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Arizona House of Representatives

Representative David Cook (R-7)

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Representative Cook Seeks Water Solution for Residents in Rio Verde Foothills Community

STATE CAPITOL, PHOENIX – State Representative David Cook, Chairman of the House Transportation & Infrastructure Committee, is seeking to help residents of the Rio Verde Foothills community who have been cut off from the City of Scottsdale’s water supply since December, leaving about 500 homes without a reliable point of access to clean drinking water. Representative Cook has sent a letter Scottsdale Mayor David Ortega and other parties to facilitate a meeting to identify potential solutions.

“It is beyond me how a group of Arizona citizens could be put in such a position. Arizonans’ livelihoods depend on having a reliable and long-term water supply,” writes Representative Cook in his letter. **“As elected officials we have a responsibility to serve all citizens, especially in our rural unincorporated communities. We need to find a comprehensive solution that protects the people in this community and is workable for all parties involved.”**

A copy of Representative Cook’s letter is attached below.

David Cook is a Republican member of the Arizona House of Representatives serving Legislative District 7, which includes Pinal, Gila, Coconino, and Navajo Counties. He also serves as Chairman of the House Transportation & Infrastructure Committee. Follow him on Twitter at @RepDavidCook.

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January 6, 2023

To: David Ortega
Mayor, City of Scottsdale
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Scottsdale, AZ 85251

Transmitted via E-Mail

I am reaching out to you regarding the challenging water situation in the Rio Verde Foothills area.

It is beyond me how a group of Arizona citizens could be put in such a position. Arizonans' livelihoods depend on having a reliable and long-term water supply. As elected officials we have a responsibility to serve all citizens, especially in our rural unincorporated communities. We need to find a comprehensive solution that protects the people in this community and is workable for all parties involved.

In order to get a better understanding of the situation and potential long-term solutions, I am asking you to please provide a time between now and January 20th that you can meet to discuss this matter.

Please respond as soon possible to my assistant, Caitlin Tillis.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David L. Cook".

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