

Superstition Vistas: The Future of Large Developments?

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ABSTRACT

Superstition Vistas is a 275 square mile piece of State Trust Land lying between Apache Junction and Florence. Its value to the school trust has been estimated at ten to fifty billion dollars. ASU's Morrison Institute for Public Policy was hired to envision possible future scenarios of this property. Demographic projections suggest that about one million people could be living on the site by the year 2060. One question everyone seemed to ask was: "Is there enough water for it to develop?" A background paper put this question in context, but examining the regional water supplies of metro Phoenix and considering how development of Superstition Vistas could be accommodated.