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General Comment

Proceeding with the Saguaro Project would be a short-sighted and irresponsible decision with far-reaching consequences. This project poses a direct threat to irreplaceable environmental resources, particularly the delicate desert ecosystem that supports the iconic Saguaro cactus—a symbol of resilience and a critical habitat for countless species. Once disrupted, these ecosystems cannot be restored, and the biodiversity loss will be permanent.

Beyond the environmental damage, the project disregards the concerns of local communities whose voices have been marginalized in the decision-making process. Their livelihoods, cultural heritage, and quality of life are being sacrificed for a project that serves narrow commercial interests rather than the public good.

Moreover, the Saguaro Project reflects an outdated approach to development that ignores the urgent realities of climate change, water scarcity, and the global imperative to invest in sustainable, forward-thinking infrastructure. Moving ahead with this project would lock us into harmful practices at a time when responsible stewardship of natural resources is not optional—it is a moral and economic necessity.

In the face of overwhelming evidence and community opposition, advancing the Saguaro Project is not only incorrect; it is indefensible.

Take into account the following:

1. The Saguaro Project is a deliberate assault on an ecosystem that took thousands of years to evolve—and once destroyed, it will be gone forever. This project bulldozes through fragile habitats, threatening the Saguaro cactus and countless species that depend on it. You cannot mitigate irreversible ecological damage. No amount of corporate greenwashing will change that fact.
2. Local communities are being steamrolled for corporate profit, while their water, land, and future are being treated as disposable. The people who live in the project's shadow have been excluded from meaningful dialogue. Their health, livelihoods, and cultural heritage are being sacrificed for short-term economic gain that benefits outsiders, not the community.
3. Approving this project is a reckless betrayal of climate responsibility, locking us into destructive practices when we should be leading on sustainability.

At a time when climate-driven droughts and resource scarcity are escalating, this project represents an outdated, dangerous model of development. It ignores the reality of a planet in crisis, prioritizing profit over planetary survival.

Do not make any more irresponsible and irreparable ecological damage. The oil industry and the politicians who have allowed themselves to be corrupted have done enough irreparable damage.