

My Turn: Resolution Copper Needs to Move Forward - With Permits in Place

By Mila Besich

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Superior is my hometown where my family has lived for generations. As its name implies, it is one of the most superior and scenic places in Arizona. From the surrounding mountains and canyons to trails and rock climbing to waterfalls, the magic of Superior's way of life can be felt. Superior is also a historic mining town where many critical mining engineering feats took place and where some of the world's largest copper deposits have been found. Revolutionary designs in mining like the first air conditioned mine and the longest and deepest single-lift mining shaft were constructed here. We are proud of our mining heritage, and as a community, we have a healthy respect and clear understanding for the challenges that the boom and bust cycles of mining have created for our community and our region.

Arizona's Copper Corridor is the equivalent of Yukon gold. Some of the richest and most accessible copper ore deposits are found here in eastern Pinal and southern Gila counties. Two of the three copper smelters left in the United States operate in our region. Mining belongs in this part of Arizona and it can be done responsibly while

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"There are numerous countries in the world where the politicians have seized absolute power and muzzled the press. There is no country in the world where the press has seized absolute power and muzzled the politicians"

—David Brinkley

protecting the environment and the beautiful landscape that we love and cherish.

When the Resolution Copper project was introduced to Superior, it brought a glimmer of hope and opportunity to our small, close-knit community. Its predecessor, the Magma Mine, was shuttered in 1996 and opportunities were scarce for Superior to provide employment and business prospects for our diminishing population.

If the Resolution Copper project comes to fruition, it will employ some of the most technologically-advanced and modern mining techniques ever. It will have passed the most thorough and exhaustive environmental permitting ever and it will boast new jobs focused on robotics and other innovations that will make this the most sophisticated, advanced and environmentally-sensitive mine in the United States.

This opportunity was critically important to the Town but not at the cost of the long-term sustainability of our community and protection of our precious environmental resources that makes us Superior. Our community goal has always been to be a town with a mine – not a mining town. This project helps us achieve this.

From the day this project was proposed, Superior chose to actively participate in the Resolution Copper Environmental Impact Statement. We chose to work with our Congressional delegation to bring to light areas that needed mitigation. We proactively engaged with officials at the Tonto National Forest and Environmental Protection Agency. We chose to stay at the table and negotiate with Resolution Copper to ensure that we had mitigation agreements in place to protect Superior's environment and socio-economic impact now and for generations to come.

Most importantly, the leadership of Superior understands that this ore body is not going to magically disappear; it will be mined and it should only be mined with the full permitting requirements of the environmental impact statements. Our active participation in the process affords me the confidence to unequivocally state that this mine must move forward for the betterment of Superior and our surrounding communities and to protect the precious environment that we revere.

Recent political maneuvers, fostered by opposition groups to reject the EIS, have created yet another roadblock to the progress of this mine and, ultimately, the future of Superior. If these opposition groups are successful, they will have opened up "Pandora's box", as the lands at Oak Flats will still be officially exchanged in March and the ore body will still be there.

With Resolution Copper in full ownership of the lands currently held by the federal government, they could still mine the property. However, their ownership of these lands will mean that they won't be required to do the extensive environmental permitting they were required to do under the parameters of the Southeast Arizona Land Exchange and Conservation Act.

For years, the Town of Superior, and the people who reside here, have actively participated in this transparent process as supporters and, in some cases, in opposition to this project. Oak Flats is important to our community: it has been a place of recreation, family reunions, union picnics and cultural celebrations, but it is also the place that many have gone to work. They have toiled and labored to provide for their families. The work is sacred to them and their families. It is part of our community fabric.

Mining will always be part of our economic DNA and will forever be critical to Arizona's economy and to our national defense. Copper powers everything from our televisions to our smart phones to our laptops and smart cars. Demand for copper will only increase as we become more technologically advanced.

The mine has been approved by the federal government. It is time for us to move forward with the permitting process. Further delay will be counterproductive to the goals of those who oppose this mine. When the land exchange takes effect next month, it could potentially create more opportunity for this mine to open without the proper permitting, environmental and socio- economic mitigations that are needed to ensure that the project is a net positive for Superior and the State of Arizona. This would be a travesty.

A wise person once told me: if you are not at the table, then they will eat your lunch. It is time for the opposition groups to come to the table and help develop solutions. This ore body will be mined, and it must be mined with the proper protections in place. We have been fighting for these protections since this legislation became law in 2014. Let's not let them eat our lunch.

Mila Besich is the Mayor of Superior, Arizona and serves as the Executive Director for the Copper Corridor Economic Development Coalition

Update offered on Pinto Creek Bridge project

Traffic restrictions on US 60 for the Pinto Creek Bridge project have been minimal for several months; however, the Arizona Department of Transportation says it is now approaching phases of the project where you will start to see some restrictions again.

While dates are subject to change, here is the current best estimate for how ADOT anticipates the next several months playing out:

• Late February into May - Girders for the new bridge will arrive on site and be placed starting as soon as Feb. 22. Because of their size, ADOT anticipates intermittent lane restrictions with flaggers to help drivers maneuver the girders through the work zone. Drivers should expect delays if you drive through as girders arrive or as they are being placed.

- Mid-July Bridge deck pour. Two bridge deck pours are scheduled. At least one of the two will require a full overnight closure of US 60.
- Late August Realign traffic from the old bridge to the new bridge. This will require a full closure of 5 days.

All of these dates are tentative, and ADOT will provide advance notice before all of these milestones/phases along with additional details. Visit the project page online: https://azdot.gov/node/14670.

Tim Kanavel Remembered

n Feb. 9, 2021, Tim Kanavel lost his battle with complications due to COVID-19. Kanavel was Pinal County's first Economic Development Director, hired in 2009. He helped to improve the economic health of the entire county and was a friend to the Copper Corridor.

Over his tenure with the county, he helped to secure over \$8 billion dollars in investment, locating Lucid Motors and Nikola Motors to Pinal County. During his career he also helped to designate the Opportunity Zones which helped the communities of Superior, Kearny and San Manuel to receive this designation.

He was instrumental in helping the Arizona Zipline Adventures in Oracle to work through their development plans. He also found ways to help support the Copper Corridor Economic Development Coalition and Oracle Women's Network work on local and regional economic development projects.

"The value of a man should be seen in what he gives and not in what he is able to receive. (Albert Einstein). To the Oracle Community, Tim gave his attention, advice, support and ever growing enthusiasm that our town would succeed economically and socially. We will miss his enthusiasm, but also his gift of conversation and the feeling of accomplishment he bestowed upon us. He was a valued friend.Local leaders in the Copper Corridor reacted to the loss of Mr. Kanavel" said Alicia Bristow, President of Oracle Women's Network.

"Tim Kanavel was one of our biggest supporters through every step of creating Arizona Zipline Adventures. He came out many times while we were in the process of permitting, building, and even more while we were operating. Over the past 5 years he became more than an advocate for us, though. He became a friend. Tim always walked in with a smile and genuinely wanted to hear how we were doing before telling us about his next big project that would enrich Pinal County. We feel so lucky to have known Tim so well, and are deeply saddened by his death. Sending our thoughts and prayers to Tim's family and loved ones," said Emily Goff

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from the Arizona Zipline Adventures.

Regional economic development professionals also expressed their deep loss for Tim. He was well known as a mentor and someone who was there to help lift everyone up.

"Tim was one of the best mentors, supporters, and personalities I have come across in my career. Tim was always there when I had questions in the economic development world and was always a big supporter of the Resolution Copper Project. His work and contributions in Pinal County are immeasurable and his positivity will be greatly missed!" said Bryan Seppala, AZED Pro, Advisor – Economic & Workforce Development for Resolution Copper.

Public Notice

Notice is hereby given by Steve Abraham, Planning Manager, Pinal County Community Development, of the location of public hearing notices and related materials for the Pinal County Planning and Zoning Commission and the Pinal County Board of Adjustment. The meetings of the Planning and Zoning Commission and Board of Adjustment will be held at 31 N. Pinal St. Florence Arizona, Bldg. F., Emergency Operations Center. Notice of public hearings for specific action items will be advertised as required by law (A.R.S.) in the Florence Blade Tribune, Casa Grande Dispatch, Eloy Enterprise, Tri-valley Dispatch, Superior Sun, Copper Basin News, San Manuel Miner and the Arizona Republic. Physical locations of Agendas are: Bldg. F and Bldg. A. Pinal County Administrative Complex, 31. N Pinal St. Florence Arizona 85132: Physical Copies of Agendas, Agenda Action Items and Public Hearing Notices and Supporting documents are available at the Pinal County Community Development Office for public inspection at least 24 hours prior to the meeting at the Pinal County Community Development Department, Pinal County Complex, Building F, 31 N. Pinal Street, Florence, Arizona, Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. and on the internet at: http://pinalcountyaz.gov/COMMUNITYDEVELOPMENT/PLANNING/Pages/PZCommission.aspx. (as required by law) and will be made available at least 24 Hrs. prior to a meeting date. The Pinal County Planning and Zoning Commission meets the Third Thursday of every month. The Pinal County Board of Adjustment meets every fourth Thursday of every month. The Pinal County Board of Adjustment meets every fourth Thursday of every month. The Pinal County Board of Adjustment meets every fourth Thursday of every month. The Pinal County Board of Adjustment meets every fourth Thursday of every month. The Pinal County Board of Adjustment meets every fourth Thursday of every month except in the month of November, in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday. Meetings may be canceled due to lack of agenda it

"Tim quickly became a mentor, a friend and he was someone vou could count on. He embodied the can-do spirit and was tireless in his efforts to improve the economic health of the entire county if it were not for his efforts, the CCEDC may not still be in existence today. I will miss working with him and as our organization continues to grow and development, his legacy will continue to help our region thrive," said Mila Besich, Executive Director of the Copper Corridor **Economic Development**

Coalition and Mayor of Superior.

Michael Carnes, general manager of *Copper Area News Publishers* and former president of the Copper Corridor Economic Development Coalition, said, "Tim was a true asset to Pinal County. We may not see his like again."

There is no doubt that Tim will be missed. His tireless work and enthusiasm will be producing long term economic uplifting for Pinal County for decades to come. Copper Area News offers our deepest and most sincere condolences



Tim Kanavel

to Tim's family, friends and colleagues. We will also miss him.

Letters of Interest with Resumes being accepted to fill vacancy created by resignation of Justice of the Peace, Nancy Discher.

Pinal County Board of Supervisors to appoint a Justice of the Peace to serve remainder of the term through December 31, 2022.

FLORENCE – Nancy Discher who has served as Justice of the Peace over Precinct 5, Copper Corridor Justice Court, representing Oracle, Eaglecrest Ranch, SaddleBrooke Ranch and SaddleBrooke, since January 2015 has announced her resignation effective January 20, 2021.

The law that covers vacancies in county offices makes a distinction between whether the vacancy occurs within the first two years of an official's term or afterwards. In the case of a mid-term vacancy that occurs after the completion of the first two years of service, Arizona Revised Statute 16-230.A.2 is invoked. This states:

If a county office becomes vacant, the Board of Supervisors shall appoint a person of the same political party as the person vacating the office to fill the portion of the term until the next regular general election. If the person vacating the office changed political party affiliations after taking office, the person who is appointed to fill the vacancy shall be of the same political party that the vacating officeholder was when the vacating officeholder was elected or appointed to that office.

Judge Discher was elected as a Republican so the Pinal County Board of Supervisors is only accepting applications from registered Republicans for the Justice of the Peace position, Precinct 5, Copper Corridor Justice Court. To be eligible for appointment as Justice of the Peace, Arizona law specifies that the following criteria be met by each potential candidate:

- Must be a legal Arizona resident living within the Precinct 5, Copper Corridor Justice Court
- Must be registered to vote,
- Must be able to read and write the English language and,
- Must be at least 18 years of age.

Interested individuals should take note of the application criteria and deadlines below:

Letters of Interest and Résumés by 5:00 PM Friday, February 26, 2021.
 There is no formal application to submit and any combination of a letter of interest with résumé and other documents outlining the applicant's qualifications for office shall be emailed, mailed, or submitted in person:

ClerkoftheBoard@pinal.gov

Natasha Kennedy, Clerk of the Board Pinal County Board of Supervisors **Physical Address:** 135 North Pinal Street **Mailing Address:** PO Box 827 Florence, AZ 85132 520-866-6219

Candidates shall indicate their address, party affiliation and contact information in their letter of interest.

Title 22 of the Arizona Revised Statutes provides more detail on the duties of a Justice of the Peace.

COPPER CORRIDOR CHURCH DIRECTORY

Casa De Salvacion

201 E. Kino (& Catalina) Mammoth

> Carlos Gonzalez 520-487-2219

Domingo: Escuela Dominical 10-10:45 a.m. Servicio de Alabanza 11 a.m. Lunes: Servicio de Oracion 6:30 p.m. Miercoles: Estudio Biblico 6:30 p.m.

First Baptist Church

1st & Nichols, San Manuel

Pastor Kevin Duncan 385-4655

Sunday Bible Study 9:45 a.m. Worship 11 a.m. Sunday Evening Discipleship 5 p.m. Sunday Evening Worship 6 p.m. Wednesday Prayer Meeting 6 p.m.

Living Word Chapel Copper Corridor

Love God, Love People

Pastor James Ruiz 520-896-2771

Join us at Noon 402 Danbury Rd., Kearny www.lwcoracle.org Find us on Facebook @ LWC Kearny

Oracle Union Church

705 E. American Ave. Oracle

Pastor Dr. Ed Nelson 520-784-1868

Sunday Services 9 & 10:30 a.m. Wednesday Bible Study 11 a.m. Thursday Prayer Time 11 a.m. to Noon

Set Free Church

302 Danbury, Kearny

Pastor Daniel Sostre 480-645-7687

Sunday Service 10 a.m.
Followed by Fellowship Luncheon
Food Boxes Upon Request
760-238-0474

Sinners Welcome

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

San Manuel Ward • 101 S. Giffin Ave.

Bishop Jim Bingham 520-385-4866

Sunday Morning Meetings: Sacrament 10 a.m. Scripture Study 11 a.m.

Full Gospel Church of God 301 E. Webb Dr., San Manuel

Pastors Michael & Bea Lucero Sr. 520-385-1250 • 520-385-5017

Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship 10:45 a.m. No Evening Service Wednesday 6 p.m. Teen Group 3rd Friday of every month at 6 p.m.

Living Word Chapel-Oracle

Casual, Relevant, Contemporary

Pastor James Ruiz 520-896-2771

Join us at 8:45 or 10:30 a.m. 3941 W. Hwy. 77

www.lwcoracle.org Find us on Facebook @ LWC Oracle

Pathway of Hope Foursquare Church

3270 E. Armstrong Ln., Tucson (Behind Golden Goose)

> Pastor Karen Kelly 520-344-4417

Saturday Worship 9 a.m.

A House of Prayer, Healing & Salvation

www.pathwayofhope.net pastorkaren@pathwayofhope.net

Superior Harvest Church

Hill St. & Stone Ave., Superior

Pastor Albert M. Rodriguez 480-354-4499 H 480-329-3647 C

Sunday Morning Service 10 a.m. Wednesday Bible Study 5 p.m.

Victory in Jesus

Church of the Good Shepherd

Bottom of School Hill, Kearny

Pastor Jimmy Nelson 520-363-7283

www. the goodshepherd. pbworks. com

Sunday Worship 9 a.m.

UMC in cooperation with the Episcopal Church & the
Evangelical Lutheran Church of America
We stand in awe of God and of one another

Infant Jesus of Prague Catholic Church

501 Victoria Circle, Kearny

Rev. Fr. George Kunnel (Pastor) 520-363-7205

Daily Masses Tues. 5:30 p.m.; Thurs. 8:30 a.m. Saturday Vigil 6 p.m.; Sunday Mass 9 a.m. Sunday Religious Ed for Children, Youth Ministry & Jr. High Youth Groups 10:15 a.m.

Oracle Assembly of God

1145 Robles Rd. Oracle

Pastor Nathan Hogan

Sunday Prayer 10 a.m. Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.

Presbyterian Church of Superior

100 Magma Ave., Superior

520-689-2631

Worship Service Sunday: 10 a.m. All are welcome.

Anonymous prayer box located at Save Money Market. We will pray for you!

Family Life Christian Center 56 Kellner Ave., Superior

"When Life Hurts – Only God Heals"

Pastors Dennis & Sandy VanGorp 520-689-2202

Sunday Prayer 9:45 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m. 2nd Sunday Miracle Service 6 p.m. Wednesday Bible Study 6 p.m.

Everyone is Welcome • Assembly of God

Kearny Church of Christ

103 Hammond Dr., Kearny

Minister George Randall 520-363-7711

Sunday Bible Study 10 a.m. Sunday Worship 11 a.m. Evening Worship 6 p.m. Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.

Serving All of the Copper Basin Area

Oracle Church of Christ

2425 El Paseo Oracle

Richard Ferris 520-818-6554

Sunday Bible Study 10 a.m. Sunday Worship 11 a.m.

Lighthouse Assembly

First Baptist Church

103 W. Galiuro, Mammoth

Pastor Joe Ventimiglia

520-405-0510

Sunday School – 9 a.m.

Sunday Worship - 10 a.m.

Prayer Meeting Wed. - 5:30 p.m.

Movie Night Last Friday of the Month - 7 p.m.

"The Church on the Hill"

of God Hwy. 77, MP 134, 1/2 mi S of Winkelman

Pastor David Wade 520-356-6718

Worship Service 9 & 11 a.m.; Evening 6:30 p.m. Wednesday Family Night 7 p.m.

We Welcome You! www.YourLighthouseFamily.com

Oracle Seventh-Day Adventist Church

2150 Hwy 77 Oracle

Pastor Michael Soto

Saturday Sabbath School 9:30 a.m. Saturday Worship Service 11 a.m.

St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church

11 Church Ave., Superior

Fr. Samuel Jandeh 520-689-2250

Weekday Mass Tues.-Fri. 8 a.m.
Saturday 5 p.m. • Sunday 9 & 11 a.m.
Confession: Sat. 4-4:45 p.m. or by req.
www.stfrancissuperior.org

San Pedro Valley Baptist Church

Dudleyville Road, Dudleyville

Pastor Anthony DaCunha 520-357-7353

Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship 11 a.m. Evening Service 6 p.m. Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7 p.m.

To be included in the weekly church listing, please call 520-363-5554 or 520-385-2266.

Vista United Methodist Church

JOIN US ONLINE

Sunday live at 10 a.m. (Or stream anytime) www.vistaumc.org Facebook/Vista UMC

Community, Friendship & Faith Fred Baum, Pastor 520-825-1985

COPPER CORRIDOR COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Please note: many events have been canceled or postponed due to the COVID-19 outbreak. Please check with organizations when planning to attend events listed.



Support Offered for Copper Corridor Low Income Senior-Owned Homes

The Copper Corridor Economic Development Coalition (CCEDC) is supporting the USDA 504 and Habitat for Humanity's Aging in Place programs to help low-income seniors to make sure their homes are safe and healthy. For help in evaluating your eligibility and in applying contact via email at ccedc@magmadorada.com or by phone at 520-788-3672.

WIC Program

Have you been laid off or had your work hours cut back due to the pandemic? Pinal County Public Health's WIC program may be able to help! WIC serves pregnant, postpartum, and breastfeeding moms, as well as children under the age of 5. We provide nutrition and breastfeeding education, referrals to community programs, and healthy food for you and your family. Call 1-866-960-0633 today to find out more and to schedule your first appointment!



Eagle One Veteran Outreach

Visit Eagle One Veteran Outreach Center online at hohp4heroes.org. Eagle One provides veterans a place to learn about and apply for all services available to them.

BYOM: Bring Your Own Masks

Cobre Valley Regional Medical Center is asking everyone to bring their own mask when you come to the hospital. Thank you.

Wednesday Night BINGO

Doors open at 4:30 p.m. for Wednesday night bingo and play starts at 7 p.m., at San Pedro Valley Lions Club, 115 S. Main St. in Mammoth. Come down and enjoy! Remember to wear a face mask. For information call 520-487-2000.

Tri-Community Food Bank Open

The Tri-Community Food Bank located at 108 Redwood Drive in Mammoth continues to be in business. We are observing social distancing. Hours are 9 a.m. to noon Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday. To be eligible you must show proof of address that you live near or in Mammoth, San Manuel and Oracle and have an income within the federal poverty guidelines. The thrift shop is closed and is not accepting donations. Call 520-487-2010 for more information.

Superior Community Garden

The Community Garden beds are ready to go! Many thanks to Mike Montiel, Pete and Chris Casillas, Shaun and Rick Cartier for their tireless help with building steps, making the area accessible, picking up soil and delivering it. Anyone interested in helping out with planting and maintaining the garden should text Leanne Taylor at 520-342-7307. This is a situation that you will literally "reap the benefits" if you pitch in on the working end!

Wednesday Night Tacos at San Manuel Elks

The San Manuel Elks Lodge will begin hosting Wednesday Night Tacos on Oct. 7, 5 p.m. - 7 p.m. The Elks Lodge is now open to the public for dine-in with limited seating for social distancing. Please be advised there will be no Tacos on Nov. 25, Dec. 23 and Dec. 30 so our Kitchen staff can enjoy time with their families.

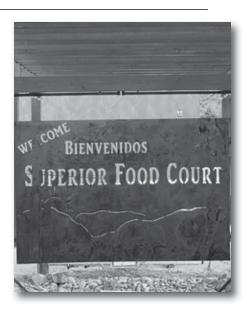
2021 Waste Voucher Program

The 2021 Pinal County Waste Disposal Voucher Program has begun. Please remember that in order to obtain vouchers those interested must present a current utility bill dated within the last 60 days with their name and physical address imprinted on it. No vouchers will be issued without proper documentation. Six vouchers will be given and they will be good until Dec. 31, 2021. If those participating own more than one residence they can only obtain vouchers for the primary residence. Vouchers can be used at the Oracle Transfer Station or the Dudleyville Transfer Station and are good for a truck load of up to 750 lbs. Vouchers will be issued according to the name that appears on the utility bill and that person must be present when redeeming the vouchers at the Oracle Transfer Station or Dudleyville Landfill. Questions or concerns can be addressed by contacting the office at 1-800-208-6897 ext. 7830-7833 or 520-487-2941.



New Superior Food Bank Hours

Clients can now receive food from 3 p.m. - 4 p.m. on the last Thursday and Friday of each month at 99 N. Lobb Ave. in Superior. Drive up or walk up with an adequate cart and receive food without human contact. Every means possible is used to make the experience safe. Volunteers have their temperature taken and sign a consent form stating they are free from fever. Volunteers are always needed. Even an hour will be appreciated! Please contact, Susan Ashe, at susan.ashe@gmail.com or 480-274-6896 if you have questions or want to sign up to be a volunteer.



Superior Farmer's Market

Superior Farm to Fantastic Farmers Market is open every Saturday 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Food Court on Main Street. Fresh produce baked goods and much more. Follow us on Facebook.

FEBRUARY

COVID-19 Vaccines – Superior & Kearny

Scheduling for COVID-19 Vaccines is continuing at the Kearny Clinic on Tuesdays and Thursdays and at the Superior Clinic on Wednesdays and Fridays. You must be a resident of Pinal County and have an appointment. To schedule an appointment, please call 928-425-3247 for Kearny and 928-425-3246 for Superior, and let the receptionist know you are calling about the vaccination in Kearny or Superior. Please leave only one message if you get the machine. You must meet the criteria of being a healthcare professional, long term care resident, essential worker or part of the infrastructure: law enforcement, corrections officers, education sector, food and agriculture, utilities and transportation and/or persons age 65 or older.

Submit information to CBNSUN@minersunbasin.com, online at copperarea.com/pages/forms or call 520-363-5554. Listings are free. Copper Area News reserves the right to edit or refuse submissions. Submissions are due the Friday before Wednesday publication.

San Carlos Apache Tribe files lawsuit against Forest Service over Oak Flat transfer

The San Carlos Apache Tribe ("Tribe") filed a motion for a preliminary injunction and declaratory relief to stop the Forest Service from trading sacred tribal sites at *Chich'il Bildagoteel*, also known as Oak Flat, to foreign mining companies seeking to construct the Resolution Copper Mine.

"The Forest Service violated federal laws in its rush to strip existing environmental and cultural protections so that they may trade the *Chich'il Bildagoteel* to mining companies," said San Carlos Apache Tribal Chairman Terry Rambler. "We will fight this desecration of our culture every step of the way."

The Forest Service is required to trade 2,400 acres of public land, including *Chich'il Bildagoteel*, to the Resolution Copper Company within 60 days of the

publication of a Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) under an amendment to the 2015 National Defense Authorization Act. An FEIS was published on Jan. 15.

Chich'il Bildagoteel, located 60 miles east of Phoenix, is recognized as a Traditional Cultural Property in the National Register of Historic Places and is identified as a "sacred site" under federal laws and policies. Chich'il Bildagoteel is within the Tribe's aboriginal homeland.

"Resolution's mining operations will permanently damage, destroy, and irreparably harm profound religious, cultural, and historically significant resources of the San Carlos and other Indian tribes, nations, and communities in Arizona," the request for injunction filed in U.S. District Court in Phoenix states. "The mine will transform Oak Flat into a crater, one that swallows and destroys sacred Apache traditional sites."

In January, the Tribe filed a federal lawsuit seeking to stop the land trade after the Forest Service published the FEIS just five days before the Trump administration left office.

The FEIS was published without the concurrence of the federal Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP) to develop a plan to mitigate the destruction of sacred sites.

The Tribe's motion also states that the Forest Service is violating federal law by failing to publish the public and private lands' appraisals for the proposed land exchange. The Forest Service has indicated that the appraisal information will not be available until March 21, 2021, after the March 15 mandated deadline for the exchange to occur.

The failure to publish the appraisals for public review is "arbitrary, capricious and an abuse of discretion," the Tribe's motion states.

The San Carlos Tribe's lawsuit is one of three lawsuits pending in federal court to stop the environmental and cultural devastation of the proposed Resolution Copper Mine. The plaintiffs in the other suits are a coalition of stakeholders led by the Arizona Mining Reform Coalition, together with the Inter-Tribal Association of Arizona and a number of environmental groups, and the Apache Stronghold, a community-based nonprofit seeking to protect native sites such as *Chich'il Bildagoteel*.

Public Notice

Community Development Block Grant Program Pinal County Public Hearing Notice FY2019 CDBG Annual Action Plan Amendment #3

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) requires Pinal County to publish an annual action plan outlining the use of HUD funds for the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG). This public hearing is to adopt a substantial amendment to the FY2019 Annual Action Plan and identify the use of CDBG-CV funds. CDBG-CV funds are funds allocated under the Cares Act to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the Coronavirus.

Pinal County has received a total allocation of \$1,497,324 and would like to invite the public to a public hearing on March 24, 2021 to provide comments on the proposed projects. Pinal County has identified the following projects for the use of CDBG-CV funds:

- 1. \$1,067,324 Renovation of an existing building to serve as Public Health and Emergency Management storage of emergency supplies, food, personal protective equipment, and refrigeration for vaccinations.
- 2. \$55,000 City of Eloy installation of air purifying equipment in community buildings.
- 3. \$65,000 Town of Mammoth economic development project.
- 4. \$32,500 Town of Mammoth installation of air purifying and water equipment to community buildings.
- 5. \$7,000 Town of Mammoth transportation services for seniors and persons with disabilities.
- 6. \$20,500 Town of Mammoth improvements to the public swimming pool.
- 7. \$250,000 Pinal County Administration for CDBG-CV funding.

For a more detailed list of the proposed projects, ask questions, or provide comments please contact Savanah Anderson, CDBG Specialist at (520) 866-6266 or savanah.anderson@pinal.gov. Comments will be accepted from February 22, 2021 to March 23, 2021. The full amendment may be viewed on www.pinal.gov/grants.

DATE	LOCATION	TIME
Wednesday, March 24, 2021	Board of Supervisors Hearing Room Administrative Complex, 135 North Pinal Street Florence, AZ 85132	9:30 am (MST)

All Pinal County citizens are invited to voice their comments regarding housing and community development needs, strategies to meet identified needs, and identifying barriers to those needs. Public input is an essential component of this planning effort.

It is the policy of Pinal County to ensure services are meaningful and accessible to qualified individuals with disabilities in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. Upon request, auxiliary aids and accommodations are available to individuals with disabilities. Persons seeking accommodation should contact Pinal County at (520) 866-6068, at least (3) three business days prior to the meeting (not including weekends or holidays) so that your request may be accommodated.

MINER, CBN, SUN Legal 2/24/21

Public Notice

Programa de Subvenciones en Bloque para el Desarrollo Comunitario (CDBG) Pinal County Aviso de Audiencia Pública Año Fiscal 2019 CDBG Enmienda #3 del Plan de Acción Anual

El Departamento de Vivienda y Desarrollo Urbano de los EE. UU. (HUD) requiere que el Condado de Pinal publique un plan de acción anual que describa el uso de los fondos de HUD para el Programa de Subvenciones en Bloque para el Desarrollo Comunitario (CDBG). Esta audiencia pública tiene como objetivo adoptar una enmienda sustancial al Plan de acción anual del año fiscal 2019 e identificar el uso de los fondos CDBG-CV. Los fondos CDBG-CV son fondos asignados en virtud de la Ley de Cuidados (Cares Act) para prevenir, prepararse y responder al coronavirus.

El condado de Pinal ha recibido una asignación total de \$1,497,324 y le gustaría invitar al público a una audiencia pública el 24 de marzo de 2021 para brindar comentarios sobre los proyectos propuestos. El condado de Pinal ha identificado los siguientes proyectos para el uso de fondos CDBG-CV:

- 1. \$1,067,324 Renovación de un edificio existente del Departamento de Salud Pública y Manejo de Emergencias para almacenamiento de suministros de emergencia, alimentos, equipo de protección personal y refrigeración para vacunas.
- 2. \$ 55,000 Instalación de equipo purificador de aire en edificios comunitarios en la ciudad de Eloy.
- 3. \$65,000 Proyecto de desarrollo económico de la ciudad de Mammoth.4. \$32,500 Instalación de equipos de purificación de aire y agua en edificios comunitarios en la
- ciudad de Mammoth.
 5. \$7,000 Servicios de transporte para personas mayores y personas con discapacidades en la ciudad de Mammoth.
- 6. \$20,500 Mejoras en la piscina pública de la ciudad de Mammoth.
- 7. \$250,000 Administración de los fondos CDBG-CV del Condado de Pinal.

Para obtener una lista más detallada de los proyectos propuestos, hacer preguntas o proporcionar comentarios, comuníquese con Savanah Anderson, especialista en CDBG al (520) 866-6266 o savanah.anderson@pinal.gov. Los comentarios se aceptarán del 22 de Febrero al 23 de Marzo del 2021. La enmienda completa se puede ver en la pagina www.pinal.gov/grants.

FECHA	LUGAR	HORA
Miércoles. 24 de Marzo del	Sala de audiencias de la Junta de Supervisores, Complejo Administrativo en 135 North Pinal	9:30 am (MST)
2021	Street, Florence, AZ 85132	(IVIST)

Se invita a todos los ciudadanos del condado de Pinal a expresar sus comentarios sobre las necesidades de vivienda y desarrollo comunitario, las estrategias para satisfacer las necesidades identificadas y la identificación de las barreras a esas necesidades. La opinión pública es un componente esencial para este esfuerzo de planificación.

Es política del Condado de Pinal garantizar que los servicios sean significativos y accesibles para las personas calificadas con discapacidades de acuerdo con la Ley de Estadounidenses con Discapacidades. Ayudas auxiliares y alojamiento para personas con discapacidades estan disponibles con previa solicitud. Las personas que busquen alojamiento deben comunicarse con el condado de Pinal al (520) 866-6068, al menos (3) tres días hábiles antes de la reunión (sin incluir fines de semana ni dias festivos) para que se pueda atender su solicitud.

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Hayden-Winkelman Unified School District is accepting applications for the following positions:

- ♦ Academic Success Coaches
- ♦ Instructional Aides
- ♦ Custodians
- ♦ Bus Monitors

Please contact the district office at 520-356-7876 for details and applications for these positions. All applicants are required to obtain a fingerprint clearance card prior to employment.

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100. Real Estate

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MAMMOTH

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Shop at Home: Mountainside Coffee

n April, COVID-19 brought much of Arizona's economy to a screeching halt. All businesses not deemed "essential" were ordered closed by Arizona's governor Doug Ducey.

The lockdown continued for nearly two months. When Gov. Ducey finally gave the go ahead to reopen, businesses slowly began the road to recovery. Even those listed as "essential" had a challenge with this economic recovery.

Many small businesses and nonprofits in Arizona didn't survive the lockdown. The businesses that did survive are hanging on as best they can. *Copper Area News* wanted to give something back to the local business community. Over the next several weeks, our newspapers (*Copper Basin News*, *Superior Sun* and *San Manuel Miner*) will be featuring local businesses and non-profits, encouraging our readers to Shop at Home, stay local and support our local businesses.

It is hard enough starting a business or expanding one during normal times. But to start one during a pandemic adds an entirely different twist to things.

Mountainside Coffee opened right as the COVID-19 Pandemic was affecting our lives in America. Their soft opening was at the end of February 2020 and despite the challenges that the pandemic created, Alex Romero and Amy Martinez kept working towards their goal of opening a coffee shop in Superior.

The shop is located next to Felicia's Ice Cream shop at 327 Main Street. They are open Thursday-Monday 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. They offer regular coffee along with a variety of hot and cold specialty coffee drinks such as mochas, cappuccinos along with teas and Italian sodas.

Mountainside Coffee also supports the local Copper Communities Food Hub initiative. They sell the baked goods from local cottage industry bakers and other local products such as granola, honey and hand made crafts. In addition to baked goods, they recently added breakfast and lunch bagel sandwiches,

made with local Brick House Bakery bagels.

The decor is cozy and a new map on the wall allows visitors from all over the world to stop in and mark where they have come from. Outside benches and the proximity to the downtown parks allows guest to have plenty of room for physical distancing while enjoying their drinks and other treats.

Mountainside Coffee is participating in the Superior Chamber of Commerce Gift Card Giveaway. Spend \$5 in the store and you will be entered to win a \$100 gift card to that store. The last drawing for the Great Gift Card Giveaway is March 6, 2021.











Alex Romero, owner of Mountainside Coffee, serves a hiker from Phoenix, Kate Radosevic, who frequently enjoys visiting Superior and the Copper Corridor for her outdoor adventures.

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