

I live about 6 blocks south of the concrete plant's old and new locations, and just got your postcard today. I have walked in the ancient Rio channel behind the concrete plant, and have noticed that the concrete plant has used the channel as a dump. This is not a big deal because the ACOE project will have to clean up the mess so they can build the concrete tube and the new artificial V-channel. Moving the concrete plant across from Whole Foods is perfectly consistent with the Live/Make zoning. Keeping jobs in southside is good. Having an industrial plant across the street from Little Scottsdale, where I frequently shop and dine, is not a problem as long as it does not add significant noise. The City must make sure the concrete plant does not use the new channel as a dump. If the City takes steps to ensure the plant respects the new artificial channel and the acoustic environment, I fully support this relocation.

I urge the City to use this as an opportunity to start thinking about a broad plan for the new artificial Rio channel. Of course a deep concrete V-channel will never be a wonderful natural area, but let's start thinking about what it could be, and how people might use it for an industrial stroll, as part of a bikeway, or other public uses. If the concrete plant can promote that City plan for the channel, now is the time to ask.

Best regards,
Paul Beier

I understand the concrete plant needs to be moved to allow the overpass to be created. I support this. However, I do not think it is a good idea to move it across from Whole Foods. It would likely devalue the surrounding area, which is more high end commercial with stores like Lululemon, REI, and Whole Foods. It would be ugly and it would create pollution in the area. This is a health risk to the residents like myself that live in the area. I worry about big trucks coming in and out of the plant which could negate any positive changes that would occur from building the overpass. I think it should be moved instead to somewhere more industrial where there are less, or preferably no people living within a few miles of the plant.

In summary, please move the plant somewhere else. I do not support this.

Thank you,
Alena Halenwood