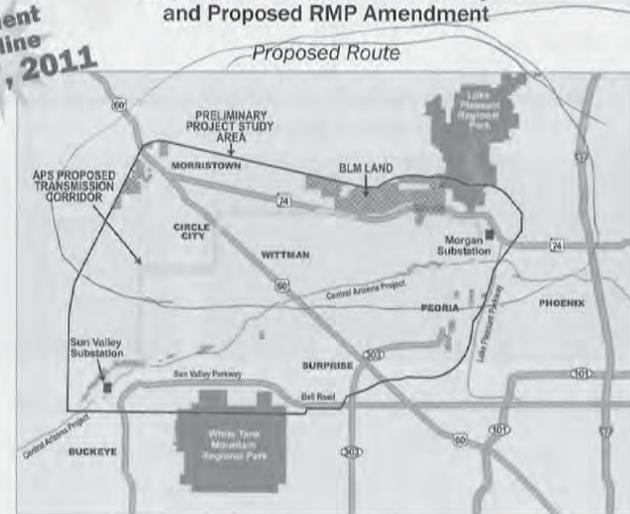
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AS PROPOSED AND AGREED!

Do you have a suggested alternative?



No Alt Route!

We want to hear from you!

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May 15, 2011

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Dear Mr Incardine and Ms. Depulcat,

I am a new resident of Vistancia and one of the reasons I was drawn to the area was the beautiful mountain views. I feel that putting the 500kV power lines through Vistancia will ruin the views as well as ~~well as~~ lower the property values of the surrounding area.

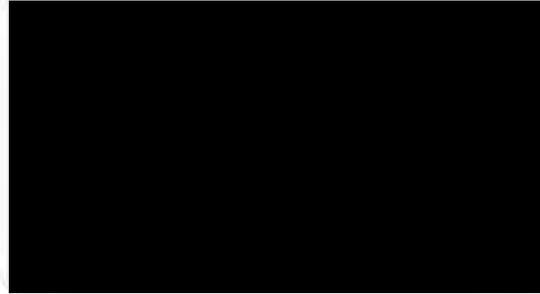
I think it is important to follow existing policies in place, which is your own policy, of co-locating transportation and utility corridors. It makes the most sense for everyone involved.

Isn't it better to put the lines on the stretch of land that is already disturbed by a major roadway?

I was already hurt by the poor market when selling my prior home to purchase my lovely home in Vistancia, and do not want to be hurt further by having these lines run through and ruin our area.

So, I ask respectfully, please reconsider your decision and please put these 500kV power lines along SR 74.

I am ^{also} worried about the health hazards of my family if they run through our residence.



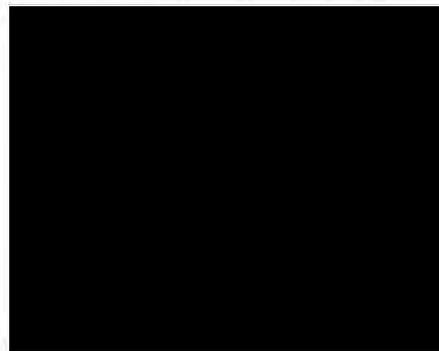
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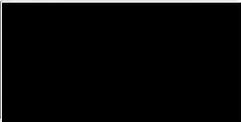
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SINCE MOVING TO VISTANCIA IN 2010 I
AND MY FAMILY HAVE ENJOYED THE BEAUTY
OF THE DESERT AND THE MOUNTAINS THAT
CAN BE SEEN FROM OUR RESIDENCE. ONE
OF THE MAJOR POINTS IN OUR MOVE HERE
WAS TO GET BACK TO NATURE AND SEE
THE UNTOUCHED DESERT. I CANNOT UNDERSTAND
WHY THERE WOULD BE A DECISION TO PUT
POWER LINES THROUGH A RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT
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CURRENTLY DEVELOPED OR DESIGNATED A SCenic
CORRIDOR. THE HEALTH RISKS TO FAMILY'S
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WILDLIFE DISPLACED NEXT TO AN
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TOUCHED.

SR 74 IS THE BEST AND
ONLY OPTION I SEE THAT KEEPS
EVERYONE'S PROPERTY VALUES FROM PLUMMETING,
HEALTH RISKS FROM RISING AND JUST PLAIN
MAKES SENSE FOR THE COMMUNITIES THAT
SURROUND THIS AREA AND ENJOY THE BEAUTY
OF THE DESERT.





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May 20, 2011

Dear BLM. Please read regarding the placement of 500kV power lines.

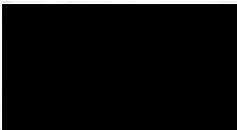
I am writing to you today in regards to the possibilities of the BLM not allowing the APS Company to install 500kV power lines along the north side of SR 74 near Vistancia in northern Peoria.

Wasn't it mentioned on the news lately that in order to help ease the National Debt that the government was thinking about selling off some of its land? This would be the perfect opportunity to negotiate with APS and allow the power lines to be built along the North side of the SR 74. It would be like you are helping to lower the deficit and helping the community at the same time.

It is so hard to understand that a desert tortoise has a higher importance than human life. Animals are very resilient and if something disturbs their habitat they will move to another location and migrate back to their old location after the danger has passed. The situation with the fires in Ariz. and Calif. a few years back is a prime example of that.

The economy has made it almost impossible to sell a house making you feel trapped and unlike the tortoise we can't move. The threat of power lines with known health risks being installed close proximity to you is very stressful. If you have ever had dealt with a life threatening disease or lost a loved one because of your environmental conditions you would understand our concerns and not force APS to build the power lines in our back yards.

Thank you for taking the time to read my concerns and hopefully consider APS's request in locating the power lines along the 8 1/2 mile stretch of land already disturbed by a major roadway that is slated to be widened in the near future.



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 Via electronic mail to SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov

Re: Sun Valley to Morgan Scoping Comments

Dear Mr Incardine and Ms Depukat:

We are submitting these comments on the proposed Sun Valley to Morgan project on behalf of the Sierra Club's Grand Canyon (Arizona) Chapter and our 12,000 members in Arizona

The Sierra Club's mission is "to explore, enjoy, and protect the wild places of the earth; to practice and promote the responsible use of the earth's ecosystems and resources; and to educate and enlist humanity to protect and restore the quality of the natural and human environments" The Grand Canyon Chapter has long been committed to protection of Arizona's lands, wildlife, water, and communities Our members are concerned about the lands included in this proposal and have enjoyed recreational activities in the area including hiking and wildlife viewing

Before commenting on the specifics of this proposed project, we wanted to express concern about the BLM providing a scoping deadline prior to the discussion about "local and regional activities, trends, and social and economic conditions related to the proposed Project" It is unusual to do this after the comment deadline Is there a particular reason the deadline was not extended until after this discussion? We appreciate the opportunity to explore additional alternatives as the proposed action is particularly troubling, but would like to see that discussion and the issues raised included in the scoping

We have significant concerns about the siting of the Proposed Sun Valley to Morgan 500/230kV Transmission Line Project and the Proposed Resource Management Plan (RMP) Amendment The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) should reject the right-of-way application as it is inconsistent with the RMP and should also reject the RMP amendment Allowing the transmission line north of State Route 74 (SR74) will open up sensitive habitat to additional degradation as well as destroy the scenic corridor

The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and the regulations promulgated to implement the act (42 U S C § 4321, *et seq* , 40 CFR § 1500 1, *et seq*) mandate that the Bureau of Land Management

(BLM) assess and evaluate the environmental impacts of the **Sun Valley to Morgan project** and that reasonable alternatives be considered (42 U.S.C. § 4332 102 C). The BLM, as the lead agency for this project, must consider cumulative impacts as well as direct and indirect impacts of the proposed transmission line project and amendment to the RMP (40 CFR ~ 1508.7). The potential impacts of this project are large and significant. Due to the scale of this project and its potential environmental impacts, it certainly warrants an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). As mandated by NEPA, the draft EIS should include all reasonable alternatives, an evaluation of those alternatives, and mitigation measures to minimize the disturbance and impact of the project.

In looking at proposed transmission projects and related facilities, decision-makers, including the BLM, need to ensure the following:

- any new transmission built is truly needed,
- new transmission minimizes local and regional environmental impacts, including to public lands,
- any new transmission is appropriately located to avoid or minimize harm to wildlife, wildlife habitat, and wilderness values, among other important issues, and
- utilities expend the necessary resources to develop efficiency and distributed generation so as to minimize the need for new transmission.

While we understand the need for some additional transmission, we would like to see the demonstrated need for this particular line. We would especially like to see a demonstration of why it is needed north of SR74 and why it is being proposed for this particular location. It is inappropriate to change the RMP and grant this right-of-way merely to advantage a developer who perceives that the transmission line will affect the value of his land or to further benefit remote urban sprawl. As this proposal would affect public lands, it must be in the best interests of the public rather than individual private developers.

Rather than further subsidizing sprawl into remote locations, APS should instead focus more on demand side management and distributed solar, thus avoiding the need for projects such as this. Considering the current development patterns, is this project still needed? Are there other more appropriate locations, such as along the Central Arizona Project canal? If the line is sited south of SR74, could Diamond Ventures and other developers provide a buffer between it and the housing developments?

The Sierra Club, our members, and hundreds of other individuals and groups have worked very hard over many years to protect BLM lands north of SR74. It was once the Lake Pleasant Resource Conservation Area (RCA). The central idea of the RCA was to retain and consolidate lands for ease of management and protection. Many of the groups involved in protecting these lands have sought to bring private lands north of SR74 into public ownership and to protect state trust lands in the area. While these efforts have had mixed results, it points to the significance of the area and that the lands are very much worth protecting.

If the RMP is amended and the line is allowed to be built north of SR74, we are extremely concerned that it will result in significant degradation of the land and in a diminished viewshed, especially in light of the fact that the proposal would not only run along SR 74 but would actually cross SR74 twice. This would nudge development further into the BLM lands and could result in a subsequent loss of interest by BLM to manage these lands for conservation. These public lands might then be sold or traded away in another poorly conceived exchange that shortchanges the public as occurred

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with the 1997 Saguaro National Park Land Exchange, which has, in part, precipitated this current action. The developer in that exchange received 4,322 acres of land south of SR74, and the public got a mere 711 acres near Saguaro National Park. The Sierra Club strongly objected to this exchange as it resulted in trading away critical Sonoran Desert lands and important wildlife habitat, but it also was a huge rip-off of the public. It is that exchange that helped create this current issue as the developer that benefited from that exchange is also one of the key entities pushing for locating the transmission line on these sensitive BLM lands north of SR74 and who objected to siting the transmission line south of SR74 (See Saguaro National Park Land Exchange Final Environmental Assessment, October 1997). Will another exchange be his next proposal?

The Final Environmental Assessment for the Saguaro National Park Land Exchange also significantly minimized the ecological values of the BLM lands in order to justify the exchange. We would hate to see that happen again with the lands north of SR74 relative to this proposed line siting and RMP amendment. While perhaps seeming improbable today, siting large scale infrastructure such as electric transmission lines north of SR74 raises the specter of massive development of private and state lands in the Lake Pleasant area sometime in the future, destroying any opportunity for proper consolidation and management in the public interest for wildlife habitat and recreation.

According to the 2010 RMP¹, these lands north of the SR74 are part of the Castle Hot Springs Management Unit and are worthy of protection for several reasons. According to the plan, no public lands in this area are available for disposal and no new utility corridors are designated (page 79). These lands include the following:

- Category II desert tortoise habitat
- A Class 2 Visual Resource Area
- Castle Hot Springs Special Recreation Management Area, which includes Hieroglyphic Mountains Recreation Management Zone (RMZ), Sheep Mountain RMZ, and Baldy Mountain RMZ
- Hells Canyon Wilderness

The Recreation Management for this area emphasizes “preserving open space and retaining scenic and visual qualities” (page 80).

Category II Desert Tortoise Habitat

The Sonoran population of desert tortoise (*Gopherus agassizii*) is currently being considered for federal listing as a threatened or endangered species². The lands north of SR74 provide Category II habitat for desert tortoises. Habitat fragmentation, disease, exotic plant species and the associated fires, illegal collection, and off-road vehicles, among other issues, threaten these animals. Predation by ravens and coyotes also has an impact on desert tortoises. Because of the declining populations, it is critical that we protect this species and its habitat.

¹ Bradshaw Harquahala Resource Management Plan 2010 Bureau of Land Management, Phoenix District Office, Arizona, https://www.blm.gov/epl-front-office/projects/lup/1350/13345/13413/Bradshaw-Harquahala_Record_of_Decision_and_Approved_Resource_Management_Plan_pdf.pdf, last accessed May, 26, 2011

² See Federal Register Notice http://www.fws.gov/southwest/es/arizona/Documents/SpeciesDocs/SonoranTort/SDT_90day_FR.pdf
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The goal for Category II Habitat is to “[m]aintain stable, viable populations and halt further declines in tortoise habitat values”³ A utility corridor and associated transmission line is not consistent with this goal and is one of many reasons the BLM should reject this application and this proposed RMP amendment Note that the criteria for Category II tortoise habitat states that the habitat may be essential to maintain viable populations of tortoises and that the populations in these areas are medium to high density with some low density contiguous to the medium and high density populations The populations are either stable or decreasing, which means additional disturbance and loss of habitat could either further exacerbate a decline or shift the area from stable to declining

The RMP states the following:

TE-2. Categories I and II desert tortoise habitat will be managed to retain all natural shelter sites (boulders or caliche caves or similar features used by tortoises for sheltering) and to be **unfragmented**” (emphasis added)

Because establishment of a utility corridor and development of a transmission line would further fragment desert tortoise habitat, the application is inconsistent with the RMP and with the goals of the RMP

The plan goes on to say that “[n]o net loss will occur in the quality or quantity of Category I and II desert tortoise habitat to the extent practicable BLM will address and include mitigation measures in decision documents to offset the loss of quality or quantity of Category I, II, and III tortoise habitats” The proposed transmission line is not consistent with this plan commitment, either

All of these issues should be considered in any draft environmental assessment or proposed amendment to the RMP

Significant harm to habitat and to species such as the tortoise can occur during construction If any construction occurs in this area, every effort should be employed to ensure that construction impacts on these endangered animals are minimized and mitigated Desert tortoises are primarily active during and around rainfall events, including Arizona’s summer monsoons They lay their eggs in June and July Guidelines indicate that surveys for the tortoises should be done during those periods According to the Arizona Game and Fish Department: “Surveys will be most productive during tortoise activity periods, primarily during the summer monsoon season but also in the spring”⁴

Towers associated with transmission lines can provide perches for birds, including ravens Additional perches for ravens can increase the mortality for desert tortoises^{5,6,7} This, too, should be considered relative to whether or not to grant this proposed right-of-way and plan amendment

³ Arizona Interagency Desert Tortoise Team 1996 Sonoran Desert Tortoise Management Plan

⁴ *Recommended Standard Mitigation Measures for Projects in Sonoran Desert Tortoise Habitat*, Arizona Interagency Desert Tortoise Team, June 2008, http://www.azgfd.gov/pdfs/w_c/tortoise/MitigationMeasures.pdf

⁵ McIntyre, B 2007 Using GIS to Quantify the Anthropogenic-Induced Raven Threat to Desert Tortoise URISA <http://www.urisa.org/McIntyre>

⁶ Boorman, W I 2002 Reducing Predation by Common Ravens on Desert Tortoises in the Mojave and Colorado Deserts USGS Western Ecological Research Center, <http://www.werc.usgs.gov/sandiego/pdfs/RavenMgt.pdf>

⁷ Boorman, W I and W B Kristan, 2006 Trends in common raven populations in the Mojave and Sonora deserts: 1968-2004 Draft report to U S Fish and Wildlife Service, Ventura CA 93003 Contract No 814405M055 Sacramento, CA

Destruction of tortoise habitat would require mitigation This should also be considered and discussed in the NEPA documents

Impacts to Birds and Bats

Birds and bats can be electrocuted by simultaneously contacting energized and/or grounded structures, conductors, hardware, or equipment; and can also be killed or injured through direct collisions with the transmission lines and structures Impacts to avian species should be evaluated in the NEPA process

BLM Manual – Fish, Wildlife and Special Status Species

The BLM manual establishes objectives and policies for the management of Special Status Species (SSS/6840) and Fish and Wildlife (FW/6500) on BLM lands The policy objectives found within these two manuals, although quite useful in terms of providing added direction to BLM decisions, have often not been consistently applied

The objectives of the SSS/6840 policy are twofold: 1) To conserve and/or recover ESA-listed species and the ecosystems on which they depend so that ESA protections are no longer needed for these species; 2) To initiate proactive conservation measures that reduce or eliminate threats to Bureau sensitive species to minimize the likelihood of and need for listing these species under the ESA

The objective of the FW/6500 policy provides clear, measurable criteria to the BLM as well: “It is BLM policy to manage habitat with emphasis on ecosystems to ensure self-sustaining populations and a natural abundance and diversity of wildlife, fish, and plant resources on the public lands” Ensuring self-sustaining fish and wildlife populations provides a measurable, affirmative conservation objective to the BLM that should be used to help structure renewable development decisions as well as associated mitigation strategies

BLM should articulate and assess how the amendment in the RMP and the proposed right-of-way, along with mitigation activities, will impact SSS/6840 and FW/6500 policy objectives If the BLM determines that this development would contradict these policies, and it seems clear to us it does, then the project should be rejected

Class II Visual Resource Area

The objective of the Visual Resource Management Area (VRM) Class II is “to retain the existing character of the landscape The level of change to the characteristic landscape should be low Management activities may be seen, but should not attract the attention of the casual observer Any changes must repeat the basic elements of form, line, color, and texture found in the predominant natural features of the characteristic landscape”⁸

The proposed transmission corridor and power line are within a Class II VRM area As noted above, the goal is keep any change low, and activities should not attract attention No matter how this large transmission line is constructed, it will attract attention and detract from the scenic quality of this area

⁸ Bureau of Land Management Manual H-8410-1 – Visual Resource Inventory <http://www.blm.gov/nstc/VRM/8410.html#Anchor-23240>

As proposed, the line would cross SR74 twice, making it especially intrusive relative to the scenic character of the area

In addition to the fact that the area north of SR74 is a Class II VRM, it is also designated as a scenic corridor by Maricopa County. While the Arizona Department of Transportation requested a transportation corridor along SR74 and has indicated plans to widen it, it is not certain it will be widened or widened considerably. The changes in development and growth and financial issues could mean those dollars are better utilized elsewhere.

Impacts on Agua Fria River

The proposed corridor and transmission line would cross through the Agua Fria River east of the Morgan Substation. The BLM must consider the impacts to the river and any riparian vegetation. Mitigation associated with this must be at least 3-to-1.

Construction Impacts

Every attempt should be made to avoid sensitive lands, important wildlife habitat, special status plants, and archaeological sites for construction of transmission lines. Because of this, BLM should deny this right-of-way and plan amendment. Many significant impacts from electric transmission lines occur during construction. Each of the towers requires grading, vegetation removal, and placement of a large concrete footing for the tower itself.

During construction, impacts include the following: soil disturbance and eradication of plant communities; disturbance of ground-dwelling species, including amphibians, mammals, and ground-nesting birds; soil erosion; and interference with birds and bats, whether migrating or not.

Monitoring and Mitigation

Limiting and eliminating negative impacts to wildlife, vegetation, and cultural sites should be a top priority for the BLM. Monitoring any anticipated impacts of the proposed project on sensitive wildlife species and natural resources will also be essential for identifying ways to minimize and offset negative impacts. The BLM should disclose how environmental monitoring and mitigation will be undertaken, including the type, timing, and frequency of surveys, protocols and thresholds to initiate impact minimization, and methods to be employed to offset unavoidable impacts such as road and tower construction, increased vehicular traffic, accelerated erosion/sedimentation, human disturbance, impairment of visual resources, etc. We also encourage the BLM to address the location of off-site mitigation. **Any mitigation that takes place off the impacted site should occur locally and within similar habitat.**

Summary

This proposed right-of-way and RMP amendment should be rejected as they will result in degradation of habitat and public lands and will significantly impair the scenic nature of this area and ultimately are not in the public interest. This could also be the first step in pushing development further into the public lands and a means of promoting additional development on those lands, especially via future land exchanges.

We encourage the BLM to recognize the significant and negative impacts this project would have on wildlife, cultural, and scenic resources and to reject this application. The applicant should seek a location is less harmful and, at a minimum, look south of SR74 or to a location such as paralleling the Central Arizona Project canal.

We appreciate the opportunity to comment and your consideration of the issues we have discussed here. Please keep us informed about any activities related to this proposal.

Sincerely,



Sandy Bahr
Chapter Director
Sierra Club – Grand Canyon Chapter

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TO:

April 29, 2011

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Mr. Joe Incardine,

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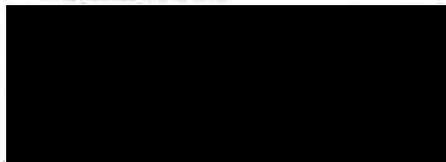
I am writing to express my extreme opposition to the proposed citing by APS of the utility corridor along St. Rt. 74. Please do not amend the current land use plan.

As I have studied this issue, the BLM has invested 11 yrs. to create their RMP which considers the pristine desert corridor along Rt. 74 a designated scenic corridor that is used by over 4,000,000 people in Maricopa county as well as millions of U.S. citizens that traverse this scenic highway on an annual basis. This has always been a scenic highway and should remain a reflection of our beautiful native Sonoran desert. The BLM should not give up their federal lands. This 7+ mile area is a habitat for desert flora and fauna and home to the Desert Tortoise.

The most direct route for these lines is certainly south of Rt. 74 and should be utilizing the CAP Canal path. The requirements by Luke Air Force Base could be met with the line running along this southern route. The Sun Valley Substation and the Morgan Substation are both on the south side of Rt. 74. Why would the BLM consider altering their RMP and allow the lines to come north?

To compromise the intended use of our Federal land that is designated as scenic seems to be a crime. Please do not allow APS to ruin the scenic vistas and wilderness characteristics of the Heiroglyphic Mt. Recreational Management Zone and that of the Baldy Mountain area.

As stewards of the land, you must not compromise. St. Rt. 74 should retain its designation as a Scenic Corridor. Please do not amend your RMP. Do the right thing and protect the desert.



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DATE:

5/17/11

MESSAGE:

Attention BLM Phoenix District Office:
I am infuriated by your apparent lack of concern for the health and welfare of the citizens of Pecos. If 500kV lines are dangerous to the Desert tortoise - how can it be rationalized to place them in close proximity to schools & homes? Please revise the RMP, and find another solution to this issue! My neighbors and I agree that placing powerlines through historic is wrong!



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P.S.

I urge you to reconsider the implications of moving forward in pressing for putting the power lines thru north Ustancia —

You must amend your Resource Management Plan to allow the APS power lines elsewhere —

If the only alternative is along SR74 — then that should be allowed — unless there is another better alternative.

Thank You —

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MESSAGE:

I can't understand why putting our families health in a community that people brought in for the reasons of a healthy environment for our children to grow up in. Destroying our Prestige scenic views & destroying property values. Most important, hurting the revenues that will hurt our school funding throughout Peoria, not only our local schools here.

Our wildlife is so enjoyable to watch & have them roam our neighborhood as if they have the rights to ownership. Which THEY DO!!! Have you heard we've sighted a few Bobcats, how beautiful is that!!!

Now you want to destroy all that & put our lives & our children's lives at risk?!

START THINKING ^{PEOPLE} THE RIGHT THING TO DO...
~~PLEASE~~



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Mr. Incardine and Ms. Depukat,

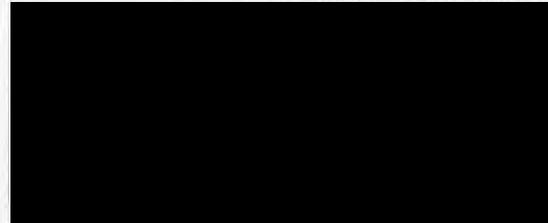
As a fellow neighbor in the Vistancia community, I am very concerned with the placement of the 500kV power lines along the north side of SR 74. The placement of these power lines will decrease property values, affect scenic views, and disturb the wildlife that reside in the current pristine desert in this area. The lower property values and lost revenues from this power line placement will hurt school funding through Peoria. As a mother of two school age children, I do not want to see this community suffer any more than it already has from today's current economic conditions. Thank you for reading my letter.



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Organization (if applicable)
Add to mailing list YES NO
Withhold personal information YES NO
Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS: It seems reasonable to expect the developing cooperation (APS) to fund substantial research on the ~~the~~ impacts to use + movements by native species. This should include pre, during, + post movement/location data for multiple focal species such as tortoises, mule deer, + kit fox. Partially other help + small mammal inventories pre + post would be informative ~~the~~ and allow for future ~~management~~ mitigation strategies.
Also communities such as Surprise + Buckeye ^{wildlife} which are beginning to consider the larger connectivity picture should be consulted to ~~manage~~ align plus

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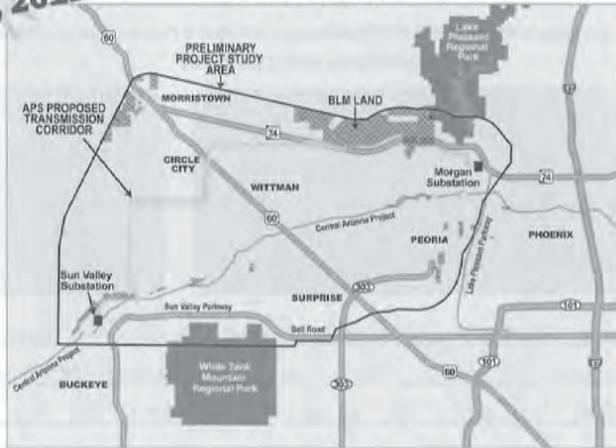
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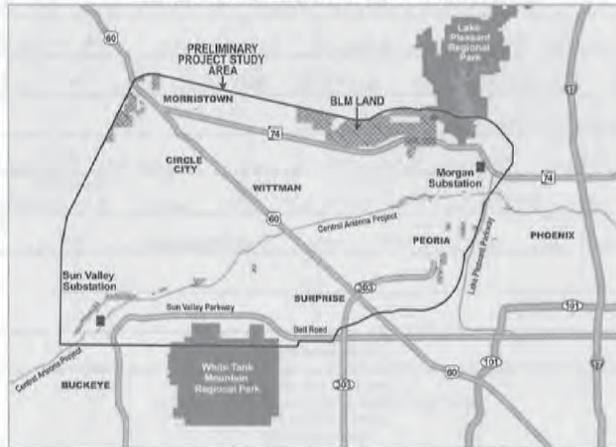
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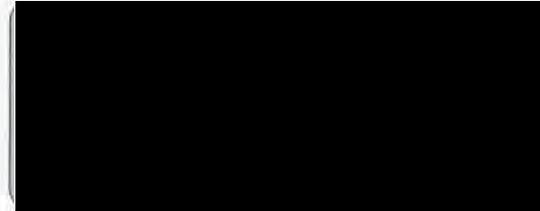
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Southern Club
Organization (if applicable)
Add to mailing list YES NO
Withhold personal information* YES NO
Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS:

*A 74 is a designated scenic corridor and I would
be sad to see it visually impaired by power lines.
The EIS should explain or debate the purpose + need
for this project as little or no growth is occurring
in the valley nor is much growth projected for
the near future. APS should explain how
distributed energy and energy conservation could
help solve our energy issues.
The EIS should identify off-site mitigation if the
line is built. Mitigation should not be compressed only of
design + color of the poles.*

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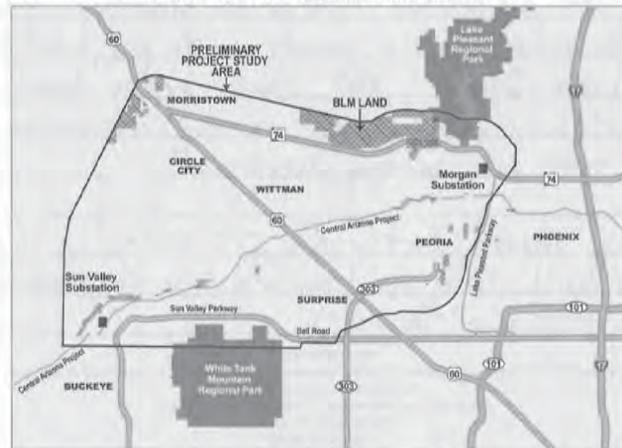
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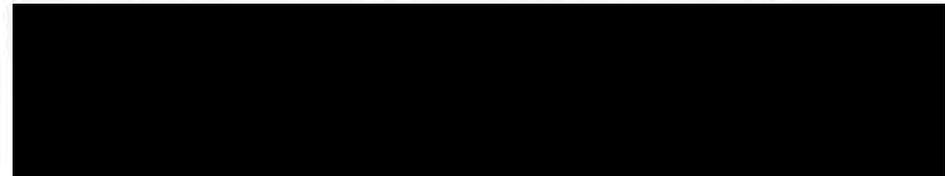
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APS SUN VALLEY TO MORGAN
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LINE PROJECT
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To: JOE INCARDINE/KATHLEEN DEPUKAT,
ATTN

AS A RESIDENT OF VISTANCIA COMMUNITIES
OR A PERSON RESIDING IN ANY COMMUNITY, I DO NOT
UNDERSTAND WHY A MAJOR POWER LINE CONSTRUCTION
PROJECT WOULD BE PLANNED TO CUT THROUGH PASTURE
DESERT LAND, WHEN AN OBVIOUS ALTERNATE
PLACEMENT WOULD BE ALONG THE NORTH SIDE
OF SR 74 WHERE CURRENT LAND IMPACT HAS
ALREADY BEEN DISTURBED.
I FORMALLY REQUEST THAT THE PLANNED TRANSMISSION
LINE PROJECT BE PLACED NORTH OF SR 74.



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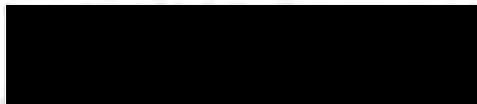
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Attn: Joe Incardine/Kathleen Depukat
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21605 North 7th Avenue
Phoenix, Arizona 85027

DATE: 5-19-11

MESSAGE:

PLEASE CONSIDER PLACING THE APS POWER LINES ON THE NORTH SIDE OF SR74 AS IT APPEARS TO BE THE MOST LOGICAL DECISION. IT WILL HAVE LESS EFFECT ON PROPERTY VALUES, SCENIC VIEWS, WILDLIFE & HEALTH.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION IN MAKING YOUR DECISION



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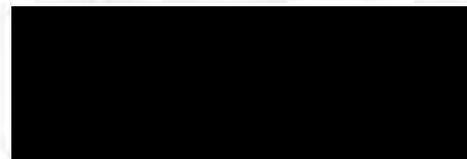
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DATE: 05/19/2011

MESSAGE: I would like to request your consideration in placing the APS power lines along the north side of SR. 74. It appears that this location has a great deal of support from APS, City ~~Officials~~ officials, congressional representatives, and local residents.

Thank you for your consideration on this subject.



BLM Phoenix Office

As a native Phoenician and fourth generation native Arizonan, I feel that I am uniquely qualified to comment on impact of power lines. I have lived my entire life on the NW side of the valley. Power lines are a constant on the landscape. However, power lines along major roads are more desirable than along residential areas. I now live in Vistancia, chosen for its beautiful views. I have traveled the Western US and never paid any attention to ~~the~~ power lines while traveling. But power lines in residential areas are not what anyone wants to experience. In addition, health risks to families living here are not a risk that we chose in buying in this development. As a science teacher, I am very aware of the health risks to young children. You can argue the statistics, but no one chooses a home in a wide open area to raise their family, only to have APS build these lines. We were never notified, APS never shared plans, there was never land set aside for possible power lines, and the development did not plan for these lines.

As an environmentalist, I can relate to wildlife habitat that is disturbed. But a highway, SR74, is far more disturbing to wildlife than power lines. In addition, keeping the lines

along SR74 will impact fewer wildlife and impact less habitat than any alternate route through Vistancia's foothills.

BLM's own policy is to locate transportation & utility ~~corridors~~ corridors near each other. BLM, you should follow your policy. Public lands were set aside for this highway. It is only logical to locate the power lines in this corridor.

Once again, as a native Arizonan, I can speak strongly about my concern for the development of public lands. Public lands should be managed for the public. Taking land from private landowners is, and should be, only a last resort. Future developers and land owners can make informed decisions on locating near highways, airports, and transmission lines. Current homeowners cannot.

Politics and business interests should not dictate such an important decision affecting families who bought homes for their families in good faith. Please locate these lines on BLM land, which is the logical and right decision for Arizona.

Sincerely,



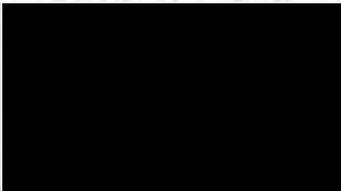
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To Whom It Concerns:

I am writing in regards to the placement of the power lines within the sight of our community Vistancia in Peoria Az. We are pleading with you to NOT do this! Not only will it impact the wildlife in our area, but the property values will be greatly decreased. We cant afford for them to go any lower and we will have to look at them 24/7. Would any of you want them in your neighborhoods?

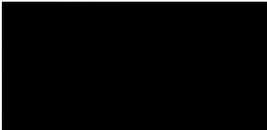
Why would BLM force powerlines along a beautiful pristine desert when it could go along an 8 and half mile stretch of land that already is disturbed by a major roadway that is expected to be widened?

Please place the power lines on the North side of SR74.



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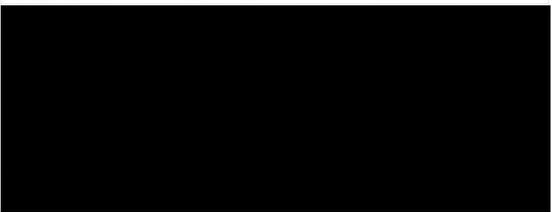
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MESSAGE:

I favor placement of the A's power lines on the north side of SR 74. Alternative routes do not make sense in terms of property values, scenic views, rural life and health risks. There is no justification of the BLM proposal when these points are taken in to careful consideration.

This is our community and I feel we have spoken out against this with the interest of people, land, and wildlife at heart.



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TO:

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DATE: 5/17/2011

MESSAGE:

I urge you to revise your Resource Management Plan to permit you to approve the placement of APS's 500kV power distribution lines along the north side of SR 74.

I bought my property in a small part because of the beautiful view to the north, which would be disrupted by the power line if APS gets forced to move the line to the south as they had originally hoped, crossing the pristine desert just north of Vistancia (I live in Vistancia, in the northern section of it). If the power line ends up just north of Vistancia, it will damage the desert there, degrade the view, and reduce my property value which already took about a 50% hit with the housing crisis.

I understand that the desert along the north side of SR 74 is beautiful, too, but the fact is that the highway itself has already damaged the desert at that location. Power lines along a few miles of the road should have less environmental impact there than it would cutting through pristine desert north of Vistancia. I suspect that APS maintenance trails would be fewer and less destructive of the desert along SR 74, too, because of close proximity and access to SR 74 itself.

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All in all, it just seems to be a more efficient use of land, and a more efficiently accessible route for the power lines, to locate the power lines along SR 74. Environmentally, it seems better to locate the lines there, too, because the highway already disturbs the desert. And it would be a disservice to homeowners in Vistancia to ruin our view and reduce property values if the lines end up north of Vistancia, which is where they'll go if they can't be placed along SR 74.



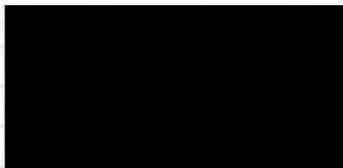
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To Whom It May Concern,

I have lived in the Vistancia Community for the last 2 years. Part of the reason we purchased a home in this community is beautiful scenic views of the desert and mountains. Power lines running through or near our community would devastate it. Not only would our views be permanently changed, our wildlife population would be disturbed, our property values would fall even lower and foremost the health of our families would be affected.

Please approve the placement of the APS power lines along the north side of SR 74.

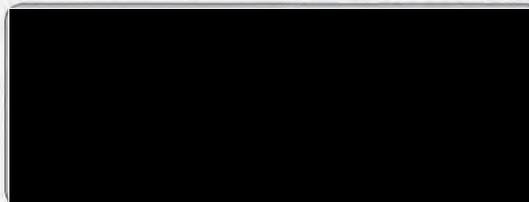
Thank you for your time.



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Organization (if applicable)
Add to mailing list YES NO
Withhold personal information YES NO
Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS:

There is only one route acceptable as far as I see it. The route along SR 74 approved by the Arizona Corporation Commission, is a designated multi-use corridor which allows for such utilities to be placed as the 500/230kV transmission line.

There does not seem to be any good why BLM won't amend its land use plan to be consistent with the ACC approved route.

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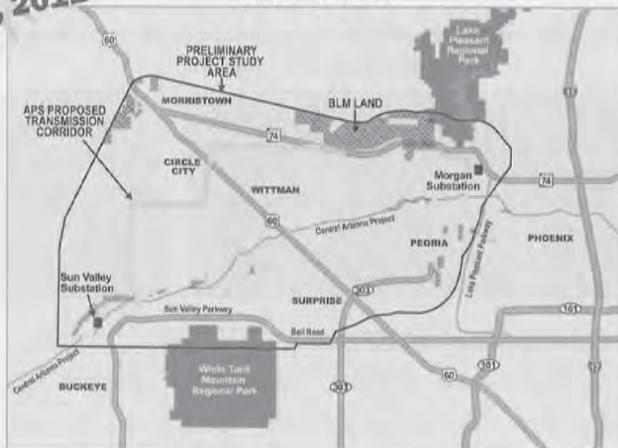
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MESSAGE: *The installation of power lines, in an already established neighborhood would create an adverse impact on property values.*

Any decrease in the already low property values would also tax revenues already impacted.

If a family makes a decision to purchase a home near existing power lines, that is their choice, but to put power lines into a neighborhood after the fact, this seems immoral and unethical.

Power lines also create health risks as well as obstruction to our beautiful scenery. Also this will create a disturbance to the local wildlife.

If you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact me directly.



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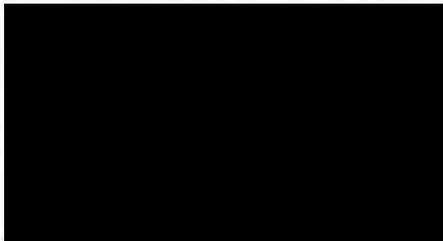
ATTN: BLM:

Dear Ms. Depukat and Mr. Incardine:

I have been a mathematics educator for over 30 years and have personally experienced the challenges with underfunding for schools, often having to purchase classroom supplies with my own money.

Should the APS power lines encroach on our Vistancia community, home values will be adversely affected on a permanent basis. Lower home values = lower tax revenues = even less funding for schools. Why is it that the actions of adults are so often detrimental to our children?

Please revise your Resource Management Plan to enable placement of the APS 500/250kV power lines along the north side of SR 74. This placement will ensure that future development of residential homes south of SR 74 and north of the Vistancia community will not be affected by lower property values, thus protecting funding for our schools. This is a logical and realistic request.



As a resident of Vistancia, I would like to see the power line follow SR 74 to the north side. The route we proposed at the last meeting in Peoria is my approved route. This way it is not affecting my line of sight in our community and seems to be the logical approach. The health risks are too high for the exposure of our children and grandchildren. My property value has gone down enough in the last two years. Let's get behind the route (not 74) that the majority of voting citizens stand behind!



5/15/2011

Attn: B.L.M. Phoenix District Office
Joe Incardine / Kathleen Depukat

I am a resident of Vistancia Village in
Peoria, AZ. I am very concerned about the
placement of the new power lines

S. Route #74 is not officially a scenic corridor
it isn't really that attractive either. I want
the new power lines to follow S.R. #74 on
the north side this is the only viable
location for these lines. We have expensive
homes with beautiful scenery & great
views your placement of these lines any-
where else will affect my property value
which has already decreased because of
the poor economy. Lower property values
hurt the city, the schools etc. We all
purchased more expensive homes here
because we love the wildlife & the ~~views~~
views please do not place these lines
anywhere else.

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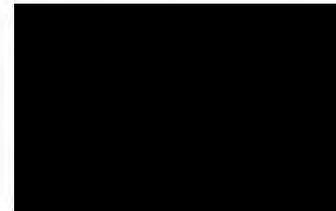
Comments:

I live in Circle City. There are many families here with children & pets if you run your towers here all our lives will be in danger. Our health is at risk there is high pitched noise that comes from the towers its would die if would affect our telephone satellite internet cause interruptions of all of these people become scantly sick from these. Also you want to put it along Hwy 74 that is historical scenic area it would ruin it. Lot of us did not receive the supposed by paperwork you sent out you did not want us to know about this please put it some where else.

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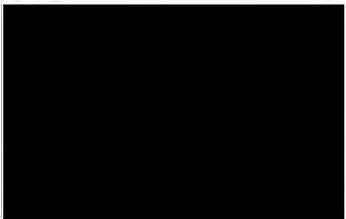
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Attn: Joe Incardine and Kathleen Depukat
Re: APS Sun Valley to Morgan 500/230kV Transmission Line Project

I am writing today to ask the BLM to review and revise the current Resource Management Plan in consideration of the request to place APS power distribution lines along the north side of SR 74 instead of through the Vistancia residential community.

There are numerous reasons why this request should be considered and adopted. First of all, I believe precedence and policy exemplify a logical approach to this type of situation which is to align transportation and utility corridors. It appears applying the same principle in this scenario is reasonable, especially when this approach is aligned with compatible use comparisons and may potentially be a cost effective option considering infrastructure concerns. Another factor is linked to public safety and health considerations. The United States National Council on Radiation Protection states there is much evidence that indicates electromagnetic radiation impacts long-term health. With that notion, it would be prudent to locate high voltage transmission lines away from family communities. In addition, APS, City of Peoria officials, the Arizona Corporation Commissioners, Congressional representatives and local residents have all been active in this decision process and agree that the most logical solution is line placement along SR 74. As a final note, I believe placement of the lines in an existing transportation corridor that is likely to expand in the future is the option that preserves the natural habitat and scenic aspects linked to the desert landscape of the area.

I appreciate your time and consideration in this request. I am confident that the BLM will revise the current Resource Management Plan to allow the placement of these high voltage transmission lines along the north side of SR 74 to preserve a family oriented community and protect our children's health and future.



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DATE: MAY 17, 2011

MESSAGE:

DEAR BLM OFFICIALS,

WE LIVE IN EAGLE RIDGE IN THE COMMUNITY OF VISTANCIA. WE SELECTED THIS COMMUNITY AFTER MUCH SEARCHING THROUGHOUT THE STATE OF AZ, BECAUSE OF ITS SCENIC BEAUTY. WE HAVE LIVED OUR WHOLE LIFE UP UNTIL THIS POINT, IN THE STATE OF NY. AFTER COMING HERE ON SEVERAL VACATIONS, WE FELL IN LOVE WITH THE MOUNTAINS AND ALL ARIZONA HAS TO OFFER. NOW, TO FIND OUT FOUR (4) SHORT YEARS AFTER MOVING TO VISTANCIA'S COMMUNITY, THAT THE BLM HAS INTENDED ALL ALONG TO PUT THESE HIDEOUS, HUGE POWER LINES RIGHT BEHIND EAGLE RIDGE, HAS US HUGE CONCERNED. WITH HOUSING PRICES PLUNGING ALREADY SINCE OUR PURCHASE IN 107, WHAT WILL THIS DO TO OUR HOUSE VALUES? LET ALONE THE SAFETY ISSUES I LIVE DAILY IN & AROUND OUR

community I often see the wild donkeys running throughout the areas surrounding the aqueduct. I am sure that will be ~~the~~ a thing in the past if these lines go in. To ride along Rt. 74, there is already power lines in existence as well as a new highway the 303. Wouldn't this make for a much better choice for these lines to be placed rather than in a scenic housing development? so many city officials, APS, AZ corporate commissioners & congressional representatives have voiced the same opinions about putting it along the SR74 corridor, yet BLM persists with its stubborn opinions as to why this won't work for them. So many health risks are being posed for families who live in this community as we have been told the proposed lines are the largest & most powerful in existence. Shouldn't this factor alone - be enough for the BLM to reconsider its location of choice. Do we need another 3 mile island?? Do the right thing for the people of Peoria, BLM. Consider the consequences to the life & well being of all that is involved in this discussion. In discussions of this magnitude, we rely on our government agencies to do the right thing.

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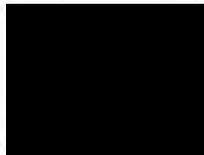
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MESSAGE:

I can't believe that APS may construct power towers through our beautiful community. We moved to Ustencia from New York for the beautiful mountain vistas behind our home where we hike & bike. Our property values have declined by 40% since we moved here in 2007. We cannot afford a further reduction and loss that these power lines will cost us. So the desert tortoise will be affected by APS power lines? What about the humans who live here? Is the tortoise more important than the multitude of wildlife we see on our hikes in the surrounding area of Ustencia?

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Please allow the APS to run to line, on the
8 miles of Blue land and avoid hardship and
destruction of our environment and community.



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May 16, 2011

Dear Sir and Madam,

The best corridor for the power lines is along State Route 74

For future reference, it is most logical to place power lines alongside highways. Why destroy pristine desert when the highway has already done the majority of the damage.

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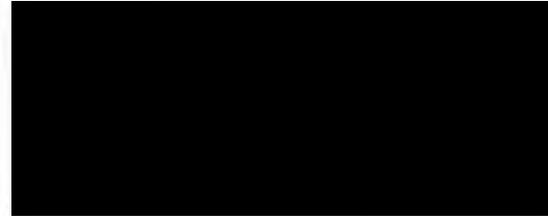
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Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS:

I SUPPORT THE APPROVED ROUTE FOR THIS PROJECT
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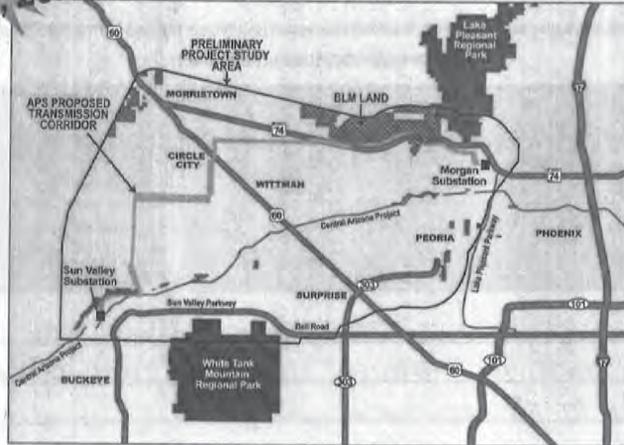
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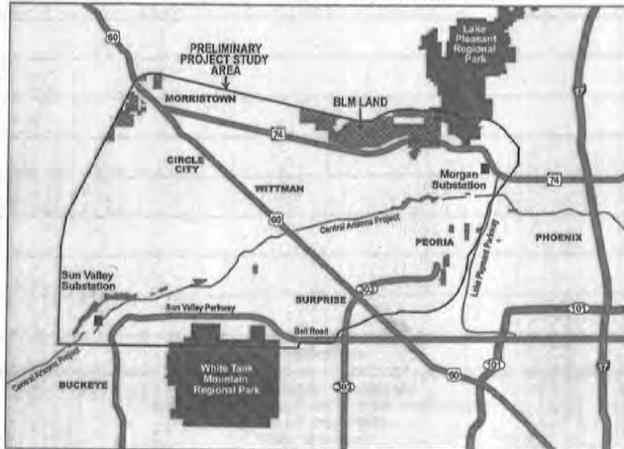
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RE: *Sun Valley to Morgan Scoping*

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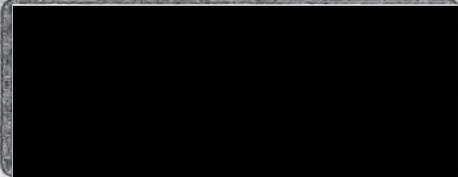
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ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT



Organization	
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Add to mailing list	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Withhold personal information	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshop?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

COMMENTS: We are in strong opposition to the proposed electrical transmission line going through public lands parallel to State Route 74 for the following reasons:

In 2000 BLM completed and published an 11 year Resource Management Plan ("RMP") for the area that includes the Public Land along Hwy 74. The RMP did not recommend using Hwy 74 as a utility corridor. Hwy 74 is not a designated utility corridor. The right-of-way request by APS seems driven only by political pressure from the residents of Vistancia and other land developers who employ a "not in my back yard" attitude. They seem concerned only with personal financial gain and the visual effect of the transmission line, rather than with the extreme environmental impact that it will have on this scenic corridor. Their objections are groundless as the lines will be visual wherever they may be placed. BLM clearly researched this issue for many years and its conclusions should not be modified due to political pressure. Hwy 74

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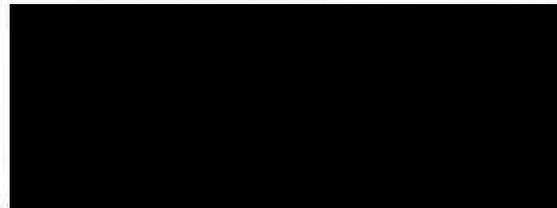
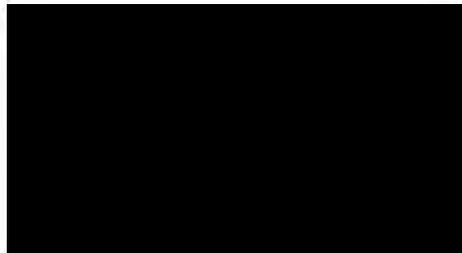
is a scenic highway. Modifying the electrical transmission line plan will interfere with the scenic highway. It will also jeopardize the sensitive wildlife and environmental habitat of the area, as confirmed by BLM in its RMP. The new proposal was actually the third alternative in the original RMP. There is no reason to alter the well-researched and low impact to the plan that was the BLM's first alternative.

Please put the APS Power Lines along the
SR 74 .

Thank you.

BLM

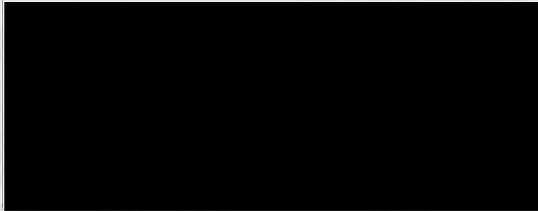
Please place the APS power lines on
the north side of SR 74. Our property
values will stay the same, hopefully, but
at least they would not go down.



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 Add to mailing list YES NO
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 Would you like to participate in the Economic Strategies Workshops? YES NO

COMMENTS:

Use alternate route along CAP + go under Luke Air Force Auxilliary field restricted area
 OR

Just use existing routes. The risk of a wild fire bringing down the power is relatively small, The cost of in terms of aesthetic value + property values decreasing is greater than the risk of power failure.

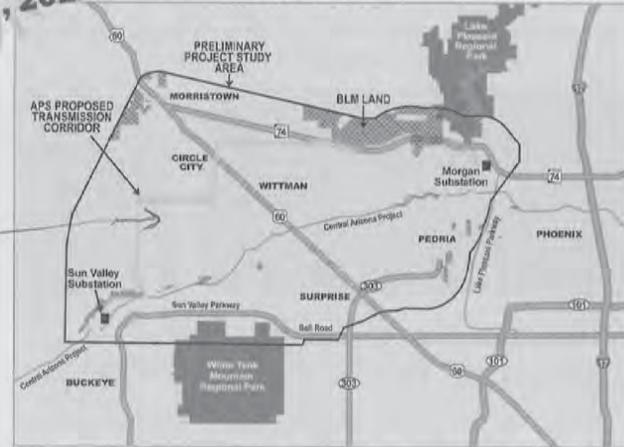
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My house is here

Do you have a suggested alternative?



Use CAP route

OR existing routes

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Lowest PROPERTY VALUES + LOWEST
PAYMENTS WILL HURT SCHOOL
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From: [Ellen Carr](#)
To: [Meredith Griffin](#); [Amy Jerome](#)
Cc: [Chris Garbo](#)
Subject: FW: APS Sun Valley to Morgan Transmission Lines
Date: Monday, June 06, 2011 12:39:25 PM

This email and a few to follow still fall into scoping based on the time received by BLM.

-----Original Message-----

From: dgodfrey@blm.gov [<mailto:dgodfrey@blm.gov>] On Behalf Of SunValley-Morgan@blm.gov
Sent: Monday, June 06, 2011 11:47 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: kdepukat@blm.gov; jincardi@blm.gov; ellen.carr@galileoaz.com
Subject: Re: APS Sun Valley to Morgan Transmission Lines

Ms. Wojciechowicz,
Thank you for your comments concerning the proposed APS Sun Valley to Morgan transmission line. The comments will be included in the project record and considered by the Bureau of Land Management as it evaluates the project's potential environmental impacts on public lands.

Dennis Godfrey
Public Affairs Specialist/Arizona State Office/Bureau of Land Management
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05/27/2011 11:00 AM cc
Subject
APS Sun Valley to Morgan
Transmission Lines

The route I want is the one approved by The AZ Corporation Commission north of State Highway 74.

Thank you,



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May 14, 2011

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Re: APS Sun Valley to Morgan 500/230 kV Transmission Line Project

Dear Sir or Madame:

The placement of the transmission lines on the north side of SR 74 is vital to the Vistancia Community for not only our overall property values, but also for the continued growth of the whole Vistancia development project. As a homeowner and a rental owner within this community, I have a vested interest in seeing it prosper. I fully believe that placing those lines on the north side of SR 74 is the best solution for our continued community development and our property values. Under most situations you have the NYMBY (Not In My Back Yard) no win scenario, in this instance you do not have that issue, the win is on the north side of SR 74 since that has the least impact to a very large already in progress community versus the largely untouched north side of SR 74.

Thank you for your consideration on this issue.

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