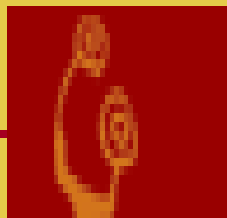
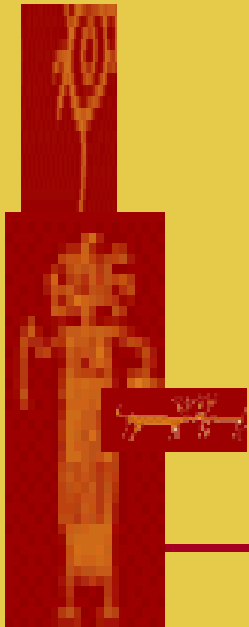


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BLM AZ Solar Strategy

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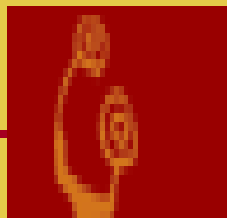
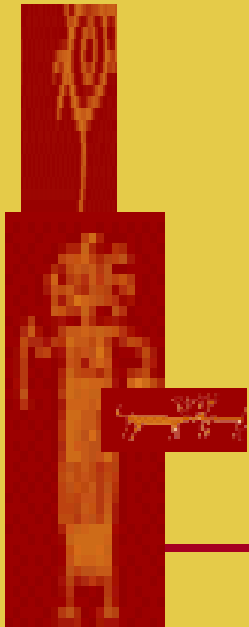
- ⌘ Sonoran Solar Energy Project
- ⌘ Processing 33 applications
- ⌘ BLM Programmatic EIS – 3 Study Areas
- ⌘ Restoration Design Energy Project



Restoration Design Energy Project



Formerly used
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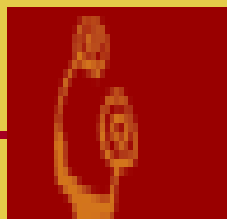
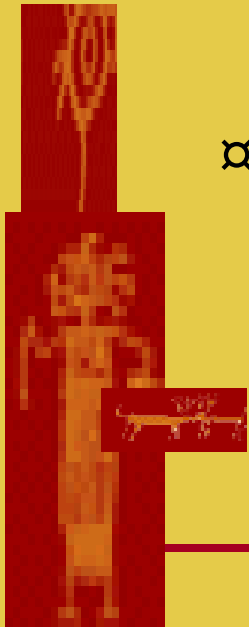
DRAFT Purpose Statement for EIS

Remediate or restore selected sites to foster environmentally responsible production of renewable energy at a good value for the taxpayer while providing economic opportunities for community benefits.



Restoration Design Energy – Unique Approach

- ⌘ Bureau initiative to identify energy sites
- ⌘ Public involvement throughout project
- ⌘ State-wide perspective with all land ownerships considered
- ⌘ Opportunity to capitalize on inherent advantages of “re-use”



Desired Outcomes

- ⌘ Remediate or restore damaged lands for renewable energy development
- ⌘ Design processes that can be used again and in other areas
- ⌘ Provide opportunities for business and community development



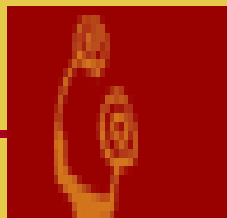
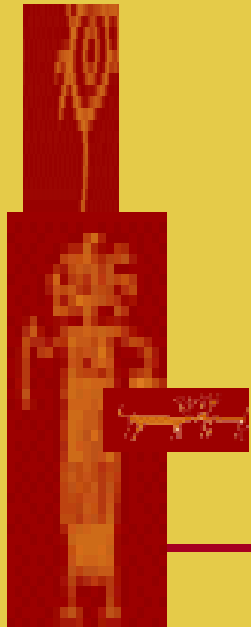
Potential Benefits

- ⌘ State-wide approach to renewable energy “footprint”
- ⌘ Pristine landscapes not utilized
- ⌘ Hazards removed /public safety improved
- ⌘ Soil, water and air quality improved
- ⌘ Broad public support for energy development



Project Tally as of November 2

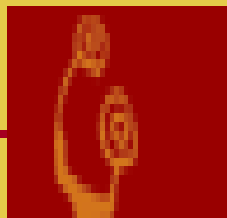
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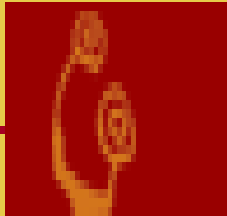
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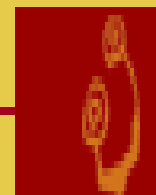
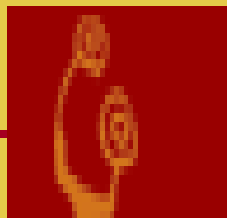
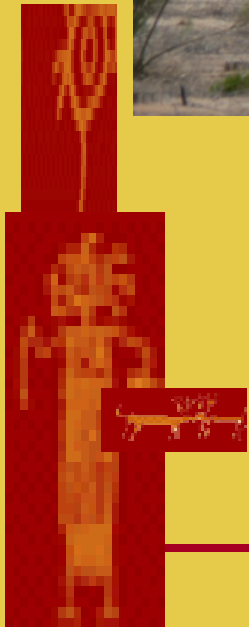
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Communication and Outreach

AZ State Government

Local Government

Federal Agencies

Interest Groups

Tribal Government

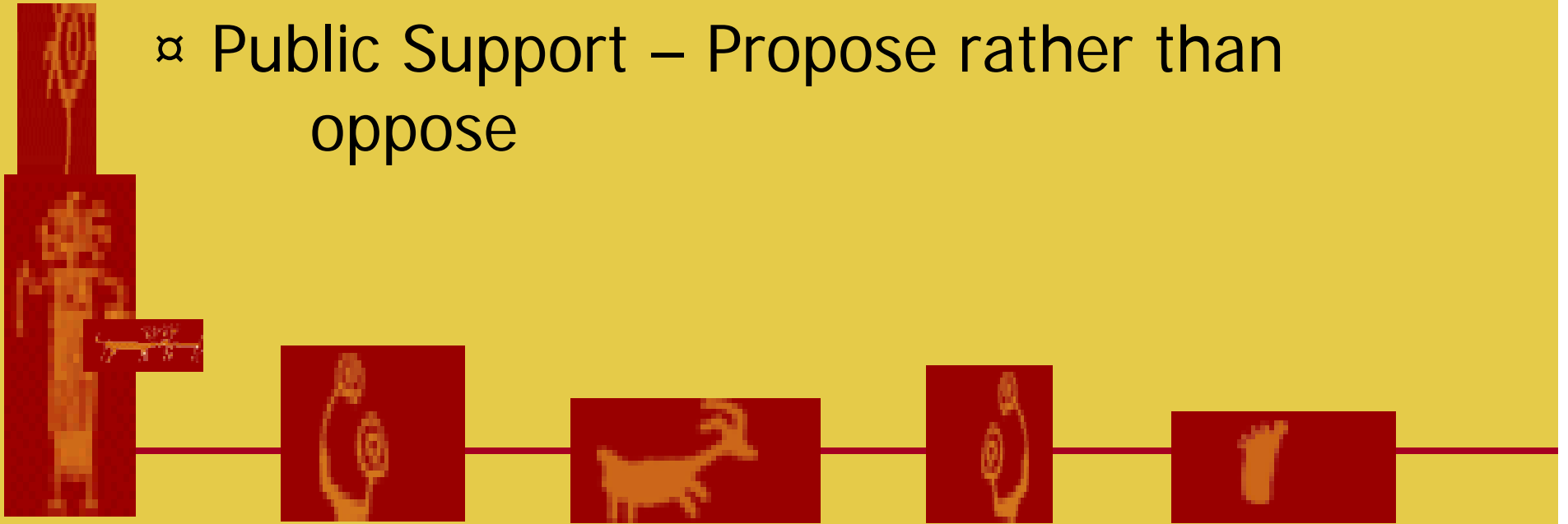
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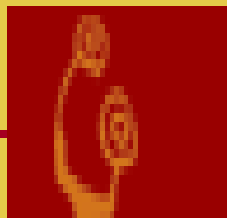
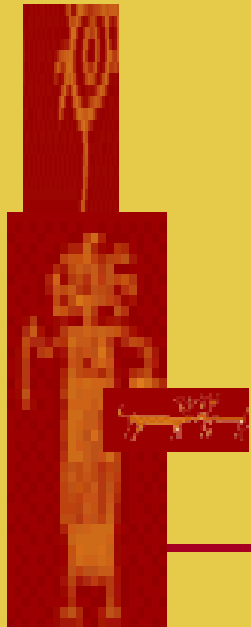
Expressions of interest

- ⌘ Energy Industry – Siting and savings
- ⌘ Utility Companies – Public process for state renewable energy goals
- ⌘ Local Government – In-fill and land re-use
- ⌘ Public Support – Propose rather than oppose



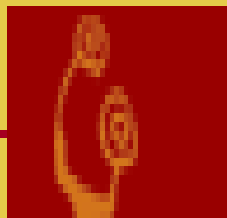
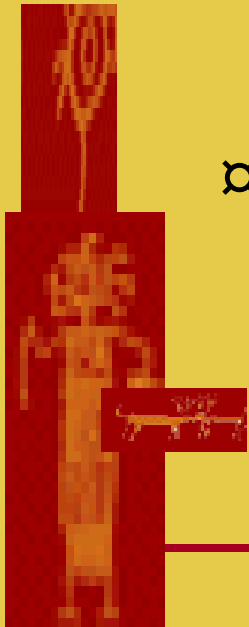
Other possibilities ?

⌘ Master Planned Communities



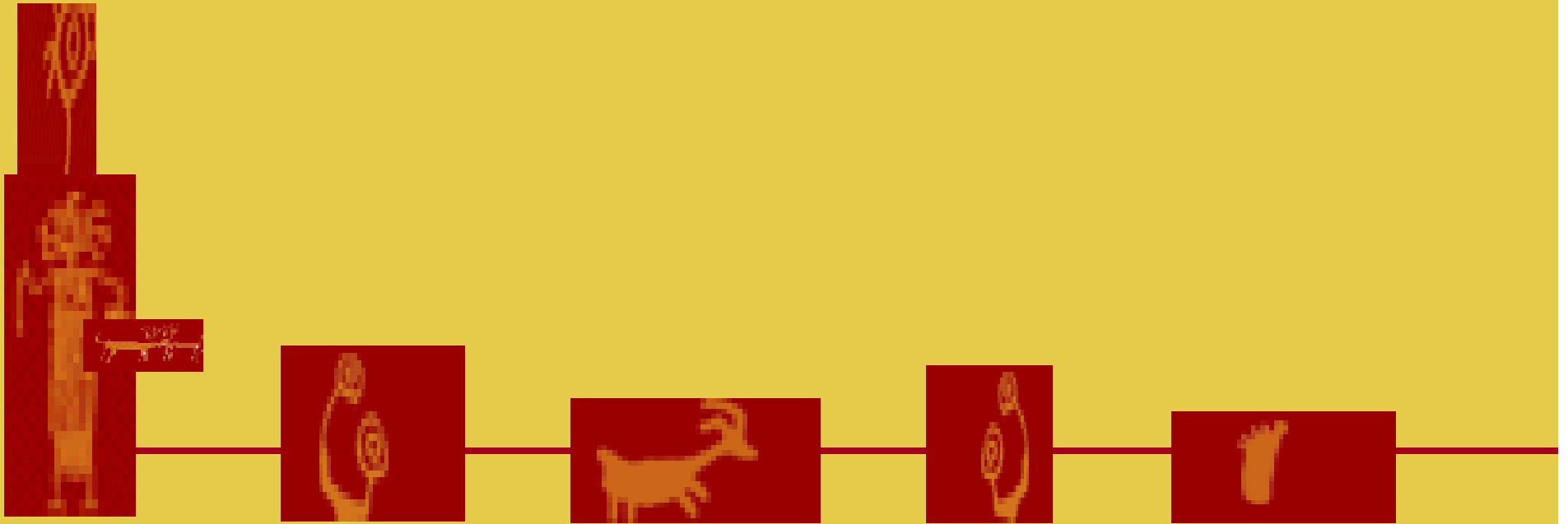
Restoration Design Energy Project Next Steps

- ⌘ Continue outreach for additional sites
- ⌘ Evaluate site potential for renewable energy development
- ⌘ Develop Decision Criteria and Protocol to evaluate future proposals
- ⌘ Complete EIS and ROD for BLM-managed lands



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