

# STICKS AND STONES



***MORE THAN JUST WORDS ON BORDERS, THEIR MILITARIZATION  
AND ENCROACHING INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS WITHIN ARIZONA***

*“SO I JUST WANT TO SAY THAT WHEN IT COMES TO QUARRIES, AND MINING, AND OPPRESSION OF PEOPLE, IT’S NOT OPPRESSION OF NATIVE PEOPLE. IT’S OPPRESSION OF ALL PEOPLE.... WE KNOW THAT WHEN SOMEONE HAS A LEGITIMATE CONCERN IN ANY TOWN, THEY DIVERT THAT AWAY. WELL, YOUR TIME IS NOW, TO STAND UP AND FIGHT. YOUR TIME IS NOW!”*

*-DAN DOREEN, ANTI COLONIAL THANKSGIVING DINNER: LAND DEFENDERS FROM SIX NATIONS & TYENDINAGA SPEAK*





*“STICKS AND STONES MAY BREAK MY BONES BUT WORDS WILL NEVER HURT ME.”*

*What you are holding in your hands could be a significant tool toward the decolonization of Arizona; a legend in the map to tearing down the invasive border that sprawls across O'odham land. Intervening with the militarization, occupation and further assimilation of Indigenous lands and everyone around us is a must. Borders, mines and freeways are relocating people everywhere and etching their way into everything sacred. However none of these infrastructure projects are inevitable. We can stop them from ever being built. We can interfere with them once they exist and sabotage them until they wither away.*

*May these words become tools in dismantling the colonialism that looms around us; the sticks to pry up the pavement and the stones we shatter the colonial nightmare with. This text is dedicated to all that continue to preserve their culture in the face of walls that attempt to divide them. We also extend a dedication in memory to all that have died due to the existence of Border Patrol. Especially those that have had their lives taken from them for allegedly throwing rocks. May we all be alive in spirit too see an end to this violence and assault on our autonomy, the environment and peoples culture.*





Cringing as the muttering of the border patrol trucks fade momentarily out of the picture, the rusted frame of the border pierces through the haze of the sun. Here the border staggers around waist height. Pieces of metal strewn together sprawling as far as the eye can see into the base of the mountains.

It is clear that the state would prefer an even clearer militarized zone swallowing the autonomy of everything in the presence of the border on O’odham land. When one takes a breath and bears witness to all that evolves around the enforced notions of the “us” and “mexico” border we can look to the stars and plan to make it fall. Yet how long will it be until the glare of consecutive 12 mile checkpoints along the border obscure our vision from the stars? If we continue to hesitate we will lose our chance to wish upon a shooting star for this colonial nightmare to fill the night sky with its shimmering ashes. At the current pace of our organizing more and more additional checkpoints are erected with little to no resistance. The fact of the matter is yes one more checkpoint will have a lasting impact on natural migration. At the time of compiling these resources a minimum of 16 states have and are actively attempting to implement laws similar too Arizona’s SB1070. March 21, 20011 a Border patrol agent shot and killed 19-year-old near Douglass, Arizona. Agents said he was allegedly throwing rocks at them (the agents). This is all too similar to the June 7, 2010 shooting of a 14-year-old for also allegedly throwing rocks around Border Patrol Agents.

On the subject of militarization of the border on O’odham land the State of Arizona has its mind on passing a variety of laws that would drastically effect the already heavily militarized zone.

From Coalición de Derechos Humanos:

**SCR 1006: Border Security Plan** – was sponsored by Senator Allen. This Resolution states that the border is lawless and crime-ridden. It calls for 3000 additional Border Patrol agents to the state, the deployment of military units, implementation of 24-hour surveillance, the establishment of one permanent Forward Operating Base (or checkpoint) every 12 miles. The measure also authorizes law enforcement to use force in the apprehension of undocumented individuals and provides for the felony prosecution of immigrant detainees. [Assigned to the House Military Affairs and Public Safety Committee on 2/15].



**HR 2181 National Guard Mobilization:** sponsored by Rep. Seel, this measure authorizes the Governor to mobilize the National Guard in a state of emergency due to unauthorized border crossing and related increase in crimes, deaths, and property damage. [Referred to the House Military Affairs & Public Safety and Judiciary Committees on 2/8.]

**SB1495/HB 2070 Arizona State Guard:** sponsored by Senator Allen. If the governor decides that there is an emergency, she may “request able-bodied citizens of this state, except peace officers, firefighters and emergency personnel to volunteer for service in the homeland security force.” There will be a special place for officers with prior military experience. While the force would not be compensated, they would be eligible for reimbursement. The force will be trained by appointed officers and volunteer members of the National Guard. [House Appropriations Committee gave do pass recommendation with 9-4 vote on 2/23].

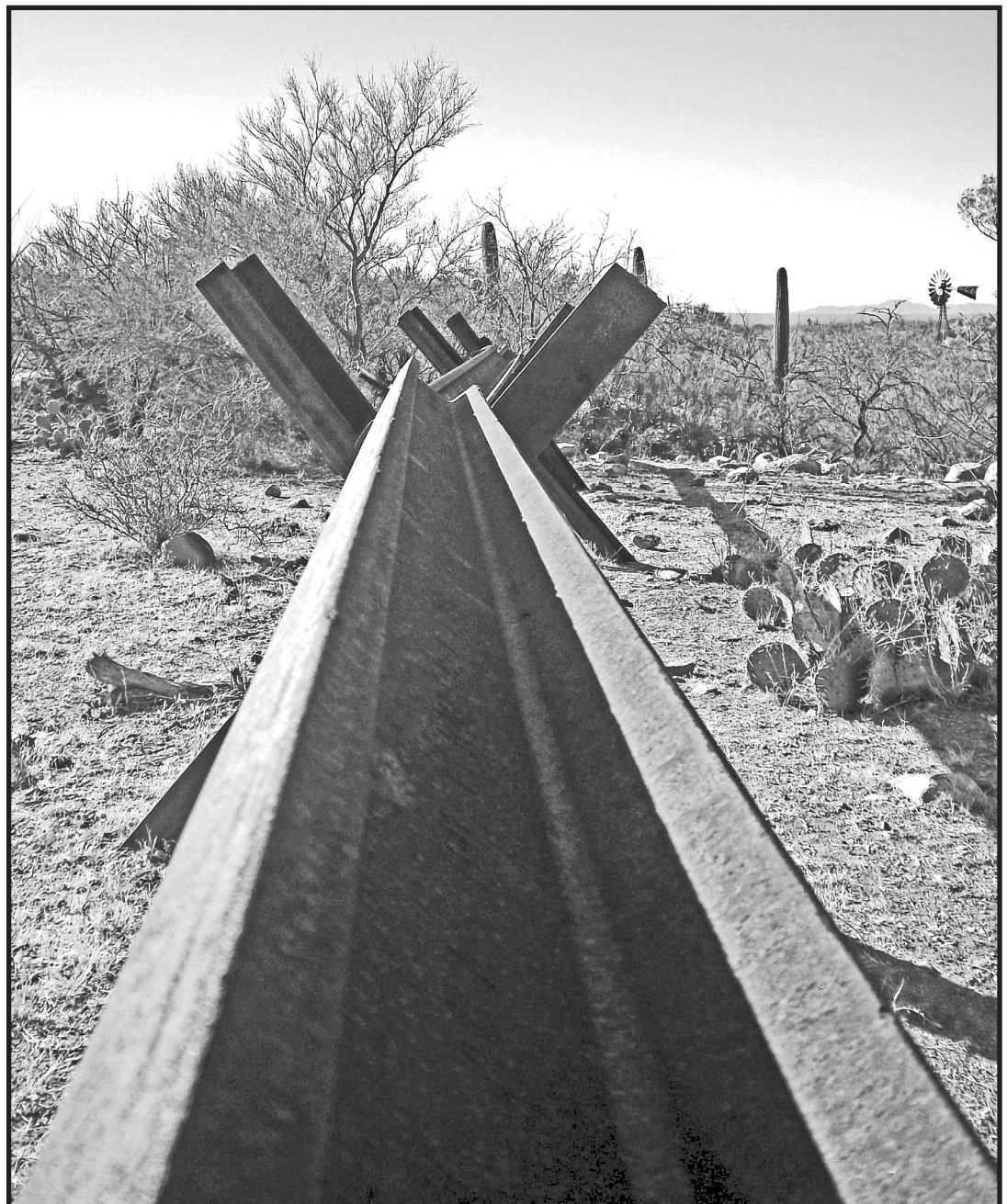
**SB 1406 Interstate Compact and Border Fence:** sponsored by Senator Smith, this bill would allow the governor to enter into a compact with other states to provide for the construction and maintenance of a fence long the Arizona-Mexico border, located on private property with landowners’ consent. States would be encouraged to use private contractors and inmate labor, and funding would come from private sources. [Senate Committee of the Whole approved it on 2/23; it goes to the Senate Third Reading on 2/28].

**SB 1342 Arizona Rangers and Border Security:** introduced by Senators Antenori. This bill would allow citizen volunteers from the Arizona Rangers to engage in border security if the Governor issued a proclamation about the need for border security and the protection of lives and property. [held in Senate Border Security, Federalism & States’ Sovereignty committee on 2/10 ]

DIRECT ACTION FOR FREEDOM OF MOVEMENT

Resistance to the border and colonization within Arizona is already very present. What could more strategic intervention to the borders and infrastructure projects look like? One suggestion has been the Direct Action for Freedom of Movement (DAFM) call-out:

*With campaigns targeting those in control how do we take away their power and shift it to the left. How do we gain more power*





for our communities without compromising our ideas. DAFM comes into attack the institutions, people and projects on the right to give people more oriented to the left more space to organize. This task has been one that radicals in A.Z. have not doing as effectively as it could be. How can we neutralize the negative effects of free trade systems and the occupation of the border. Our intervention with these systems of institutionalized control need to take a pace that is substantial enough to lessen the blow of these systems. For people in the middle lets try to pull them to the left. If they resist, just tell them to get out of the way.

Disrupting the everyday life of those in control is a must. We need to become a force that is impossible to ignore. Our messaging will only begin to resonate in the ears of those in control after the erratic pace of present day colonialism is paused.

With those goals in place the next questions that arise are how to we transform our actions into frames of anti-colonial perspective.

Using the publisher/artists Zig Zags' Model of colonization and decolonization we see that we are in the onslaught of the last stages of colonization in Arizona all too clearly.

-Stage 2: Invasion... Invasion can begin immediately after the recon, or may be delayed by a period of trade & settlement that serve as a basis for later invasion (i.e., N. America). In every case, colonial military strategy is genocidal and includes the destruction of food supplies, resources, & shelter, as well as massacres & biological warfare (disease).

-Stage 3: Occupation.... A colonial government is set up to control the surviving population of Natives, who are contained in reservations.... They organized settlement & resource extraction, including the construction of railroads, dams, roads, ports, etc.

Stage 4: Assimilation.... Once occupation is entrenched, this process becomes institutionalized, with generations of Indigenous youth being removed from their people & forced into government or Church-run schools.

The period of occupation and assimilation are connected, as only through occupation can systems of assimilation be





*imposed. This phase can be long and drawn out over centuries, as has occurred in the Americas.*

Looking at the rapid rate of the states attack on people their culture, the land around us and the animals that attempt to coexist with all of this we see a clear systemic attack occurring. For most of us this is obvious. The more ominous question before us is how do we organize strong enough to dismantle that systemic oppression.

The implication of NAFTA is one of the most effective tools of state sponsored systemic oppression One of clearest ways to lessen the impacts of NAFTA would be eliminating the expansion of its poisonous tentacles. The most obvious of its arms being the border on O'odham land. And the freeways that stretch out from their as well. In Arizona two clear targets being the I-10 corridor and the proposed South Mountain Freeway Loop 202. The invasion of the extractive industry on indigenous land is another dangerous arm of NAFTA.

Another tool of the colonizers that is not mentioned as clearly as it should be within this text is the education system. One that supports the placement of telescopes on the sacred Mount Graham and attempts to steal the option of Raza studies. We hope to share additional on these institutions in the future. The uncovering of the private prison industry is definitely another enemy that needs more uncovering. For those ready to attack we offer the following targets.

*“PRIOR TO COLONIZATION, NATIVE COMMUNITIES WERE NOT STRUCTURED ON THE BASIS OF HIERARCHY, OPPRESSION OR PATRIARCHY. WE WILL NOT RECREATE THESE COMMUNITIES AS THEY EXISTED PRIOR TO COLONIZATION. OUR UNDERSTANDING THAT A SOCIETY WITHOUT STRUCTURE OF OPPRESSION WAS POSSIBLE IN THE PAST TELLS US THAT OUR CURRENT POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC SYSTEM IS ANYTHING BUT NATURAL AND INEVITABLE. IF WE LIVED DIFFERENTLY BEFORE WE CAN LIVE DIFFERENTLY AGAIN.”*  
—ANDREA SMITH *INDIGENOUS FEMINISM WITHOUT APOLOGY*

#### **FREE TRADE/NAFTA/HIGHWAY/FREEWAY**

One of the main veins of the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) are the infrastructure systems that colonial systems use to generate energy and ship goods.

#### **The National Law Center for Inter-American Free Trade**

440 North Bonita Avenue  
Tucson, Arizona 85745-2747  
520.622.1200  
520.622.0957 fax  
Toll Free: 1-800-LAW-FIND

Founded in 1992 the firm works with both the public and private sectors on legal reform and development of best business practices in a number of substantive areas, including (but not limited to) the following: alternative dispute resolution, banking, bankruptcy, business formation and associations, competition law and policy, customs, electronic commerce, environment, family law, intellectual property, investment securities, judicial reform and training, labor, products liability, real estate, securitization, secured transactions and transportation.

#### **Highway CANAMEX Project office**

1700 W. Washington st (b/t 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>)  
Suite 600  
Phoenix, AZ 85007  
602.771.1111  
602.771.1200 fax

The CANAMEX corridor is a proposed highway improvement/development plan to complete a NAFTA corridor from Sonora, Mexico at the Port of Guaymas through the US and mostly using I-15, to Alberta, Canada and into Alaska. It also includes improvements and expansions to I-10 one of the federal governments' "Corridors of the Future." The US government has been attempting to award grants to states for the construction of roadways that lessen congestion and aid in the transportation of goods.

Freeway Loop 202 would be an extension of the Interstate-10 (I-10) trade Corridor of the Future. The two proposals for the highway would either go through the Gila River Reservation or through the Ahwatukee foothills.

**Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) & State Transportation Board**

206 S 17<sup>th</sup> ave (corner of W. Madison St.)  
Phoenix, AZ 85007  
602.712.7431

**U.S. Department of Transportation  
Federal Highway Administration  
Arizona Division**

4000 N. Central Avenue, Suite 1500  
Phoenix, Arizona 85012-1906  
602.379.3646  
602.382.8998 fax

**Federal Highway Administration**

400 E. Van Buren st.  
Phoenix Az  
Spearheading the “Corridors of the Future” project for the federal government.

**City of Tucson Department of Transportation**

201 North Stone Ave., North Wing  
520.791.4371  
520.791.5641 fax

**Kiewit Construction**

5330 East Washington Street  
Phoenix, AZ

3200 East McDowell Road  
Mesa, AZ  
480.981.4792

225 East 1st Street  
Mesa, AZ  
480.835.2110

3052 S.19<sup>th</sup> Ave.  
Phoenix, AZ 85009

5175 N. Casa Grande  
Tucson, AZ 85743  
520.887.7820  
520.293.8735fax

Sundt and Kiewit are partner construction companies currently expanding I-10 through central Tucson. They are also involved with the construction of the “U.S.” “Mexico” border wall.

**SUNDT CONSTRUCTION INC**

1501 West Fountainhead Parkway, Tempe, AZ  
480.446.7364

1903 East University Drive, Phoenix, AZ  
602.258.0693

2620 South 55th Street, Tempe, AZ  
480.293.3000

2641 South 20th Place, Phoenix, AZ  
602.262.5290

**Sundt**

4101 East Irvington Road  
P.O.Box 26685  
Tucson, AZ 85726  
520.750.4600  
520.747.9673

**HDR Engineering Inc.**

Responsible for completing the Environmental Impact Study for the Proposed Freeway Loop 202, also involved with planned I-10 “improvements.”

3200 E. Camelback rd.  
Suite 350 & Suite 250  
Phoenix, AZ 85003-1923  
602.385.1610

101 N. 1<sup>st</sup> Ave., Suite 1950  
Phoenix, AZ 85003  
602.385.1610

5210 E. Williams Circle, suite 530  
Tucson, AZ 85711-4459  
520.584.3600  
520.584.3680 fax

**Knowledge Capital Alliance**

4809 E. Thistle Landing Dr.  
Suite 100  
Phoenix, Az 85044  
480.285.1780  
480.285.1784 fax

Organization of CEO’s, senior executives, university professors and technology professionals. Members of their group facilitate Freeway Loop 202 Meetings in Phoenix.

**BORDERS AND THEIR MILITARIZATION**

**Homeland Security**

1700 West Washington Street  
Phoenix, AZ  
602.542.7013

**Wackenhut Corporation**

3410 East University Drive  
Phoenix, AZ  
602.431.0020  
602.771.2300

2035 North Central Avenue  
Phoenix, AZ  
602.254.5549

9245 E Old Vail Rd,



Tucson, AZ 85747  
(Buses depart from here)  
1101 W Grant Road # 208  
Tucson, AZ 85705

### **Boeing**

5000 East McDowell Road  
Mesa, AZ  
480.891.3000

### **Harris Environmental Group Inc**

58 East 5th St,  
Tucson, AZ 85705  
520.628.7648

Company that handles EIS Natural Resource services and Cultural service studies and policy support for u.s. and international private and governmental agencies (like the air force).

### **URANIUM MINING IN THE GRAND CANYON/ THE PEAKS**

#### **Arizona Department of Environmental Quality**

1110 West Washington Street  
Phoenix, Arizona 85007  
602.771.2300 General Information  
800.234.5677 Toll Free

#### **Arizona Department of Environmental Quality Northern Regional Office**

1801 West Route 66, Suite 117  
Flagstaff, Arizona 86001  
(928) 779-0313 – General Information  
(877) 602-3675 – Toll Free  
(928) 773-2700 or (928) 773-2705 – Fax

#### **Southern Regional Office**

400 West Congress Street, Suite 433  
Tucson, Arizona 85701  
520.628.6733 General Information  
888.271.9302 Toll Free  
520.628.6745 Fax

One of the main decision makers in both the water issues of the peaks as well as mining uranium in the grand canyon.

For over 25 years, international mining companies have aggressively pursued uranium at Grand Canyon Past uranium activity has caused direct health affects to the local Indian Tribes living in and around the Grand Canyon region. For instance, many Navajo families have been diagnosed with many types of cancer due to the abandoned uranium mines located all over the Navajo, Reservation. The Havasupai Tribe has been fighting proposed uranium mines on the rim of the Grand Canyon, which are located directly above their groundwater source and near their sacred Red Butte for many years. The Tribe has learned about the irreversible contamination that uranium mining can cause to Havasu Creek.

The uranium mining companies have proposed to

transport uranium directly through our communities in Northern Arizona.

### **MINING ON SAN CARLOS APACHE LAND**

In Superior Arizona San Carlos Apaches are facing the profit driven attack of on their land from Superior Arizona based company Resolution Copper (RC). RC has their mind set on passing legislation to create the largest Copper Mine of North America on Sacred Apache land.

Sparred in 1955 through Public Land Order 1229, the Apache Leap, Gaan Canyon and Oak Flat areas of Arizona are now under speculation of being reopened for mining.

### **Freeport McMoRan**

333 N Central Ave  
Phoenix, Arizona  
602.366.8100

### **Resolution copper**

2525 East Arizona Biltmore Circle  
Phoenix, AZ 85016-2101  
602.956.0223

102 East Magma Heights Drive  
Superior, AZ  
520.689.9374

### **MINING IN THE SANTA RITA MOUNTAINS**

Canadian-based Augusta Resources proposes constructing a massive open-pit copper mine in Southern Arizona. The proposed mine would sit on approximately 4,500 acres of the 14,000-acre Rosemont Ranch in the Santa Rita Mountains just south of Tucson. The Rosemont Mine would negatively impact the economy and environment of Southern Arizona. Augusta Resources has never operated a mine and the Rosemont project would be its first attempt at doing so.

Arizona Corporation Commission  
1200 W. Washington St  
Commissioner's Wing, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Phoenix, AZ 85007  
602.542.4251  
800.222.7000  
602.542.0765 fax

### **Bob Stump, Commissioner & Representative**

401 W. Washington St  
Phoenix, AZ 85003  
602.379.6923

### **Ernest G. Johnson, Director, Utilities Division**

400 W. Congress  
Suite 218  
Tucson, AZ 85701  
520.628.6550  
800.535.0148

The AZ Corporate Commission grants utilities permits to infrastructure project heads such as Rosemont Copper

#### RANDOM ASST. OF GOV. AGENCIES

US Forest Service  
Catalina Ranger District  
5700 N. Sabino Canyon rd  
Tucson, AZ  
520.799.8787

#### **Coronado National Forest**

300 W. Congress St.  
Tucson, AZ  
520.388.8300

#### **Tonto National Forest**

5140 E. Ingram St.  
Mesa, AZ  
480.610.3300

#### **Tonto National Forest**

2324 E. Mcdowell Rd.  
Phoenix, AZ  
602.225.5200

#### **Central Arizona Project**

23636 N. 7<sup>th</sup> st.  
Phoenix, AZ  
623.869.2333  
623.869.2678 fax

#### **Maricopa County jail**

3225 West Gibson Lane  
Phoenix, AZ 85009-6250  
602.876.0322

#### **Maricopa Board of Supervisors**

301 West Jefferson Street  
Phoenix, AZ 85003-2143  
602.506.3415

#### **Maricopa County Sheriffs Office**

100 West Washington Street  
Phoenix, AZ  
602.876.1801  
602.366.8100

#### **AZ Department of Water Resources**

Herb Guenther, Director  
Meridian Bank Tower  
3550 N. Central Ave  
Phoenix, AZ 85012  
602.771.8500

AZDWR granted Rosemont a permit to use Central Arizona Project water: 1.6 billion gallons a year.

#### **SWCA Environmental Consultants**

343 W. Franklin st.  
Tucson, AZ 85701  
800.320.7835  
520.325.9194  
520.325.2033 fax

#### **3033 N Central ave, Suite 145**

Phoenix, AZ 850212  
800.828.8517  
602.274.3831  
602.274.3958 fax

The consulting firm working with Rosemont Copper and the United States Forest Service (USFS) on the Environmental Impact Statement for the Rosemont Mine.

#### **Errol L. Montgomery and Associates**

1550 E. Prince Rd.  
Tucson  
520.881.4912  
866.744.6133  
520.881.1609 fax

Another consulting firm hired by Rosemont Copper that specializes in Water issues. One of their other main clients is the Arizona Snowbowl ski resort outside of Flagstaff. They helped Snowbowl come up with the logistics of using reclaimed waste-water for artificial snow on the sacred San Francisco Peaks.

#### **Strongpoint, LLC**

48 N. Tucson Blvd @ Broadway  
Suite 101  
Tucson, AZ 85716  
520.795.1566  
520.795.3685 fax  
Public relations firm for Rosemont Copper

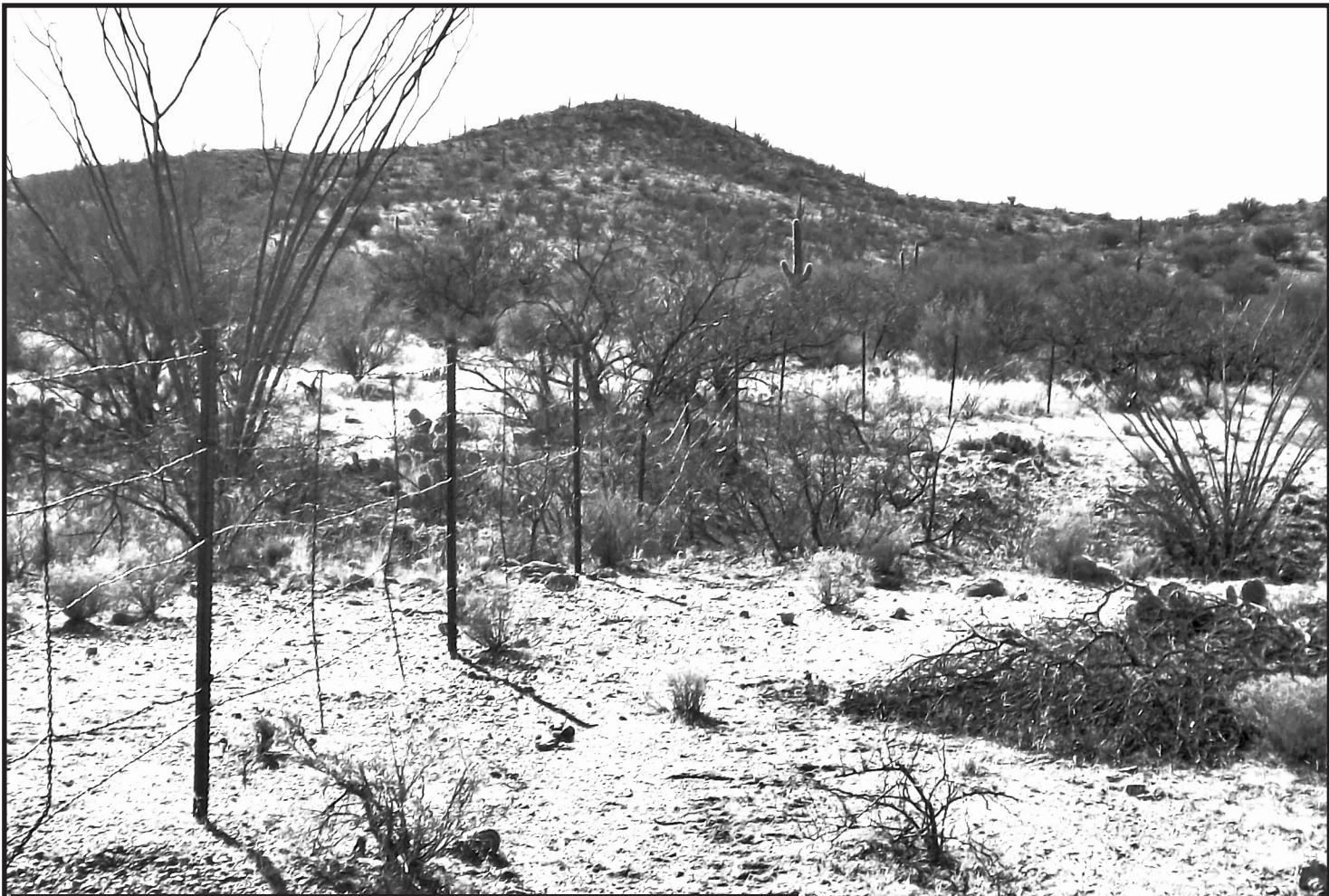
*January 15th marked the last day of Si's role as Chairman of the Arizona State Transportation Board, but not his last chance to profit from his pet project, the I-10 Bypass, as a real estate lawyer. We etched slogans like*

*"No I-10 Bypass," "Glad You're Gone, Chairman," and "Protect Arizona's Wildlife" on his windows and redecorated his big garage door with a huge "Fuck You, Fuck the I-10 Bypass." Sorry we couldn't contain ourselves on our way out from splattering gigantic blobs of paint on your driveway and sidewalk. Not!*

*The I-10 Bypass would destroy huge swaths of our beautiful desert home in Southern Arizona. The Bypass is only going to profit real estate developers (and their lawyers), and transnational corporations. I-10, a corridor of the future, is a crucial part of the CANAMEX Corridor, which, if built, will make the Tucson area a part of the new artery for NAFTA traffic in the Western US. This Bypass has seen rowdy opposition as each new alignment is proposed. Four down, one to go.*

**—2009 Communique from Tucson's H.A.N.D. (Hooligans Attack at Night, Duh!)**





IN ORDER TO MOVE FORWARD, AND ATTACK THE STATE'S NEW WAVE OF COLONIZATION, WE MUST UNDERSTAND "WHERE WE ARE AT". THE VERY LAND WE ALL WALK ON. THIS HAS, IS AND ALWAYS WILL BE O'ODHAM JEWED. IF OTHERS CANNOT ACKNOWLEDGE THE INDIGENOUS PEOPLE OF THE LAND, AND CALL FOR POLICIES THAT ATTACK THEM (O'ODHAM! YAQUI!), SUCH AS BERLIN WALL-LIKE BARRIER, IN THE NAME OF "REFORM/SECURITY", THEN WE WILL WITNESS THE CYCLES OF CAPITALIST IMPERIALISM CONTINUE LONG INTO THE 21ST CENTURY!

ATTACK THE ROOT,  
NOT EACH OTHER!

—O'odham Solidarity Across Borders 2010