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To: [Sharon Scantlebury](#); [Vineetha Kartha](#)
Subject: Proposed Lease and Transfer of Quartzsite's Section 5 water contract
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Dear Sharon and Vineetha and to others this may concern,

I've been reading the literature that I received from Vineetha last week in the Bullhead City Council Chambers. I have some concerns about the state wanting to TAKE water from a mall community in Arizona, whether or not they use their contract entitlement amount of water, before the expiration date. In this case Quartzsite's 1070 acre-feet of water with the expiration date of January 28, 2029.

It seems that if this transfer of water from Quartzsite to be routed to the Phoenix area would set a precedent for your organization to go to other small communities in Arizona along the Colorado River and take their water, whether or not they have used it, before the expiration date of their contract.

Why does our state's water resources have to be used up? I know it's all about money and government control of our small communities.

According to the Arizona State University Climate office, on October 19, 2017 they stated that Arizona has been in a long-term drought for 21 years. Your own AZwater.gov website on November 3, 2017, stated that "the summer rainfall was not sufficient for improvements across the state with the Agua Fria watershed dropping to Abnormally Dry

After seeing the news, I'm guessing that this water might be going to the "Smart City" that is being established by Bill Gates. If I'm wrong, then it will go to Phoenix as you stated at the meeting last week. If Phoenix and outlying cities would not allow housing communities and commercial developers to put in lawns and water-guzzling water features this would help to continue their water useage for a long time. The farmers of our state can use the water more than a shopping center adding a river-type feature or waterfall feature.

With the sustained drought and the chronic river water use, our state will continue to be in a devastatingly longer drought. Arizona will feel cutbacks as we have relatively low-priority water rights. Arizonians rely more heavily on Colorado River water than the other states and can lose about 12% of the Colorado River's supply. .

Please record that me and my husband, Bob, are against this transfer of water. I have spoken to many of our local residents in Topock, Arizona and they aired their feelings of being against this water transfer.

Sincerely,

Sandy King