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Comments: I am writing to support the Hassayampa River Riparian Area Mineral Withdrawal proposal. I live in Prescott and hike and birdwatch in the Hassayampa River corridor. This riparian area supports an incredible diversity of bird life. Tourists and locals alike enjoy hiking, camping, bird watching, and other recreational activities in the Hassayampa River Corridor. Tourists bring money to Prescott. We need to protect our natural resources not only because it is the right thing to do, but also because our economy in Prescott is largely based on tourism. The riparian areas in Arizona are so important to our wildlife. Please protect this unique natural resource for the future.