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Comments: I have just been informed of your proposal to "develop" a 9 car parking lot, a toilet, a day-use picnic area with picnic tables, a staging area for classes and other groups, and a handicapped-access trail ALL WITHIN THE CANYON BOTTOM of the biologically precious and fragile riparian habitat of Cave Creek Canyon.

As someone who has personally been to Cave Creek Canyon many times to appreciate this magnificent and VERY UNIQUE (in the United States) biologically diverse natural treasure, I STRONGLY OBJECT to this proposal in its present form! I also strongly believe that the PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD regarding this ill advised proposal should be GREATLY EXTENDED so that others who know of this canyon and its biological treasures may ALSO comment about your plans. There is absolutely NO NEED to in any way "rush" this process.

Hence, as a tax paying citizen of Arizona I strongly vote for NO ACTION to be taken on this proposal at all until a thorough review of this proposal is initiated - which includes a COMPLETE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT assessment to be done - as well as a grant of of an extended comment time period so that the MANY interested birders, wildlife watchers, natural history enthusiasts, herpetologists, mammalogists, etc. are given a REASONABLE time frame in which to share their concerns, information, and viewpoints relative to this potentially destructive proposal.