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Mr. John Halikowski, Director  
ADOT  
206 S. 17th Avenue, Mail Drop 101A  
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Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear John,

I am delighted with the progress that is being made towards finding an alternate route for the South Mountain 202 Loop. As you know from our discussions, I have long been an advocate for a viable alternative to the Pecos Road alignment. Thanks primarily to the persistent work of Councilman Sal DiCiccio, it appears that the Gila River Indian Community is open to exploring an alternative on their land.

My purpose in writing is to encourage you to work with all stakeholders, including MAG, GRIC, City of Phoenix, federal government, and relevant community groups to make the alternate route a reality. The potential delay in completing the 202 Loop, in my opinion, is more than offset by avoiding the destruction of a portion of South Mountain Park and the serious disruption to Ahwatukee homes and neighborhoods. I know the State Transportation Department has spent countless hours and considerable financial resources on this project; and I appreciate the good work you have done. It now appears that working with the Gila River Indian Community may provide a solution that benefits all concerned.

Please let me know how I can assist you in moving forward.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John McComish", written over a faint horizontal line.

Representative John McComish  
Majority Leader  
Legislative District 20

✓ CC: Councilman Sal DiCiccio