From:	
To:	COB mail
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Dear Board,

I have a big problem that 75% of people polled said that road repairs should be paid for by a gas tax and you are planning to increase our property taxes. This is another example of a "representative" government NOT representing the people. We all know that the super rich are heavily invested in petroleum. So, you don't want their profits to go down, and, instead, you want to sock it to the poor and middle class. Why should a person who doesn't drive be forced to pay for the roads? I plan on voting against all prent board members in the next election. Thanks for screwing the people who don't have money! This is so so UNFAIR!!! This board is a complete farce of government. You should all resign!!!

Vincent Scardino

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June 12, 2016

Chairwoman Sharon Bronson, District 3 Vice Chairman Richard Elias, District 5 Supervisor Ramon Valadez, District 2 Supervisor Ally Miller, District 1 Supervisor Steve Christy, District 4 c/o Pima County Board of Supervisors **130 West Congress** Tucson, Arizona 85701

Dear Pima County Board of Supervisors:

During the last ten years following the recession, the State of Arizona and our region has had significant financial challenges. As we look forward, an investment in and expansion of our infrastructure is essential to ensure a strong and sustainable economy.

While reallocation and reprioritization has helped, additional funding is needed. We are aware that the Board of Supervisors is considering a new property tax for road maintenance with the intention of reducing the primary property tax rate correspondingly over the next year. Also, there is consideration of unanimous passage of a limited sales tax, entirely dedicated to our roads.

Diamond Ventures encourages County leadership to review and consider options for increased roadway funding and select and approve an additional funding source dedicated to our roadway infrastructure. This community investment to improve our current road conditions will better position the County for economic development opportunities and meet the expectations of County residents.

In addition to roadway surface maintenance, our region needs increased investment in expanded roadway capacity and community connectivity with the construction of new roadways. The business community and regional government leaders should work together to increase revenues dedicated to maintaining and expanding our infrastructure. The reauthorization of our Regional Transportation Authority, continued work with our Congressional delegation and leadership in Washington, work with members of our Arizona State Legislature, Governor Ducey and the Arizona Department of Transportation are all important.

Thank you for your ongoing public education related to roadway funding challenges and your commitment to find roadway maintenance and expansion solutions for current and future Pima County residents and businesses.

Sincerely,

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