## Maricopa County Board of Supervisors

301 W. Jefferson Street

Phoenix, Arizona 85003

Sincerely,

## Dear Members of the Maricopa County Board of Supervisors.

I am writing today to respectfully request that each of you vote **NO** on the proposed zoning change that would allow the BNSF Railway to construct an intermodal hub in Wittmann, Arizona. (Oppose CPA24006)

While I understand and acknowledge the need for intermodal transportation infrastructure in Arizona, this proposed location is entirely inappropriate for such large -scale industrial development. Wittmann is a small, rural community with a population of 606 residents. In stark contrast, BNSF plans to bring in thousands of individuals to construct this facility. An influx that would completely overwhelm the area and forever change the quiet rural character that families have cherished for generations. And who will be paying for the outlying infrastructure? The taxpayers.

Beyond the scale of the project, the hub will bring increased truck traffic, air and noise pollution, excessive lighting, and a host of environmental and safety concerns. These impacts will not only affect the residents of Wittmann but also the neighboring communities such as Morristown, Wickenburg, Surprise, El Mirage, The Grand, Sun City, and Sun City West. Also, there are thousands of new homes planned for the desert landscape.

Please consider the long-term effects this project would have on our way of life, our property values, our health, environment, and our pocketbooks. I urge you to stand with the residents, families, and businesses of the region and vote **NO** on the zoning change.

Thank you for your service and considering the voices of the people most affected by this decision. Your constituents will be eternally grateful.

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