

Ajo Copper News

Off-Road Racing Is Opposed

Letter to the editor
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Proposed off-road racing near Ajo is a bad idea. Too many off-roaders destroy the land, pollute the air, leave piles of trash, and often bring a violent culture of drugs, drinking, and death.

Ajo is a neat town, with beautiful, rich, and fragile surrounding Sonoran Desert. Healthy landscapes are Ajo's best asset and attraction. The off-road lobby is targeting Southern Arizona lands for increased abuse. Don't let Ajo's natural heritage be wrecked by uncaring and destructive Phoenix motorheads who can race in more appropriate places.

We've heard from many concerned W. Pima County residents against desert off-roading near Ajo. Congressman Grijalva, Supervisor Bronson, Governor Napolitano and other leaders should listen to constituents and push BLM to turn down destructive off-road 'wreck'reation.

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