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Superintendent Steve Martin
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Re: Supai Camp EA

Dear Superintendent,

As you know, GCRG is passionately dedicated to issues pertaining to the Colorado River through Grand Canyon, but occasionally we feel compelled to shift our focus to important rim issues such as the Supai Camp EA. We heartily support the Preferred Alternative (Alternative B) in order to rectify the substandard conditions at the camp.

After reviewing the EA and looking at the list of consultants and cooperators, we feel confident that Havasupai tribes' needs and concerns can be respectfully addressed and their input actively incorporated, should you move forward with the project. As a small tribe, the Havasupai struggle to have access to good medical care, decent housing, employment opportunities, and the distinct challenge of retaining their cultural identity. The improvements at Supai Camp should directly benefit all of those pressing needs. The bottom line is that the Havasupai people should *always* have a home at Grand Canyon.

So many issues in Grand Canyon are complex, yet the absolute necessity of taking prompt action for Supai Camp is unequivocal. The conditions have been substandard for far too long. We are thankful that the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 will make the proposed changes possible.

Sincerely,

The Officers and Board of Directors
Grand Canyon River Guides, Inc.