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APR 13 2017

Mr. Stephen Roe Lewis
Governor
Gila River Indian Community
P.O. Box 97
Sacaton, Arizona 85147

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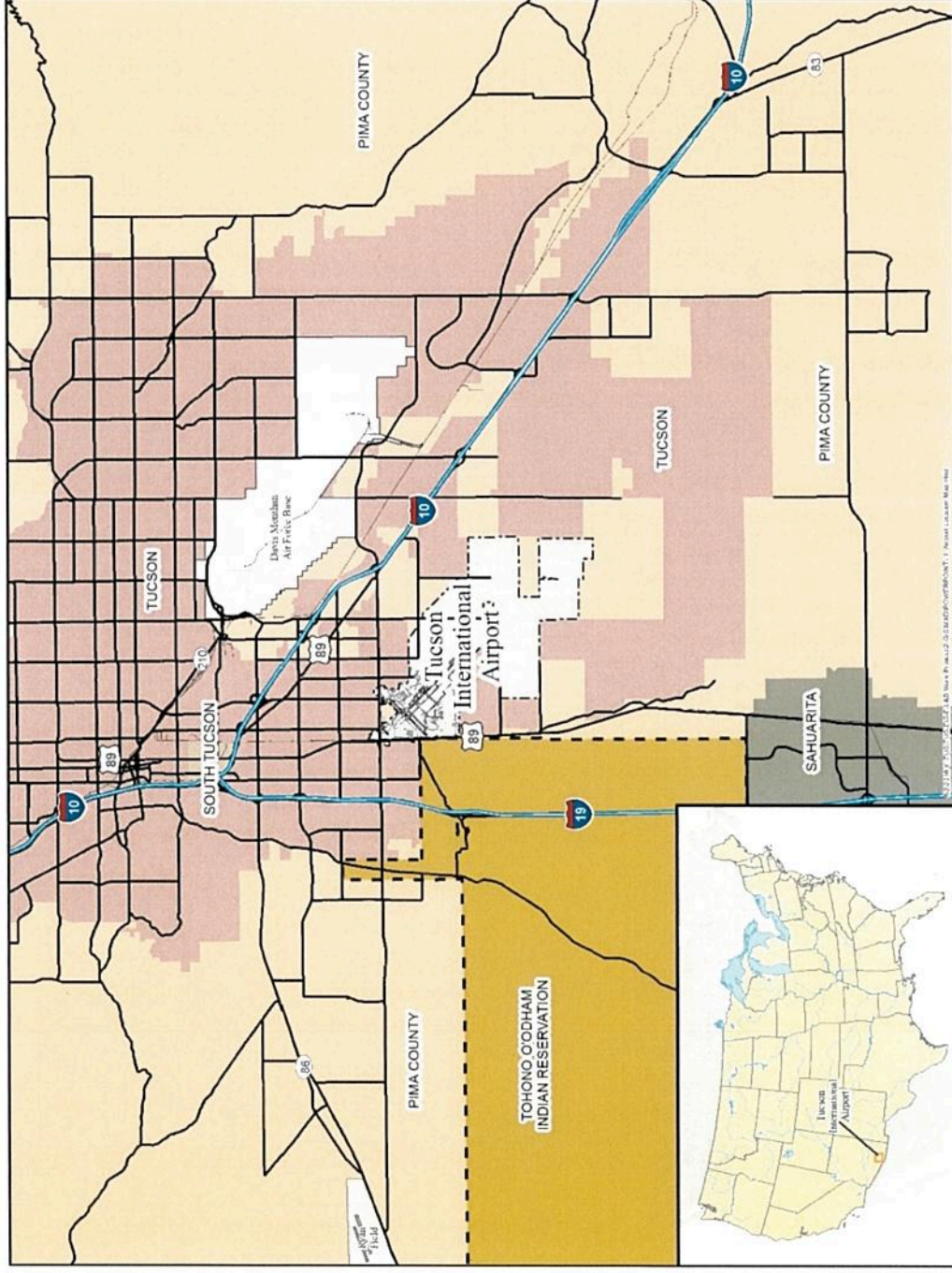


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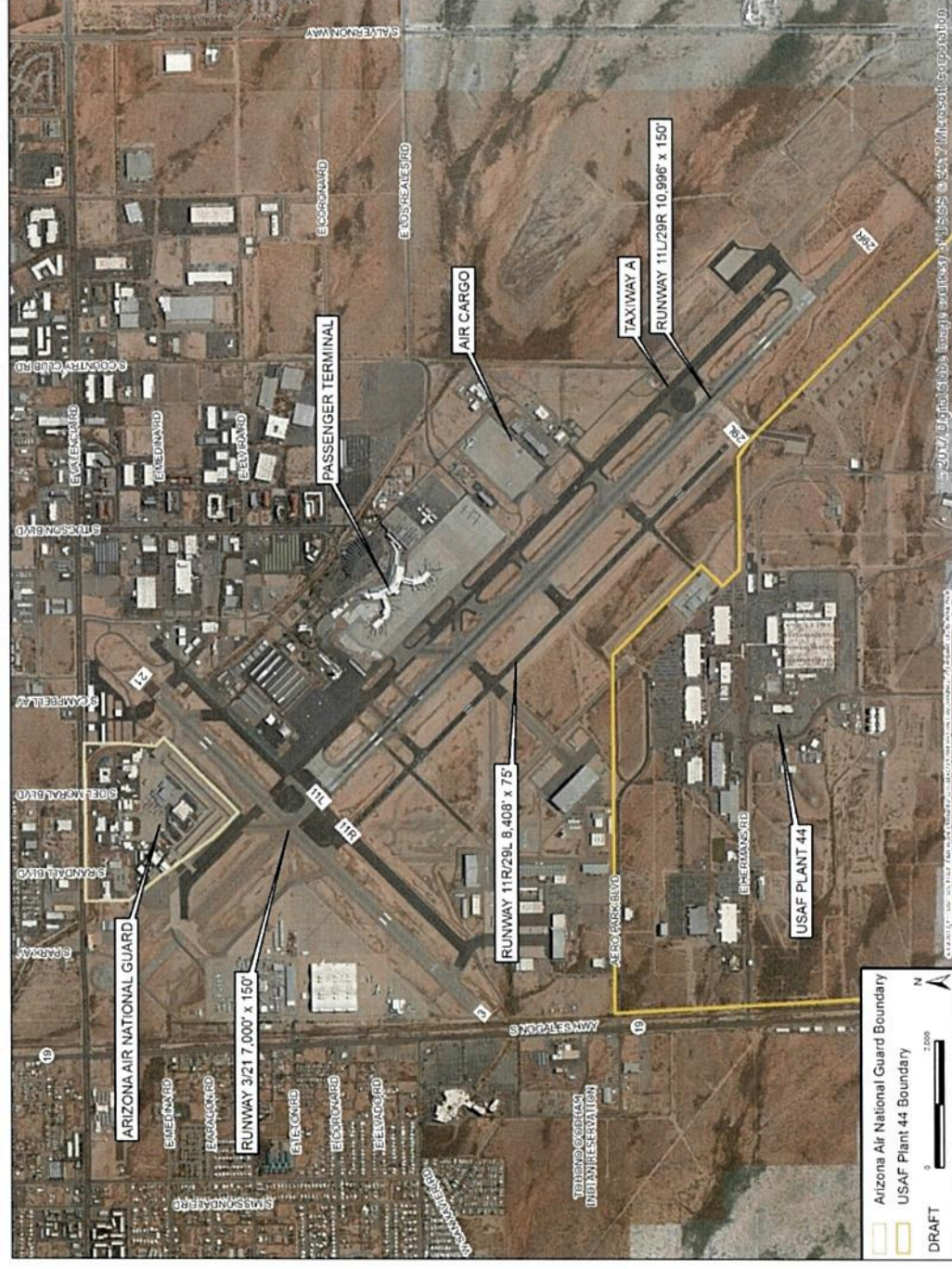
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**TUCSON INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

Exhibit 4
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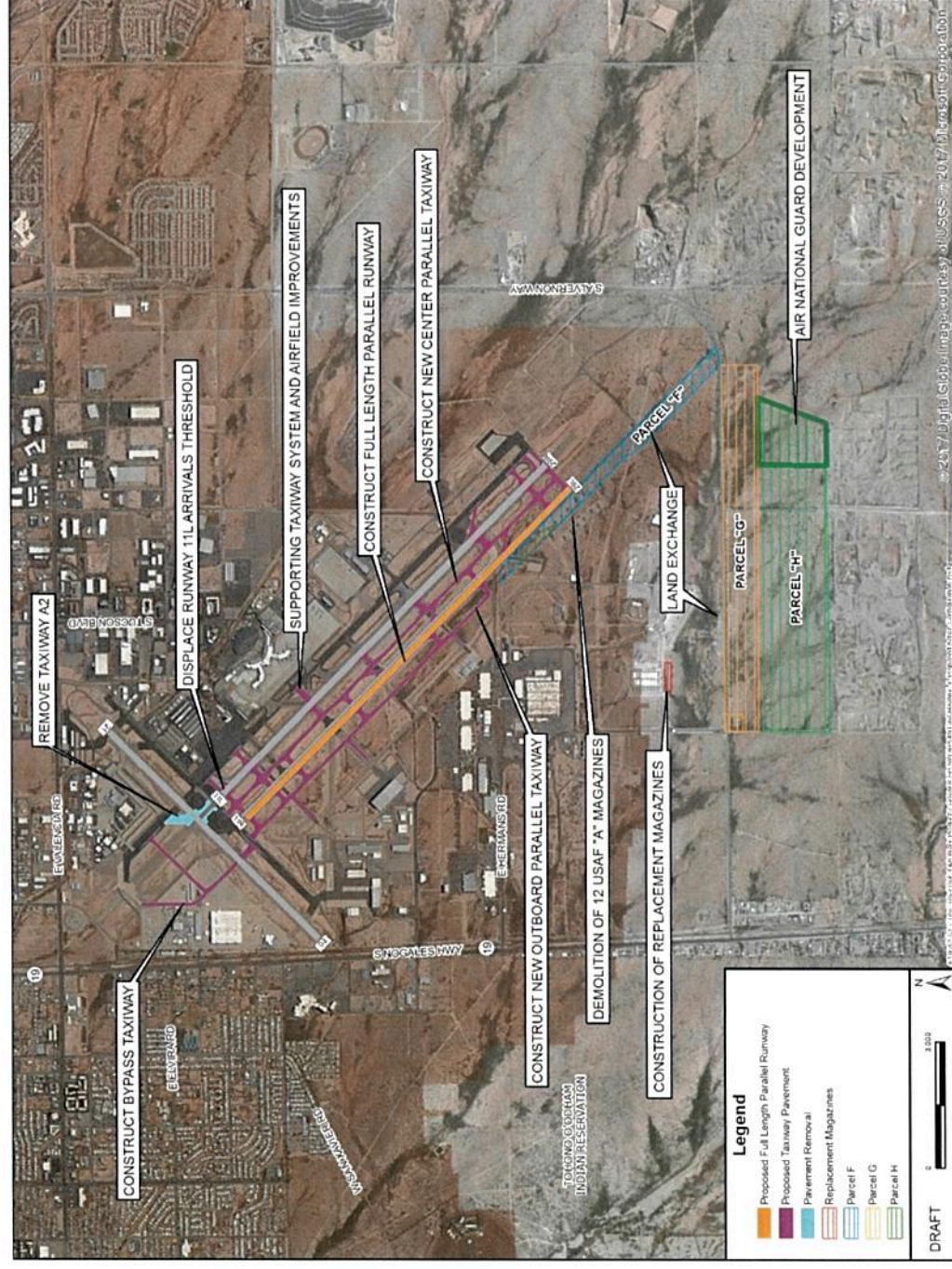


Source: Arizona Air National Guard and USAF Plant 44 property boundaries from Pima County GIS data, 2016.

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Exhibit 11
PROPOSED ACTION



Source: Tucson Airport Authority and Landrum & Brown, 2016.

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Attention: David B. Kessler, Regional Environmental Protection Specialist
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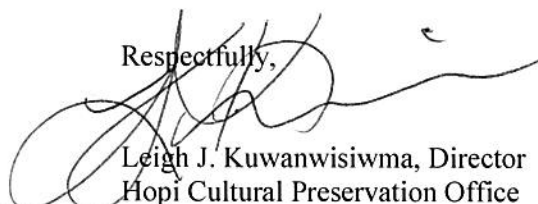
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The Hopi Tribe claims cultural affiliation to earlier identifiable cultural groups in Arizona, including the Hohokam cultural group in southern Arizona. The Hopi Cultural Preservation Office supports the identification and avoidance of our ancestral sites, and we consider the prehistoric archaeological sites of our ancestors to be "footprints" and Traditional Cultural Properties. Therefore, we appreciate the FAA's solicitation of our input and your efforts to address our concerns.

And therefore, the Hopi Cultural Preservation Office is interested in consulting on any proposal in Arizona that has the potential to adversely affect prehistoric sites. Therefore, if prehistoric cultural resources are identified that may be adversely affected, we request continuing consultation on this proposal, including being provided with a copy of the cultural resources survey of the area of potential effect any proposed treatment plan for review and comment.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Terry Morgart at the Hopi Cultural Preservation Office at 928-734-3619 or tmorgart@hopi.nsn.us. Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,



Leigh J. Kuwanwisiwma, Director
Hopi Cultural Preservation Office

xc: Arizona State Historic Preservation Office

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Chris Babb

Subject: FW: FAA letter to Governor Lewis

From: Kessler, Dave (FAA)
Sent: Wednesday, March 28, 2018 2:54 PM
To: 'Janice Antone' <Janice.Antone@gric.nsn.us>
Subject: RE: FAA letter to Governor Lewis

Hi Janice – Can you check to see if Governor Lewis or someone else from his staff is going to respond to FAA's letter? I haven't received any emails or telephone calls since we spoke last Friday.

Thanks

Dave

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Sent: Friday, March 23, 2018 8:54 AM
To: Kessler, Dave (FAA) <Dave.Kessler@faa.gov>
Subject: RE: FAA letter to Governor Lewis

Good morning Mr. Kessler,

I just wanted to notify you that I have forwarded your email to my Director. It could take a day or two for a response back due to the amount of emails our Director receives daily and of course attending meetings. If you don't hear from us by Tuesday of next week. Please feel free to follow up.

Best Regards,

Janice Antone
Gila River Indian Community
Administrative Assistant
Department of Land Use Planning & Zoning

From: Dave.Kessler@faa.gov [<mailto:Dave.Kessler@faa.gov>]
Sent: Thursday, March 22, 2018 2:34 PM
To: Janice Antone
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dee.phan@faa.gov; christina.powell.3@us.af.mil

Subject: FAA letter to Governor Lewis

Hi Janice – here is the letter we sent to Governor Lewis back last April – unfortunately, we didn't get a response. Please call if you have any questions or want to discuss the project more. We sent letters to a variety of tribes that might have an interest in the proposed project. At this time only the Hopi Tribe responded asking if any prehistoric sites would be adversely affected by the project. Can you help get me a response? If you have no comments – an email to that effect would be fine.

As stated in the letter to Governor Lewis, we are preparing a Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the proposed project. We are hoping to publish it next month. I will make sure you get a copy – do you prefer a hard copy – paper, or would a CD or website work for you?

Thanks.

Dave.

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Subject: Native American Government-to-Government Communication letters

Hi Mark – here are the two letters we sent back in April 2017. We sent one addressed to you and one to Chairman Manuel. As we talked the Hopi Tribe responded to our letter. I need a reply from the Tohono O'odham Nation.

Please call if you have any questions or want to discuss the project more.

Also, as we talked, we are working to publish the Draft Environmental Impact Statement next month. I will make sure you get a copy – do you prefer a hard copy – paper, or would a CD or website work for you?

Thanks!

Dave.

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Subject: FW: FAA Letter to Chairwoman Russell Winiecki TUS EIS
Attachments: FAA Letter to Yavapai-Apache Nation of Camp Verde 4 13 2017.pdf

From: Kessler, Dave (FAA)
Sent: Thursday, March 22, 2018 3:29 PM
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Subject: FAA Letter to Chairwoman Russell Winiecki

Hello Ms. Lewis, you were referred to me for help with a letter we sent to Chairwoman Jane Russell Winiecki back last April – unfortunately, we didn't get a response. I have attached a scanned copy of the letter we sent last April. We sent letters to a variety of tribes that might have an interest in the proposed project. At this time only the Hopi Tribe responded asking of any prehistoric sites would be adversely affected by the project. Can you help get me a response from your tribe?

If you have no comments – an email to that effect would be fine. We sent letters to a variety of tribes that might have an interest in the proposed project. At this time, only the Hopi Tribe responded asking of any prehistoric sites would be adversely affected by the project. If you have no comments – an email to that effect would be fine.

As stated in the letter to Chairwoman Russell Winiecki, we are preparing a Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the proposed project. We are hoping to publish it next month. I will make sure you get a copy – do you prefer a hard copy – paper, or would a CD or website work for you?

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Federal Aviation Administration

Memorandum

Date: March 22, 2018

From: Regional Environmental Protection Specialist, AWP-610.1 

To: Tucson International Airport Environmental Impact Statement project files

Prepared by: David B. Kessler, Regional Environmental Protection Specialist, AWP-610.1

Subject: Tucson International Airport, Tucson, Pima County, Arizona, Follow up on Native American Consultation.

On March 22, 2018, following discussions with United States Air Force and other Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) staff members working on the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the proposed Airfield Safety Enhancement Project and associated Land Transactions at Tucson International Airport, I followed up with the various Native American Tribes that had not responded to FAA's letter dated April 13, 2017.

At this time, the Hopi Tribe provided the only written response to the April 13th letter.

Today, March 22, 2018, at 11:20 a.m. I spoke with Mark Pugh, from the San Xavier District of the Tohono O'odham Nation and followed up with an email sent at 11:30 a.m. providing a copy of the April 13th letter and three drawings for the proposed project. Mr. Pugh said he would re-read the letter and try to get back to me right away.

I called the Yavapai-Apache Nation of Camp Verde Indian Reservation and was referred to Ms. Tanya Lewis at the tribe. I could only get a voicemail so, I left a message and sent an email with a copy of the April 13th letter requesting a response.

I spoke with Janice Antone today at 2:22 p.m. Pacific Daylight Time with the Gila River Indian Community and sent her an email with a copy of the April 13th letter. She said she would review the letter and get back to me.

I called the Pascua Yavapai at 3:04 p.m. Pacific Daylight Time today, and left a message for David Verres, Assistant to Chairman Valencia asking for a return call and a response to our letter. No email sent.

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