

## GREER COMMUNITY FACILITIES ASSOCIATION

74 Main Street  
Greer, Arizona 85927

Dear Friends and Citizens of Greer,

Our treasured village may still resemble the 19th century settlement it once was, but under this bucolic vision lie the needs of our 21st century population. Many of the changes that have taken place have been for the benefit of the community, but occasionally they have been at the expense of the "old". We enjoy electricity in our cabins, homes and public places, our main road is paved, we have a nice walking path through the village, and other advantages not known to the founding settlers.

In the interest of enhanced safety and better communication, our Board of Directors entered into a new contract with Cellular One, with whom we have worked since 2004, to erect a new state-of-art tower on the east side of the Community Center, in the northeast corner of the property. This location was one of several considered by the Board and by Cellular One, and was selected as being the least intrusive from the viewpoint of the public road. A community meeting was held at the Community Center on September 22 at which Cellular One explained the need for the tower and attempted to respond to the community's questions and concerns.

This new tower will provide cellular service to most of the Greer valley including those areas that now lie in "dead" zones. It will more importantly host the FirstNet communications equipment to be installed by AT&T, greatly improving Life Safety (fire & medical emergency services) and Public Safety (law enforcement). The tower has been approved by the Greer Civic Association and by the county on behalf of the library. This tower and its location on the property was approved by the County Planning & Zoning Commission on October 1st, and will go to the County Board of Supervisors for final approval at their next meeting in early November.

To say that this tower will be unobtrusive is false, in that it will be a slender open-lattice tri-leg 180 ft. tall structure with a red aircraft warning light (not a strobe) at the top. Cellular One's engineers determined that this height was necessary to achieve the desired coverage. The tower and ground equipment will be situated inside a 50 ft. square 7 ft. high sand-colored block wall. A similar tower currently stands up near Nutrioso. The Board is working closely with Cellular One to determine that the construction will have and leave as little visible impact on the terrain and grounds as possible. Construction, after Supervisors' approval, is anticipated to begin around April 2021.

Please direct any comments or questions to me at [papolasky@gmail.com](mailto:papolasky@gmail.com).

Sincerely,  
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