

RESOLUTION NO. 11-1230

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ELOY, ARIZONA, DECLARING ITS PREFERRED LOCATIONS FOR TRANSMISSION LINE CORRIDORS PROPOSED IN TUCSON ELECTRIC POWER'S TORTOLITA TO PINAL CENTRAL TRANSMISSION PROJECT AND THE SUNZIA SOUTHWEST TRANSMISSION PROJECT

WHEREAS, Tucson Electric Power ("TEP") is planning a 500kV transmission line to connect the Tortolita Substation to the future Pinal Central Substation (the "TEP Project");

WHEREAS, SunZia Southwest ("SunZia") is proposing the SunZia Southwest Transmission Project to bring two 500kV transmission lines into the Pinal Central Substation, and possibly the Tortolita Substation as well from New Mexico (the "SunZia Project");

WHEREAS, the siting and location of the these two transmission line projects is of great importance to the City of Eloy, its residents, businesses, and the City's future;

WHEREAS, these 500kV transmission lines function to transport bulk power and will not serve local loads in the City of Eloy,

WHEREAS, the SunZia Project and the TEP Project share a common terminus into the Pinal Central Substation and therefore, should be sited in common or adjacent corridors wherever possible to reduce impacts;

WHEREAS, siting opportunities exist to the east of the Picacho Mountains that will have minimal impact on the existing and future land uses within the City of Eloy or any other local government while providing TEP and SunZia with ample opportunity to efficiently site their transmission projects,

WHEREAS, at a Stakeholder Group Meeting on March 30, 2011 TEP provided the City with a map identified as the "Preferred Route Map" depicting in green a route for the TEP Project to the east of the Picacho Mountains along with four (4) alternatives for siting coming out of the Tortolita Substation (the "Tortolita Area Alternatives");

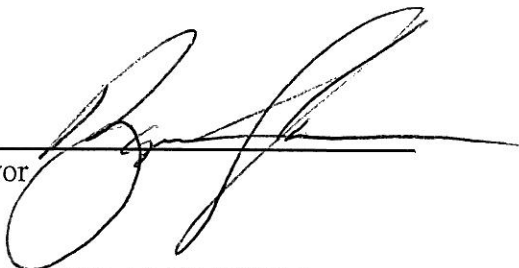
WHEREAS the City of Eloy has previously taken a Resolution in support of an alignment similar to the route depicted in green on the Preferred Route Map and wishes to restate its support for such alignment;

WHEREAS, the City of Eloy currently has no position on which of the Tortolita Area Alternatives is selected but requests that TEP and SunZia listen to and work with the area stakeholders to select an alignment that least impacts economic development interests in the area;

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the City of Eloy expressly oppose any alignment that brings the transmission line to the west of the Picacho Mountains because of its impact on future planned land uses and economic development opportunities in the City of Eloy.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Eloy, Arizona that the City hereby asks that the TEP Project and the SunZia Project be sited in accordance with Preferred Route Map as described above.

THIS RESOLUTION PASSED AND ADOPTED this 25th day of April, 2011, at a meeting duly called by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Eloy.

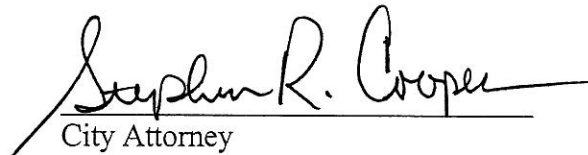
Mayor 

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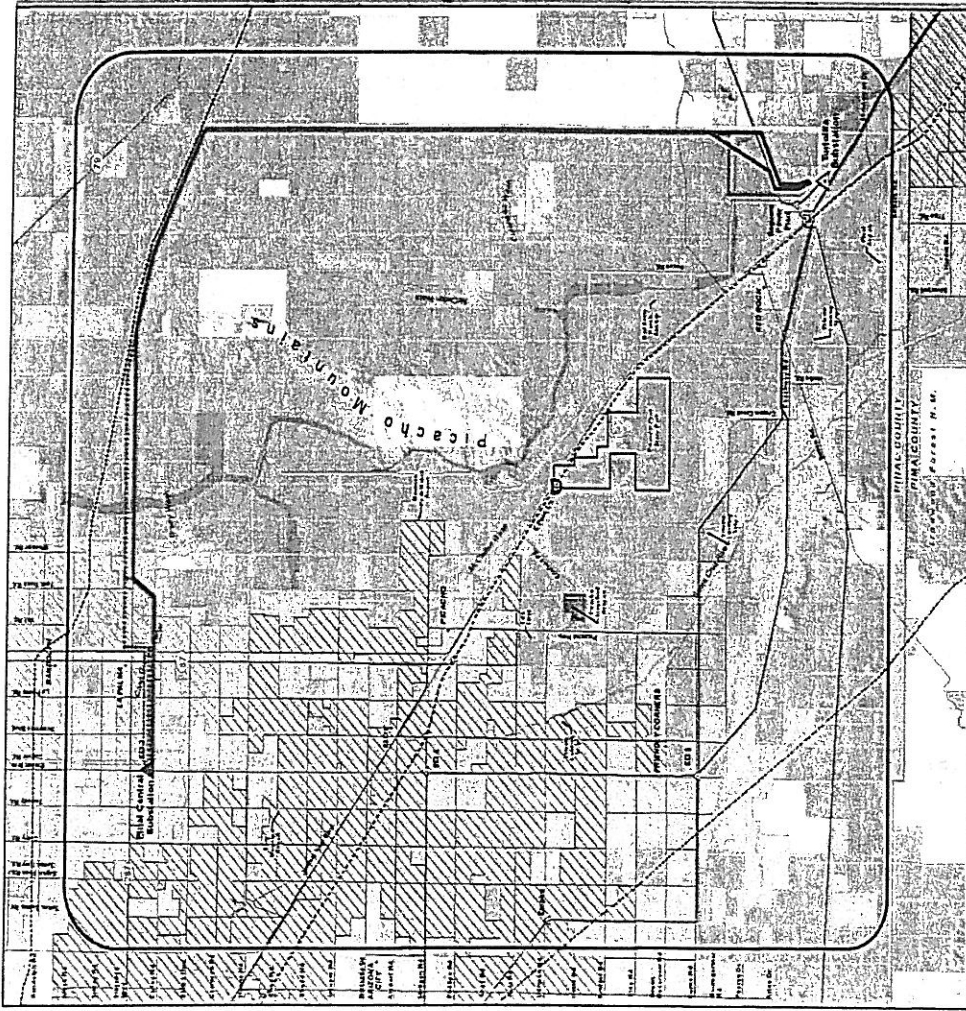


City Clerk



City Attorney

Preferred Route map



**PINAL CENTRAL SUBSTATION TO TORTOLITA SUBSTATION
500KV TRANSMISSION PROJECT**

