
From: Ruth Stokes <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Tuesday, February 14, 2017 4:36 PM
To: COB_mail

Please make the follow comments part of the official hearing before the Pima County Board of Supervisors February 21, 2017.

To: Pima Board of Supervisors:
Please vote NO on giving Monsanto any money or tax breaks.

Do not encourage Monsanto to locate in Tucson. This company has earned a bad reputation for its environmental and business practices. Their presence in Tucson would discourage desirable businesses from coming to Tucson. Please send them on their way and vote NO.

Thank you for your consideration of my views.
Ruth Stokes
1215 E Seneca Tucson, AZ 85719

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From: Kathy Ann Schoggen Watson <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Tuesday, February 14, 2017 4:35 PM
To: COB_mail; District1; DIST2; District3; District4; District5
Subject: PLEASE - Vote NO on 'Project Corn'

Dear Clerk of the Board, Supervisor Ally Miller, Supervisor Sharon Bronson, Supervisor Ramon Valdez, Supervisor Steve Christy, Supervisor Richard Elias,

I strongly OPPOSE Monsanto's 'Project Corn' in Pima County!

I am in favor of safe, healthy communities.

I oppose the tax break for Monsanto.

And I urge you to vote NO to 'Project Corn'.

Sincerely - a very concerned parent, grandparent and a proud Tucson resident,

**Kathy A Watson
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Tucson Az 85712**

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From: Mrfunderful Offun <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Tuesday, February 14, 2017 10:47 PM
To: DIST2; District1; District3; District4; District5; COB_mail
Subject: A Change of Pace

Dear Officials,

I am a high school student in favor of "Project Corn," which will help lower Monsanto's taxes. I'm sure you've been getting emails against this movement, but I hope they haven't swayed you yet. I am concerned that these people act merely out of reflex against GMOs and what they think of big companies and that these actions will limit the groundbreaking research being done. The kind of research Monsanto and other companies do into genetics is phenomenal and has so much potential. I live in California so Project Corn won't affect me directly, but I can only hope that progress and having a free market will prevail. I've been doing a lot of research into GMOs because of an AP class I take and have found nothing wrong with them or the companies that now produce them - the safety of GMOs and pesticides produced by Monsanto is practically unquestionable, I can't even begin to understand how these people reached their conclusion against Monsanto. - By the way it's the March Against Monsanto facebook group which has your emails, looking at some of their other posts should set some sirens off concerning the type of people against Monsanto. It would be nice if you could email back letting me know what you think or just even if you got the email. I wish you the best of luck!

To a brighter future, sincerely,
Anthony O'Dea

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From: sea2star [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, February 14, 2017 10:35 PM
To: COB_mail
Cc: District1; DIST2; District3; District4; District5
Subject: GMOs-Monsanto

I am in favor of safe, healthy communities.
I oppose the tax break for Monsanto.
I urge you to vote NO to 'Project Corn'.
I am a concerned citizen.

sea2star [REDACTED]

From: Ruth Stokes <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Tuesday, February 14, 2017 9:33 PM
To: COB_mail
Subject: Vote NO on giving Monsanto Foreign Trade Zone status

Please **remove** my last comments about Monsanto and **submit these instead**.

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From: Mary-Frances O'Connor <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Wednesday, February 15, 2017 7:54 AM
To: District3; COB_mail
Subject: Say No to Monsanto

Dear Ms. Bronson,

I am writing to ask you to vote against the free-trade-zone designation for Monsanto. It doesn't make economic, environmental, or tourism sense for Pima County.

Investing in locally grown food makes economic sense. The Monsanto model externalizes costs and leaves local economies poorer. Monsanto is a multi-billion dollar business. If they want to come to Pima County, they should have to pay us in full for the right to use our land, air and water to add to their ever-growing bottom line.

The promise that Monsanto will feed the world is a myth. Mexico and the European Union will not eat the plants that Monsanto develops, because they recognize the devastating impact of the GMO's, on human health and on the other plant species that are subjected to Monsanto's seeds and pesticides. California has now listed Round-Up as a chemical that is known to cause cancer. How can this corporation feed the world when the world is realizing that their food and their toxic chemicals are not the answer?

Tucson has recently been named a UNESCO World City of Gastronomy. Tucson has 4,000 years of agricultural history. This generates huge tourism opportunities. Tax breaks for this corporation represents the opposite. Why would we risk our native plants with a company that has historically destroyed local agriculture? Please think about the long-term consequences of your decision.

The big tax break for Monsanto is not the answer to the economic, environmental or tourist needs of Pima County.

Sincerely,

Dr. Mary-Frances O'Connor

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