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The Honorable John McCain
United States Senate
241 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510-0303


Re: Uranium Development near Grand Canyon National Park

Dear Senator McCain:

The purpose of this letter is to express concerns regarding the potential impacts to wildlife and wildlife habitats through proposed uranium development on lands in the proximity of Grand Canyon National Park. The areas of greatest concern are those federal lands in the Tusayan Ranger District, Kaibab National Forest, and federal lands in the Kanab Creek Drainage & House Rock Valley managed by the Bureau of Land Management. The Arizona Game and Fish Commission opposes uranium development in the proximity of Grand Canyon National Park, and respectfully requests that the Arizona Congressional Delegation initiate the permanent withdrawal of mining, mineral exploration, and mineral entry from the federal lands noted above.

Sincerely,

William H. McLean

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Commission Chair
Arizona Game and Fish Commission

Identical Letter to: Arizona Congressional Delegates

cc: Janet Napolitano, Governor of Arizona
Dirk Kempthorne, Secretary of the Interior
Ed Schafer, Secretary of Agriculture
Steve Martin, Superintendent, Grand Canyon National Park
Corbin Newman, Regional Forester, Southwest Region
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