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Re: Tucson Mountain Park Water Line Replacement Project – FY27 Congressionally Directed Spending/Community Project Funding Request

To Whom it May Concern:

The Tucson Mountains Association (TMA), a 501(c)(4) organization founded in 1934, proudly represents thousands of residents in the Tucson Mountains and surrounding areas. I am writing on behalf of TMA regarding Pima County's request for funding for the Tucson Mountain Park Water Line Replacement Project. The project is needed to assure reliable, uninterrupted water service to visitor facilities throughout Tucson Mountain Park.

Many of TMA's members live around Tucson Mountain Park and our residents rely on County-maintained roads through the park, such as Kinney Road and Gates Pass Road, on a daily basis. Our organization supports the County's plan to replace the entire line to meet current standards, thus eliminating the need for frequent and unplanned repairs that necessitate disruptive road closures and other concerns. The cultural attractions and recreation areas served by this waterline are essential assets of the Tucson Mountains, drawing visitors from across the region and the world. Reliable water service is critical to their continued operation.

We urge favorable consideration of this funding request.

Respectfully,

Ed Hendel
President, Tucson Mountains Association