

# AGENDA MATERIAL

DATE 12-16-25 ITEM NO. RA13

**Matt Felix**

**From:** Gary Petersen [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 11, 2025 5:08 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail

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Thank you for getting an ordinance together to limit future traffic on santa Rita road coming from copperworld as a family man with 13 family members on the same street in sahuarita heights and me a retired senior with copd it means a lot to all of us and all people on the east side of the valley that will be impacted by air quality and the water they will be using from the deep wells they have in our area.

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**From:** Jean Martin [REDACTED]  
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Thank you.

Jean Martin  
838 W Calle Calca  
Sahuarita, AZ. 85629

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**From:** Jean Martin [REDACTED]  
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**Subject:** Vote yes

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Jean Martin  
Sahuarita, AZ. 85629  
Sent from my iPhone

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**From:** Donna Bergsgaard [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 11, 2025 5:41 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Restrict or better yet stop the truck traffic at copper mine

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Please stop the madness of more copper mining in Green Valley. Every morning there is an 1/8 inch of dust on our countertops from mine dust that is too small to filter. We cough all day. Allowing many trucks on the roads will severely impact our area and cause even more accidents. You owe a duty to protect the mountains from irreversible mining damage. Please, please do whatever you can to refuse this. Support us local people not big foreign corporations. Thank you.

Donna Bergsgaard  
1231 W Placita de la Cotonia  
Green Valley, AZ 85622

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**From:** Roger Rushlow [REDACTED]  
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**To:** COB\_mail  
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Thank you  
Roger Rushlow  
967 West Mt Stone Dr  
Green Valley AZ 85614

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Thank you,

Madeline Vernalia  
Green Valley, AZ 85622

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**From:** GT [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 11, 2025 5:48 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Members of the Board of Supervisors

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Pass ordinance No. 2025-32. There is nothing that is more important to the voters of Pima County than the quality of our air.

Protect the voters of Pima County now. This is legislation that, actually, should have been in place years ago to protect the public.

It's not too late, unless you are not interested in the quality of life of your voters.

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**From:** Clarence Chaplin [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 11, 2025 5:51 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Restrict Truck Traffic on unpaved roads across Pima County

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Thank you,

Clarence Chaplin  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Renée Neumann [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 11, 2025 5:54 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Please vote Yes on Ordinance #2025-32

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Attn: Members of the Board of Supervisors --

Respectfully,

It is urgent that you require permits and limit the amount of heavy truck traffic on unpaved county roads, especially the southeast portion of Santa Rita Road.

Such an ordinance will improve air quality countywide and help Pima County meet federal clean air standards.

Several months ago, on a day when my house windows were open, I felt like my breathing was constricted. On going outside I saw what looked like thick, yellowish fog over the Santa Rita River valley in Green Valley.

But it wasn't fog: **It was severe dust pollution!** And from my home on the west side of Green Valley you could clearly see it emanated from the new unpaved roads to the Santa Rita Mountains that go to the new mining site. It was clear to the north, but the dust from those roads going to the southeast lay like a heavy blanket over the valley. It was beyond horrible!

I have seen the same on a number of days since then, although not quite as severe as that day.

On very clear, dry mornings I can see the dust coming off the road from vehicles going up or down the mountain. (That road can be clearly seen from the front/ east side of my home.)

I am an active, healthy person with no history of lung/breathing problems.  
**THIS SITUATION IS AN ONGOING HEALTH HAZARD FOR ALL OF US  
HOMEOWNERS/RESIDENTS IN GREEN VALLEY.**

We must NOT allow corporate greed to supersede our health.

You **MUST** do the maximum of whatever is in your power to minimize that dust from that unpaved county road to the mountain mine.

Our health depends on it.

Or just find a way to shut down the damn mine completely.

Expecting you to do the right thing,

Renée Neumann

homeowner/resident since 2006

Green Valley, AZ

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**From:** earl frank [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 11, 2025 5:57 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Pima Mine Ordinance

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Please vote yes to limit the truck traffic in our most beautiful desert. A multinational corporation should not be able to negatively alter our desert that is a treasure for our children, grandchildren and further generations.

Sincerely,  
Earl Frank  
1085 W. Calle Alhambra  
Green Valley

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**From:** Alana Behrens [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 11, 2025 5:56 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Ordinance No. 2025-32

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Thank you,

Alana Behrens, MD  
Emergency Medicine  
She/Her

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**From:** Luanne [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 11, 2025 5:59 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Vote YES 2025-2032

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Dear Board of Supervisors, I Respectfully ask you to Vote YES to limit truck traffic on unpaved roads in Pima County. Thank You, Sincerely, Luanne Gegeanis 6942 E Camino del Toro Sahuarita AZ 85629

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**From:** Carissa Sipp [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 11, 2025 5:59 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** RE: Support of Ordinance No. 2025-32 to regulate certain unpaved county roads to maintain health standards for Air Quality

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Both of my children suffer from asthma and I myself have atrial fibrillation in which high VOC, PM2.5, 10 concentrations (including high ozone days) impact our health. Ozone cannot be filter and therefore burns and alters the DNA of growing children's lungs. There is so much at risk if this Ordinance is not passed.

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Thank you,

Carissa Sipp

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**From:** Beth Dingman [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 11, 2025 6:01 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Vote yes - Ordinance No. 2025-32

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Thank you,  
Beth Dingman  
Green Valley

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**Sent:** Thursday, December 11, 2025 6:01 PM  
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Joan Fritzler

Green Valley, AZ

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**Sent:** Thursday, December 11, 2025 6:04 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Truck traffic on unpaved roads

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Thank you,

Christine Sipp

4501 e 8th st

Tucson az

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John C. Murphy

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Dear Members of the Board of Supervisors:

California's Inyo County is facing a parallel situation . K2 Gold's goal, not yet formally stated but obvious, is an open pit cyanide heap leach mine. It would dig a deep, multi-square mile hole in the ground. In untouched un-redeemable wilderness quality ground. K2's motivation? Purely for the promoter's benefit. K2 has been pecking away for ten or so years, as has Hudbay. They are both persistent.

A hundred years from now observers will wonder what happened. Old-timers will respond - 'Well it seemed like a good idea at the time.'

A thousand years from now, ....?

A million years from now....?

The short-term, year-measured benefit cannot balance the long-term geologic-time-measured tragedy.

Regards,  
Tom Budlong  
Los Angeles

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I strongly support Pima County’s steadfast opposition to Copper World for nearly two decades culminating in October with the county’s fourth resolution opposing open pit mining in the Santa Rita Mountains.

Please vote yes on Ordinance No. 2025-32 and save our health from uncontrolled dust pollution caused by heavy trucks and save our mountains and water supplies for future generations.

Thank you,

## Matt Felix

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**From:** chris sipp [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 11, 2025 6:16 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Restrict truck traffic on unpaved roads

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Clerk of the Pima County Board of Supervisors  
130 W. Congress St.  
Tucson, AZ 85701

RE: Support of Ordinance No. 2025-32 to regulate certain unpaved county roads to maintain health standards for Air Quality

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Thank you,

Joseph Sipp  
4501 e 8th st  
Tucson az  
Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPad

**Matt Felix**

**From:** Izetta Feeny [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 11, 2025 6:28 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Ordinance 2025-32

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To members of the Board of Supervisors,

Please support ordinance 2025-32 and limit trucks on unpaved roads. The dust they raise is hazardous to people, wildlife and plants.

Judith Izetta Feeny  
3450 W Flying Diamond Drive, Tucson. Az 85742

**Matt Felix**

**From:** Holly Rankin [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 11, 2025 6:30 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** stop the dust pollution  
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COB\_mail@pima.gov

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Please vote yes on Ordinance No. 2025-32 and save our health from uncontrolled dust pollution caused by heavy trucks and save our mountains and water supplies for future generations. No dust from mining trucks. It’s killing us.

Thank you,

Holly Rankin

## Matt Felix

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Arizona is Arizona. Beauty every where. For now, mostly clean air. Many people come to this state

due to it's healthier environment. Corporation don't care about the people of Arizona. I urge you to care about the people of our state.

Please vote yes on Ordinance No. 2025-32 and save our health from uncontrolled dust pollution caused by heavy trucks and save our mountains and water supplies for future generations. Air pollution, noise pollution, destroying our beautiful area, sucking out our water supply, are all detrimental to the area.

Thank you,  
Peter Bisschop, Tucson East

**Matt Felix**

**From:** Bill Stanzel [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 11, 2025 6:50 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail

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Please vote yes on 2025-32. A Pima County resident, and concerned about this issue. Thank you.

## Matt Felix

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**From:** B Brown [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 11, 2025 6:52 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Please vote yes on Ordinance No. 2025-32

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RE: Support of Ordinance No. 2025-32 to regulate certain unpaved county roads to maintain health standards for Air Quality

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**Please vote yes on Ordinance No. 2025-32** and save our health from uncontrolled dust pollution caused by heavy trucks and save our mountains and water supplies for future generations.

Thank you, Bill Brown  
AZ 85622-4818

## Matt Felix

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**From:** Donya Meggs [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 11, 2025 6:51 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Please vote YES on Ordinance No. 2025-32!

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Please VOTE YES on Ordinance No. 2025-32 and save our health from uncontrolled dust pollution caused by heavy trucks and save our mountains and water supplies for future generations. It is *crucial* to vote YES in order to place the needs of current and future citizens above the narrow business interests opposing this ordinance.

In the 35 years that I have lived in Tucson, I have frequently greatly benefited from multiple areas of the Santa Rita mountains, so I understand firsthand how important these mountains are. We need to protect them as well as our health while we negotiate copper needs- sacrificing either our health or the mountains is simply not acceptable! We can find better creative solutions without the biased sway of a foreign businesses MUCH more concerned about their profits than preserving health and natural environmental benefits of the area for local residents. YOU all have the power to offer some protection by voting YES on this ordinance. I ask that you make your vote with our citizens in mind!

Sincerely

Shirley Donya Meggs

2214 E. 17th St.

Tucson, Arizona 85719

## Matt Felix

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**From:** Cathy Williams [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 11, 2025 6:59 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Pass Ordinance No. 2025-32

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130 W. Congress St.  
Tucson, AZ 85701

[COB\\_mail@pima.gov](mailto:COB_mail@pima.gov)

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Please vote yes on Ordinance No. 2025-32 and save our health from uncontrolled dust pollution caused by heavy trucks and save our mountains and water supplies for future generations.

Thank you,

Catherine Williams  
2249 E. 2nd St.  
Tucson, AZ 85719

## Matt Felix

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**From:** Nina [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 11, 2025 7:12 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail

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Dear Members of the Board of Supervisors,

I am wholeheartedly in favor of ordinance 2025-32 because it will help maintain health standards for our air quality. I am a local physician, fellowship trained at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, and for the 45 years I have been in healthcare, early cancer detection and reduction of cancer risk have been my top priorities.

When heavy trucks kick up dirt on unpaved roads, we unknowingly breathe in very tiny dust particles, which make their way down deep into our lungs reaching our tiny air sacs (alveoli). Being so tiny, these particles may not stimulate a cough to get rid of them and so they stay lodged in the air sacs, where they can damage immune cells, induce inflammation and oxidative stress, and impair lung function. This can lead to chronic lung conditions such as asthma, obstructive pulmonary disease, and bronchitis. This can also lead to lung cancer. It is at the level of the air sacs where gas exchange takes place - oxygen in and carbon dioxide out. Tiny dust particles can then travel out of our lungs via the bloodstream and lodge in other organs, where they also damage immune cells and induce inflammation and oxidative stress and put us at risk for organ dysfunction and cancer.

Air pollution is the second leading cause of lung cancer and the sixth leading cause of death and disease worldwide. A pregnant woman breathing in polluted air can unknowingly cause damage to her fetus, leading to health effects that can last a lifetime. A child's exposure to air pollution can result in a diagnosis of cancer decades later. Cancer is now the leading cause of death in the United States in young adults between 15 and 39.

Air pollution from dust emissions is analogous to how microplastics, also very tiny particles, can adversely affect our health and lead to cancer. At least we have some control over our ingestion of microplastics. But we cannot control how many microplastics nor how many tiny dust particles we breathe in. The answer is not to get these potentially toxic particles in our air in the first place.

We are relying on the Board of Supervisors to protect the air we breathe. Air is in the public domain and we have the right to breathe clean air.

Chemical treatment of unpaved roads is not a safe answer to manage dust emissions. There are more than 150 varieties of chemical treatments on the market. Most lack formal specifications, do not adhere to environmental testing requirements, and require annual applications. Companies that use heavy trucks might

tell you that the products they use are biodegradable, clean or natural, and environmentally sustainable. They and the product manufacturers know all the buzz words.

We do not want an unreliable and likely dangerous chemical treatment used to tamp down unpaved roads. We must consider the potential risk for contamination of our groundwater and the poisoning of our vegetation and wildlife. Preventing dust emissions with an ordinance to regulate certain unpaved county roads is essential to protect our lungs, the purity of our groundwater, and the safety of our vegetation and wildlife.

I strongly urge the Board of Supervisors to pass ordinance 2025-32. We are relying on you to maintain healthy air quality for all of us.

Sincerely,

Nina Luxenberg, MD  
Volunteer with Save the Scenic Santa Ritas and No Copper World

## Matt Felix

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**From:** D.M. Burke [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 11, 2025 7:35 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** YES on Ordinance No. 2025-32

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130 W. Congress St.  
Tucson, AZ 85701

RE: Support of Ordinance No. 2025-32 to regulate certain unpaved county roads to maintain health standards for Air Quality

Dear Members of the Board of Supervisors:

I strongly urge you to pass Ordinance No. 2025-32 to restrict truck traffic on unpaved roads across Pima County. This ordinance is crucial to protecting the public's health from dust generated by heavy commercial trucks.

Toronto-based Hudbay Minerals is vehemently against the ordinance, telling the Arizona Daily Star it would have a significant impact on the proposed Copper World mine. Hudbay intends to construct a series of open pit mines that will destroy the northern half of the Santa Rita Mountains to export copper overseas.

I strongly support Pima County's steadfast opposition to Copper World for nearly two decades culminating in October with the county's fourth resolution opposing open pit mining in the Santa Rita Mountains.

**Please vote YES on Ordinance No. 2025-32 and save our health from uncontrolled dust pollution caused by heavy trucks and save our mountains and water supplies for future generations.**

Thank you,  
Joseph & Donna Burke  
18361 S. Camino Chuboso  
Vail, AZ 85641

## Matt Felix

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**From:** Madelyn Cook [REDACTED]  
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130 W. Congress St.

Tucson, AZ 85701

RE:Support of Ordinance No. 2025-32 to regulate certain unpaved county roads to maintain health standards for Air Quality

Dear Members of the Board of Supervisors:

I strongly urge you to pass Ordinance No. 2025-32 restricting truck traffic on unpaved roads across Pima County. This ordinance is needed to prevent dust generated by heavy commercial trucks, which would impact public health and safety.

Parts of Pima County are in violation of federal clean air standards and reducing dust from heavy trucks is a major proactive commitment by the Board to protect public health.

Hudbay Minerals, a Canadian based company, is vehemently against the ordinance, telling the Arizona Daily Star it would have a “significant impact” on the proposed Copper World mine. Hudbay intends to construct a series of open pit mines that will destroy the northern half of the Santa Rita Mountains to export copper overseas.

Business interests are rallying behind Hudbay and opposing the ordinance. The Arizona Trucking Association has sent threatening letters to the County overstating the facts and claiming the ordinance could result in bankrupting the County.

I strongly support Pima County's steadfast opposition to Copper World!

Please vote yes on Ordinance No. 2025-32 and save our health from uncontrolled dust pollution caused by heavy trucks and save our mountains and water supplies for future generations.

Thank you,

Madelyn Cook

Pima County resident since 1989

**Matt Felix**

**From:** sj pevarnik [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 11, 2025 7:52 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Bill 2025-35

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Hello, as a resident of Pima county, I am very encouraged that there might be a limitation on road use by Hudbay Minerals. I would urge you please to vote Yes on the bill 2025-35. I thank you for your consideration as all of us living in this beautiful area will be affected. Sincerely,

Joan Pevarnik  
781 n slate  
Vail az 85641

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## Matt Felix

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**From:** Dan Hunt [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 11, 2025 7:54 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** RE: Support of Ordinance No. 2025-32 to regulate certain unpaved county roads to maintain health standards for Air Quality

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Tucson, AZ 85701

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Hudbay Minerals (not even based in the US) is vehemently against the ordinance, complaining that it would have an impact on the proposed Copper World mine. Hudbay intends to construct a series of open pit mines that will destroy the northern half of the Santa Rita Mountains to export copper overseas.

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Regards,  
Dan Hunt

## Matt Felix

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**From:** gvjudith [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 11, 2025 7:57 PM  
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Thank you,  
Judith LeClair, Green Valley resident since March, 2000

## Matt Felix

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**From:** Greg Line [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 11, 2025 7:56 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Support of Ordinance No. 2025-32

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Thank you,

Greg Line  
1903 E Desert Lark Pass  
Green Valley, AZ

85614

## Matt Felix

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**From:** betty king [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 11, 2025 8:06 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
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Thank you,

**Betty King**

## Matt Felix

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**From:** Mike Ingram [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 11, 2025 8:11 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Support of Ordinance 2025-32

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Re Support of Proposed Ordinance 2025-32 to regulate truck traffic on dirt roads

I strongly support the passage of this ordinance by the Board of Supervisors.

High speed big truck traffic on dirt roads like Santa Rita road is a hazard to other users of the roads and to public health due to the dust being thrown up.

Personally I have had some close calls on Santa Rita road because of Hudbay's trucks. They speed and they act like they own the road and it is impossible to see where you are going after they go by.

Please pass Ordinance No 2025-32 It's a small step in the right direction to bring this under control.

Mike Ingram  
3232 W Ruthann Road  
Tucson AZ 85745

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## Matt Felix

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**From:** Kathy Juracka [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 11, 2025 8:11 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Support of Ordinance No. 2025-32 to regulate certain unpaved county roads to maintain health standards for Air Quality

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Please vote yes on Ordinance No. 2025-32 and save our health from uncontrolled dust pollution caused by heavy trucks and save our mountains and water supplies for future generations.

Thank you,  
Kathleen L Juracka  
4292 N Rillito Creek Place  
Tucson, AZ. 85719  
Sent from my iPhone

## Matt Felix

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**From:** Jean L Liedl [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 11, 2025 8:42 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Support of Ordinance No. 2025-32 AIR QUALITY

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Thank you,  
Jean Liedl  
Green Valley AZ

**Matt Felix**

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**From:** Scott Coverdale [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 11, 2025 8:49 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Ordinance 2025-32

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Dear Ms. Manriquez--

I would like to voice my hope and expectation that the county board of supervisors is going to adopt ordinance 2025-32 that would help protect air quality and environmental integrity of the Santa Rita mountains. As southern Arizonans, we have no obligations to sell our environmental quality to industries whose only interest is to extract resources as profitably as possible and then leave a mess behind. Those corporations do not live here. They care about one thing only, and it's not air quality or groundwater or a healthy ecosystem. Those of us who call this place home should have the right to choose who is allowed to extract resources from our environment, and I think that it's pretty clear to our elected representatives that we care more for our environmental quality than we care for corporate profits. Controlling heavy truck traffic on dirt roads is just one small measure that we can take in the larger effort to protect our irreplaceable ecological home.

signed, a resident of Pima County,

Scott Coverdale

## Matt Felix

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**From:** Susan Willis [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 11, 2025 10:38 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Support of Ordinance No. 2025-32 to regulate certain unpaved county roads to maintain health standards for Air Quality

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Dec. 11, 2025

Ms. Melissa Manriquez

Clerk of the Pima County Board of Supervisors

130 W. Congress St.

Tucson, AZ 85701

[COB\\_mail@pima.gov](mailto:COB_mail@pima.gov)

RE: Support of Ordinance No. 2025-32 to regulate certain unpaved county roads to maintain health standards for Air Quality

Dear Members of the Board of Supervisors:

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I highly commend Pima County’s steadfast opposition to Copper World for nearly two decades culminating in October with the county’s fourth resolution opposing open pit mining in the Santa Rita Mountains.

Please vote yes on Ordinance No. 2025-32 and save our health from uncontrolled dust pollution caused by heavy trucks and save our mountains and water supplies for future generations.

Thank you,

Susan Willis

3275 E Pima St #2

Tucson AZ 85716

## Matt Felix

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**From:** Sarah Willer <cactuswren@riseup.net>  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 11, 2025 11:01 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** YES on Ordinance No. 2025-32

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December 11, 2025

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Clerk of the Pima County Board of Supervisors

130 W. Congress St.

Tucson, AZ 85701

COB\_mail@pima.gov

### **RE: YES on Ordinance No. 2025-32 – regulate certain unpaved county roads**

Dear Members of the Board of Supervisors:

I strongly urge you to vote **YES to PASS Ordinance No. 2025-32**. Restrict truck traffic on unpaved roads! Thwart Hudbay's planned destruction of our mountains, air and water!

Toronto-based Hudbay Minerals is campaigning to defeat this ordinance. They say this would have a "significant impact" on their planned destruction of the northern Santa Rita Mountains to mine copper for export. Allied business interests like Arizona Trucking Association are claiming this ordinance could "bankrupt" the county.

Hudbay does not deserve our trust. They regularly violate environmental regulations with poisonous mining releases and lie about the toxic consequences. They have a history of brutality against their opponents when they think they can get away with it. Hudbay whistles a fine tune, but they sell a devil's bargain. These rich and powerful mining companies are all the same: They promise to bring wealth, and some people do benefit for a short span. But in their wake these mines leave a path of destruction and a zone of death. Time after time, it's the public—US!—who gets stuck with the bill. Fines of a few tens of thousands or hundreds of thousands are impotent to contain the environmental and community damage these mines cause.

If we will not protect the earth, who will protect us? Who will protect us from depleted, poisoned water and air?

I strongly support Pima County's steadfast opposition to Copper World and opposition to open pit mining in the Santa Rita Mountains.

Please vote yes on Ordinance No. 2025-32. It's a logical move to protect our public health and natural wealth.

Thank you,

Sarah Willer

Pima County Resident and Business Owner

## Matt Felix

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**From:** NANCY THORNES [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 11, 2025 11:06 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Support of Ordinance No. 2025-32 to regulate certain unpaved county roads to maintain health standards for Air Quality

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130 W. Congress St.  
Tucson, AZ 85701

[COB\\_mail@pima.gov](mailto:COB_mail@pima.gov)

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Thank you,

Nancy Thornes

## Matt Felix

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**From:** NANCY THORNES [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 11, 2025 11:13 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
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130 W. Congress St.  
Tucson, AZ 85701

COB\_mail@pima.gov

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Thank you,

Nancy Thornes  
c/o 16553 S.Mann Avenue  
Sahuarita, Arizona

## Matt Felix

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**From:** Crystal Richt [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 11, 2025 11:27 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** RE: Support of Ordinance No. 2025-32 to regulate certain unpaved county roads to maintain health standards for Air Quality

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December 11, 2025  
Ms. Melissa Manriquez  
Clerk of the Pima County Board of Supervisors  
130 W. Congress Street  
Tucson, AZ 85701  
Via Email: [COB\\_mail@pima.gov](mailto:COB_mail@pima.gov)

RE:Support of Ordinance No. 2025-32 to regulate certain unpaved county roads to maintain health standards for Air Quality

Dear Ms. Manriquez: I cannot express how strongly I support passage of Ordinance No. 2025-32 to regulate certain unpaved county roads to maintain health standards for air quality at the Dec. 16, 2025 Board of Supervisors meeting!

It is imperative that the county close a loophole that has allowed businesses to operate an unlimited number of heavy trucks across unpaved roads that can negatively impact air quality.

Heavy trucks generate five to 10 times the amount of airborne dust from unpaved roads compared with passenger cars. This dust can contain dangerous contaminants that can cause lung infections that can lead to serious and fatal disease.

As a Tucson resident for nearly all my life (over thirty years), I have been exposed to dust and dirt a lot over the years. I have recently come into respiratory issues in which I often cannot exert myself outside without wheezing, and have nodules recently discovered on my lungs. The slightest pollutant impacts me now and I can feel it instantly when exposed to air pollutants like smoke or kicked up dust and dirt from vehicles in the area, a common occurrence. I was recently prescribed an inhaler and have to get repeat inhalers as it still continues to feel like it's worsening. The idea of our county taking measures to protect the health and well being of our community and Pima residents suffering with similar ailments is heartening. Please consider us on the 16th.

Reducing the amount of airborne dust caused by heavy trucks traveling across unpaved county roads is a proactive measure Supervisors can take to improve the quality of life throughout Pima County. Please pass Ordinance No. 2025-32.

Thank you,

Crystal Richt  
2702 E Mabel St

## Matt Felix

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**From:** Matt, Holly & Ariel Finstrom <bambooranch@juno.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 11, 2025 11:41 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Support of Ordinance No. 2025-32 to regulate certain unpaved county roads to maintain health standards for Air Quality

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Dear Clerk and Members of the Board:

I strongly support Ordinance No. 2025-32 to regulate truck traffic on unpaved roads in Pima County.

Please vote in support.

The mines are bad enough. Let them do this one small thing.

Thank you

Holly Finstrom  
1901 N Avenida Azahar  
Tucson AZ 85745

Member: SSSR, TMA, Sierra Club, Tucson Bird Alliance, Coalition for Sonoran Desert Protection, Center for Biological Diversity

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**From:** Anuj Gupta [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, December 12, 2025 3:48 AM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Santa Rita mountains

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Dec. 12, 2025

Ms. Melissa Manriquez  
Clerk of the Pima County Board of Supervisors  
130 W. Congress St.  
Tucson, AZ 85701

**RE: *Support of Ordinance No. 2025-32 to regulate certain unpaved county roads to maintain health standards for Air Quality***

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Thank you,

Anuj Gupta

Sent from my iPhone

## Matt Felix

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**From:** Ellen O'Brien [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, December 12, 2025 4:43 AM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** ORDINANCE 2025-32

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PLEASE VOTE "YES". This is important to folks in Sahuarita.

David and Ellen O'Brien  
Sahuarita, AZ

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**Matt Felix**

**From:** Jim Harter [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, December 12, 2025 4:57 AM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Hudbay mine

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I am very concerned about the amount of dust that will be created by the anticipated truck traffic over the dirt road.

Valley fever is a real concern !

## Matt Felix

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**From:** Laurel Kracen <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Friday, December 12, 2025 5:44 AM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Support of Ordinance No. 2025-32

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Ms. Ms. Melissa Marquez

Clerk of the County Board of Supervisors

130 We. Congress

Tucson, AZ 85701

RE: Support of Ordinance No. 2025-32 to regulate certain unpaved county roads to maintain health standards for Air Quality

Dear Members of the Board of Supervisors:

I am a regular hiker and the Santa Rita Mountains are some of the best hiking terrain and trails in our county. As such, I am very concerned about the amount of truck traffic affecting the beauty, air quality and recreational use of these mountains.

I strongly urge you to pass Ordinance No. 2025-32 that would restrict truck traffic on unpaved roads across Pima County. This ordinance is crucial to protecting the public's health from dust generated by heavy commercial trucks.

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Thank you,

Laurel Kracen  
Hiker, member: Southern Arizona Hiking Club, and Pima County Trails Board  
11023 E Placita Cumbia  
Tucson, AZ 85730

**Matt Felix**

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, December 12, 2025 5:50 AM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Members of the Board of Supervisors

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I strongly urge you to pass Ordinance No. 2025-32 that would restrict truck traffic on unpaved roads across Pima County. This is our HOME!!! It's not a place of unlimited and out of control mining by foreign companies!!

Thank you.

David Gamrath  
3391 S Placita Del Esconces  
Green Valley, AZ 85622

## Matt Felix

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**From:** Jack Mattox [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, December 12, 2025 6:02 AM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Support Ordinance 2025-32

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Members of the Board:

We believe that it is imperative that you curtail truck traffic on unpaved roads. The air pollution that is now generated and will become so much worse if the mine goes into full operation will be very detrimental.

The environment for the public must take priority over the businesses that will be affected by this limitation.

Please vote yes on this ordinance.

Jack and Kathy Mattox  
1092 Rams Head Rd (formerly)  
Green Valley, AZ 85614

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## Matt Felix

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**From:** Linda Sivley [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, December 12, 2025 6:18 AM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Support of Ordinance No. 2025-32

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Dec. 12, 2025

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130 W. Congress St.  
Tucson, AZ 85701

COB\_mail@pima.gov

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Please vote yes on Ordinance No. 2025-32 and save our health from uncontrolled dust pollution caused by heavy trucks and save our mountains and water supplies for future generations.

Thank you,

Linda Sivley

**Matt Felix**

**From:** Jean Strother [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, December 12, 2025 6:31 AM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** RE: Support of Ordinance No. 2025-32 to regulate certain unpaved county roads to maintain health standards for Air Quality

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Parts of Pima County are in violation of federal clean air standards and reducing dust from heavy trucks is a major proactive commitment by the board to protect public health. Please don't allow a foreign mining company destroy the high quality of life we enjoy in Pima County.

Please vote yes on Ordinance No. 2025-32 and save our health from uncontrolled dust pollution caused by heavy trucks and save our mountains and water supplies for future generations.

Thank you,

Jean Strother

2543 E Canyon Crossing Dr

Green Valley, AZ 85614

**Matt Felix**

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**From:** Steadman,David W [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, December 12, 2025 6:39 AM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** letter of support for ordinance no. 2025-32  
**Attachments:** Steadman Copper World letter Dec 12, 2025.pdf

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Please find attached a letter in support of ordinance no. 2025-32.

Thank you very much,  
David Steadman

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December 12, 2025

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130 W. Congress St.  
Tucson, AZ 85701

COB\_mail@pima.gov

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Thank you,



David Steadman  
P. O. Box 951  
Sonoita, AZ 85637

## Matt Felix

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**From:** Karen W Ives [REDACTED]  
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**To:** COB\_mail  
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My husband is a retired doctor and we live at the base of the Santa Rita Mts. We are both already suffering with asthma and this would make matters way worse for us. We are thinking we would have to sell our house and move somewhere else if this mine is to be allowed. That would be very sad and difficult for us at this age.

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Thank you,

Jeffrey and Karen Ives

Sent from my iPhone

**Matt Felix**

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**From:** Ryan Brown [REDACTED]  
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Dear Ms. Manriquez: I strongly support passage of Ordinance No. 2025-32 to regulate certain unpaved county roads to maintain health standards for air quality at the Dec. 16, 2025 Board of Supervisors meeting.

It is imperative that the county close a loophole that has allowed businesses to operate an unlimited number of heavy trucks across unpaved roads that can negatively impact air quality.

Heavy trucks generate five to 10 times the amount of airborne dust from unpaved roads compared with passenger cars. This dust can contain dangerous contaminants that can cause lung infections that can lead to serious and fatal disease.

Reducing the amount of airborne dust caused by heavy trucks traveling across unpaved county roads is a proactive measure Supervisors can take to improve the quality of life throughout Pima County. Please pass Ordinance No. 2025-32.

Thank you,

Ryan P Brown  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**Matt Felix**

**From:** kathleen tucker [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, December 12, 2025 8:32 AM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** 2025-32 Hudbay

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Please approve this restriction to limit Hudbay's traffic on unpaved roads. The respiratory health of Pima County residents is at stake.

Thank you,

Kathleen Tucker

9241 E Helen St  
Tucson AZ 85715

## Matt Felix

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**From:** Gail Gentling [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, December 12, 2025 8:55 AM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
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Thank you,

Gail Gentling  
2518 E Bluejay Bluff Ln  
Green Valley, AZ 85614

Sent from Gmail Mobile

## Matt Felix

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**From:** Ryan Niccum [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, December 12, 2025 9:09 AM  
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Ryan Niccum

5238 S. Civano Blvd,  
Tucson, AZ 85747

## Matt Felix

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**From:** Divinity Caldwell [REDACTED]  
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Divinity Caldwell

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**Sent:** Friday, December 12, 2025 9:37 AM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Ordinance No. 2025-32  
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Tucson, AZ 85701

RE: *Support of Ordinance No. 2025-32 to regulate certain unpaved county roads to maintain health standards for Air Quality*

Dear Members of the Board of Supervisors:

Ordinance No. 2025-32 offers an important step towards protecting public health from dust generated by heavy commercial trucks on unpaved roads. In desert environments, blowing dust can be a significant source of air pollution, and a quick AI search on Google clearly states known risks to human health: "Blowing desert dust in Arizona poses significant health risks, primarily Valley Fever (Coccidioidomycosis) from inhaling fungal spores in the soil, causing flu-like symptoms, fatigue, cough, and severe illness in some. Beyond the fungus, dust particles worsen respiratory issues like asthma, bronchitis, trigger inflammation, and can carry toxins . . . ."

Furthermore, spreading our scarce groundwater on dirt roads to mitigate dust churned up by heavy trucks is a wasteful use of this increasingly precious resource in Pima County. Mining companies and the Arizona Trucking Association will say

anything to defend big corporate interests, even if it means distorting the facts. Our county leaders must look towards the future by prioritizing practices that offer a long-term sustainable economy. This won't be easy given the number of outdated federal and Arizona state laws that favor companies eyeing Pima County for short-term gains at our long-term expense. Never forget that tourism remains one of Pima County's most valuable economic drivers.

I strongly support Pima County's steadfast opposition to open pit mining in the Santa Rita Mountains. As you know, reasons for rejecting Copper World's action plan are many—see my detailed letter submitted to ADEQ on May 20, 2025.

Please vote yes on Ordinance No. 2025-32.

With gratitude for your efforts to protect the Pima County we all know and love!

Thomas Wiewandt  
Independent Media Producer with a PhD in Ecology & Evolutionary Biology

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**FROM:** Thomas Wiewandt, PhD; <https://wildhorizons.com>; tel. 520-743-4551; 20 May 2025

**In planning for a sustainable future, I urge ADEQ to consider shortcomings in our federal laws that are poorly suited to Arizona's desert environments.** For starters, the 2023 U.S. Supreme Court decision—Sackett vs. EPA—limits federal protection under the Clean Water Act to wetlands and streams with a **year-round surface connection** to rivers, lakes, and other navigable waters. Because most of our desert water supplies flow intermittently and often beneath the surface, nonpoint sources of water contamination cannot be scrutinized or regulated by the EPA. So ADEQ must design a comprehensive water management program to protect our water supplies that are connected **above and below ground**.

This won't be easy. Be prepared for project review and enforcement challenges. New state and county regulations for protecting our severely limited and dwindling water supplies will be needed. Does ADEQ have a large enough staff for monitoring and enforcement? Do you have a scientifically trained legal team? It's reassuring to know that Pima County Administrator Jan Lesher has enlisted assistance from UofA's world-renowned hydrologist Dr. Jennifer McIntosh and her grad students. Since 2015, they have been quantifying surface and subsurface water flow and contaminants in/from the Santa Rita mountains using state-of-the-art precipitation, streamflow, and isotopic analysis. <https://content.civicplus.com/api/assets/08e196ce-317f-4718-a66c-397c4dca5f1d>. Collaborations of this sort are essential.

Private landowners must be educated and incentivized to conserve water and identify/eliminate sources of pollution. Much of this could be accomplished by strengthening and expanding Active Management Areas in Arizona. Presently, only about 14% of Arizona's land area falls within AMAs, primarily in population centers. Consequently, **our state's groundwater supplies remain largely unmonitored and unregulated, giving users an incentive to cheat on unenforced permit agreements, especially when companies are expected to "self-monitor and self-report" their activities.** "Groundwater systems" respect no property lines. So problems arising from nonpoint source pollution can be especially difficult to identify, regulate, and eliminate.

Open pit mining operations are a serious and imminent threat to the future of Arizona's water supplies. As summarized in a 2023 NRDC report, "Forty percent of the headwaters of western watersheds are polluted by mining, . . . and **ongoing mining is the single largest source of toxic pollution in the U.S.**"

On the federal level, regulations have been weak, dating back to the General Mining Law of 1872. The 1872 law, written to encourage westward expansion during California's Gold Rush days, still governs most hardrock mining in the West. It allows individuals and companies — domestic and US-incorporated entities owned by non-US entities — to stake claims for exclusive rights to hardrock mineral deposits on our federal "public domain lands." Thus, most hardrock mines are on property that belongs to the American public. Under the 1872 law, there are no restrictions or limitations on the sale, import, or export of extracted or processed minerals, and mining companies pay no royalties to the federal government for this privilege. Concerned members of Congress have attempted to update this 1872 law multiple times, during multiple administrations,

without success. If this law is not overhauled, the mining industry's abuse of our public lands will continue.

Drafted under the pretense of "reforming" the Mining Law of 1872, **S.544 – the Mining Regulatory Clarity Act**, as written, represents a step backwards, not forwards. It loosens regulations needed to protect our public lands and water supplies. If signed into law, which appears likely under the Trump administration, this federal legislation **would allow large-scale mining companies to dump waste and other mining byproducts in our National Monuments** and sites that lie outside the boundaries of original mining claims allowed by the General Mining Law of 1872.

Public lands governed by the 1872 Law—mostly in eleven Western states—are now managed by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM 77%) and the US Forest Service (18%). New BLM regulations added in 1976, 1981, and 2001 have tightened environmental controls and clean-up requirements. Nevertheless, nearly 20% of the mining facilities examined by EPA and state inspectors from 1990 to 1995 failed. Most were in violation of laws designed to protect water, air, and other natural resources.

**Little or no regulatory help can be expected from BLM and the US Forest Service.** Consider Capstone Copper's Pinto Valley mine east of Phoenix. Capstone's water diversion and pumping activities have destroyed Pinto Creek, a precious perennial stream that flows into Phoenix's Salt River at Roosevelt Lake. In 2016, Capstone requested permission to expand its operations on another 229 acres of our national forest land. A lengthy environmental study revealed that further expansion of the mine would continue to reduce the stream flow and drain more than 5 miles of its year-round flow over the next 20 years. Nevertheless, in 2021 the US Forest Service granted Capstone permission to expand their operations for 19 more years. A spokesperson for the **US Forest Service explained that their agency's manual encourages them to help maintain a healthy minerals industry** (see 2023 documentary *EVERY LAST DROP*, <https://vimeo.com/821024770>).

Most mining companies claim to be "friendly to the environment," but hardrock mining, by its very nature, will never be a friendly industry. Aside from water consumption and contamination, consider air and dust pollution, heavy traffic to and from a mine, 24-hour operations with noise and light pollution, widespread destruction of scenic landscapes and wildlife habitats, lost opportunities for outdoor recreation, and desecration of sites sacred to Native Americans—concerns that don't appear to be addressed in the US Forest Service's playbook.

Consequently, **mine inspection and enforcement requirements need to be tightened on the state and county levels. Permits, taxes, and fees imposed on mining operations should be scaled to reflect ecological realities based on the scarcity and vulnerability of our water supplies. Eight of Arizona's ten major copper mines are located in the dry southeastern part of the state—where long-term access to fresh water is already in question.**

Current regulations are weak and overly permissive in Arizona. Because our state has loose mining laws AND loose water laws, industrial giants headquartered in other countries are targeting our nation's mineral resources. Mining is a water-consumptive enterprise. **Provisions in Arizona's 1980 groundwater code require that agriculture, construction companies, and some industries prove that wells they drill for water won't affect other wells. But the mining industry is exempt from this requirement. Arizona's 1980 code needs updating.**

**Mining poses a serious threat to water quality in watersheds far beyond the area being mined.** To reach ore deposits by surface mining, thousands of acres of waste rock must be removed, which requires a lot of blasting, crushing and hauling. Copper oxide ore, for example, rarely contains more than 2% copper by weight. Waste is discarded in enormous tailings piles, where minerals, which are harmless when underground, can become toxic in the presence of air and water.

To concentrate copper, oxide ores must be finely ground and leached into a solution of water and sulfuric acid, a process called heap-leaching. So, it's no surprise that acid drainage from mines is a key source of surface and subsurface water contamination. Runoff after a powerful summer monsoon storm can spread toxins to off-site watersheds quickly, and permitted “**containment**” **plans rarely work as hoped.**

**A 2019 review of the West’s 15 operating copper mines (10 in Arizona) revealed that all but one failed to capture and control wastewater, resulting in environmental safety hazards and substandard water quality in nearby communities** (see <https://www.congress.gov/116/meeting/house/110436/documents/HRG-116-II06-20200205-SD036.pdf>). Mining companies will cut corners wherever possible to save money. **Noncompliance appears to be the norm rather than the exception.**

Canadian mining company Hudbay Minerals Inc. is relying on outdated/weak federal and state laws to move forward with a project in the Santa Rita mountains that will assuredly jeopardize water availability and its safety within Pima and Santa Cruz Counties. Our desert basin groundwater comes primarily from rainwater flowing through mountain canyons, riverbeds, and shallow subsurface layers of sediments.

As ADEQ knows, Hudbay has already begun tearing up landscapes on the west side of the Santa Ritas—their Copper World project—where they control a privately owned parcel with no limits on groundwater pumping and weak safeguards against water contamination beyond the mining site. This company is also seeking permits to build infrastructure and dump waste within the state-owned Santa Rita Experimental Range, a critical outdoor laboratory established in 1902 for long-term ecosystem studies by the University of Arizona’s College of Agriculture and Life Sciences. The US Forest Service owns 100 acres of this property.

Through an aggressive advertising campaign, **Hudbay is attempting to convince politicians and the public that their mining plan will be an economic boon to Pima County, while providing much-needed copper for the US—wrong on both accounts!** The US Geological Survey does not include copper on their list of critical minerals—credible geoscientists agree that our country has adequate supplies for its transition to green energy. And the Santa Rita range is a biodiversity hotspot that attracts hiking and wildlife enthusiasts from around the world, clearly one of southern Arizona’s most beautiful, popular, and economically important recreation areas (<https://www.visitucson.org/things-to-do/outdoors/mountains/santa-rita-mountains/>). Home and property values in the area will crash with Hudbay as a neighbor. Furthermore, the Fred Lawrence Whipple Observatory—owned and operated by the Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory—sits atop the Santa Ritas. Light pollution threatens Southern Arizona’s astronomy and space science industry, which now contributes over half a billion dollars per year to our regional economy (<https://darkskysoaz.org/news-events/>).

Hudbay's master plan for mining in the Santa Rita Mountains includes their Rosemont project, which threatens the future of Cienega Creek (and much, much more), one of southeastern Arizona's last riparian areas with clean, clear surface water and a rich diversity of native plants and animals. Only a 12-miles segment of this pristine freshwater creek is protected within Pima County's Cienega Creek Natural Preserve. Upper stretches of this watershed are managed by the US Forest Service/BLM; and its future—above ground and below ground—is largely in the hands of federal and state permit-granting agencies like the US Forest Service and ADEQ.

**ADEQ's draft 5-year management plan focuses on after-the-fact clean-up of legacy/abandoned mining sites.** Yes, this is important and might be the only way to secure much-needed federal funds, **but meaningful long-term planning must encompass what's now happening in our water-stressed environment under weak and poorly enforced mining regulations.** So I urge ADEQ to implement third-party monitoring & reporting requirements for operative open pit mines. And it would help to impose hefty annual clean-up/restoration fees long BEFORE mines are abandoned. Stiffer regulations are also needed to discourage new and immature mining projects/proposals in areas that should be off-limits for mining, e.g. the Santa Rita Mountains.

**Arizona's state and county agencies must exercise their independent authority over today's mining activities,** via permits, water rights, and access restrictions. More than any time in history, where, why, and how open pit mines are or are not approved should be evaluated by non-partisan experts collaborating with state and county administrators. Expanding AMAs and ADEQ's Citizen Science Program would also help to educate and engage voters on these issues.

## Matt Felix

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**From:** Dennis Winsten [REDACTED]  
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Thank you,

Dennis & Pam Winsten

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You will be voting to protect your own and your children's healthier future!!!

Thank you,

Anna Trudgett

Best,

Anna 

Anna Trudgett

Sent from my iPhone 17 Pro Max

## Matt Felix

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**From:** PEGGY J WENRICK [REDACTED]  
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I live in the Catalina foothills @ 5950 N. Fountains Ave near intersection of Orange Grove and La Cholla. As I walk or drive near that intersection I have good view south across the Tucson Basin toward the Santa Rita Mountains.

Most days the haze in that direction shrouds the valley floor as well as the mountains.

My EPA app ranks air quality relative to ozone, particulates 2.5 and particulates10. As you know our area is working to reduce ozone, but apparently not particulates. Today the report ranks air quality as moderate with PM2.5 the primary pollutant, PM10 the second pollutant and ozone the third. The app advises "*If you are unusually sensitive to particulate pollution consider reducing your activity level or shorten the amount of time you are active outdoors*"

Based on my observations and the EPA info, **I strongly urge all Supervisors to vote to pass ordinance 2025-32.**

Peggy Wenrick  
5950 N Fountains Ave #5102  
Tucson, AZ 85704

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**Matt Felix**

**From:** Muriel Gardner [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, December 12, 2025 10:12 AM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** copper world  
**Attachments:** letter\_hud bay mine.docx

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Letter attached, thank you!

Dec 11, 2025

Ms. Melissa Manriquez

Clerk of the Pima County Board of Supervisors

130 W. Congress St.

Tucson, AZ 85701

[COB\\_mail@pima.gov](mailto:COB_mail@pima.gov)

RE: Support of Ordinance No. 2025-32 to regulate certain unpaved county roads to maintain health standards for Air Quality

Dear Members of the Board of Supervisors:

I strongly urge you to pass Ordinance No. 2025-32 that would restrict truck traffic on unpaved roads across Pima County. This ordinance is crucial to protecting the public's health from dust generated by heavy commercial trucks.

Parts of Pima County are in violation of federal clean air standards and reducing dust from heavy trucks is a major proactive commitment by the board to protect public health.

Toronto-based Hudbay Minerals is vehemently against the ordinance, telling the Arizona Daily Star it would have a "significant impact" on the proposed Copper World mine. Hudbay intends to construct a series of open pit mines that will destroy the northern half of the Santa Rita Mountains to export copper overseas.

Business interests are rallying behind Hudbay and opposing the ordinance with the Arizona Trucking Association sending threatening letters to the county claiming the ordinance could "bankrupt" the county. This is a ridiculous overstatement of the facts.

I am a business owner and resident just a few miles from the proposed mine. I moved to the area 9 years ago to escape air pollution. My business venture, a small farm with guest experiences and lodging support and relies upon the preservation of the natural area. There are many families and business in the area who came to this area for the same reason; Stunning natural beauty, clean air and healthy lifestyle. Many of these hospitality based small family businesses like mine support bigger business. Like many of the wineries. maintaining the pristine natural beauty of the area is of the utmost importance to many of these types of businesses as well as the health of the community.

I strongly support Pima County's steadfast opposition to Copper World for nearly two decades culminating in October with the county's fourth resolution opposing open pit mining in the Santa Rita Mountains.

Please vote yes on Ordinance No. 2025-32 and save our health from uncontrolled dust pollution caused by heavy trucks and save our mountains and water supplies for future generations.

Thank you,

Wild Oak Farm

Muriel Gardner

26560 S. Old Sonoita hwy

Sonoita Az 85637

## Matt Felix

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**From:** Ernie Lopez [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, December 12, 2025 10:23 AM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** RE: Support of Ordinance No. 2025-32 to regulate certain unpaved county roads to maintain health standards for Air Quality

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Dec. 12, 2025

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Thank you,  
Ernie Lopez

[REDACTED]  
As Maya Angelou once wrote: I may not remember what you said or did, but I will always remember how you made me feel.

## Matt Felix

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**From:** Flash Sivley [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, December 12, 2025 10:24 AM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Copper World : vote YES on Ordinance No. 2025-32!

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Dec. 12, 2025

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Flash Sivley

## Matt Felix

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**From:** Steve Brown [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, December 12, 2025 10:30 AM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Support Ordinance 2025-32

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To the Pima County Supervisors:

December 16, 2025

To Members of the Board of Supervisors of Pima County

Statement in support of Pima County Ordinance 2035-32 Limiting Heavy Truck traffic on rural roads.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit a comment supporting Ordinance 2025-32.

I believe that maintaining public health is a core responsibility of governments at every level.

This ordinance is an excellent example of primary prevention of harm to public health.

As a Pima County native who grew up in a ranching family on the Santa Rita Experimental Range, I am familiar with many ranches and open grazing lands throughout the county.

I know from personal experience how excessive dust from multiple large trucks every day through ranch land affects the clean environment which has been essential for healthy, productive, profitable cattle ranching in Pima County for generations.

Cattle, after all, are an essential big "C"s of Arizona life, and their health, and the health of the ranchers who manage them and the consumers who enjoy their products, are important for the county. We all have a right to breathe clean air and to enjoy the products of healthy grazing land, and this ordinance essentially protects these rights.

During my career in education, public health and human rights, I've had the opportunity to learn about dust in some depth through the extensive research conducted by the University of Arizona, and I would be glad to share these data with the County.

The bottom line is that in arid and semi-arid landscapes, dust is a major contributing factor to poor health outcomes for animals, plants and human beings, and will be an increasingly serious concern as temperatures rise and drought continues in the decade ahead.

I reiterate: this ordinance is an excellent example of primary prevention of harm to public health. My Grandfather, who came to the Sonoran Desert in 1893, always said that an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure. For generations to come, our descendants — your descendants! — will thank you for having the wisdom and courage to approve this ordinance.

Signed,

Steve G. Brown  
237 S. Avenida del Palo Fierro

Tucson, AZ 85745



## Matt Felix

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**From:** Dafne Johnson [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, December 12, 2025 10:36 AM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Support of Ordinance No. 2025-32 to Regulate Certain Unpaved County Roads to Maintain Health Standards for Air Quality

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Dec. 12, 2025

Ms. Melissa Manriquez  
Clerk of the Pima County Board of Supervisors  
130 W. Congress St.  
Tucson, AZ 85701

Dear Members of the Board of Supervisors,

I respectfully ask you to vote YES on Ordinance No. 2025-32. As a Sahuarita resident with asthma, the dust generated by heavy truck traffic on unpaved roads affects my health directly and immediately. This ordinance is essential for protecting the air that I and many others rely on every day.

I have lived in Sahuarita for 15 years, and I have felt the impact of rising dust levels in our community. Even short exposure to dust along unpaved routes can trigger coughing, wheezing, and chest tightness for me. There are days when I need my inhaler more often, especially as the increased dust from Santa Rita road tends to drift in the direction of my home. These experiences are common for people with respiratory conditions, and they will only grow worse without meaningful action. The dust suppressants are already not enough and this situation will only get worse as the traffic from heavy trucks increases.

Parts of Pima County are already out of compliance with federal clean air standards. Reducing dust from heavy trucks is a critical step to protect public health. This ordinance is a practical, proactive measure that will bring real relief to residents who are vulnerable to poor air quality, including children, older adults, and those living with asthma or other respiratory conditions.

I am aware that Toronto-based Hudbay Minerals is fighting this ordinance because it conflicts with their proposed Copper World project, which would carve open pit mines into the northern Santa Rita Mountains. Business groups, including the Arizona Trucking Association, have echoed Hudbay's objections and have even claimed the ordinance could bankrupt the county. These statements are exaggerated and do not reflect the reality of what this ordinance accomplishes.

I appreciate Pima County's long-standing efforts to protect the Santa Ritas and oppose open pit mining in this region. I care deeply about these mountains. They are a part of my daily life in Sahuarita and a place where many of us find connection, recreation, and a sense of home. Protecting them goes hand in hand with protecting clean air and public health.

For all of these reasons, I ask you once again to vote YES on Ordinance No. 2025-32. This ordinance will help safeguard the health of Sahuarita residents like me and preserve the natural resources that our communities depend on.

Thank you for your continued service to Pima County.

Sincerely,

Dafne Johnson  
Sahuarita, Arizona

## Matt Felix

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December 12, 2025

Ms. Melissa Manriquez  
Clerk of the Pima County Board of Supervisors  
130 W. Congress St.  
Tucson, AZ 85701

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Please vote yes on Ordinance No. 2025-32 and save our health from uncontrolled dust pollution caused by heavy trucks and save our mountains and water supplies for future generations.

Thank you!

Most Sincerely,  
Dona LaSchiava  
556 W. Paseo Solana  
Green Valley, AZ 85614

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