

**Ellie Martin**

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, December 5, 2025 2:10 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Support for Ordinance No. 2025-32 (dust control)

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December 5, 2025

To: Melissa Manriquez

Clerk of the Pima County Board of Supervisors

130 W. Congress Street

Tucson, AZ 85701

I am sending this message to the Board of Supervisors in support Ordinance No. 2025-32, regarding air quality in Pima County

As a teacher in the Sahuarita Unified School District (ret.), I worried about air quality for my students and myself. The constant dust coming from vehicles on the Santa Rita Road across the Experimental Range drifted westward toward populated areas including schools.

Now I understand that the Board of Supervisors will vote on a way to reduce dust due to heavy truck traffic. The students and children downwind of this kind of dust deserve more protection.

Please vote in favor of Ordinance No. 2025-32.

Thank you,

David DeGroot

2591 W. Sunset Rd.

Tucson, AZ 85741

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**From:** Renée Neumann [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, December 5, 2025 2:51 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Limit truck traffic on unpaved county roads like Santa Rita Rd.!

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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 south 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.

Expecting you to do the right thing,  
Renée Neumann  
homeowner/resident since 2006  
Green Valley, AZ

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**From:** Suzanne Hesh [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, December 5, 2025 3:06 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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RE: Support of Ordinance No. 2025-32 to regulate certain unpaved county roads to maintain health standards for Air Quality

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. This is an unacceptable and avoidable threat to the health of AZ citizens.

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,  
 Suzanne Hesh  
 930 E. Foothills Dr.  
 Tucson 85718

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December 05, 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)

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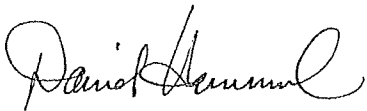
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My brother in law, who also lives in Sahuarita, suffers from chronic asthma and when there are high particulates in the air, it stimulates an attack which is controlled by his inhaler. He also supports this ordinance.

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,



David Hammel  
1467 E. Blue Granite Drive  
Sahuarita, AZ 85614

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**From:** Marcie Sleath [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, December 5, 2025 3:21 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Support of Ordinance No. 2025-32

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Thank you for your attention to this issue.

Respectfully,  
Marcie Sleath  
1839 W Placita Canoa Azul  
Green Valley, AZ 85622

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I have seen the negative side effects of heavy truck airborne dust traffic personally. In the Superior area, there are few mining roads that I frequently use for backpacking in the Superstitions. The only people that use these roads are the mining trucks and the odd person like me. There is A LOT of heavy truck traffic. I have slowly watched the vegetation die; it is literally suffocating. There's also a high likelihood of seeing road kill. A semi-truck can not do the quick invasive maneuvers to avoid the collision. The result, a lot of animals hit by semi-trucks.

Also, I grew up near DRY Owens Lake in the Owens Valley in Eastern California. LADWP took all the water that went into that lake and dried it out. With that, there was A LOT of dust blowing all over the place. I, along with hundreds of others, have asthma. At least I don't have lung cancer like many others I know.

Please pass Ordinance No. 2025-32 so the vegetation, the wildlife and human life won't have to breath as *much* airborne dust cause by heavy mining trucks.

Thank you for your time and service,

Korina Riggin  
Cave Creek



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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, December 5, 2025 4:22 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Clean air. Please support a new ordinance to limit truck traffic on unpaved county roads.

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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. Arizona has a lot of people with respiratory issues, in fact people come to the area in an effort to have clean air for their ailments.

Please support a new ordinance to limit truck traffic on unpaved county roads. It's important. The environment depends on it. We deserve clean air across the state.

The Santa Rita Road bisects the state-protected, 52,000-acre Santa Rita Experimental Range, one of the most important open-space research centers in the United States that is required by law to be managed for "ecological and rangeland research." The county states the Santa Rita Road should remain unpaved.

Thank you for your attention to this matter,

Peter Bisschop, Tucson AZ

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**From:** Dale Brokaw [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, December 5, 2025 4:41 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** please pass ordinance No. 2025-32

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Thank you,  
Dale Brokaw  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Romero, Melissa - (melissar2) <melissar2@arizona.edu>  
**Sent:** Sunday, December 7, 2025 11:05 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 pass Ordinance No. 2025-32.

Thank you,

Melissa Romero  
6975 S Valley Stream Dr 85757

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**From:** Gordon X [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, December 5, 2025 5:31 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Clean Air Act

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Please support efforts to improve the air quality in our county. This past year has been considerably worse than recent years, dust levels in particular, and heavy truck traffic on unpaved roads is a significant part of the problem. Please consider the aging, susceptible, population that is drawn to the area by promises of improved climate.

Regards,  
Gordon Elkins  
1409 E. Claystone Dr  
Quail Creek  
Green Valley, AZ

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**From:** Guy Cloutier [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, December 5, 2025 4:54 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Truck traffic on dirt roads

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To whom it may concern:

I am opposed to heavy traffic of any kind on dirt roads, let alone large truck traffic on dirt. Dust is the larger issue for the general public, and we all know the health problems with dust. But consider safety: passing such trucks is dangerous when you cannot see through the cloud of dust. In either direction such trucks throw up pebbles and rocks into windshields of cars. I've replaced two such cracked windshields, and lived with pits for a long time between replacements. Obviously dirt roads become worn quickly with heavy truck traffic, and very washboarded! Obviously I want to have continuous truck traffic of unpaved roads regulated.

Thanks,

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Guy Cloutier

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**From:** Nancy Williams [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, December 5, 2025 5:20 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Mine traffic

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To Whom it may concern,

I am writing to express my concern about the planned volume of heavy truck traffic from the mine using our public unpaved roads. These roads were not designed to support continuous use by large industrial vehicles, and the effects will become increasingly apparent to residents.

The heavy trucks will cause accelerated road deterioration creating ruts, dust hazards, and unsafe driving conditions for the public. In addition the increased dust levels present health concerns for nearby residents and will contribute to reduced visibility, posing risks for all drivers who rely on these rural roads for daily travel.

The dust generated by these vehicles is not merely a nuisance--it poses a serious and ongoing threat to the health and safety of the area residents. Unpaved roads produce significant airborne particulate matter when subjected to heavy industrial use. The repeated passage of large mine trucks releases clouds of fine dust that linger in the air and settle on homes, vehicles, and properties. More importantly, this dust is inhaled by residents, visitors, and workers, putting the community at heightened risk for a number of well-documented health conditions. In this region, airborne dust is a known vector for *Coccidioides* spores, the cause of Valley Fever, a disease that can lead to severe respiratory illness, long-term health complications, and, in some cases, permanent disability. The increased disturbance of soil by mine trucks on unpaved roads directly elevates the exposure risk.

Beyond Valley Fever, chronic dust exposure contributes to chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), asthma, and lung cancer, particularly when silica-containing soils are disturbed. Fine crystalline silica dust--common in many mining areas--is linked to silicosis, and incurable and potentially fatal lung disease. These risks are not theoretical; they are real, established, and avoidable.

It is unacceptable that a public resource--our shared road system--is being used in a way that endangers the health of the surrounding community.

I respectfully request that the county and state consider implementing limitations or regulations on the use of public unpaved roads by mining trucks.  
possible measures may include:

- Prohibit mine truck traffic on public unpaved roads, and require the mine to use private or dedicated haul routes.
- Conduct a comprehensive environmental and health impact assessment related to dust emissions and airborne particulate matter.
- Hold the mining company responsible for mitigating air quality impacts associated with its operations.
- Adopt regulations that prioritize public health over industrial convenience. Our community should not bear the burden of preventable health risks created by industrial truck traffic. Protecting the air we breathe is essential, and unpaved public roads were never intended to accommodate the level of disturbance caused by large-scale mining operations

Thank you for your attention to this urgent matter. I respectfully request immediate action to safeguard the health, safety, and well-being of this community.

Nancy Williams  
 1083 W Paseo del Cantante  
 Green Valley, AZ 85614



**Ellie Martin**

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**From:** Ryan Brown [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, December 7, 2025 9:35 AM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Support for Truck Traffic Ordinance and Need for Public-Health Priority in Future Industrial Decisions

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Dear Members of the Pima County Board of Supervisors,

I am writing to express strong support for the proposed ordinance requiring permits and daily limits on heavy truck traffic on unpaved county roads. The dust pollution generated by heavy industrial vehicles presents serious health risks, particularly for children, seniors, and individuals with respiratory conditions. Reducing particulate exposure is a necessary step toward protecting public health and ensuring compliance with clean-air standards.

At the same time, I would like to emphasize that this ordinance should be understood within a wider context. Large-scale industrial developments—including mines and data centers—tend to dramatically increase diesel truck traffic, airborne particulate pollution, and other environmental burdens on surrounding communities. Because of this, I urge the Board to slow or pause approvals on any new data-center proposals near population centers until a full health-impact review is completed.

Across the country, data centers and similar projects have created well-documented impacts related to dust, diesel emissions, water use, backup generator exhaust, and heat-island effects. When these facilities are sited near neighborhoods or schools, the long-term health consequences can be significant and irreversible.

As elected officials of Pima County, you have a fiduciary responsibility to safeguard the health, quality of life, and long-term well-being of the people you serve. That responsibility must take precedence over corporate interests or short-term economic incentives. The role of county leadership is, fundamentally, to protect residents—not to accelerate projects that may expose them to preventable harm.

I urge you to adopt a cautious, health-first approach to all large industrial development, including requiring extended public-comment periods and comprehensive public-health assessments before moving forward.

Thank you for your consideration and for your service to the people of Pima County.

Sincerely,  
Ryan P Brown

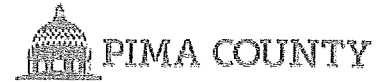
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Please use the form below to tell us how we can be of assistance.

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First Name Susan

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Address 3275 E Pima St #2

City Tucson

State AZ

ZIP Code 85716

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Please type the topic or subject of your message: Ordinance No. 2025-32

Your Message December 07, 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

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

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

It is very important that the county close a loophole that has allowed businesses to operate an unlimited number of large, heavy-load trucks on unpaved roads, which negatively impacts air quality.

Heavy trucks have been found to generate five to 10 times the amount of airborne dust from unpaved roads compared with passenger cars. This dust can contain various dangerous contaminants that may cause lung problems, potentially leading to serious and fatal disease.

Reducing the amount of airborne dust stirred up by heavy trucks traveling on 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.

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Thank you,

Susan Willis  
3275 E Pima St #2  
Tucson AZ 85716

Would you like a response?

Yes

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**From:** Isabel S [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Saturday, December 6, 2025 9:34 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Stop failing us

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Dear Board of Supervisors,

I am a Pima County resident, a street medic, a conservation worker, and a voter who is continually appalled at your board's shortsighted prioritization of capital over the environment that sustains this community. You have failed us at every opportunity; your recent decisions regarding Project Blue were abhorrent and embarrassing given this region's lack of water, and now you're not going to require a health study to do the bare minimum to keep us safe.

I do not know how to make you care about our futures. I do not know how to explain to you how horrible the impact this mine is going to have on the water quality, regardless of what they say about monitoring runoff. I do not want my future children to be choking on dust as they scavenge for water, but that is the future you have chosen for us. I treat the folks who have no home to escape from the projects you have chosen to pollute our air and water. Where are they supposed to go to hide from the dust as the city passes drug ordinances and the police hassle the homeless from one wash to the next?

The truth is that you do not have a higher nature to appeal to, so I wonder why I'm bothering spending time on my Saturday night wasting words that one of your staffers will briefly scan through and forget. I do not know how to paint a picture with my words that will inspire this group to act in any way other than the profit-seeking entity that it is.

Isabel Schwartz

2025-12-06 15:00:00  
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**From:** Sabbina Nelson [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Saturday, December 6, 2025 9:33 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Re: truck traffic on unpaved roads

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Both my husband and I have asthma, and we came to Green Valley to breathe easier. We do not want truck traffic on unpaved roads polluting our air with added dust. Please consider the impact that additional trucks on unpaved roads will have on the residents of Pima County.

Sincerely,

Sabbina Nelson

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**Sent:** Saturday, December 6, 2025 8:06 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
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Particulate matter is a nuisance to adjacent property owners. I remember how bad it used to be in the Tucson Mountains foothills, before many of the streets were paved!

More importantly, dust is also a health hazard affecting more distant populations, especially the finer fractions. In some areas, there isn't much of the finer fraction. It's not possible to know where this finer fraction is more prevalent in advance, therefore a more "blanket" protection is warranted, especially in light of the fact that EPA is not going to be regulating or requiring monitoring of PM2.5 dust in the future.

Assuming it is legal to regulate the heavy trucks in the proposed manner, I support the ordinance.

Julia Fonseca  
2802 E. Presidio Rd.  
Tucson, AZ 85716

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I am particularly concerned with the increase of PM2.5 pollution generated by these trucks on our unpaved roads. Its small size allows PM2.5 to remain suspended in the air for extended periods, traveling long distances from its source. This characteristic also enables these particles to bypass the body's natural defenses, penetrating deep into the respiratory tract and entering the bloodstream. Since I am sensitive to this pollution I have been monitoring the amount in Green Valley via this web site:

<https://www.airnow.gov/?city=Green%20Valley&state=AZ&country=USA>

and find that the amount of PM2.5 has increased significantly in the last five years.

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,

Richard Bledsoe

1418 W Placita Apache

Green Valley, AZ 85622



**Ellie Martin**

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, December 7, 2025 9:40 AM  
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December 7, 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

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 simple proactive measure Supervisors can take to improve the quality of life throughout Pima

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County and shows the citizens that they matter. Please pass Ordinance No. 2025-32.

Thank you,

Derek Drabicki  
Tucson, AZ

December 8, 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

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I devoted most of my academic career at the University of Arizona to studying atmospheric aerosols, including dust, and I am a past chair of Pima County's Environmental Quality Advisory Council (EQAC).

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,



Eric A. Betterton  
University Distinguished Professor Emeritus, Hydrology and Atmospheric Sciences

5411 E. Placita Doblada, Tucson, AZ 85718

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## Ellie Martin

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**From:** Linda Slagle [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, December 7, 2025 11:17 AM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Mine Traffic on Pima County Unpaved Roads

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To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to express my major concern about the planned volume of heavy truck traffic from the mine using our public unpaved roads. These roads were not designed to support continuous use by large industrial vehicles. The effects of this travel will become increasingly apparent to residents.

Accelerated road deterioration creates ruts, dust hazards, and unsafe driving conditions for the public. More importantly, the increased dust levels present health concerns for nearby residents, and will contribute to reduced visibility, which pose risks for all drivers, who rely on these rural roads for daily travel.

Please recognize that the people in our county and beyond rely on the Board of Supervisors to monitor and be responsible for the risks, health and safeguarding of its residence. Sadly, monetary issues do not outweigh our health, safety issues and the well-being of this community.

Thank you for taking the time to read and hopefully consider the importance of this issue. We rely on you.

Linda C. Slagle  
931 W. Camino Guarina  
Green Valley, AZ 85614

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**From:** Kielly Lewis [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, December 7, 2025 10:42 AM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Support of PC ordinance to limit truck traffic on unpaved roads

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Ms. Melissa Manriquez  
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130 W. Congress Street  
Tucson, AZ 85701  
Via Email: COB\_mail@pima.gov

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,  
Kielly Lewis  
1316 S 7th Ave  
Tucson, AZ 85713

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December 7, 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

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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.

I suffer from allergies caused by airborne dust. It makes it difficult for me to breathe and enjoy outdoor activities. All these additional trucks will not make it easier for many of us with compromised lungs.

I am also concerned about the amount of traffic caused by all these trucks leaving the site. Many times, their loads are not covered even though it is required. With so many additional trucks on the highway, I fear there will be more traffic accidents caused by debris from these trucks.

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,  
Jane Tobin  
4841 South Meadow Ridge Dr.  
Green Valley, AZ

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**Ellie Martin**

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**From:** sj pevarnik [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, December 8, 2025 8:28 AM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
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Dear county government,

I understand there is a proposed ordinance that will allow large trucks to travel on dirt roads for the Huidbay mine. I live in this area and I currently am seeing so much dust in my home.

I know that I am breathing it. Allowing more trucks to run on dirt roads will just make it worse.

I urge you not to allow this ordinance to pass.

Thank you, Joan Pevarnik

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**From:** Richard Curotto [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Saturday, December 6, 2025 6:05 PM  
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**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 Ms. Manriquez:

I want you to know 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 extremely important to consider the air pollution involved in allowing businesses to operate an unlimited number of heavily laden trucks across unpaved roads that negatively impact air quality. This dust contains dangerous contaminants that can cause lung infections that will lead to serious and perhaps fatal disease. Children and seniors are most affected by this man made pollution. Were you aware the asthma rate in children is 21% higher than the National average for Arizona? Heaven help you if you suffer from COPD!

My wife's best friend and her husband moved in across the street from us to realize a childhood dream for both women. Sadly, two (2) years after achieving this goal, my wife's friend was forced to move out of Arizona. She developed Valley Fever so acutely it required several painful sinus surgeries.

The main cause of Valley Fever is spores spread by ambient dust.

Reducing the amount of airborne dust caused by heavy trucks, many weighing over 80,000 lbs, across already dusty unpaved roads, is a definitive measure the Board of Supervisors can adopt to improve and, in some instances preserve the quality of life throughout Pima County. It is imperative that they pass Ordinance No. 2025-32.

Thank you for your attention to this very important measure.

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard J Curotto, DDS  
487 N. Hale Dr..  
Green Valley, AZ, 85614



**Ellie Martin**

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**From:** Sofia Forier-Montes [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Saturday, December 6, 2025 2:51 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
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December 6, 2025

Ms. Melissa Manriquez

Clerk of the Pima County Board of Supervisors

130 W. Congress Street

Tucson, AZ 85701

Dear Ms. Manriquez:

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Thank you,

Sofia Forier-Montes  
5936 E Lester Dr

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**Ellie Martin**

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**From:** Fred Leonard [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Saturday, December 6, 2025 1:56 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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December 6, 2025

Ms. Melissa Manriquez  
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130 W. Congress Street  
Tucson, AZ 85701  
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 am a retired physician who achieved board certification in both Preventive Medicine and Emergency Medicine. I also taught graduate-level courses in toxicology. As such, I strongly support passage of Ordinance No. 2025-32, coming up at the Dec. 16, 2025 Board of Supervisors meeting, to regulate certain unpaved county roads to maintain health standards for air quality. It is imperative that the county closes 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. One such infection, coccidioidomycosis, is endemic in Arizona soils and is a particular problem in Pima and Maricopa counties.

As an emergency physician, I can tell you that dust pollution can be detrimental to people with underlying lung diseases such as asthma and chronic obstructive lung disease, aggravating their underlying disease and resulting in emergency department visits, hospitalizations, and sometimes death.

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 for addressing this problem and considering my comments.

Sincerely,

Fred Leonard, MD, MPH  
38060 S Rolling Hills Dr  
Tucson, AZ 85739

**Ellie Martin**

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**From:** Cathy Della Penta [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Saturday, December 6, 2025 1:29 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Truck traffic on dirt roads and dust

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December 6, 2025

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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

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Heavy trucks generate five to 10 times the amount of airborne dust from unpaved roads compared with passenger cars. This dust can

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contain dangerous contaminants that can cause lung infections that can lead to serious and fatal disease.

It is well known that disturbances of dust help exacerbate cases of Valley Fever, asthma, lung and breathing issues. We now have an opportunity to help lower the number of these illnesses.

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 for your time and consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

Cathy DellaPenta  
10601 E Marchetti Loop  
Tucson, Az 85747-6085  
Member of SSSR

December 7, 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

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

Dear Ms. Manriquez:

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I am a person with asthma that is triggered by dust, contaminants, and pollen in the air. When I experience an asthma attack, I have coughing episodes and experience difficulty breathing.

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

Sincerely,

Karen Lowery  
6021 S. Hopdown Lane  
Tucson AZ 85746  
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Hello-

Having recently learned of this proposed ordinance, I am greatly in favor of it and strongly encourage County Supervisors to approve it. I live in unincorporated Pima County and know first hand how problematic dust generated by traffic on dirt roads can be. This will only be exacerbated many times over by Huidbay truck traffic on Santa Rita Road. I am counting on County Supervisors to do whatever they can to minimize any of the environmental issues associated with the Huidbay Copper World Project as well as any other generators of airborne dust. Sadly, there is already an apparent lack of enforcement re: dust control in Pima County.

Thank you for your consideration,

-Thomas Schmidt

Corona de Tucson resident

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
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December 6, 2025

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130 W. Congress Street  
Tucson, AZ 85701

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Thank you,

Kay and Floyd Midura  
5961 So. Scarlet Sky Place  
Green Valley, AZ 85622

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**From:** Bill Stanzel [REDACTED]  
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Please vote on 12/16/2025 for the limitation of trucks on unpaved county roads.

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December 6th, 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)

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**My husband and I lived near Santa Rita road for 6 years. There was always a large cloud of dust hanging over the road between our house and the Santa Rita mountains, due to heavy truck traffic from the rock quarry and the Copper World mine operations. We now have asthma and breathing issues. Huidbay's mines will cause a ten-fold increase in truck traffic and dust.**

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,

Suan M. Johnson  
2121 S Pantano Rd Unit 872  
Tucson, AZ 85710

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**From:** Ms. Gaudio [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Saturday, December 6, 2025 9:54 AM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Ordinance No. 2025-32

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December 06, 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

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

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.

Businesses have been allowed to operate an unlimited number of heavy trucks across unpaved roads that can negatively impact air quality. We do not need to further pollute an area that has already seen an above average amount of dust. 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,

Ms. Lynn Gaudio

341 W Rio Santa Cruz

Green Valley, AZ 85614

Via Email: COB\_mail@pima.gov

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

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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.

**My wife and I lived along the paved portion of Santa Rita road for 6 years. There was always a haze of dust hanging over the unpaved portion of the road. Some days were worse than others, but it was always there due to heavy truck traffic from the Cimbar rock quarry and Hudbay's operations. I now have asthma and I use an inhaler. The dust problem would increase exponentially with the addition of Copper World's 200 or more heavy trucks traveling the road daily. This is intolerable and unacceptable for growing residential communities near Santa Rita rd.**

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,

Richard D Johnson  
2121 S Pantano Rd Unit 872  
Tucson, AZ 85710

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## Ellie Martin

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**From:** Putney, April M - (aputney) <aputney@arizona.edu>  
**Sent:** Saturday, December 6, 2025 9:05 AM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Support for Ordinance No. 2025-32

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130 W. Congress Street  
Tucson, AZ 85701

Via Email: 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 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.

I am a Tucson-born-and-raised Master's student at the U of A, earning an Urban Planning degree. I know how important and difficult it is to balance transportation needs with public health. I am writing to encourage you to pass Ordinance No. 2025-32 for the sake of health and safety here in Pima County.

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.

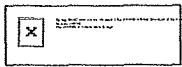
Heavy trucks generate five to 10 times the amount of airborne dust from unpaved roads compared with passenger cars. This dust can contain dangerous contaminants that can cause lung infections that can lead to serious and fatal disease.

From my course curriculum, I know that the particulate matter from airborne dust and the pollution released by large trucks into the atmosphere can cause lasting health impacts. There are known and quantifiable health implications for the amounts of particulate matter, including dust, we cause to be airborne, especially at the lower levels of our atmosphere where humans breathe.

I myself have two dear friends who have been diagnosed with Valley Fever. They both live by dirt roads or fairly nearby construction areas where the desert soil is being broken and disturbed, kicking up large amounts of dust. This is no coincidence. The disease lives in our soil and people and animals contract it through airborne particles.

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. It would also be a measureable step towards improving our health and safety. Please pass Ordinance No. 2025-32.

Thank you,



**April Putney, Master's of Science in Urban Planning**

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**Ellie Martin**

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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.

Thank you.

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

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**Ellie Martin**

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**From:** Annette Brink [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Saturday, December 6, 2025 8:31 AM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Pima County COB Truck Ordinance

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Dear Pima County Council Board Members,

I have lived in Elgin for 20 years and have watched the changes that have gradually and sometimes precipitously changed the air and skies of Southern Arizona.

Please take a moment to consider the additive value of taking steps to safeguard the public and protect our skies. Heavy commercial vehicles, construction and farm equipment, huge pickup trucks dragging 5th wheels and trailers full of off-road quads are pouring into the state and tearing up gravel roads at staggering speeds. No one can keep up with the road maintenance, not to mention maintain public safety.

This is a dry place --- plumes of dust persist in the atmosphere for a long time and are changing our skies from blue ---to white.

Everything that you do to tap the brakes on our cumulative risk helps to protect us in the long run.

Please pass this ordinance.

Sincerely,

Annette Brink  
16 Thunder Mountain Rd, Elgin, AZ 85611

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Ellie Martin

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**From:** Tom & Kathi Brown [REDACTED]  
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December 6, 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 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.

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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.

They often, in rural areas, pass sensitive areas such as schools and their sports fields and playgrounds, residential areas etc. The associated noise and dust emanating from a 10 wheeler and especially a 10 wheeler towing a trailer is like a mini-tornado passing by. From personal experience, it is not pleasant. To be subjected to that all day-every day, is intolerable and unhealthy.

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,

Thomas and Kathleen Brown

PO Box 432

Saint David, AZ 85630

Photos: <https://thomasbrown-photography.smugmug.com/>

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Blog: <http://brownshighway.blogspot.com/>

Phone: [REDACTED] (cell)

Arizona Address:

3 North Old Javelina Trail

PO Box 432

St. David AZ 85630

Trump is like a blender going at full speed with the top off, goop splattering everywhere.

**Ellie Martin**

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**From:** Claudia Mayes [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Saturday, December 6, 2025 7:08 AM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Ordinance No. 2025-32

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December 7, 2025

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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 strongly support passage of Ordinance No. 2025-32 to regulate certain unpaved county

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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. You can always see the dust at the mines in the Santa Rita Mountains, this shouldn't be happening either.

I have asthma which I didn't have till I moved here. Dust aggravates this conditions. As my Dr. said, "this is the epicenter for Valley Fever". The dust from trucks will only spread this. This is very serious, especially for people with respiratory problems such as myself and others. The truck dust just hangs in the air.

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,

Claudia Mayes

1717 W Retorno de Manana

Green Valley, AZ 85622

**Ellie Martin**

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**From:** Mike Bertram [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Saturday, December 6, 2025 3:41 AM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Ordinance No. 2025-32

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December 6, 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

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

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.

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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.

I spend a lot of my time hiking dirt roads in the county. Having high traffic loads on these roads would completely destroy my experience of nature on these walks. We should be increasing the recreational quality of these roads, not by surfacing these roads, which would increase speeds and reduce safety, but by reducing the traffic loads.

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,

Name: Mike Bertram

Address: 1843 Placita Napoleon, Green Valley, AZ 85622

Ellie Martin

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**From:** Rich White [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Saturday, December 6, 2025 12:58 AM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Please restrict the air polluting.

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Attention Pima County Board of Supervisors;

Please pass an ordinance to restrict the speed on dirt roads and limit the amount of dust in the air. We deserve clean air to breathe.

Sincerely  
Richard White  
[REDACTED]  
[Sent from AOL on Android](#)

02-07-2025 10:53:50 AM

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## Ellie Martin

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**From:** nedra wilson [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, December 5, 2025 6:52 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Santa Rita Road

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To whom it may concern.

We are concerned about the number of trucks that would be traveling up and down the Santa Rita road if the Copper World mine becomes a reality! The air pollution would be absolutely devastating!!! We would not want anyone to have to live with that! The housing addition along that road has many families in there with children that will be exposed to this terrible air pollution! Lung issues are nothing to mess with in children and adults!! Please be responsible and put an ordinance on the number of trips that can be made on unpaved roads!!

Thank you!!  
Bill and Nedra Coplen  
576 E. Corte Pasadera Verde  
Green Valley, Az. 85614  
Sent from my iPad

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**From:** Linda Strader [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, December 8, 2025 9:35 AM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Support of Ordinance No. 2025-32

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Ms. Melissa Manriquez  
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130 W. Congress Street  
Tucson, AZ 85701

Green Valley, AZ 85622

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December 8, 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:

As the volunteer co-leaders of the Tucson Great Old Broads for Wilderness, we represent several hundred residents of Southern Arizona in our efforts to protect people and wild places from pollution and degradation.

We strongly support passage of Ordinance No. 2025-32 to regulate certain unpaved county roads to maintain health standards for air quality at the Board of Supervisors meeting on December 16, 2025.

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 you know, we have problems with Valley Fever and other respiratory diseases in our county, and the onslaught of dust will only make things worse for those of us who call this place home.

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,

Andrea Hoerr  
4535 E Red Mesa Dr.  
Tucson, AZ 85718

Susan Libby  
970 North Camino Las Solanas  
Tucson AZ 85710

EM

**Ellie Martin**

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**From:** Dennis Crawford [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, December 8, 2025 11:35 AM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Please Support Ordinance No. 2025-32

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December 8, 2025

Ms. Melissa Manriquez

Clerk of the Pima County Board of Supervisors

130 W. Congress Street

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,

Dennis Crawford

2249 S. Via Espinosa

Green Valley, AZ 85614

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**Ellie Martin**

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**From:** Carrie Casswell [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, December 8, 2025 1:41 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Heavy Truck Ordinance on Unpaved Roads Ordinance

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As a homeowner in Pima County, I encourage your support in limiting the amount of trucks on unpaved roads near the Santa Rita mountain range. Not only is it an important conservation area, the scenic background is what brought many residents to buy homes in the area. The amount of dust from the trucks will not only affect the skyline, it will also affect the respiratory health of residents and children that live within this area. Please consider voting yes for our safety. Thank you, Edward and Carrie Casswell

Sent from my iPhone

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DATE 12-16-25 ITEM NO. RA13

December 09, 2025

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

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

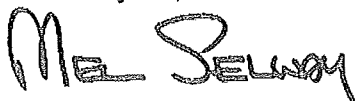
Dear Ms. Manriquez: I strongly support passage of Ordinance No. 2025-32 to regulate certain unpaved county roads to maintain health standards for air quality at the Dec. 16, 2025 Board of Supervisors meeting.

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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,



Mel Selway  
167 West Calle del Estribo  
Sahuarita, AZ 85629



**Aliza Barraza**

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**From:** Mel Selway [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 9, 2025 8:18 AM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Ordinance 2025-32  
**Attachments:** Unpaved Roads ltr 120925.docx

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**12-09-25 Ordinance 2025-32**

**MS Manriquez:**

**Please accept my request to the Pima County Board of Supervisors regarding the passage of Ordinance 2025-32 which request is contained in my signed letter attached to this email (*Unpaved Roads ltr 120925*).**

**Thank you,**

**Mel Selway**

**167 West Calle del Estribo**

**Sahuarita, AZ 85629**

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## Matt Felix

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**From:** Wanda P [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 9, 2025 11:11 AM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Please support the Ordinance to Regulate Certain Unpaved Roads to Maintain Healthy Air Quality

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Dear Pima County Board of Supervisors,

I write to you on behalf of my family and neighbors in Southern Arizona. Many of us have health issues, and dust and air pollution is detrimental. Several family members have asthma or other respiratory conditions.

Please support the regulation of unpaved roads to limit heavy truck traffic across unpaved roads throughout the county.. It will benefit our health, air quality, water, and the environment overall.

In gratitude, Wanda Poindexter 3315 N Gregory Drive, Tucson 85745

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Matt Felix

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**From:** Andrea Hoerr [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 9, 2025 4:26 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Personal Letter Supporting Ordinance No. 2025-32

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December 9, 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 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.

I have asthma, and when I see the dust clouds against the Santa Rita Mountains from the Foothills, I know that I cannot be in that area. The inversions that we frequently see in the Tucson Basin mean that the dust and toxins linger for hours.

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. 9

Thank you,

Andrea Hoerr  
4535 E Red Mesa Dr  
Tucson, AZ 85718

**Matt Felix**

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**From:** DONNA SPIES [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 9, 2025 5:27 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** ordinance limiting truck traffic on unpaved county roads.

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Dear Ms./Sir:

My name is Charles Spies. My wife and I have lived at 17303 S. Azure Sky Trail, in the Sycamore Canyon development, for 18 years. Our son and his wife, and two children, live south of us on the same street. His wife is a teacher at Copper Ridge Elementary, 0.9 miles west of Azure Sky. One daughter is a student at Corona Foothills Middle school in Corona, two miles East.

I am writing this memorandum in support of the proposed ordinance limiting truck traffic on unpaved county roads.

I can only assume that this ordinance is in response to the Copper World mine, currently under development immediately south and west of our location. 2

This area experiences almost constant south-easterly and south-westerly wind, giving rise to the local euphemism, the "Vail Gale."

Past development alone, and added ATV use, have already given rise to more than enough dust and particulate. The possibility of unlimited heavy truck use on unpaved local roads would be a disaster for local health.

I urge the board (and especially Supervisor Steve Christy) to approve this ordinance.

**Matt Felix**

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**From:** Kelsey Yule [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 9, 2025 5:50 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Support for Ordinance No. 2025-32.

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December 9, 2025

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

To whom it may concern-

I am writing to express my strong support for passage of Ordinance No. 2025-32 to regulate heavy-truck use on certain unpaved county roads in order to maintain healthy air-quality standards at the upcoming December 16, 2025 meeting.

As an ecologist who completed my Ph.D. research at the Santa Rita Experimental Range more than a decade ago, I witnessed firsthand how vulnerable this landscape is to airborne dust generated by vehicle traffic. Even then—when only a handful of trucks used the road each day—the dust clouds were so intense that they often lingered for 20 to 30 minutes after a single truck passed. The idea of dramatically increased heavy-truck traffic today is deeply concerning. I cannot imagine the dust conditions now, especially given how much more fragile our air quality has become with higher temperatures and drier conditions.

The science is clear: heavy trucks produce five to ten times more airborne dust on unpaved roads than passenger vehicles. This dust is not benign. It can contain particulate matter and contaminants capable of causing or aggravating respiratory disease. My partner suffers from allergies and respiratory irritation that are easily triggered by dust exposure, so I am personally aware of how quickly air quality can affect daily health and quality of life.

Reducing airborne dust from heavy-truck traffic is a proactive, evidence-based measure the Board can take to protect public health, safeguard sensitive ecosystems, and ensure responsible land stewardship throughout Pima County. Closing the loophole that currently allows unlimited truck use on unpaved county roads is both reasonable and necessary.

This issue is especially important along Santa Rita Road, which bisects the 52,000-acre Santa Rita Experimental Range—one of the most significant open-space research centers in the United States. By law, this landscape must be managed for ecological and rangeland research. Allowing heavy-truck dust pollution to compromise the integrity of this irreplaceable research environment would be inconsistent with that mandate. The County

has already stated that Santa Rita Road should remain unpaved; passing this ordinance is the logical step needed to ensure that unpaved status does not result in unchecked environmental and health impacts.

For these reasons, I respectfully urge you to pass Ordinance No. 2025-32. Doing so will protect community health, preserve vital research lands, and ensure a higher quality of life for residents across Pima County.

Thank you for your consideration and for your commitment to responsible environmental policy-

Kelsey Yule, PhD  
Tucson, AZ 85705



## Matt Felix

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**From:** paul anderson [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 9, 2025 7:10 PM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Support of Ordinance No. 2025-32

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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. I personally am very sensitive to dust and other air pollutants and a significant amount of dust in the air is very uncomfortable for me.

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.

Sincerely,

Paul Anderson  
1529 W Calle Hacienda  
Green Valley, AZ 85622

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## Matt Felix

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**From:** Jane [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 9, 2025 11:00 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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Hello Ms. Manriquez:

As a Corona de Tucson resident and closely following the Copper World project in my backyard, I strongly support passage of Ordinance No. 2025-32 to regulate unpaved county roads to maintain health standards for air quality at the upcoming December 16, 2025 Board of Supervisors meeting.

I agree with the County to 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 a significant amount of airborne dust from unpaved roads compared with passenger cars. This dust can contain dangerous contaminants that will likely result in long-term health problems for our vulnerable aging population in our community.

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.

With the Project Blue data center threat on one side and the Copper World threat on the other, me and my family are pinched between two unwanted endeavors.

Thank you for your consideration.

R,

Jane Russ

17319 S Azure Sky Trail, Corona de Tucson

**Matt Felix**

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**From:** Liz Bamberger [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 10, 2025 10:58 AM  
**To:** COB\_mail  
**Subject:** Support of Ordinance No. 2025-32  
**Attachments:** Truck Ordinance for Health.doc

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

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.

Too many, both humans and pets, suffer from Valley Fever due to the stirred up dust. The poor air quality from excessive trucks has caused us additional respiratory issues. As is usual, it comes down to our health vs others greed. Please do right by the people living here. Don't give in to the corporations who do not have to live in the unhealthy conditions they create. →

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,

Elizabeth Bamberger

486 E Cactus Mountain Drive

Corona de Tucson, AZ 85641