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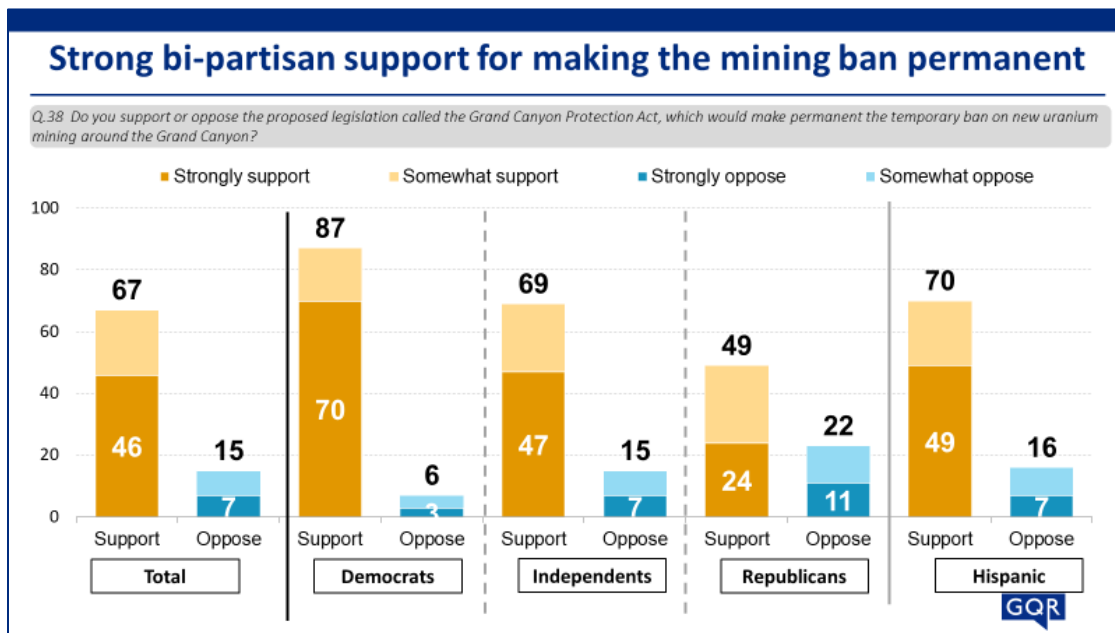
Bi-Partisan Support of a Permanent Ban on New Uranium Mining Around the Grand Canyon

To: Interested Parties

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A new survey of Arizona voters reveals a strong desire to make permanent the temporary ban on new uranium mining around the Grand Canyon. This support for a permanent ban comes from both sides of the political spectrum and regardless of proximity to the Grand Canyon. Strong approval for the ban coincides with voters’ placing large importance on protecting access to clean water and Arizona’s public lands, even as they are also highly concerned about rising gas prices and securing energy sources.

Those advocating for a permanent ban are backed by public opinion. Two out of three (67 percent) Arizonan voters support the Grand Canyon Protection Act, which would make permanent the temporary ban on new uranium mining, including 46 percent who **strongly** support the ban. Only 15 percent oppose the permanent ban. Support for the permanent ban extends across the political spectrum with 87 percent support among Democrats and 69 percent among Independents. More than twice as many Republicans support the ban than oppose it. Similarly, strong support extends across the state, regardless of proximity to the Grand Canyon, and to the Hispanic community.



Such strong support for a ban on uranium mining around the Grand Canyon coincides with views on the necessity of protecting Arizona’s water supply. A near unanimous 96 percent of Arizonans say it is important to protect the state’s clean water supply, including 91 percent who say it is **very** important, including 95 percent of Democrats and 89 percent of Republicans. Comparatively, 77 percent in the state say it is very important to reduce gas prices.

Everyone focused on water; non-Democrats more on gas prices, less dependence on foreign countries			
<i>Please tell me how important each one of the following is to you - very important, fairly important, just somewhat important, or not that important.</i>			
% saying issue is very important	Democrats	Independents	Republicans
Protecting Arizona's clean water supply	95	90	89
Reducing gas prices	63	73	91
Reducing dependence on foreign countries for energy	67	66	85
Protecting Arizona's public lands and natural places from development	79	62	49
Ensuring access to public lands for hunting, fishing, hiking, and camping	47	47	74
Protecting the Grand Canyon from uranium mining	76	51	42
Dealing with the threat of climate change	88	49	13
Creating more drilling and mining jobs in the state	10	20	45

Methodology

GQR conducted a survey of 600 likely 2022 general elections voters, including an oversample of 100 Hispanic likely voters, from June 21 to June 27, 2022. Respondents were contacted through the voter file. 44 percent were conducted by landline, and 56 percent by cell. The survey is subject to a +/-4.4 percentage point margin of error at the 95 percent confidence level.