

Letter sent to ADOT in December 2007

As an Arizona voter, I am embarrassed to know that a government that I was involved in shaping is even considering a bypass that would in any way adversely affect the San Pedro River valley, an environmentally precious area by any stretch of the imagination. A government agency that would consider such an outrageous concept is obviously far, far out of touch with sensitive environmental issues and out of touch with the values of the citizens of this state, and especially out of touch with the citizens of Cochise County and other San Pedro River area. Should you decide to proceed with a project that in any way adversely affects the San Pedro River valley, I will join with other concerned citizens and groups to resist this project in every way possible. I urge you in the strongest terms to avoid further embarrassing Arizona state government and immediately cease consideration of any bypass proposal that would intersect with the San Pedro River valley other than possibly widening existing I-10, if that is found to be necessary. Please strive to avoid further congesting and impacting and adding to traffic through southeastern Arizona, a wonderfully pristine and precious rural area that hopefully will remain so forever.

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