

 **COCONINO**
COUNTY ARIZONA
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Matt May 8, 2020

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District 3 Dear Munds Park Resident,

This letter accompanies Deputy County Manager and Public Works Director Lucinda Andreani's letter addressing the need for an Equipment Barn in Munds Park, the process they have followed, and the intent to withdraw the current application with the Forest Service for the proposed site on U.S. Forest Service land north of Hillside Drive in Munds Park.

Lucinda and staff, for a couple of years, have tried to create a solution for maintenance needs in Munds Park, especially in the winter. This effort has been discussed at the quarterly community meetings during that timeframe. Having equipment stored in Munds Park would help the community with a more rapid response while also fulfilling the need to have roads cleared for the Pinewood Fire District to respond more swiftly to the community and also to emergencies on Interstate-17 during our snow events. There would be additional benefits beyond the winter months as explained in Lucinda's letter including a staging area for sandbagging when floods ensue in the community or wildfire response. We, the Board of Supervisors, approved the budget to do so.

In the past week the location of the proposed site and the opposition to that site have come to my attention. I convened a meeting with Lucinda, and Deputy Director of Public Works Esler Musta, and one of our Capital Projects Manager involved in designing the site, Jeff Stein. I thought that it would make sense to pause and provide an opportunity to create a committee of community residents to help us find a solution for the most appropriate site. We all agreed that this would be a good opportunity for the community to help provide a solution. We do have a limited budget and we have certain parameters that we need to work within.

This is to inform you that we have withdrawn our application for the proposed site north of Hillside Drive. I will be selecting a committee of solution-oriented individuals from the community as I have done in the past with different committees. Public Works will convene and work with the committee in seeking to identify a site within the community or immediate area.

Thank you for understanding. I hope that you have a wonderful summer and that you will help us determine an appropriate site for this needed asset in your community. For more information please visit www.coconino.az.gov/MundsParkEquipmentBarn. If you have any questions, then please don't hesitate to contact my Executive Assistant, Dr. Gregory Nelson or myself at 928-679-7163 or Public Works as noted in the accompanying letter.

Sincerely,



Matt Ryan
County Supervisor, District 3