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**BEFORE THE ARIZONA POWER PLANT AND
TRANSMISSION LINE SITING COMMITTEE**

15 IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION)
 16 OF ARIZONA PUBLIC SERVICE)
 17 COMPANY, IN CONFORMANCE WITH)
 18 THE REQUIREMENTS OF ARIZONA)
 19 REVISED STATUTES §§ 40-360, *et seq.*,)
 20 FOR A CERTIFICATE OF)
 21 ENVIRONMENTAL COMPATIBILITY)
 22 AUTHORIZING THE MAZATZAL)
 23 SUBSTATION AND 345KV)
 24 INTERCONNECTION PROJECT, WHICH)
 INCLUDES THE CONSTRUCTION OF)
 TWO 345KV TRANSMISSION LINES)
 AND A NEW 345/69/21KV SUBSTATION,)
 SECTION 4, TOWNSHIP 8 NORTH,)
 RANGE 10 EAST, G&SRB&M,)
 ADJACENT TO THE INTERSECTION OF)
 THE EXISTING FOUR CORNERS-)
 CHOLLA-PINNACLE PEAK 345KV)
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 NATIONAL FOREST IN GILA COUNTY,)
 ARIZONA.)

Docket No. L-0000D-11-0068-00160

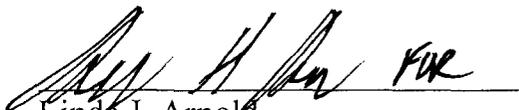
Case No. 160

NOTICE OF FILING EXHIBITS

1 Pursuant to Paragraph 11 of Chairman Foreman's February 4, 2011, Procedural
2 Order, Arizona Public Service Company is pre-filing its exhibits in this case. Copies of
3 the exhibits will be distributed to the Line Siting Committee before the hearing in
4 Scottsdale on March 22, 2011.

5 RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 17th day March, 2011.

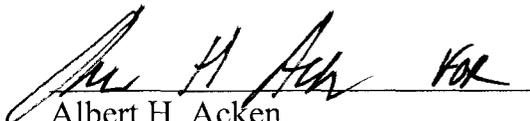
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25 March, 2011, with:

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APS MAZATZAL SUBSTATION AND 345kV INTERCONNECTION PROJECT
Docket No. L-00000D-11-0068-00160

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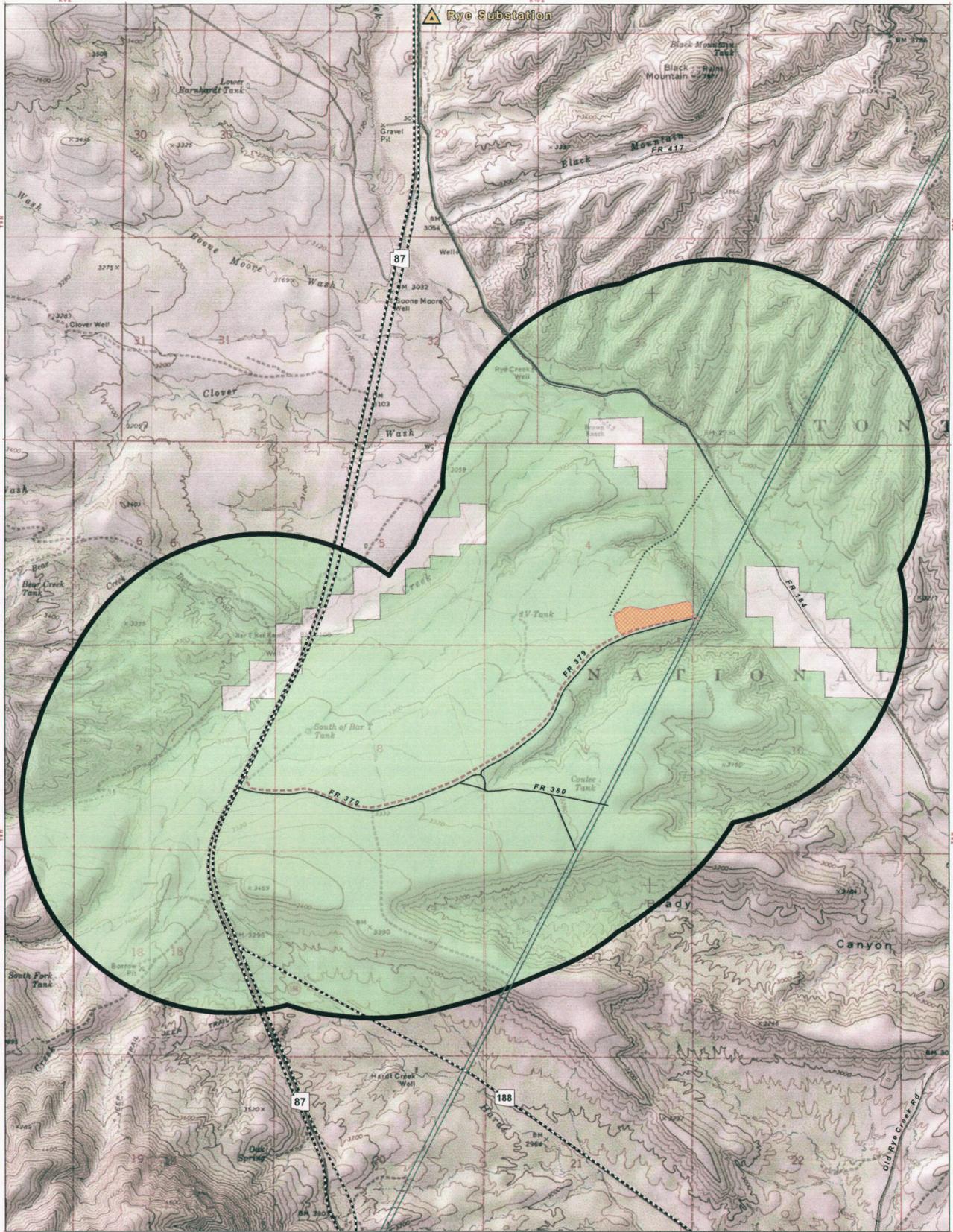
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Brad Larsen, P.E.

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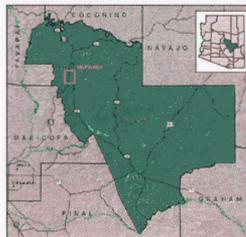
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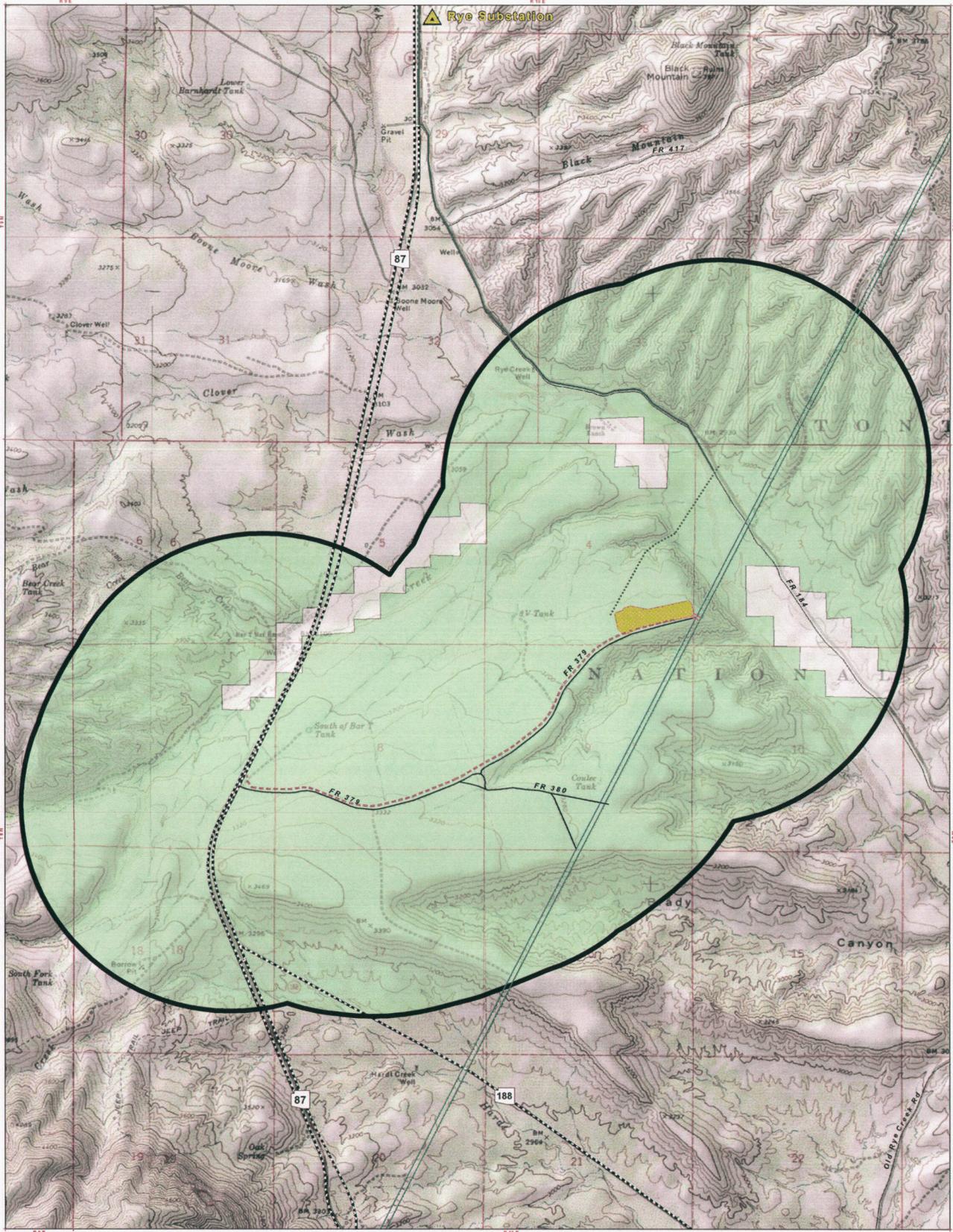


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Witness Background

- Educational Background
 - BSEE in Electrical Engineering, Arizona State University
- Professional Background
 - Registered Professional Electrical Engineer in the State of Arizona since 1994



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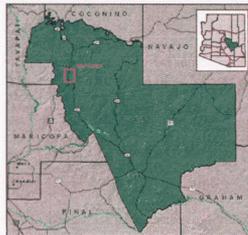
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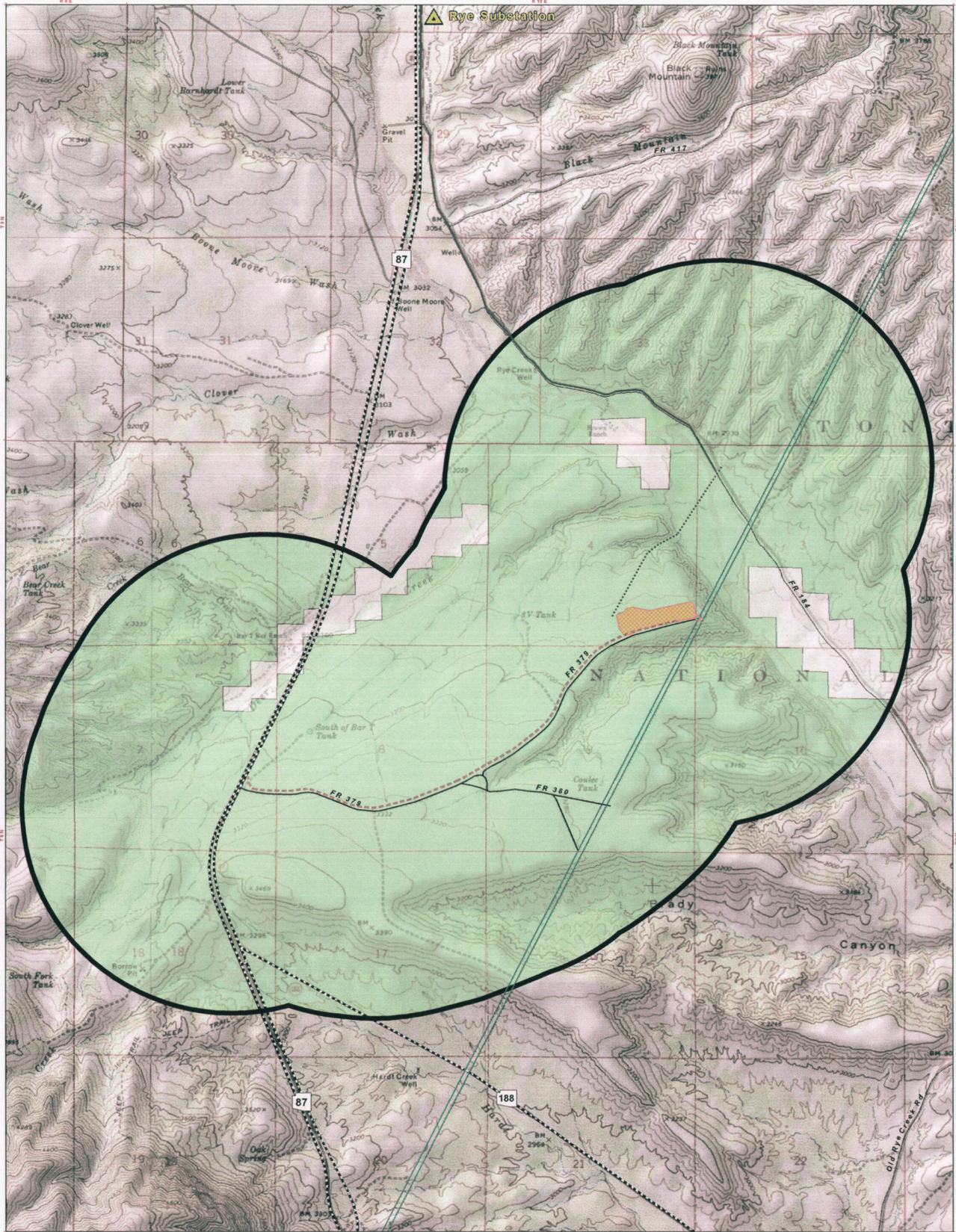


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Witness Background (cont'd)

- Professional Background (cont'd)
 - 21 years of electric utility experience at APS
 - Transmission Line Siting Project Manager
 - Transmission/Sub-transmission Planning Engineer
 - Substation Engineering and Construction – Engineer/Supervisor
 - Underground Construction Project Management – Supervisor



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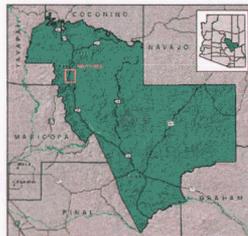
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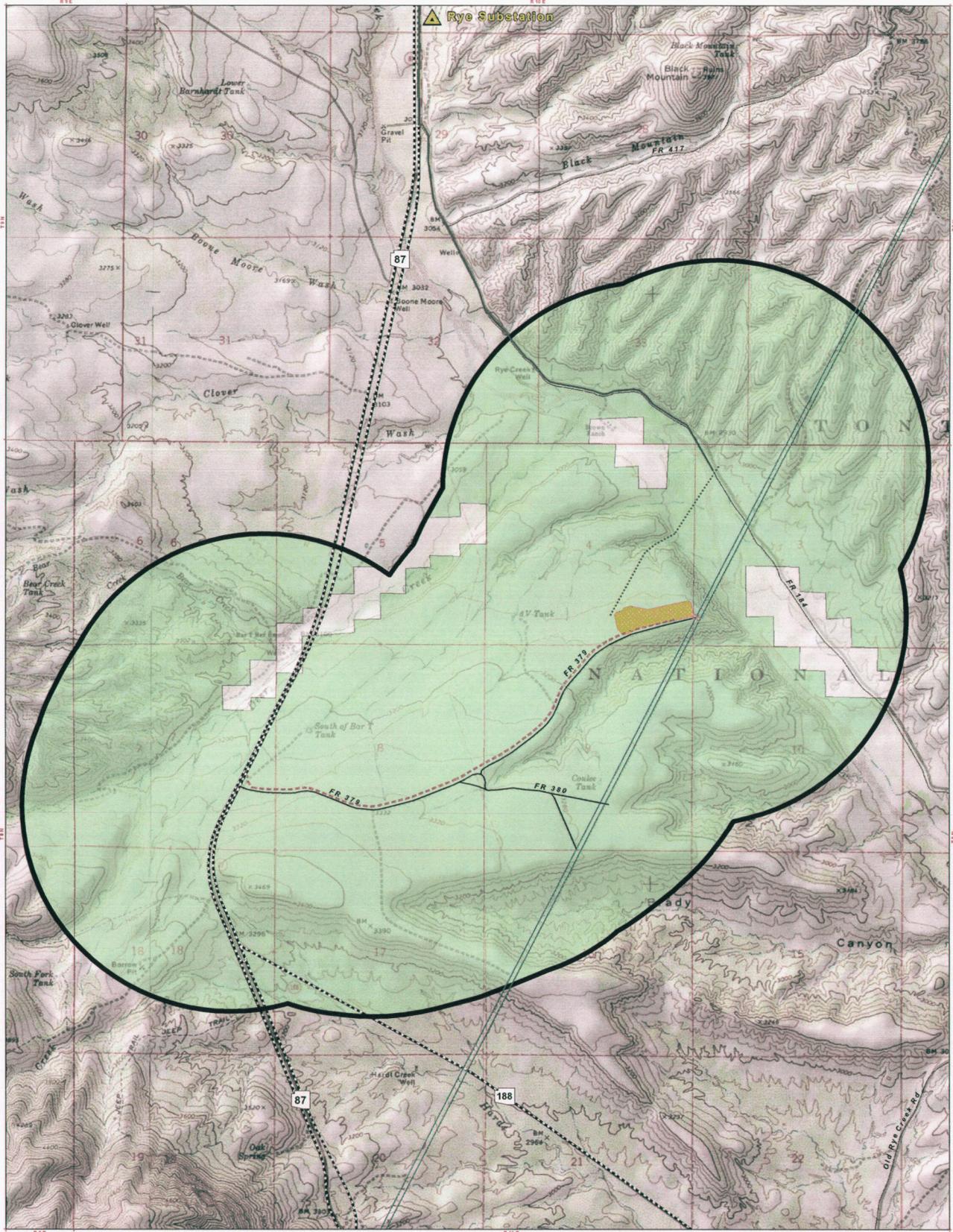


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Outline of Testimony

- Project Description
- Project Benefits and Need



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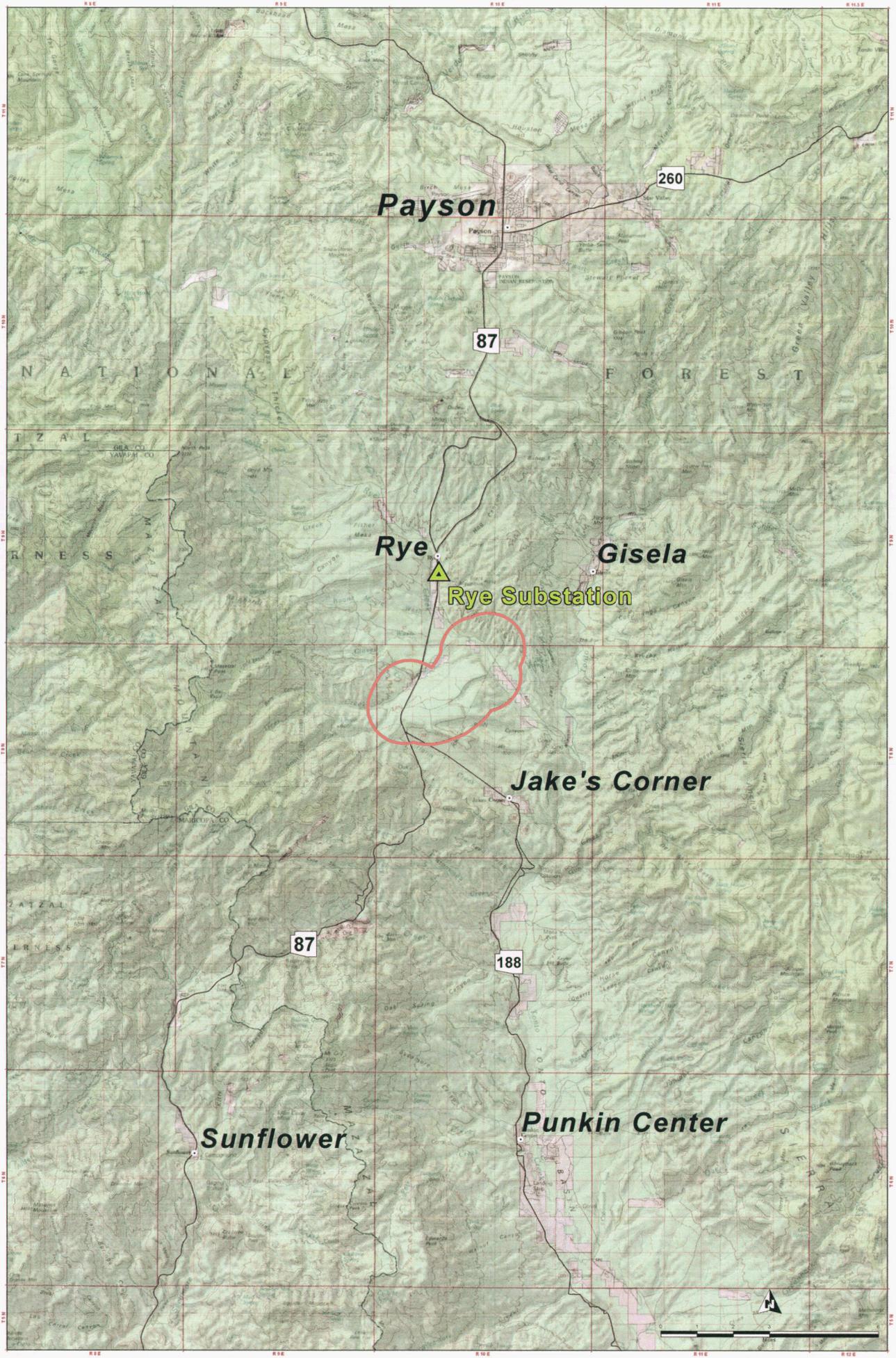


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Project Description

- Project area is located within unincorporated Gila County
 - Gila County Board of Supervisors provided letter of support for Project
- Project is entirely on USFS land
 - Issued a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for the Project



Payson

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NATIONAL FOREST

Rye

Gisela

Rye Substation

Jake's Corner

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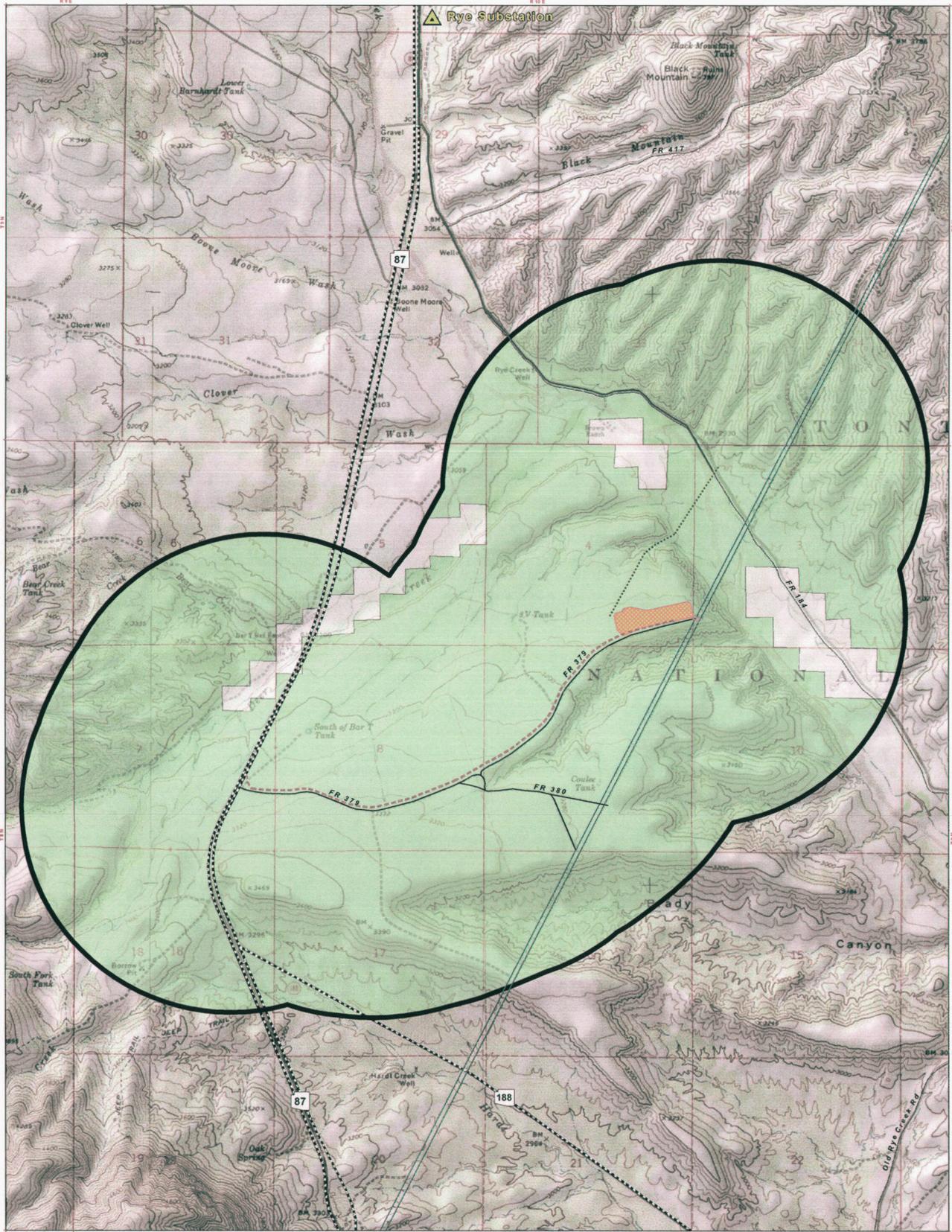
Sunflower

Punkin Center



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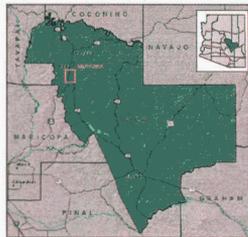
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DECISION NOTICE AND FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT
ARIZONA PUBLIC SERVICE MAZATZAL 345/69/21kV SUBSTATION
U.S. D. A. - FOREST SERVICE
TONTO BASIN RANGER DISTRICT, TONTO NATIONAL FOREST
GILA COUNTY, AZ

INTRODUCTION

The Arizona Public Service Company (APS) is the electric power supplier to communities in the Payson, Rye, Roosevelt Lake, and adjacent areas in Gila County, Arizona. APS is proposing to construct a 345/69/21 kilovolt (kV) substation and approximately 1 mile of two parallel double-circuit 69/21kV sub-transmission lines to provide reliable power to the communities in the Payson, Rye, and Tonto Basin areas.

An *Environmental Assessment* (EA) was prepared to evaluate the proposal. Two alternatives were analyzed in detail by an interdisciplinary team: A *No Action* alternative would have the existing facilities continue to serve the Payson, Rye, and Tonto Basin areas at the same level of reliability; and the *Proposed Action* involves the construction of the 345/69/21kV substation and the 69/21kV sub-transmission line for increased reliability of power supplies to those communities. Further description of alternatives can be found in Chapter 2 of the EA. A copy of the final EA is available for public review at <http://www.fs.fed.us/r3/tonto/projects/>.

DECISION

This *Decision Notice* documents my decision and reasons for this decision. The purpose and need for this project is defined as construction of electrical facilities for increased reliability of electrical power to the communities of northern Gila County. Given the purpose and need, I have reviewed the environment affects of the proposed action and the no action alternative and carefully considered the public comments received on the draft EA. The analysis of the environmental effects, public input and management direction and policy considerations contributed collectively to determining the selected alternative. The information is contained in the Project record.

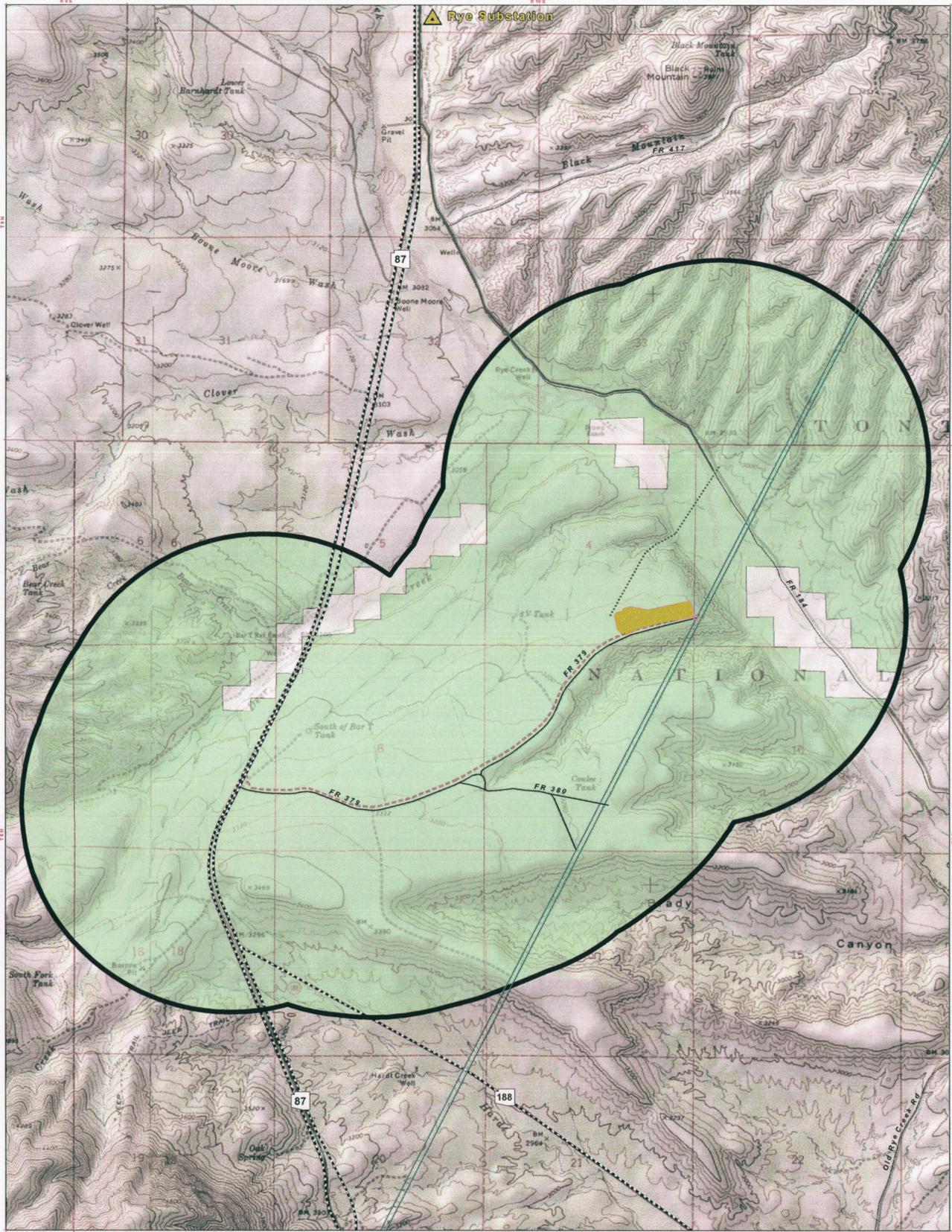
Based upon my review of the APS Mazatzal 345/69/21kV Substation EA, I have decided to implement Alternative 2, as described in the final EA, with the following changes and mitigation measures:

Changes to the Final EA

- References to wild burros in the vicinity of the study area were removed because they are not present in the area.

Project Description (cont'd)

- Involves interconnection of an existing 345kV transmission line and construction of new 345kV substation
- Immediately adjacent to existing 345kV transmission line



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Project Features

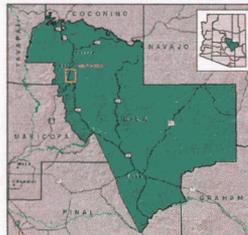
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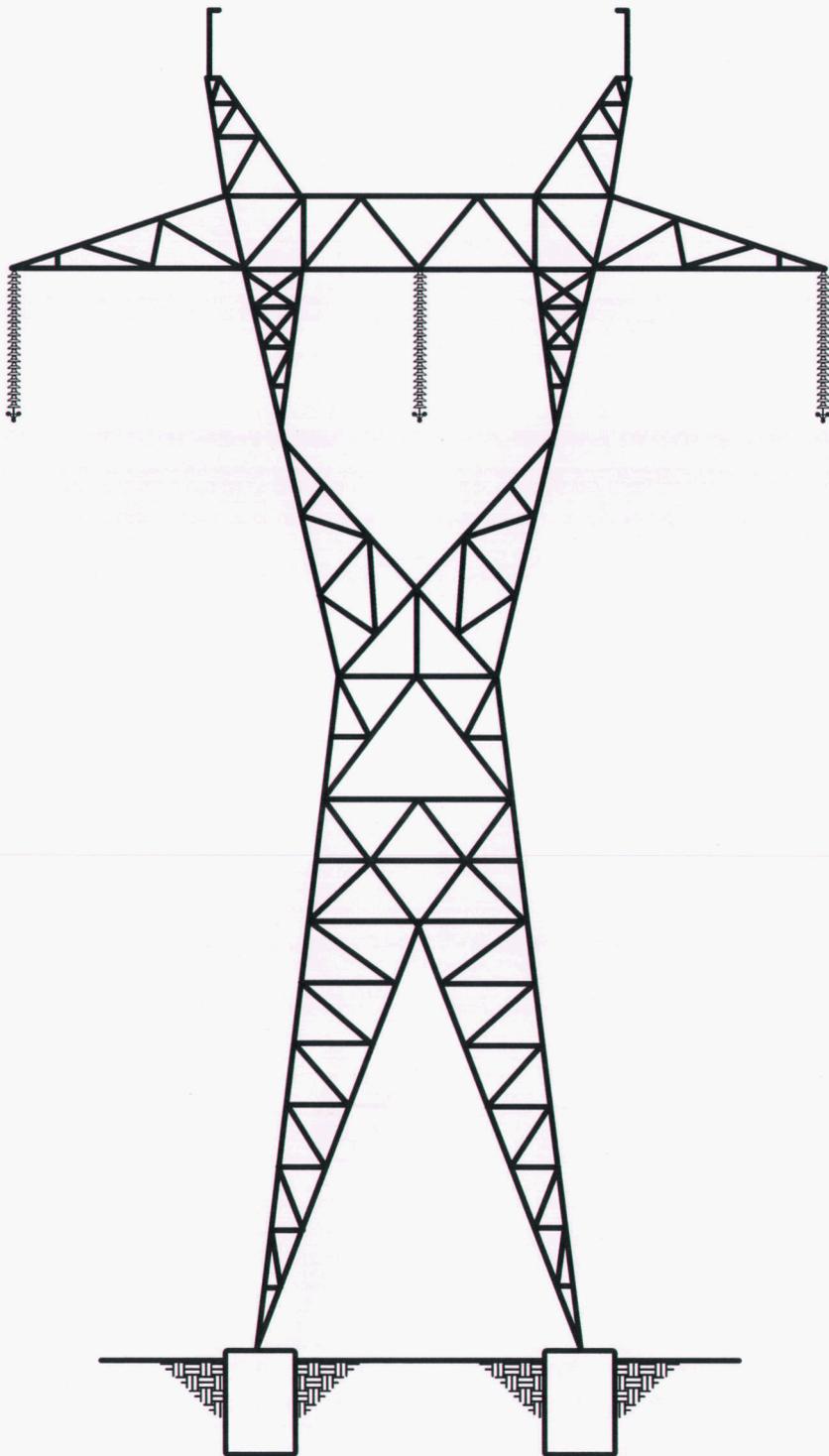


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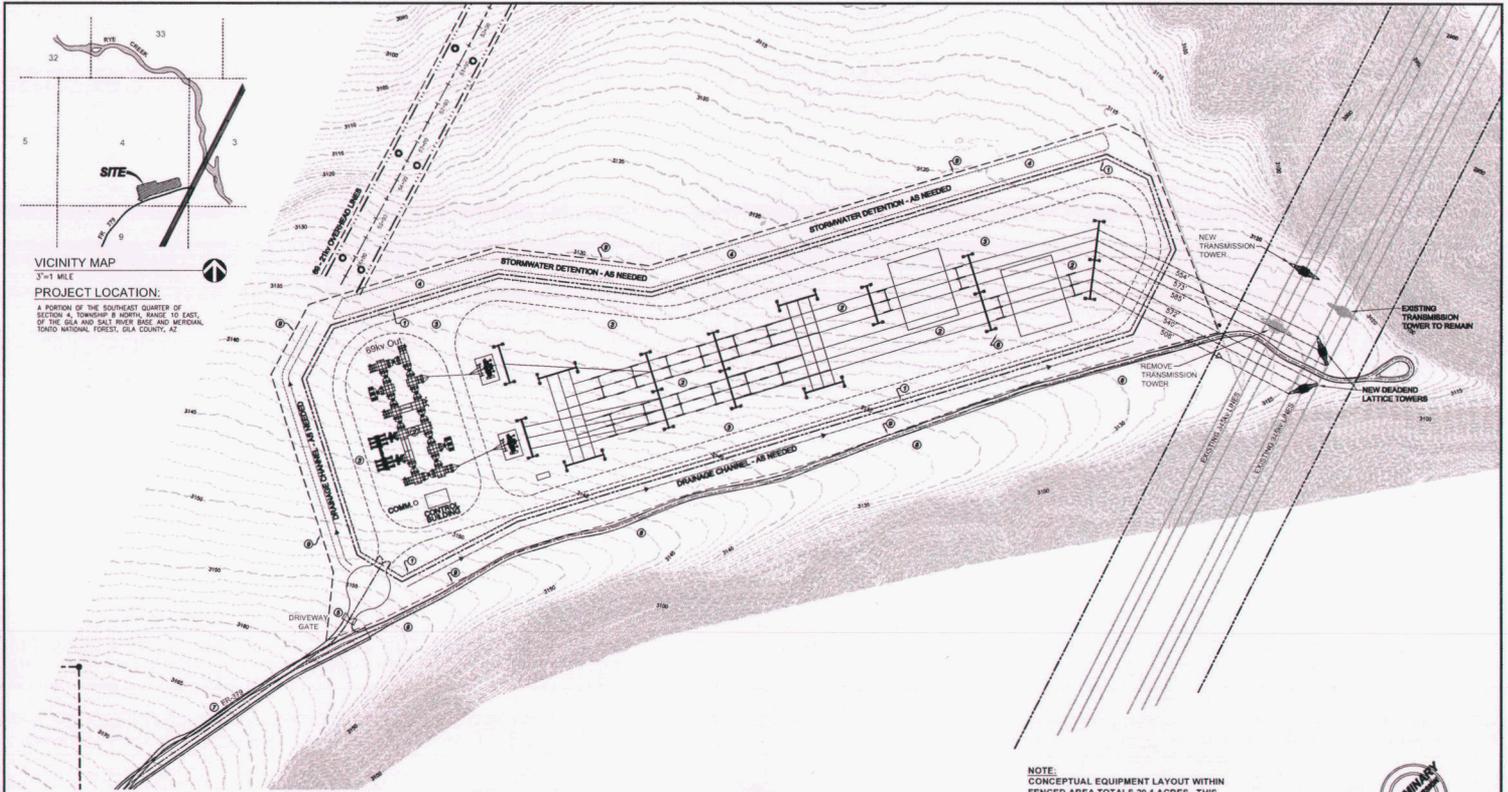
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- Substation
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VICINITY MAP
3"-1 MILE
PROJECT LOCATION:
A PORTION OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 4, TOWNSHIP 8 NORTH, RANGE 10 EAST, OF THE GILA AND SALT RIVER BASE AND MERIDIAN, TONTO NATIONAL FOREST, GILA COUNTY, AZ

1 "NORTH SITE" CONCEPTUAL LAYOUT
SCALE: 1" = 100'

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:
APS IS PLANNING A 345/69/21KV SUBSTATION ON THE INDICATED SITE. THE SUBSTATION IS USED TO RECEIVE POWER FROM THE INCOMING LINES AND THEN DISTRIBUTE THIS POWER AT LOWER VOLTAGE.
THE ELECTRICAL SUBSTATION IS AN UNMANNED FACILITY THAT WILL CONTAIN ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT AND STEEL SUPPORT STRUCTURES AS WELL AS AN ENCLOSURE FOR THE STATION'S ELECTRONIC AND COMPUTER MONITORING CONTROLS. ONCE COMPLETED, THE ONLY TRAFFIC/PERSONNEL ANTICIPATED AT THE SITE WILL BE FOR SHORT DURATION MAINTENANCE INSPECTIONS OF THE STATION'S EQUIPMENT AND BACK-UP SYSTEMS.
ACCESS BY FIRE PERSONNEL ONLY AFTER ALL EQUIPMENT HAS BEEN DE-ENERGIZED AND A QUALIFIED APS REPRESENTATIVE IS PRESENT TO ASSURE NO ELECTRICAL HAZARD EXISTS.

- GENERAL NOTES:**
1. DEVELOPMENT AND USE OF THIS SITE WILL CONFORM WITH ALL APPLICABLE FOREST SERVICE REQUIREMENTS.
 2. NO ON-SITE DUSK TO DAWN TYPE LIGHTING REQUIRED.
 3. THERE SHALL BE NO SANITARY SEWER OR POTABLE WATER LINES REQUIRED FOR THIS PROJECT.
 4. VEGETATION TO BE ESTABLISHED IN AREAS OF DISTURBANCE OUTSIDE OF PERIMETER.

- SITE PLAN KEYNOTES:**
- ① 6' CHAINLINK FENCE
 - ② ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT
 - ③ 6" ABC INTERIOR SURFACE
 - ④ STORMWATER DETENTION
 - ⑤ 30' SWING GATE
 - ⑥ POSSIBLE ARCHEOLOGICAL SITES
 - ⑦ 30' ACCESS FR-379
 - ⑧ 12' WIDE UPGRADE TO FR-379
 - ⑨ PROPOSED DISTURBANCE LIMITS

PROJECT DATA:

FENCED AREA:	= 20.1 ACRES / 875,556 S.F.
10' SAFETY AREA:	= 1.1 ACRES / 47,827 S.F.
TOTAL DISTURBED AREA:	= 28.1 ACRES / 1,224,036 S.F.
EQUIPMENT HEIGHT:	= VARIES
30' ACCESS FR-379:	= 11,500 LF / 2.2 MILES
12' FR-379 UPGRADE:	= 2,200 LF / 0.42 MILES

NOTE:
CONCEPTUAL EQUIPMENT LAYOUT WITHIN FENCED AREA TOTALS 20.1 ACRES. THIS DOES NOT INCLUDE STORMWATER FACILITIES, ACCESS ROADS, DRIVEWAY, SAFETY SETBACK, OR LINE EASEMENTS & MAINTENANCE ROADS.

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MONUMENT LINE	---
10' SAFETY SETBACK	----
CHAINLINK FENCE	-----
FOREST SERVICE ROAD	-----
CONTOURS	-----
OVERHEAD 345KV	-----
ARCHEOLOGICAL AREA	-----
DETENTION AREA	-----
POSSIBLE DISTURBANCE	-----

DATE	REVISED	DATE	BY
"NORTH SITE" CONCEPTUAL LAYOUT MAZATZAL SUBSTATION 345KV TO 21KV TONTON NATIONAL FOREST, GILA COUNTY, AZ			
APS			
SCALE: AS SHOWN	DATE: 01-25-10	2	
DESIGNED BY: CAN	CHECKED BY: CAN	DATE: 01-25-10	PROJECT NO: 0214014
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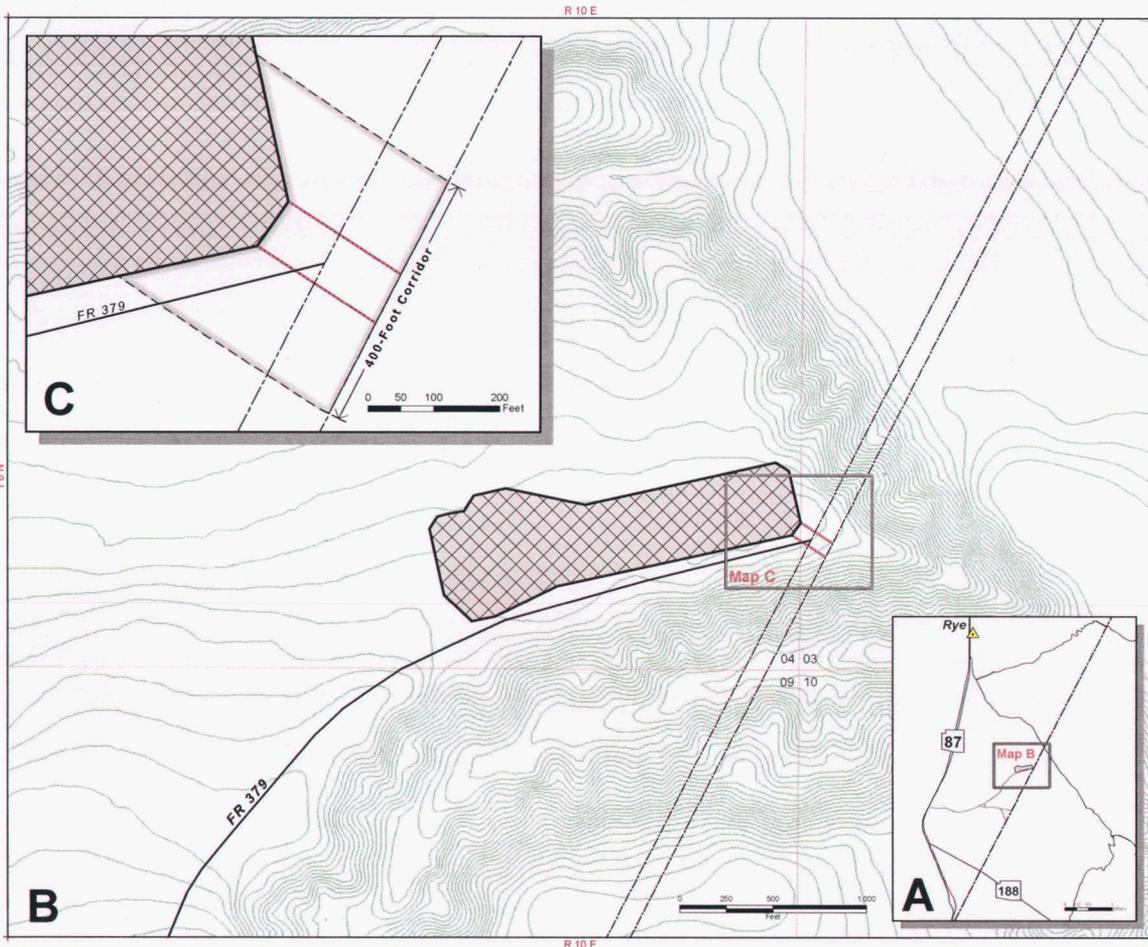
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CEC Corridor/Right-of-Way Requested

- Substation
 - Footprint 20.1 acres
- Transmission line
 - 400 foot width



Mazatzal Substation and 345kV Interconnection Project

Proposed Interconnection

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-  Proposed Substation
-  345kV Interconnection
-  345kV Right-of-Way (400 feet)
-  Existing Substation
-  Existing 345kV Transmission Line
-  Road
-  10 Section Line



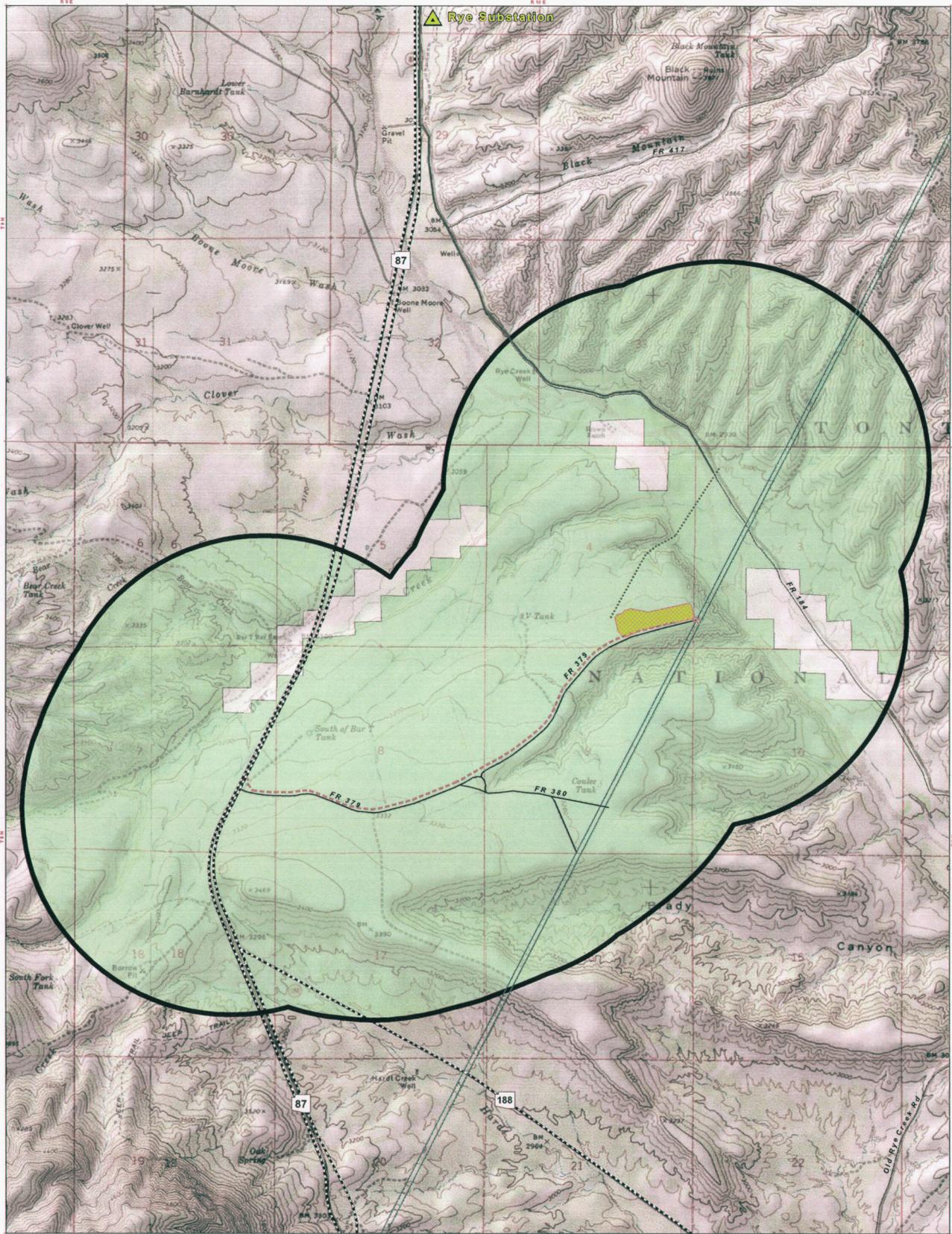
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Sources: StreetMap USA, ESRI 2007; EPG 2008.



Current Schedule

- Forest Service Special Use permitting and project design currently underway
- Begin construction in 2011
- Project in-service date in 2014



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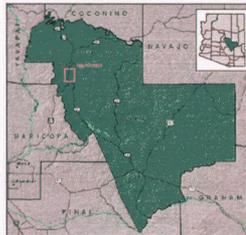
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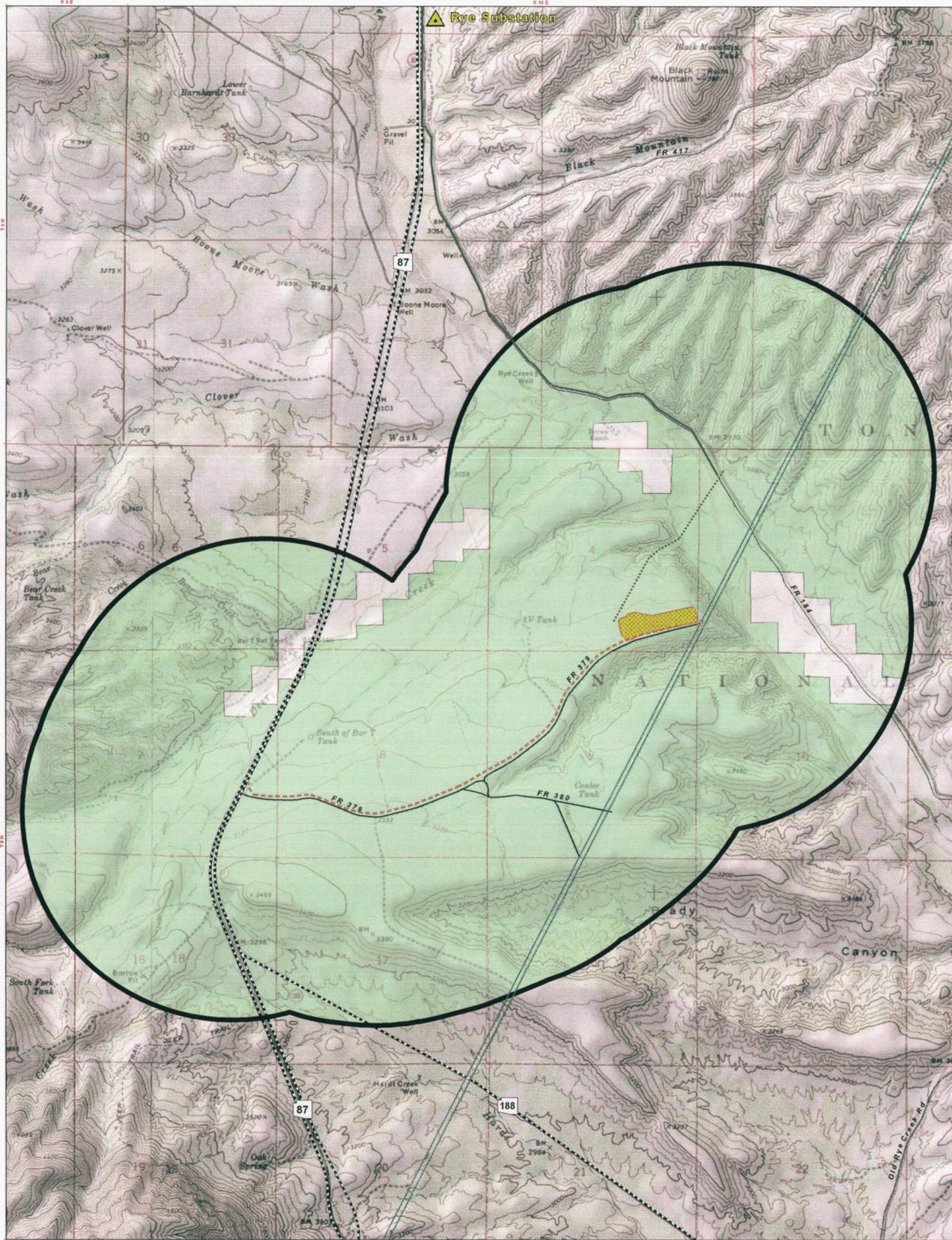


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Project Cost

- Right-of-way: \$1.0 million
- Construction: \$22.6 million
- Total cost: \$23.6 million



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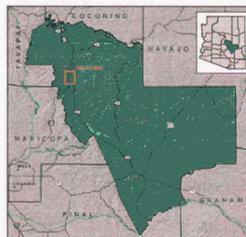
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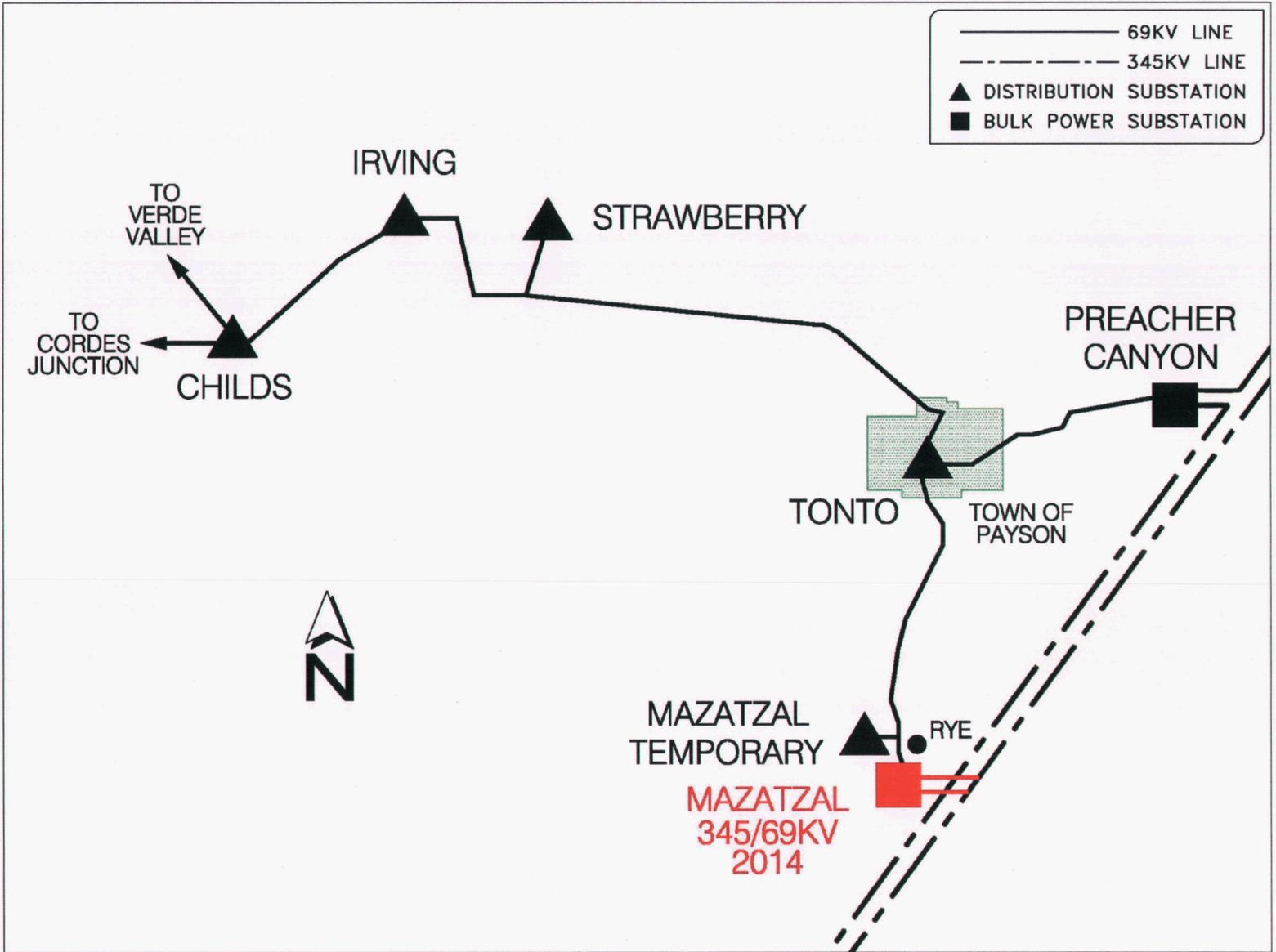


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Project Purpose and Need

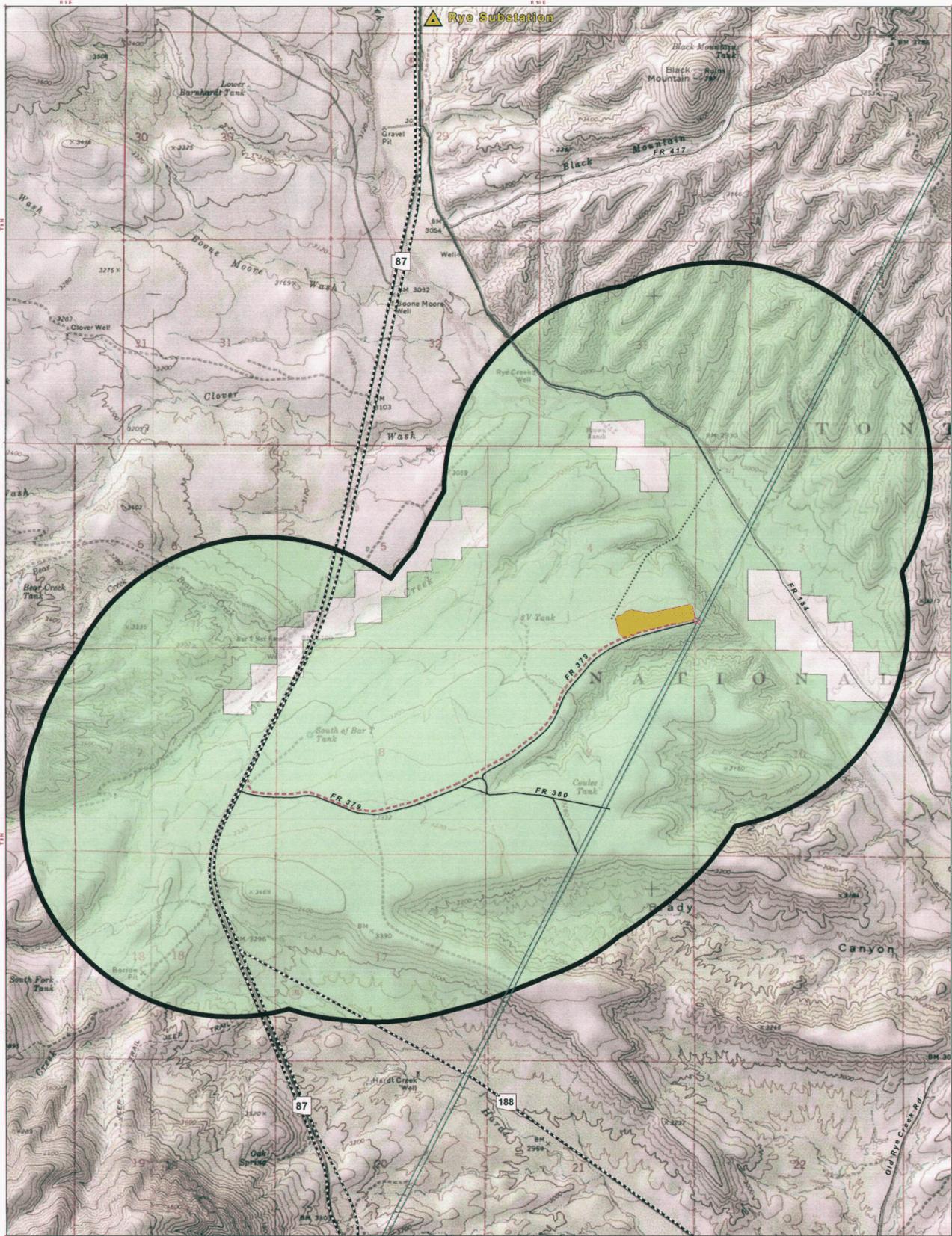
- Provide a transmission source south of Payson, creating a looped 69kV system
- Provide capacity for project load growth in the Payson, Rye, and Tonto Basin areas, and develop the 69kV system for meeting long-term needs
- Improve power quality in the area by providing a stable voltage source



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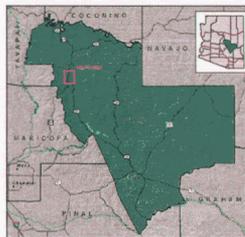
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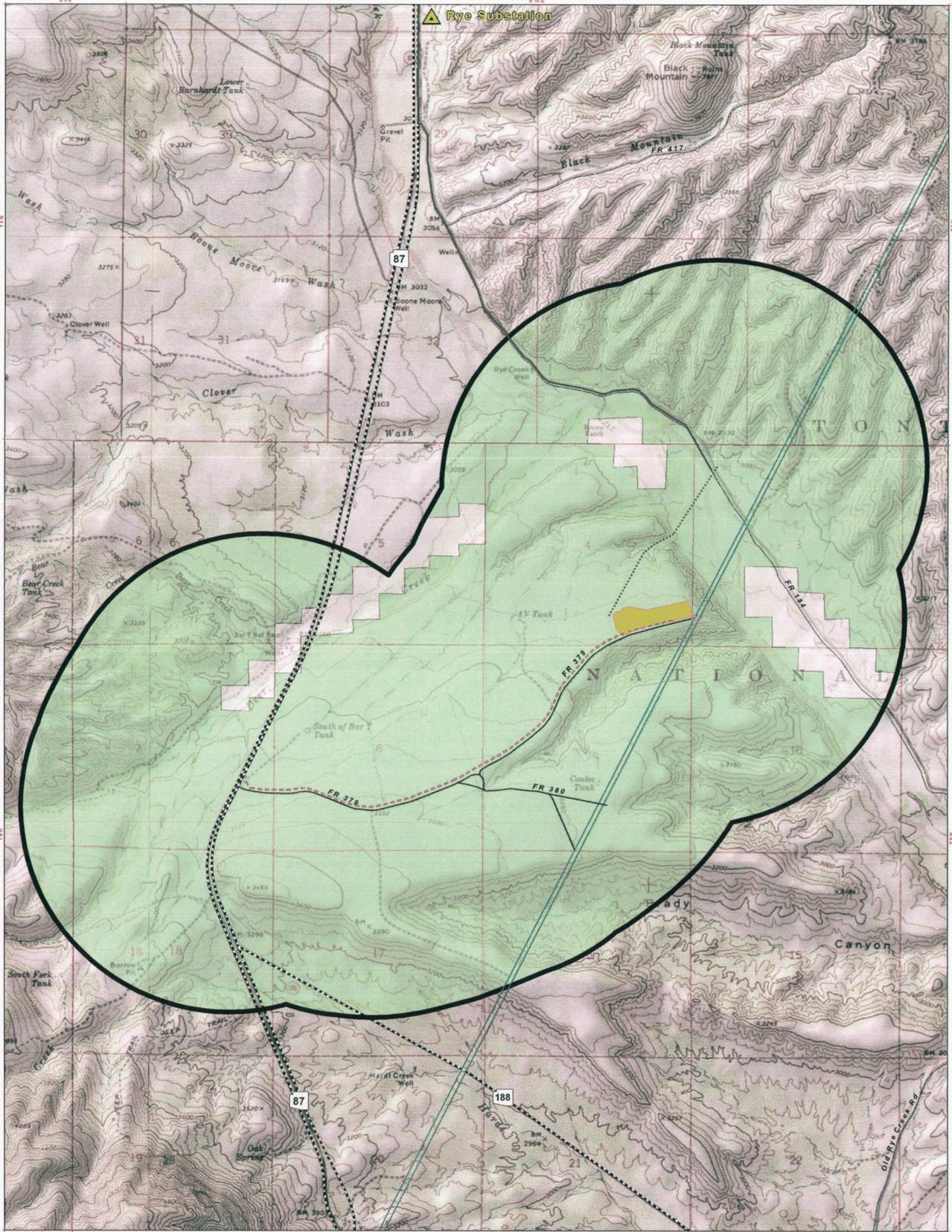


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Kevin Duncan, AICP

Environmental Planning Group (EPG)
Project Manager





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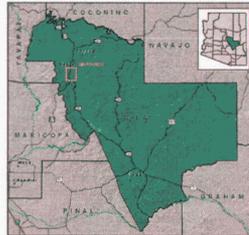
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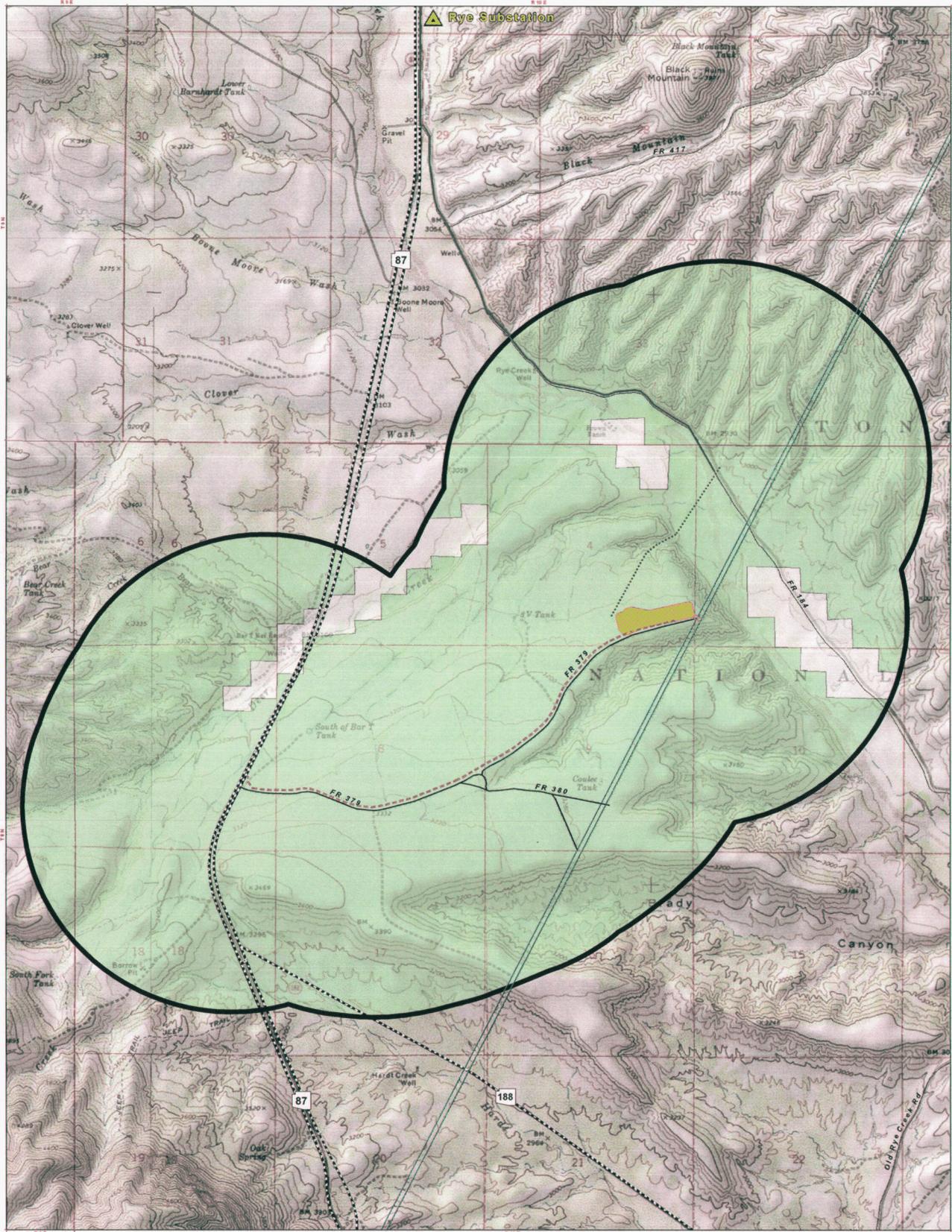


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Witness Background

- Project Manager, Senior Environmental Planner at EPG
- 9 years of experience as an environmental planner
- Managed or participated in over 15 major transmission line projects
- BS, Urban Planning, University of Utah
- Certified member of the American Institute of Certified Planners
- Former board member of American Planning Association Arizona Chapter



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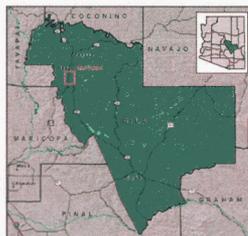
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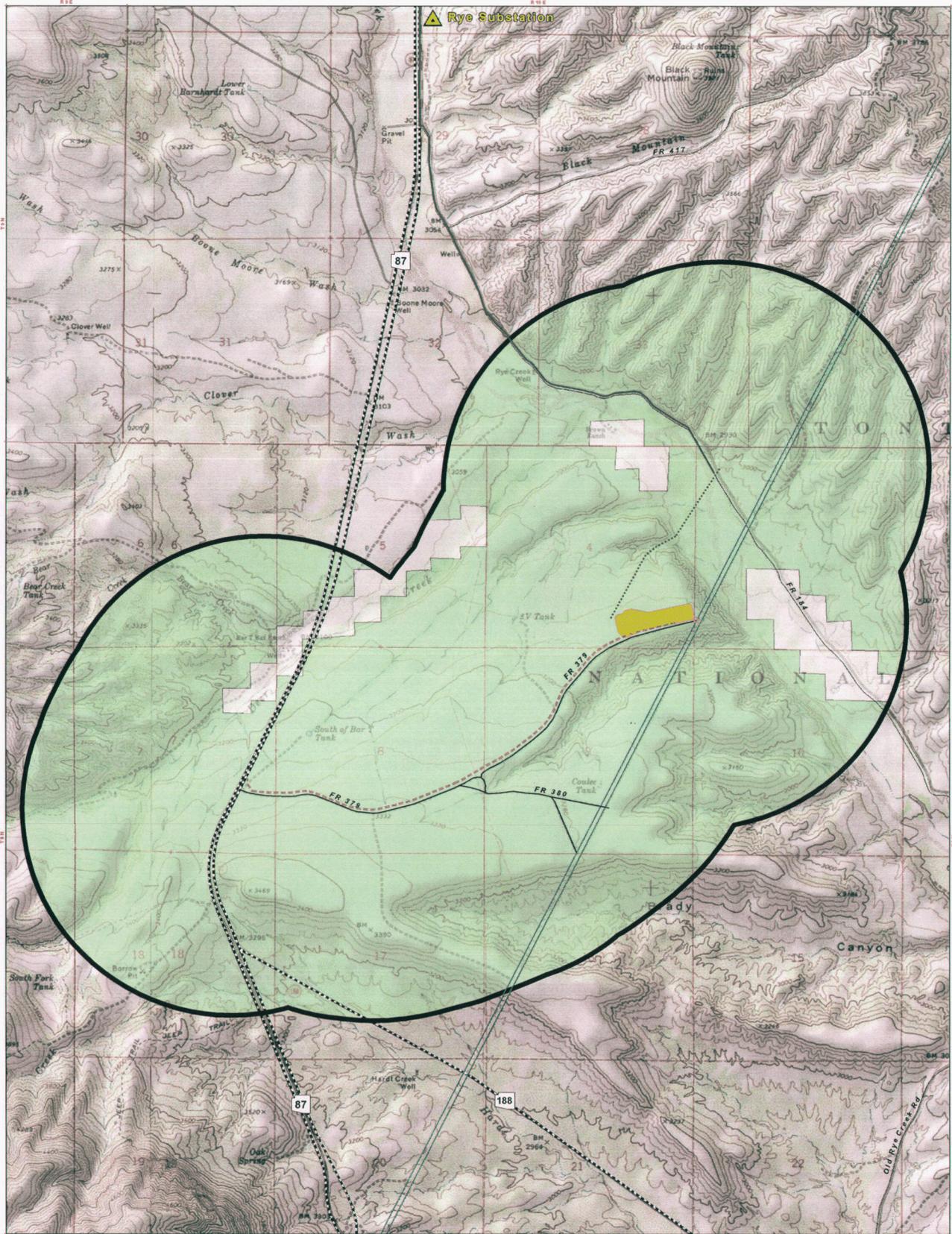


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Witness Background (cont'd)

- Project Manager for and testified in case numbers:
 - 143: APS Bagdad 115kV Transmission Line Relocation Project
 - 157: TEP DMP Substation to Tucson Substation 138kV Transmission Line Project



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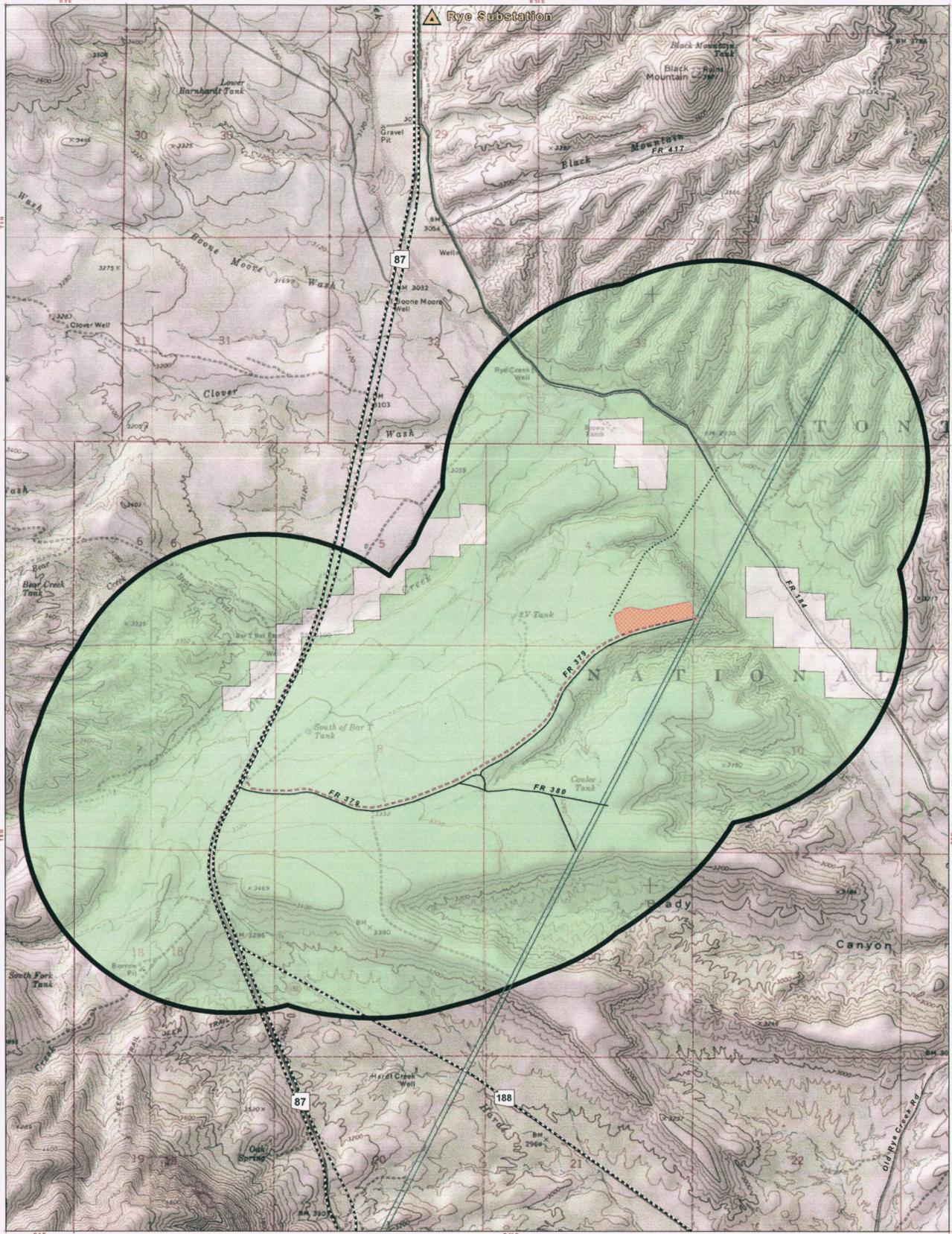


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Outline of Testimony

- Overview of environmental studies
- Public participation
- Environmental compatibility



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Project Features

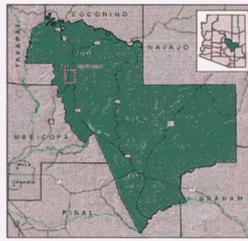
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- Proposed Substation
- 345kV Interconnection
- Proposed 69kV Transmission Line
- Proposed Access Road

Land Ownership

- US Forest Service
- Private

Reference Features

- Existing Substation
- 69kV Transmission Line
- 345kV Transmission Line
- Highway
- Road
- Township and Range
- Section



Land Ownership
Mazatzal Substation and 345kV
Interconnection Project
Exhibit A-1

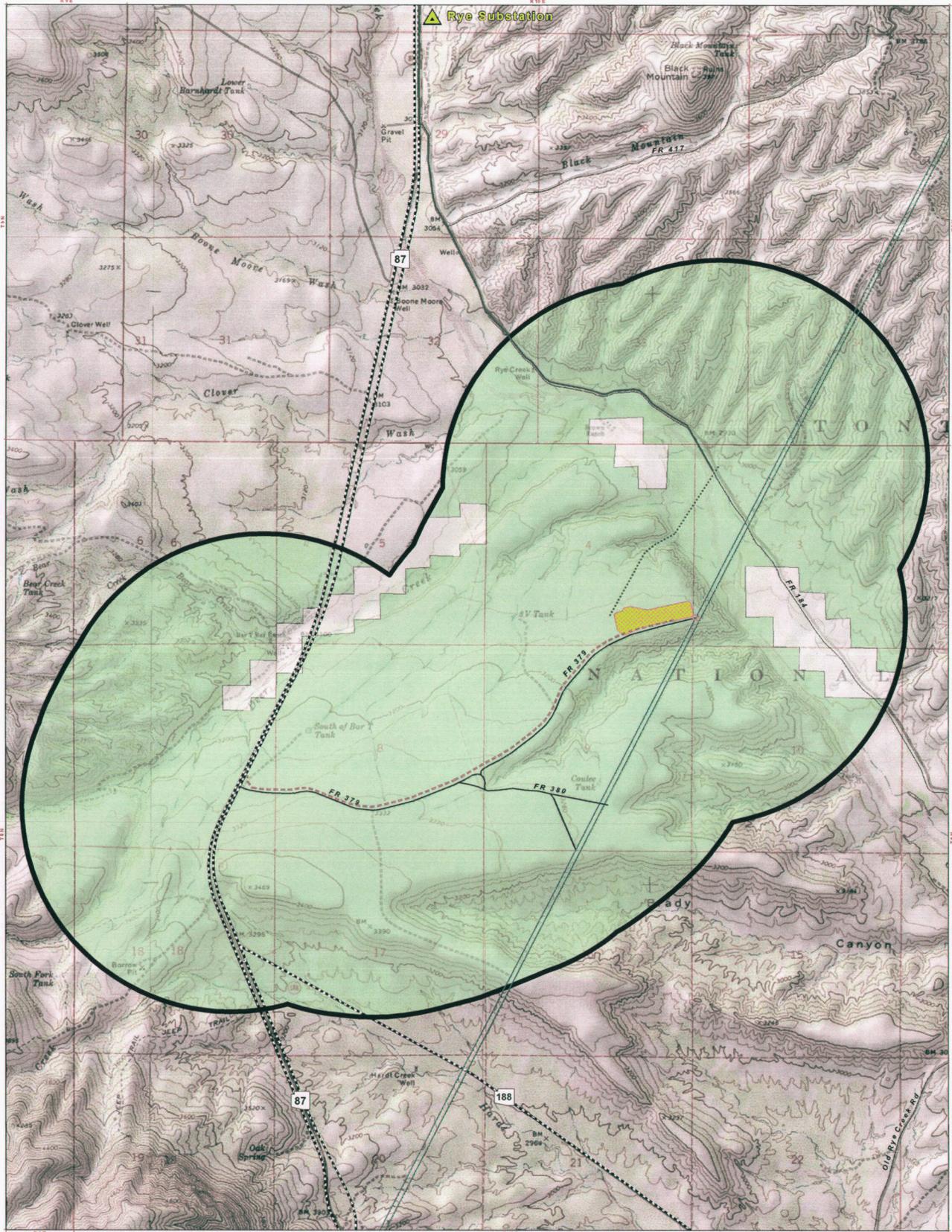


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Overview of the Environmental Studies

- NEPA Compliance for USFS
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- Summary of findings
 - Minimal environmental impacts
 - Consistent with the Tonto National Forest Plan
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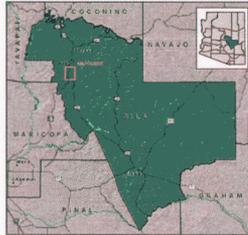
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**Land Ownership
Mazatzal Substation and 345kV
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**DECISION NOTICE AND FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT
ARIZONA PUBLIC SERVICE MAZATZAL 345/69/21kV SUBSTATION
U.S. D. A. - FOREST SERVICE
TONGO BASIN RANGER DISTRICT, TONGO NATIONAL FOREST
GILA COUNTY, AZ**

INTRODUCTION

The Arizona Public Service Company (APS) is the electric power supplier to communities in the Payson, Rye, Roosevelt Lake, and adjacent areas in Gila County, Arizona. APS is proposing to construct a 345/69/21 kilovolt (kV) substation and approximately 1 mile of two parallel double-circuit 69/21kV sub-transmission lines to provide reliable power to the communities in the Payson, Rye, and Tonto Basin areas.

An *Environmental Assessment* (EA) was prepared to evaluate the proposal. Two alternatives were analyzed in detail by an interdisciplinary team: A *No Action* alternative would have the existing facilities continue to serve the Payson, Rye, and Tonto Basin areas at the same level of reliability; and the *Proposed Action* involves the construction of the 345/69/21kV substation and the 69/21kV sub-transmission line for increased reliability of power supplies to those communities. Further description of alternatives can be found in Chapter 2 of the EA. A copy of the final EA is available for public review at <http://www.fs.fed.us/r3/tonto/projects/>.

DECISION

This *Decision Notice* documents my decision and reasons for this decision. The purpose and need for this project is defined as construction of electrical facilities for increased reliability of electrical power to the communities of northern Gila County. Given the purpose and need, I have reviewed the environment affects of the proposed action and the no action alternative and carefully considered the public comments received on the draft EA. The analysis of the environmental effects, public input and management direction and policy considerations contributed collectively to determining the selected alternative. The information is contained in the Project record.

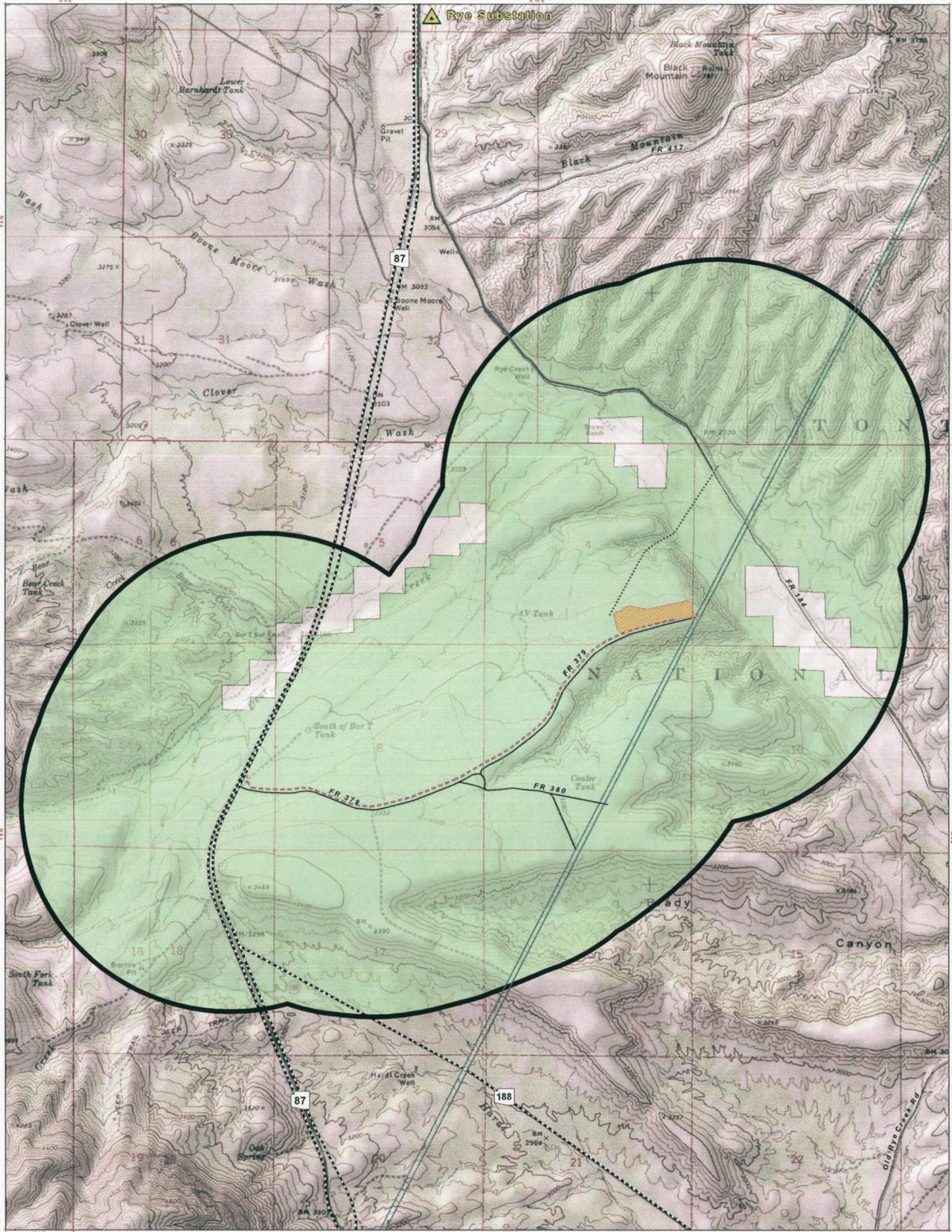
Based upon my review of the APS Mazatzal 345/69/21kV Substation EA, I have decided to implement Alternative 2, as described in the final EA, with the following changes and mitigation measures:

Changes to the Final EA

- References to wild burros in the vicinity of the study area were removed because they are not present in the area.

Overview of the Environmental Studies (cont'd)

- Certificate of Environmental Compatibility Application
 - Land use and Recreation (Exhibits A, B, F, H)
 - Biological Resources (Exhibits B, C, D)
 - Cultural Resources (Exhibits B, E)
 - Visual Resources (Exhibits B, E)



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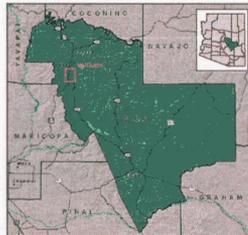
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Land Ownership

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Reference Features

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Land Ownership
Mazatzal Substation and 345kV
Interconnection Project
Exhibit A-1

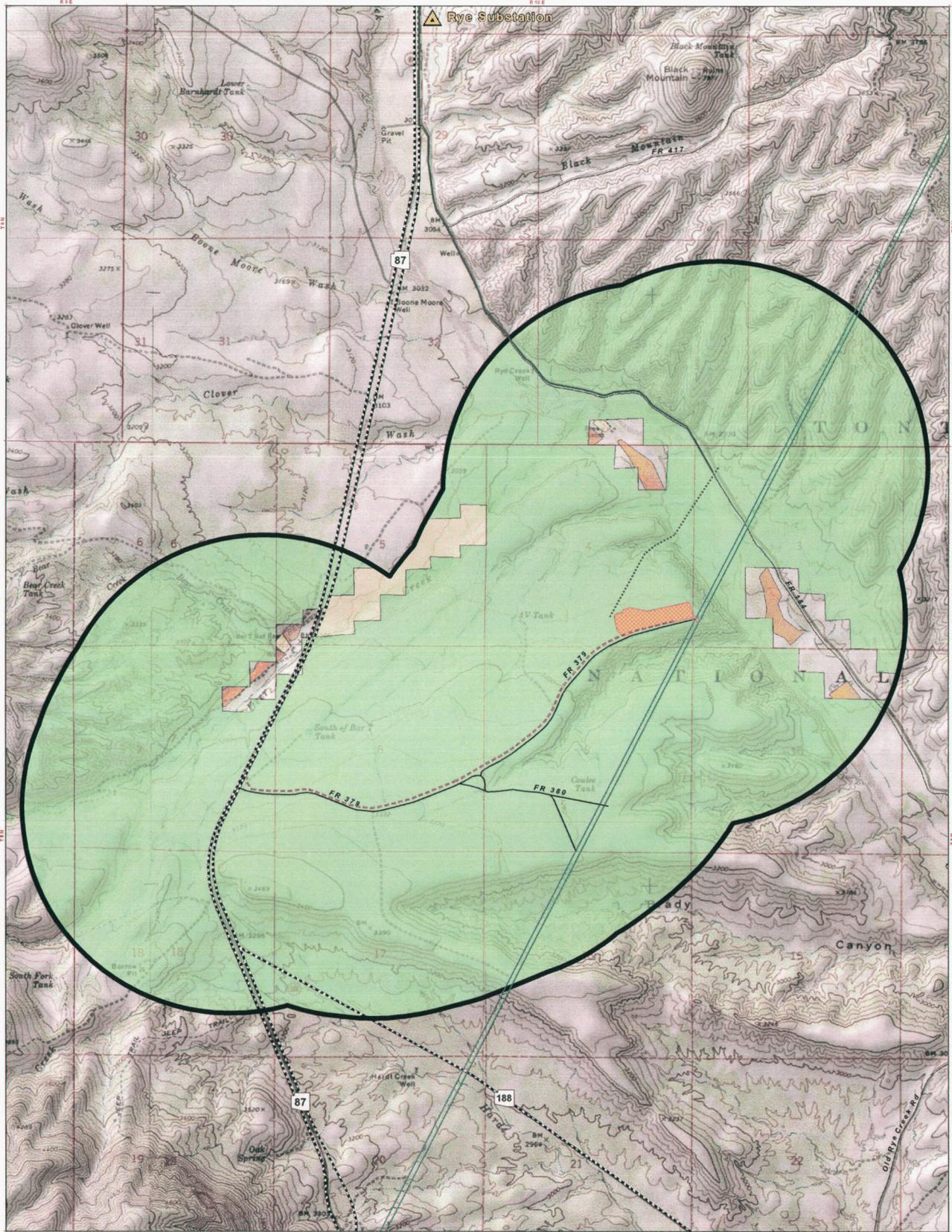


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Land Use Summary

- Minimal land use impact
- Located exclusively on USFS land
- Existing access to substation and interconnection site
- Rural residential areas are at least 1 mile away from the Project site
- Other land uses within the study area are associated with dispersed recreation and grazing permitted by the USFS
- Consistent with Tonto National Forest Plan



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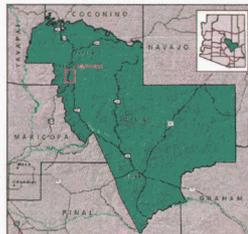
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Existing Land Use

- US Forest Service
- Agriculture
- Residential
- Vacant

Reference Features

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- 345kV Transmission Line
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- Road
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Existing Land Use
Mazatzal Substation and 345kV
Interconnection Project
Exhibit A-2

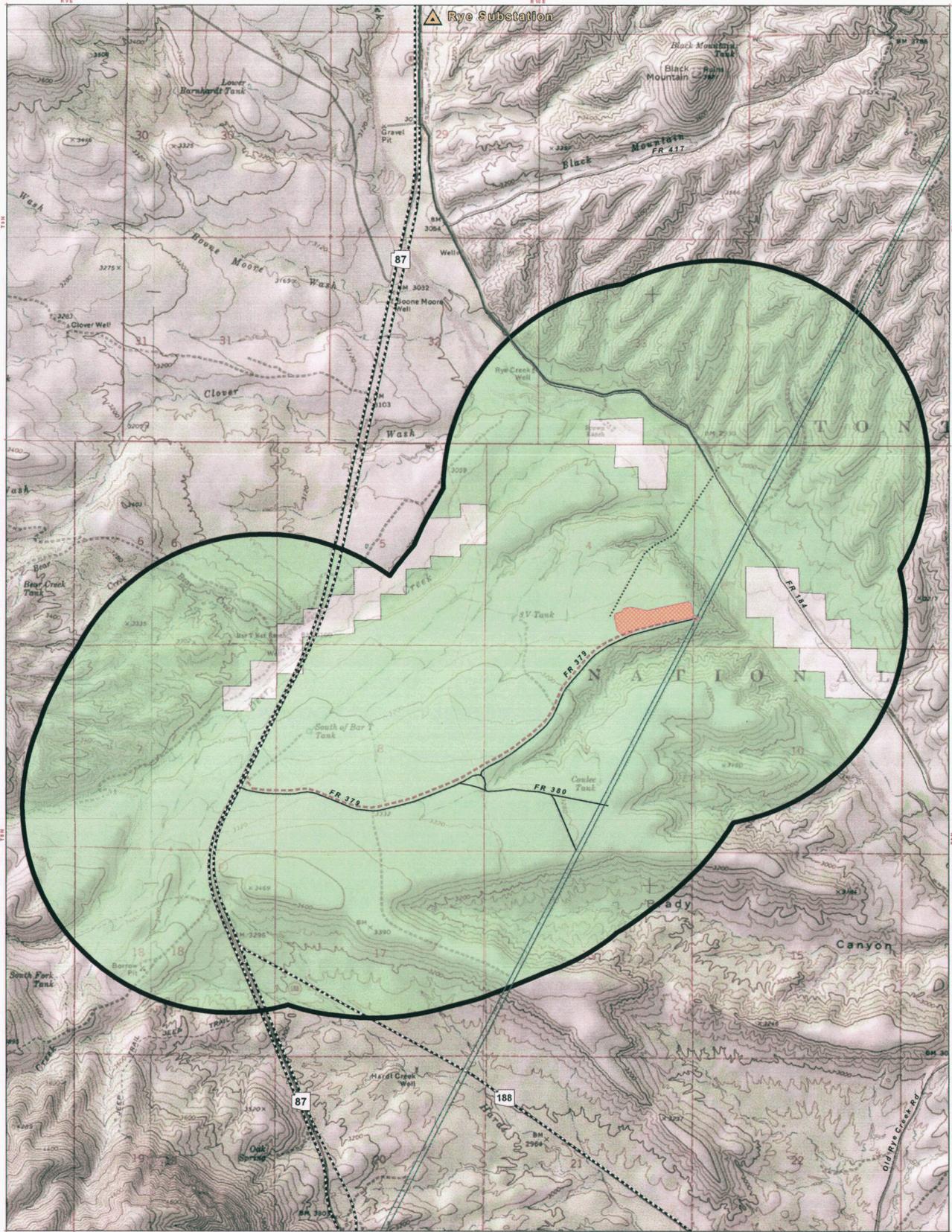


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Biological Resources Summary

- Minimal impacts to biological resources
- Conducted field review and contacted USFS, Arizona Game and Fish Department, and the United States Fish and Wildlife Service
- No Special Status or Threatened and Endangered species or associated habitats



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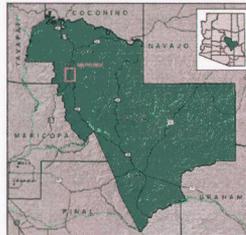
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Exhibit A-1

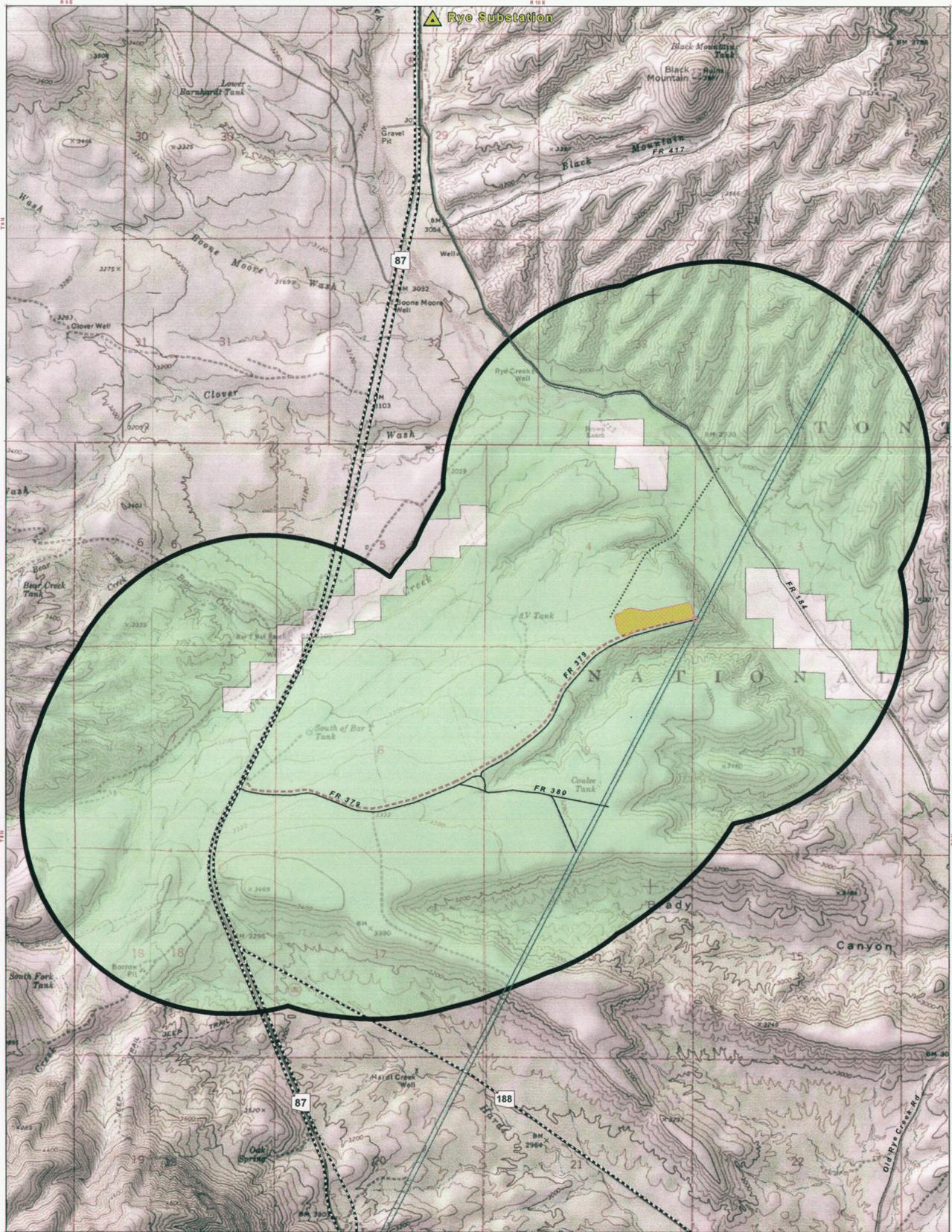


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Cultural Resources Summary

- A detailed study identified three archaeological sites located within the project site; each site is eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places
- A historic properties treatment plan has been developed and approved by the USFS and SHPO for the three sites
- Data recovery at each site is underway
- Through mitigation, minimal impacts to cultural resources expected



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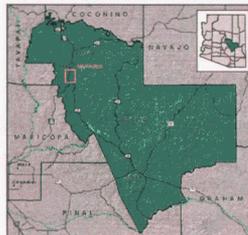
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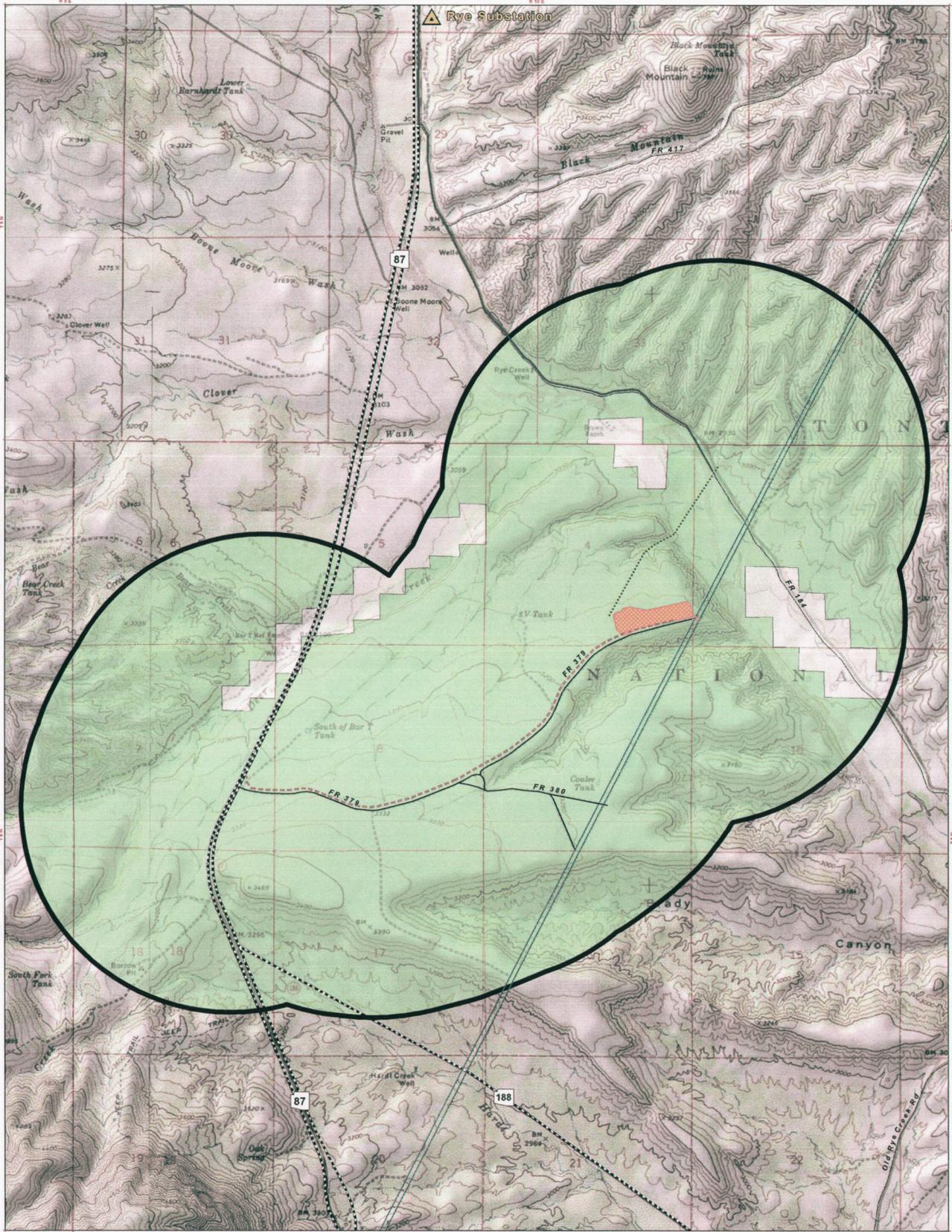


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Visual Resources Summary

- Minimal visual impacts anticipated
- USFS Visual Management System used as basis for analysis
- Proposed Project is consistent with USFS Visual Quality Objectives
- USFS mitigation measures, including use of dulled gray structures and landscape restoration, would be incorporated



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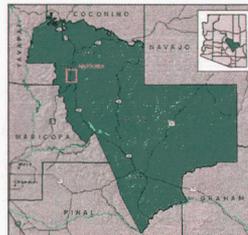
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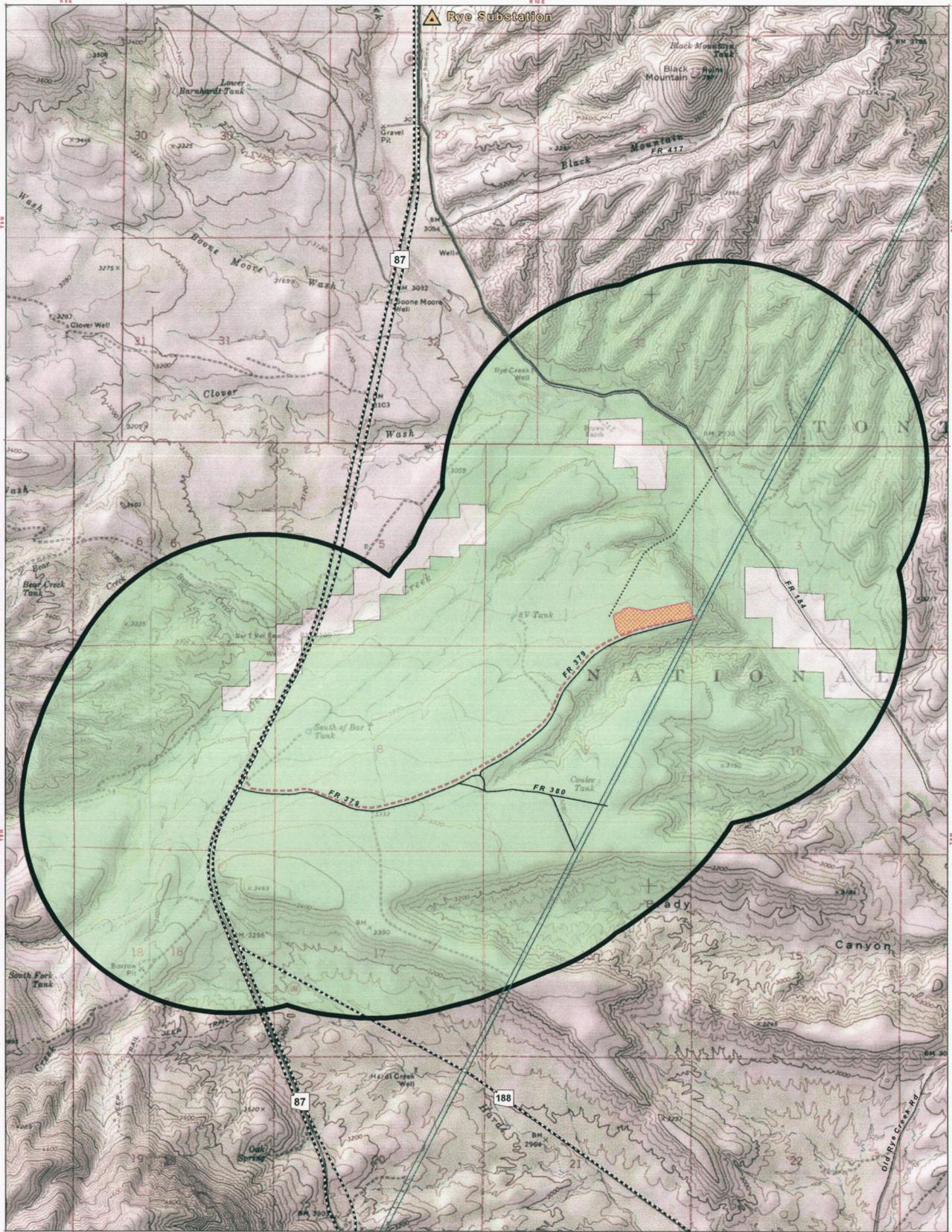


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- Views from residences would generally be screened by topography and vegetation
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- Visual simulation (Exhibit B, Appendix B)



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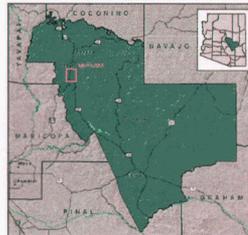
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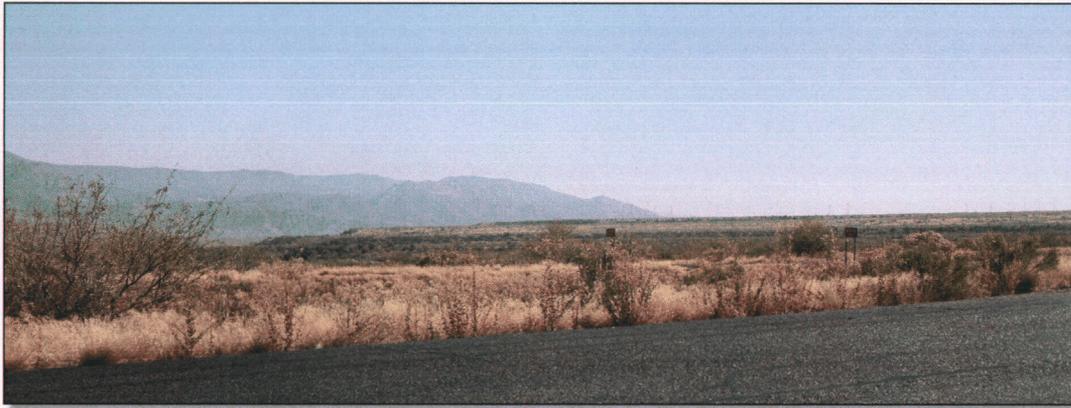


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Existing Condition - Two single-circuit 345kV dull grey steel lattice transmission lines

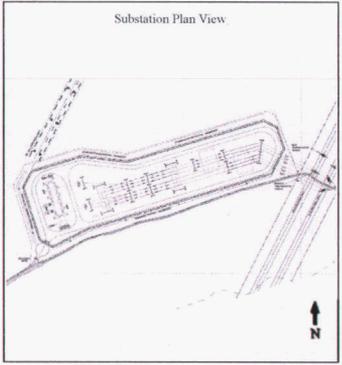


Photo Location: Viewpoint located 1.5 miles south of Rye, Arizona, looking southeast toward the existing 345kV transmission lines.

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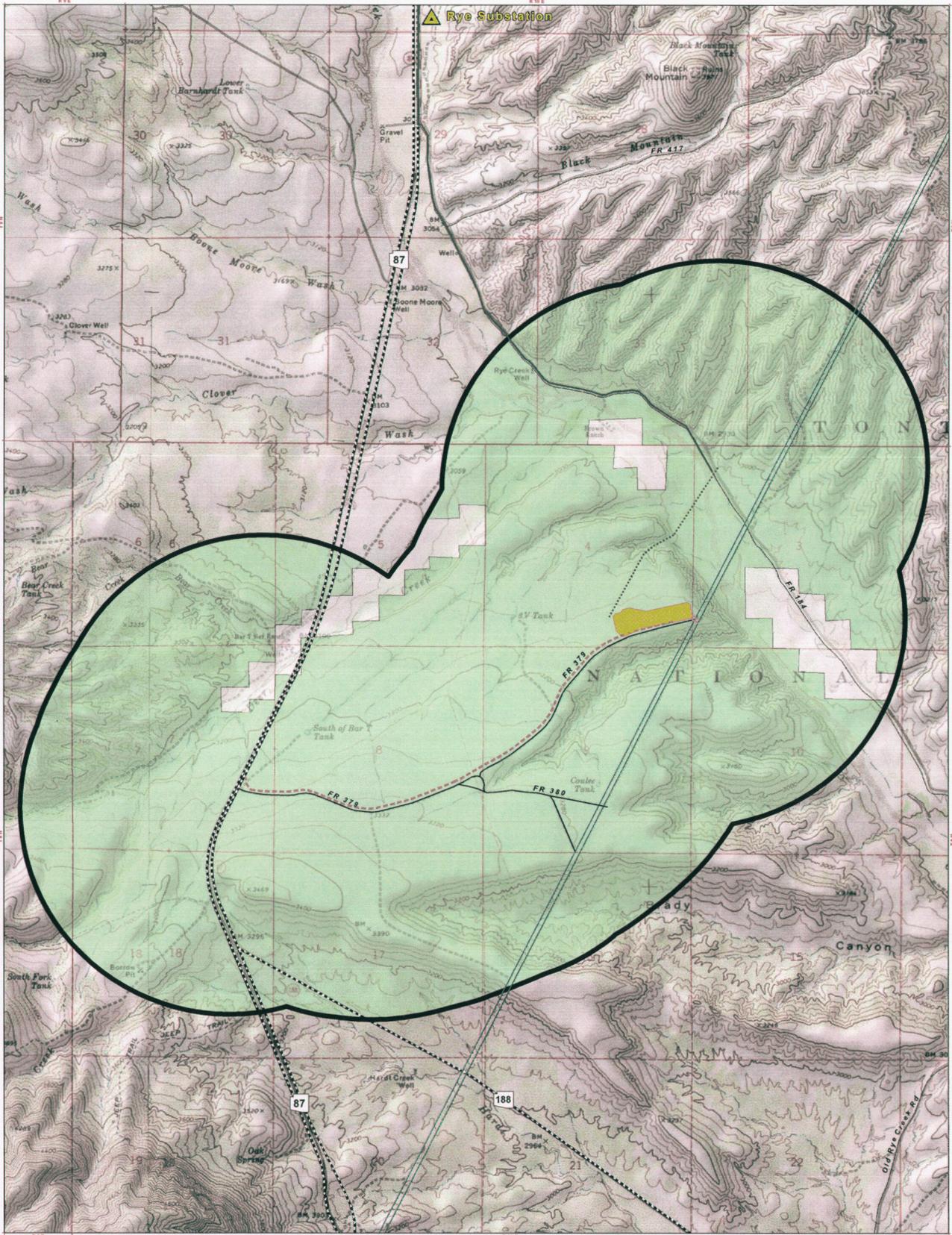
Simulated Condition - Proposed 345/69/21kV substation and sub-transmission lines (galvanized structures)



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Public Participation

- Two-tiered public process
 - USFS NEPA process
 - CEC process



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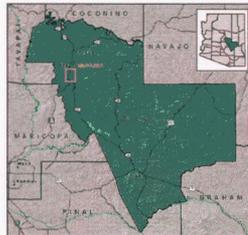
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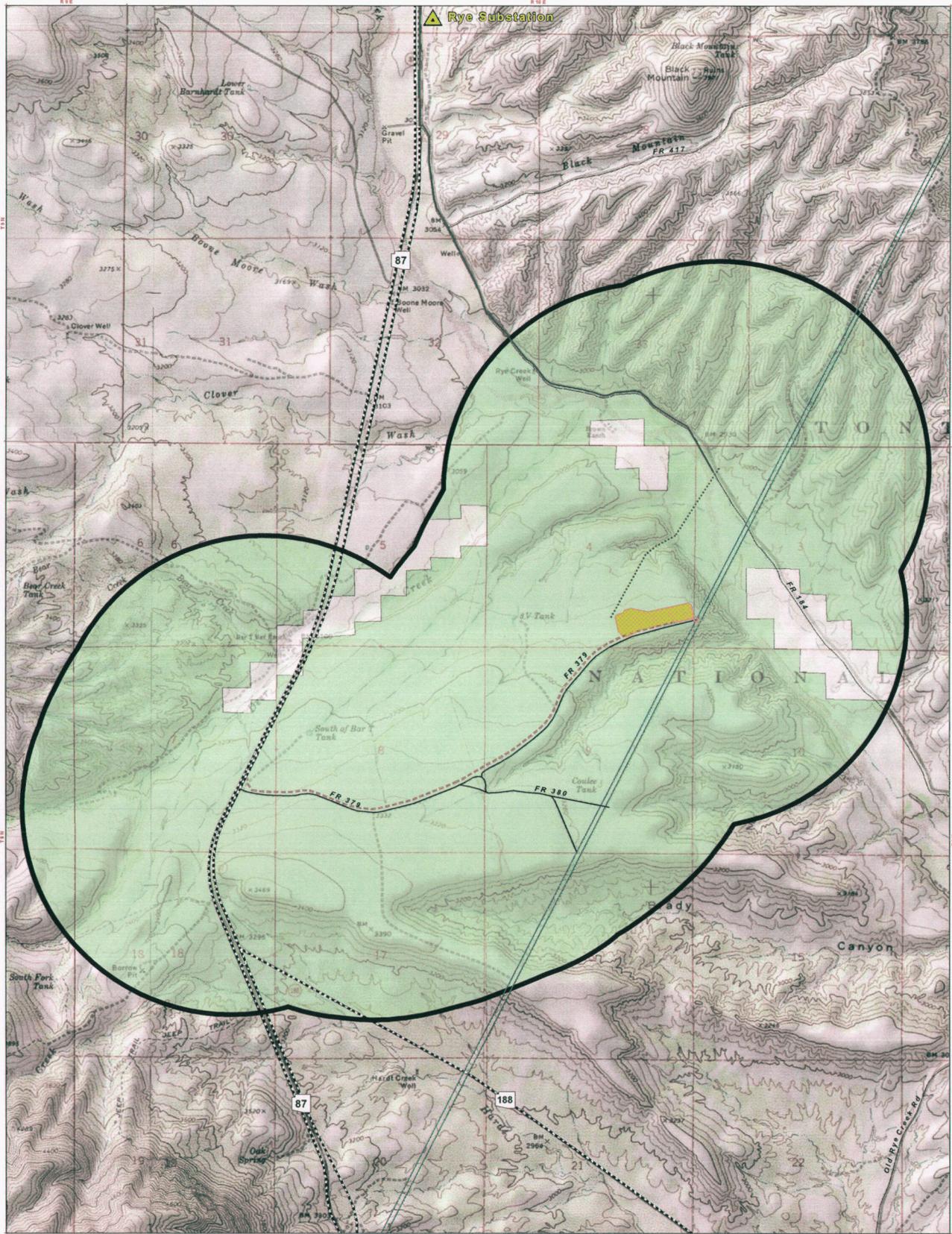


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Public Participation (cont'd)

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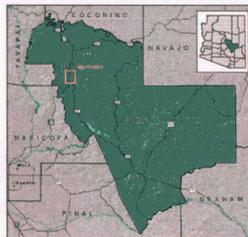
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United States
Department of
Agriculture

Forest
Service

Tonto National Forest,
Supervisor's Office

2324 E. McDowell Road
Phoenix, AZ 85006
Phone: (602) 225-5200
Fax: (602) 225-5295

File Code: 1950

Date: February 5, 2008

Dear Interested Party:

Your input is being sought for the proposed **Mazatzal 345/69/21 kilovolt (kV) Substation Project** on the Tonto Basin Ranger District of the Tonto National Forest (TNF). This letter and enclosed map will provide you with information on the Purpose and Need and the Proposed Action for the project.

Purpose and Need for Action

Arizona Public Service Company (APS) is the electric power supplier to the communities in the Payson, Rye, Roosevelt Lake, and adjacent areas. These areas have been experiencing considerable growth for the past several years. Due to the current and projected future growth of these areas, APS's electric infrastructure is nearing its capacity. Currently, the Rye and Payson communities are supplied with electricity from the Tonto Substation, located in Payson, which feeds a temporary substation in Rye. The Tonto Substation is nearing its capacity during peak summer loads and icing conditions during winter. APS has determined that a new 345/69/21kV substation is needed to ensure reliable service to existing customers and to expand the system to serve new development in the region.

Construction of the proposed Mazatzal 345/69/21kV Substation and associated 69kV subtransmission line would ensure reliable electric service to both existing and future area residents and accomplish the following:

- provide a looped transmission system and the ability to restore power in a timely manner in the event of an outage
- provide capacity for projected load growth in the Payson, Rye, and Tonto Basin areas and develop the 69kV system for meeting long-term needs
- improve power quality in the area by providing a stable voltage source

The Purpose and Need for action by the U.S. Forest Service is to identify a suitable corridor and site for the proposed facilities on National Forest System land, in order to facilitate the completion of the proposed project and to meet the management needs and requirements set forth in the TNF Land and Resource Management Plan (Forest Plan). The improvements would occur adjacent to an existing transmission line easement, which is consistent with the Forest Plan.

The project is consistent with the National Energy Policy (NEP). The NEP's purpose is to increase domestic energy supplies, modernize and improve our nation's energy infrastructure, and improve the reliability of the delivery of energy from its sources to points of use. The use and occupancy of federal land, including National Forest System land, is an important element in facilitating the exploration, development, and transmission of affordable and reliable energy to meet these NEP goals.



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Exhibit J-2 – Public Notices for Scoping Comment Period

Payson Roundup
February 5, 2008

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**NOTICE OF THE OPPORTUNITY
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Tonto National Forest USDA -
Forest Service
Gila County, Arizona**

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If we do not receive any substantive comments, or only supportive comments, there will be no appeal period following the completion of the EA and my subsequent decision (36 CFR 215.12(f)). Public comments (written, oral, facsimile, hand-delivered, or electronic) on the Proposed Action will be accepted for 30 days following the date of publication of this notice. You must comment during this official 30-day comment period, as described above, to have standing to appeal the decision when it is made.

Comments may be sent to: Mazatzal Scoping, c/o Nancy Favour, EPG, 4141 N. 32nd Street, Suite 102, Phoenix, AZ 85018; faxed to 602-956-4374, or via email to comments@epgaz.com. Gary Smith, Tonto Basin District Ranger, is the responsible official for this project.

The Tribune (East Valley and Scottsdale Editions)
February 5, 2008

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Feb. 5, 2008/16367500

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County: Maricopa

Printed In: Arizona Capitol Times (Phoenix)

Printed On: 2010/06/25

PUBLIC NOTICE Legal Notice of Proposed Action Opportunity to Comment Mazatzal Substation Project Environmental Assessment The Tonto Basin Ranger District, Tonto National Forest is preparing an Environmental Assessment for the Mazatzal Substation Project. Arizona Public Service Company is proposing to construct a 345/69/21 kilovolt (kV) substation and approximately 1 mile of two parallel double-circuit 69/21kV sub-transmission lines to provide reliable power to the communities in the Payson, Rye, and Tonto Basin areas. The Project is located on National Forest System land on the east side of State Route 87, north of Arizona 188, in Gila County, Arizona. The proposed action and associated analysis can be obtained from the Tonto Basin Ranger District at 28079 N. AZ Highway 188, Roosevelt, AZ 85545, the Tonto National Forest Supervisor's Office at 2324 E. McDowell, Phoenix, AZ 85051 or online at <http://www.fs.fed.us/r3/tonto/projects/>. The comment period ends 30 days following the date of publication of this legal notice in the Arizona Capitol Times on June 25, 2010. This publication date is the exclusive means for calculating the time to submit comments on the proposed action. Those wishing to comment on this proposal should not rely upon dates or timeframes provided by any other source. Only those who provide comment or otherwise express interest in the proposed action during the comment period will be eligible as appellants. Interest expressed or comments provided on this project prior to or after the close of this comment period will not constitute standing for appeal purposes. Comments must meet the requirements of 36 CFR 215.6. Comments must be submitted to Mazatzal Draft EA Public Comments, c/o Kevin Duncan, EPG, 4141 N. 32nd Street, Suite 102, Phoenix, AZ 85018 or faxed to 602-956-4374. Comments may also be submitted by email in word (.doc), rich text format (.rtf), text (.txt), portable document format (.pdf), and hypertext markup language (.html) to comments@epgaz.com. Comments may also be hand delivered weekdays 8:00 am - 4:30 pm at the above stated address. To be eligible for appeal, each individual or representative from each organization submitting comments must either sign the comments or verify identity upon request. Names and addresses of commentors will become part of the public record. The U.S. Department of Agriculture is an equal opportunity provider and employer. 6/25, 2010 edition Arizona Capitol Times

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July 6, 2010

Mazatzal Draft EA Public Comments
c/o Kevin Duncan, EPG
4141 North 32nd Street, Suite 102
Phoenix, AZ 85018

Dear Mr. Duncan,

The undersigned members of the Board of Supervisors of Gila County, Arizona, would like to provide the following comments on the proposed construction of a new substation and one mile of transmission lines to provide reliable power to communities in Gila County by Arizona Public Service Company. The project is located on National Forest System land on the east side of State Route 87, and north of Arizona 188.

We support this proposed new substation and the efforts to provide reliable power to the residents in the Payson, Rye and Tonto Basin areas. Reliable infrastructure is important in the continued growth and success of Gila County. This location is ideal for this project, given the location of the existing power lines that cross forest land that this substation would connect to.

We look forward to the successful completion of this project.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael A. Pastor Shirley L. Dawson FOR: Tommie C. Martin
Chairman Member Member

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Legal Notice of Decision
Arizona Public Service Mazatzal 345/69/21kV Substation

On August 24, 2010, Gene Blankenbaker, Tonto National Forest Supervisor signed a Decision Notice and Finding of No Significant Impact for the Arizona Public Service Mazatzal 345/69/21 kilovolt (kV) Substation. The selected alternative includes the construction of a 345/69/21kV substation and approximately 1 mile of two parallel double-circuit 69/21kV sub-transmission lines to provide reliable power to the communities in the Payson, Rye, and Tonto Basin areas. The Environmental Assessment and Decision Notice/Finding of No Significant Impact are available at <http://www.fs.fed.us/r3/tonto/projects/>.

This decision is subject to appeal pursuant to regulations at 36 CFR 215. Individuals or organizations who provided comment or otherwise expressed interest in the proposed action during the comment period may appeal. Interest expressed or comments provided on this project prior to or after the close of the comment period do not have standing for appeal purposes. The appeal must be filed (regular mail, fax, email, hand-delivery, express delivery, or messenger service) with the appropriate Appeal Deciding Officer. Submit appeals to: Corbin Newman, Appeal Reviewing Officer, 333 Broadway SE, Albuquerque, NM 87102. If hand delivered, the appeal must be received at the above address during business hours (Monday - Friday 8:00 am to 4:30 pm), excluding holidays. Electronic appeals may be submitted to appeals-southwestern-regional-office@fs.fed.us (.doc, .rtf, or .txt formats only). The appeal must have an identifiable name attached or verification of identity will be required. Names and addresses of appellants will become part of the public record. A scanned signature may serve as verification on electronic appeals.

Appeals, including attachments, must be in writing, fully consistent with 36 CFR 215.14, and filed (postmarked) within 45 days following the date this notice is published in the Arizona Capital Times. This publication date is the exclusive means for calculating the time to file an appeal. Those wishing to appeal this decision should not rely upon dates or timeframes provided by any other source.

If no appeals are filed within the 45-day time period, implementation of the decision may occur on, but not before, 5 business days from the close of the appeal filing period. When appeals are filed, implementation may occur on, but not before, the 15th business day following the date of the last appeal disposition.

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Public Participation (cont'd)

- USFS NEPA process
 - USFS scoping letter
 - Scoping notices
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October 5, 2010

Troy Waskey, Recreation, Lands, and Minerals Staff
Tonto Basin Ranger District
Tonto National Forest
28079 N. AZ Hwy 188
Roosevelt, AZ 85545

Dear Mr. Waskey,

Arizona Public Service Company (APS) plans to file an Application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility (CEC) for the Mazatzal Substation and 345kV Interconnection Project with the Arizona Power Plant and Transmission Line Siting Committee (Siting Committee) in October 2010. The proposed project involves building a new 345/69/21kV substation, a short in and out connection off of the existing 345kV transmission lines and two new 69/21kV sub-transmission lines. The proposed project would provide reliable power and infrastructure to the communities in the Payson, Rye, and Tonto Basin areas of Gila County, Arizona. APS has been working with the Tonto National Forest on an Environmental Assessment for the project due to the project being entirely within the Forest, and a decision and Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) was issued on August 24, 2010. APS will request Siting Committee approval for a CEC for the loop in of the 345kV transmission lines and 345/69/21kV substation as the project has been determined as being environmentally compatible and would help to adequately address the project need.

Arizona Administrative Code Rule R14-2-219 directs an applicant to include in its Application an Exhibit H addressing the following:

"To the extent the applicant is able to determine, state the existing plans of the State, local government and private entities for other developments at or in the vicinity of the proposed site or routes."

This letter is a request for any information or comments that your organization wishes to provide regarding development plans for inclusion in the Application. Specifically, please advise me of any existing or future plans that may have changed since the completion of our data collection efforts in July 2010.

To allow your information to be included in the Application, please forward it to me no later than October 15, 2010, at the address above.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,



Kevin C. Duncan, Project Manager
Environmental Planning Group

cc: Brad Larsen, APS Project Manager

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Affidavit of Publication

Ad: (for 2/9/2011 PUBLIC NOTICE), Issues 1

I, Theresa DiBona, Legal Representative, acknowledge that the attached ad was published in a newspaper of general circulation. The dates of the publication and description are stated above.

Daily News-Sun and
The East Valley Tribune

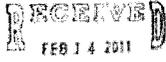
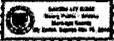
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Theresa DiBona, Legal Representative

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STATE OF ARIZONA
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On 2/10/2011 Theresa DiBona appeared before me, whom I know personally to be the person who signed the above document and provided she signed it.

Sandra Lee Gibbs Notary Public



Notice of Hearing Before the Arizona Power Plant and Transmission Line Siting Committee

Docket No. 1-000000-01 (2009-0006),
Case No. 100

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF ARIZONA PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY, IN CONFORMANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES SECTION 40-360, FOR A CERTIFICATE OF ENVIRONMENTAL COMPATIBILITY AUTHORIZING THE HAZATZAL SUBSTATION AND 345KV INTERCONNECTING LINES PROJECT, WHICH INCLUDES THE CONSTRUCTION OF TWO 345KV TRANSMISSION LINES AND A NEW 345/69/21KV SUBSTATION, SECTION 4, TOWNSHIP 8 NORTH, RANGE 10 EAST, GERRIAM, ADJACENT TO THE INTERSECTION OF THE EXISTING FOUR CORNERS-CHOLLA-PINACLE PEAK 345KV TRANSMISSION LINES AND FOREST ROAD 378, WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP NATIONAL FOREST IN GILA COUNTY, ARIZONA

NOTICE OF HEARING

A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD before the Arizona Power Plant and Transmission Line Siting Committee ("Committee") regarding the Application of Arizona Public Service Company ("APSC") for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility authorizing the Hazatzal Substation and 345KV Interconnecting Project ("Project") in Gila County, Arizona.

The hearing will be held at the Chavola Suites Scottsdale, 5000N Scottsdale Rd Scottsdale, Arizona 85250. Telephone: 480-948-5414. The hearing will begin on Tuesday, March 22, 2011, and if necessary continue on Wednesday, March 23, 2011. The hearing will begin at 9:00 a.m. each day, and will adjourn at approximately 3:00 p.m. Public comment may be heard during the time set for the hearing. Additional hearings, if necessary, will be notified on the Arizona Collaboration Commission's (ACC) website.

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The Project involves the construction of a new 345/69/21KV substation and an interconnection with the existing existing Cholla to Pinnacle Peak 345KV line that consists of two new 345KV transmission lines. The two 345KV transmission lines would interconnect in and out of the new substation, each approximately 800 feet in length. The Project is currently located on United States Forest Service (USFS) land, and an Environmental Assessment was prepared to fulfill requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act. The USFS issued a Finding of No Significant Impact for the Project in August 2010. The Applicant is requesting a 400 foot corridor for the interconnection.

- Project site and adjacent information about the Project features are contained in the Application, which are available for inspection at the following locations:
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Each county and municipal government and state agency interested in the proposed Project and desiring to become a party to the proceeding, not less than ten (10) days before the date set for the hearing, shall file with the Director of United Arizona Corporation Commission, 1200 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85007, a notice of its intent to be a party.

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sites, to promote consumer interests, to represent commercial and industrial entities or to promote the orderly development of the area in which the Project is to be located and desiring to become a party to the proceedings, not less than ten (10) days before the date set for hearing, shall file with the Director of United Arizona Corporation Commission, 1200 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85007, a notice of its intent to be a party.

The Committee or its Chairman, at any time deemed appropriate, may make other persons parties to the proceedings.

Any person may make a limited appearance at the hearing by filing a written statement with Docket Central of the Arizona Corporation Commission, 1200 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85007, not less than five (5) days before the date set for hearing. A person making a limited appearance shall not be a party and shall not have the right to present testimony or cross-examine witnesses.

This proceeding is governed by Arizona Revised Statutes Sections 40-360 and 40-361.5 and Arizona Administrative Code R14-3-201 to R14-3-220. No substantive communication that is not in the public record may be made to any member of the Committee. The written decision of the Committee will be submitted to the Arizona Corporation Commission pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes Section 40-360.7. Any person intending to be a party to the proceedings on these matters before the Arizona Corporation Commission must be a party to the proceedings before the Committee.

DATE: this 4th day of February, 2011.
/s/ John Foreman, Esq.
Assistant Attorney General
Chairman, Arizona Power Plant and Transmission Line Siting Committee

Affidavit of Publication Payson Roundup

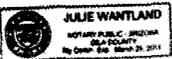
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STATE OF ARIZONA
02/28/2011

I, Paula VanBuskirk, do solemnly swear that I am Assistant Bookkeeper of the Payson Roundup, that the name is a newspaper printed, in whole or in part, and published in the COUNTY OF GILA, State of Arizona, and has a general circulation therein; that said newspaper has been published continuously and uninterrupted in said COUNTY OF GILA for a period of more than fifty-two weeks prior to the first publication of the annexed legal notice of advertisement; that said newspaper has been admitted to the United States mails as second-class matter under the provisions of the Act of March 3, 1879, or any amendments thereof, and that said newspaper is a newspaper duly qualified for publishing legal notices and advertisements within the meaning of the laws of the State of Arizona. That the annexed legal notice or advertisement was published in the regular and entire issue of every number of said daily newspaper for the period of (1) insertion, and was in the issue of said newspaper dated February 11 A.D., 2011. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand this February 28 A.D., 2011.

Paula VanBuskirk

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Notary Public in and for the COUNTY OF GILA, State of Arizona December 27 A.D., 2008
Julie Wantland, Notary Public

My commission expires March 29, 2011.



Shelter has many sweethearts to share your life

Advertisement for a shelter featuring photos of various animals (cats and dogs) and text describing adoption services. The text includes information about the shelter's location, hours, and contact details. It also mentions that the shelter has many sweethearts to share your life.

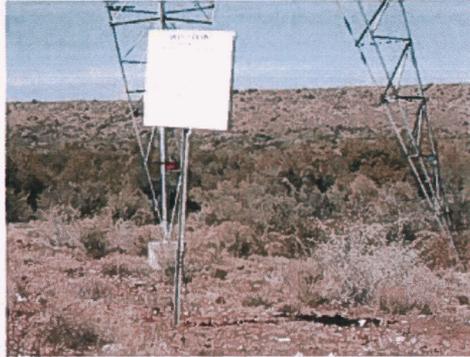
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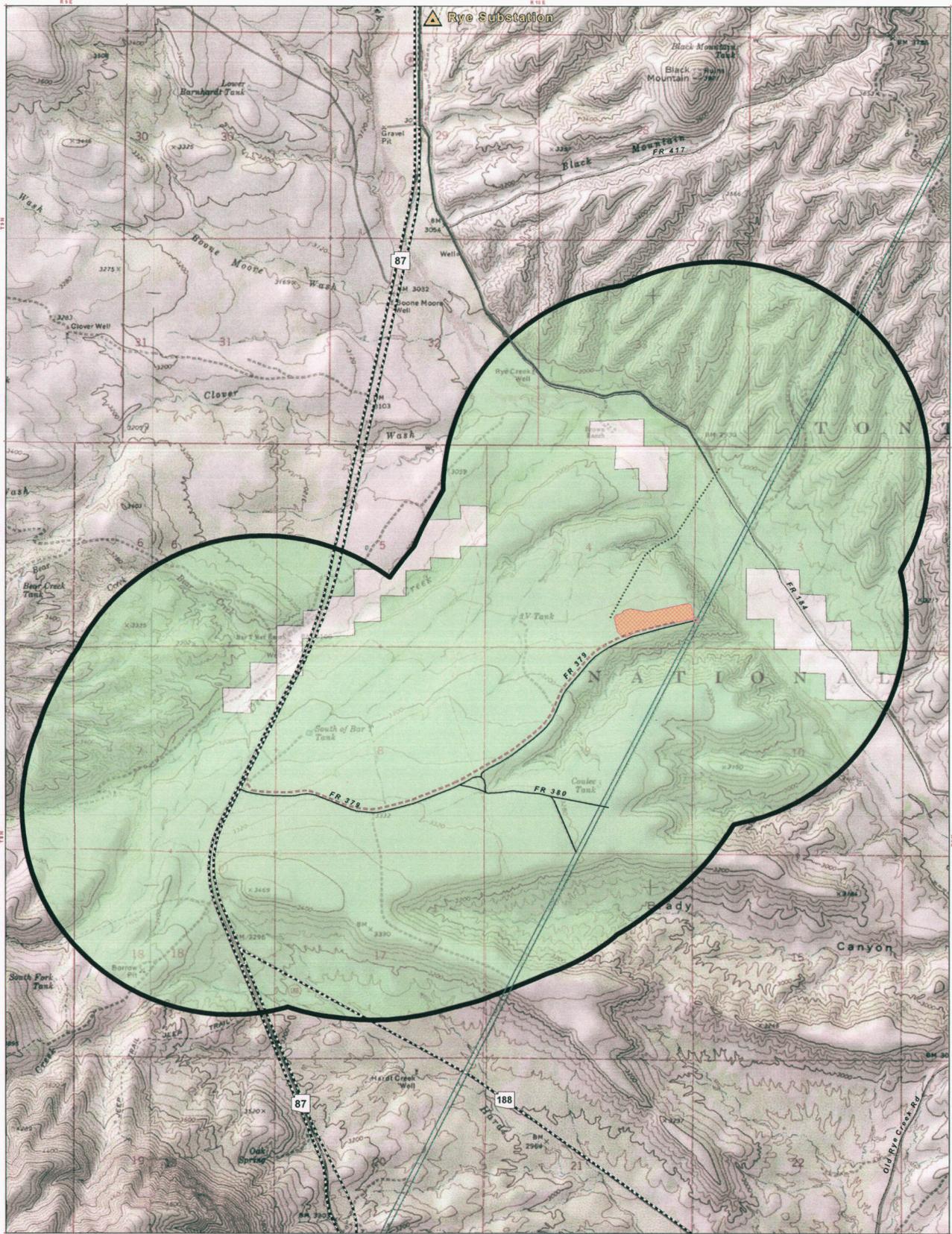
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Project is Environmentally Compatible

- Substation location is adjacent to existing 345kV transmission lines and minimizes the distance required for interconnection
- Uses existing access for substation and interconnection
- Minimal effects to existing and planned land use, visual, cultural, and biological resources
- Project consistent with applicable management plans, including Tonto NF Plan; FONSI issued August 2010



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Project Features

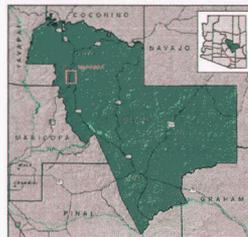
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-  Proposed Substation
-  345kV Interconnection
-  Proposed 69kV Transmission Line
-  Proposed Access Road

Land Ownership

-  US Forest Service
-  Private

Reference Features

-  Existing Substation
-  69kV Transmission Line
-  345kV Transmission Line
-  Highway
-  Road
-  Township and Range
-  Section



Land Ownership
Mazatzal Substation and 345kV
Interconnection Project
Exhibit A-1



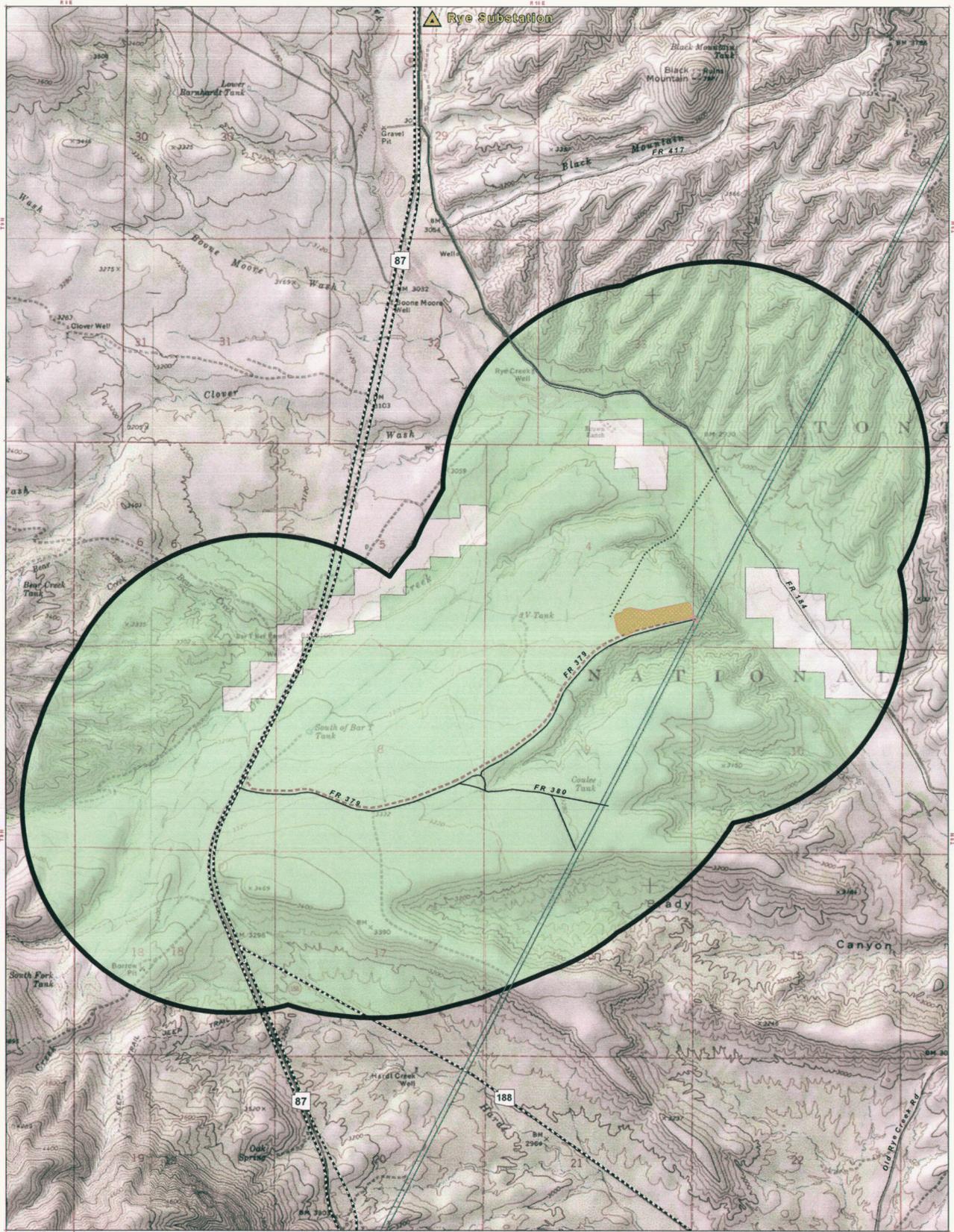
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Kevin Duncan, AICP

Environmental Planning Group (EPG)
Project Manager





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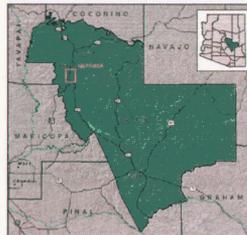
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January 2011



EXHIBIT A-4

EXHIBIT A-5

Daily News-Sun

10102 Santa Fe Drive
Sun City, Arizona 85351
623.977.8351
Fax 623.876.2589

East Valley Tribune

120 West First Avenue
Mesa, AZ 85210
480.898.6371
Fax 480.898.6463

Affidavit of Publication

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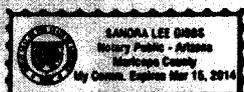
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STATE OF ARIZONA,
COUNTY OF MARICOPA

On 2/10/2011 Theresa DiBona appeared before me, whom I know personally to be the person who signed the above document and proved she signed it.

Sandra Lee Gibbs

Sandra Lee Gibbs Notary Public



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Notice of Hearing

Before the Arizona Power Plant and Transmission Line Siting Committee

Docket No. L-00000D-11-0068-00160,
Case No. 160

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF ARIZONA PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY, IN CONFORMANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES SECTION 40-360, et seq., FOR A CERTIFICATE OF ENVIRONMENTAL COMPATIBILITY AUTHORIZING THE MAZATZAL SUBSTATION AND 345KV INTERCONNECTION PROJECT, WHICH INCLUDES THE CONSTRUCTION OF TWO 345KV TRANSMISSION LINES AND A NEW 345/69/21KV SUBSTATION, SECTION 4, TOWNSHIP 8 NORTH, RANGE 10 EAST, G&SRB&M, ADJACENT TO THE INTERSECTION OF THE EXISTING FOUR CORNERS-CHOLLA-PINNACLE PEAK 345KV TRANSMISSION LINES AND FOREST ROAD 379, WITHIN THE TONTO NATIONAL FOREST IN GILA COUNTY, ARIZONA

NOTICE OF HEARING

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The hearing will be held at the Chaparral Suites Scottsdale, 5001 N. Scottsdale Rd Scottsdale, Arizona 85250; telephone: 480-949-1414. The hearing shall begin on Tuesday, March 22, 2011, and if necessary, continue on Wednesday, March 23, 2011. The hearing will begin at 9:30 a.m. each day and will adjourn at approximately 5:00 p.m. Public comment may be heard during the time set for the hearing. Additional hearings, if necessary, will be noticed on the Arizona Corporation Commission ("ACC") website.

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DATED this 4th day of February, 2011.

/s/ John Foreman, Esq.
Assistant Attorney General
Chairman, Arizona Power Plant and
Transmission Line Siting Committee

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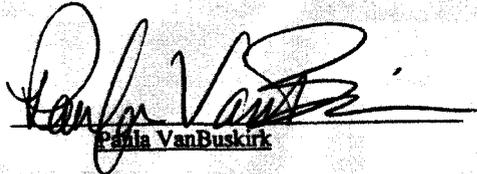
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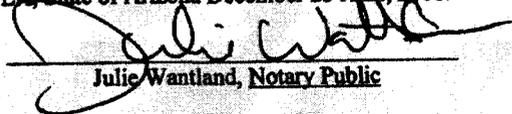
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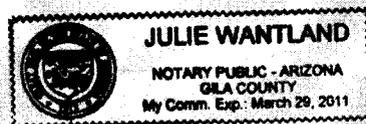
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Paula VanBuskirk

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Notary Public in and for the COUNTY OF GILA, State of Arizona December 23 A.D., 2008.


Julie Wantland, Notary Public

My commission expires March 29, 2011.



Shelter has many sweethearts to share your life

Will You Be Mine?

by Joan Steck
 Fresh from the water bowl
 or was it the toilet this time?
 Big wet kisses... Will you be mine?
 Roses are red, violets are blue,
 I'm leaving muddy paw prints... just for you!
 I'm cute and I'm cuddly most of the time.
 I give "Big Hugs" to friends of mine.
 And my "Big Heart" beats with a special
 charm.
 Best Friends Are Forever...
 Will you be My Valentine?
 From Your Dog

Gifts of a Lifetime

Author Unknown
 If you give a dog a bone,
 will he still remain or roam?
 Or will he bury it deep in the ground
 in the backyard of your home?
 Will he measure it in size
 or size it up as a gift?
 Could he ever offer you something in return,
 showing just how he can give?
 Would it be too much to accept a box
 shaped of a heart?
 Could you appreciate the card message that
 comes with every bark?
 Or does it seem to come with nature to enjoy
 an afternoon,
 to run and toss, more balls get lost, but both
 of you still seem to move...
 His gift to you is nothing new, but you always
 seem to take...
 So, what did you get? Warm furry memories
 with another passing day.

BY CHANDRA CUSHMAN
 MEMBER SECRETARY OF CENTRAL ARIZONA

Ah, Valentine's Day. That romantic day
 filled with flowers, cards and candy, the
 excitement of a secret admirer, or the joy of
 spending time with your lover.

The dogs and cats here at the Humane
 Society of Central Arizona don't have
 anyone special to look
 forward to spending
 February 14th with.
 Unless, of course, you
 are treating yourself in
 a Valentine's Day gift
 and are considering
 adopting a new com-
 panion.

If you don't have a special someone to
 share Valentine's Day with, maybe a new
 companion is a good idea. Gifting an animal
 for Valentine's Day may not be a good idea,
 so keep in mind we do have gift certificates
 for any occasion.

Of course, we always encourage anyone
 planning on adopting to be ready and able to



care for a new pet before making the decision. If you are ready, we've got some sweethearts who would love to cuddle with you and be your Romeo, or Juliet.

Come meet them at the shelter, located at 832 S. McLane Road, or visit us online at humaneoptions.org. For more information, give us a call at (928) 474-5580

BIA

My name is Bia and I am looking for Mr. Right to come along and sweep me off my feet! I'm a hopeless romantic who LOVES to cuddle! I'm currently in a foster home but can be seen by appointment. I am an active girl who loves to play, play, play. I'm a true girl who loves the color pink. Come see me!

DONNER

My name is Donner and the ladies love me. I am a sweet, loyal gentleman who knows how to treat a lady right. I am kind and outgoing and love to make you laugh and smile. My captivating eyes will melt your heart with just one gaze. Come down and see for yourself!

AERO

Aero is my name, loving is my game. I'm a cool cat who likes some TLC. If you need a man in your life, consider me! I will listen to all your problems and cuddle with you so that you know it's going to be OK. With me on your side, what could go wrong? I'm here for you babe, come down and see me and I'll show you.

ARIA

My name is Aria and I'm a fun-loving girl! I live on the edge and I'm looking for a companion to share all my wild, adventurous times with. If you're an attractive, outgoing person who likes to hike and be outdoors, then we're sure to hit it off.

SHEP

They call me Shep, and boy do I know how to attract the ladies. My blond hair, chocolate brown eyes and rippling muscles make the girls go crazy! I love to have a good time and am looking for someone who can keep up with me. I'm constantly on the go, so ladies, if you can handle a stud like me, you know where to find me.

KELLY

My name is Kelly and I'm as sweet as sugar! I'm an easygoing gal who loves everyone. I just want someone to cuddle with. I'm hoping Cupid's arrow will hit me so I can find the man of my dreams, who will love me for eternity.



Bia



Shep



Aero



Donner



Kelly



Aria

Notice of Hearing

Before the Arizona Power Plant and Transmission Line Siting Committee

Docket No. L-00000D-11-0068-00180, Case No. 160

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF ARIZONA PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY, IN CONFORMANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES SECTION 40-360, et seq., FOR A CERTIFICATE OF ENVIRONMENTAL COMPATIBILITY AUTHORIZING THE MAZATZAL SUBSTATION AND 345KV INTERCONNECTION PROJECT, WHICH INCLUDES THE CONSTRUCTION OF TWO 345KV TRANSMISSION LINES AND A NEW 345/69/21KV SUBSTATION, SECTION 4, TOWNSHIP 8 NORTH, RANGE 10 EAST, GASBARIAN, ADJACENT TO THE INTERSECTION OF THE EXISTING FOUR CORNERS CHOLLA-PINNACLE PEAK 345KV TRANSMISSION LINES AND FOREST ROAD 378, WITHIN THE TONTO NATIONAL FOREST IN GILA COUNTY, ARIZONA

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DATED this 4th day of February, 2011.

/s/ John Foreman, Esq.
 Assistant Attorney General
 Chairman, Arizona Power Plant and
 Transmission Line Siting Committee

EXHIBIT A-6



P.O. Box 53999
Phoenix, AZ 85072

Feb. 28, 2011

Dear APS Customer:

This letter is to inform you that Arizona Public Service Company (APS) has filed an Application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility (CEC) for the Mazatzal Substation and 345-kilovolt (kV) Interconnection Project with the Arizona Power Plant and Transmission Line Siting Committee (Siting Committee) earlier this month. The proposed project involves building a new 345/69/21-kV substation that would include a short in and out connection off of the existing 345-kV transmission lines and two new 69/21-kV sub-transmission lines.

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If you have any questions, please contact Brad Larsen at 602-493-4338 or by email at brad.larsen@aps.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brad Larsen", is written over a horizontal line.

Brad Larsen, Project Manager
APS Transmission and Facility Siting Department

Attachment

February 16, 2011

Joe and Shelly Brown
Hardt Creek Grazing Allotment
49821 N. Hwy 188
Payson, Arizona 85441

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Kevin C. Duncan, Project Manager
Environmental Planning Group

cc: Brad Larsen, APS Project Manager

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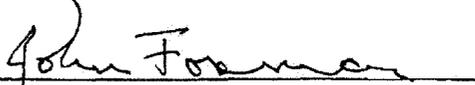
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John Foreman, Esq.
Assistant Attorney General
Chairman, Arizona Power Plant and
Transmission Line Siting Committee

February 16, 2011

Jack and Sherry Cowan
Deer Creek Grazing Allotment
P.O. Box 639
Payson, Arizona 85547

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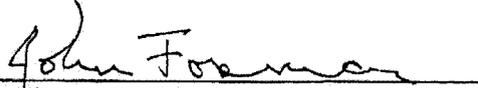
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John Foreman, Esq.
Assistant Attorney General
Chairman, Arizona Power Plant and
Transmission Line Siting Committee

EXHIBIT A-7

March 3, 2011

Mr. John Foreman, Chairman

RE: Docket No. L-00000D-1-0068
Case No.: 160

Sir:

I live in Deer Creek Village, about 1 (one) mile northwest of the proposed Mazatzal Substation Project. I am in support of the Project IF it will stabilize power in the Village to 240 volts.

If not, then I have to say NO. Reason for this is because since October, 2004 when I moved into my home, voltage has been too high. Per APS documents (which I have my possession) shows that 47 times voltage was 240 volts. 82 times voltage was 256 volts. These are the highs and lows.

Since 2004, a lot of my power tools, TV's, and motors have burned up.

If APS really needs this substation, take some of the \$23,000,000.00 and fix the problem here in the Village!

Volts x AMPS = watts that we what we pay for.

As of 1:29 PM voltage was 247.6 volts.

Appreciate your feedback. Thank you.



John Adams
928-978-2974



Town of Payson
303 N. Beeline Hwy
Payson, AZ 85541

928/474-5242 Ext. 222
928/474-4610 Fax
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Office of the Mayor

DATE: March 12, 2011

Brad Larsen, P.E.
Re: Mazatzal Substation and 345kV Interconnection Project
PO Box 53933
MS 4030
Phoenix, AZ. 85072

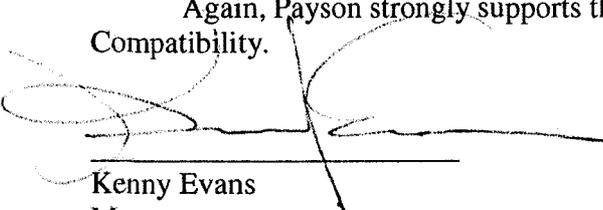
Brad:

As Mayor and CEO of the Town, I want to communicate our support for the Mazatzal APS project that includes an in /out connection off of the existing 345-kV lines, and two new 69/21-kV sub-transmission lines. We strongly encourage **both the Arizona Power Plant and Transmission Siting Committee and the Arizona Corporation Commission** to grant APS' request for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility (CEC).

The proposed project resolves a significant concern that the Town of Payson has shared with APS on several occasions during my tenure as mayor regarding reliability and vulnerability of our rural community. The minimal capacity of the singular backup 69-kV line from the northwest leaves us very vulnerable in the event of a failure of the Preacher Canyon transmission line.

This location is ideal for the intended project. It has received a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) determination from the Tonto National Forest Service as part of the Environmental Assessment required.

Again, Payson strongly supports the granting of the Certificate of Environmental Compatibility.



Kenny Evans
Mayor

EXHIBIT A-8