

EARLY ALERT

TO: BLM Arizona State Director, Ray Suazo

THROUGH: Hassayampa Field Manager, Rem Hawes

FROM: Phoenix District Manager (Acting), Patrick Putnam

SUBJECT: Yavapai County Resolution for Skull Valley Area Mine

WHAT: The Yavapai County Supervisor will be submitting a county resolution for consideration at the June 1 meeting of the Board of Supervisors. The resolution calls on the BLM to conduct a public review process, environmental analysis, and prepare an Environmental Assessment (EA) at the site of the proposed Skull Valley area mineral materials operation. At the community meeting on May 21, 116 people were present and mostly in opposition to the proposal. It is due to substantive issues that were raised at the community meeting, and the overwhelming response that BLM will conduct an EA. The county resolution supports this BLM strategy.

WHO: Yavapai County Supervisor Rowle Simmon's staff contacted BLM

WHEN: 5:19 pm on May 24, 2015.

WHERE: Skull Valley, Arizona is the proposed site of the volcanic tuff stockpile removal mine. The June 1 Board of Supervisors meeting will take place in Prescott, AZ.

BACKGROUND: Rem Hawes spoke with the Supervisor at length about the issue, and the draft resolution does reflect what was discussed about the NEPA process. It provides support for the EA process BLM would follow and our purpose for meeting with the company on May 21.

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