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## Defending Arizona's Economy

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Dear Friend,

This week, I introduced the Southeast Arizona Land Exchange and Conservation Act, H.R. 687. This legislation authorizes a land exchange that will protect environmentally sensitive lands while opening up the largest copper mine in North America.



This bill is a win-win for Arizona and for our nation – it will create over **3,700 high-paying jobs**, increase U.S. energy and mineral independence, and preserve some of rural Arizona's most beautiful natural lands. Click [HERE](#) to learn more.

The [Arizona Republic](#) and [Wall Street Journal](#) also wrote about what the land exchange means for our state.

### RECAP: The State of the Union

While the President gave a well-scripted speech, he continues to ignore the reality of our state of the union. What our nation needs is less rhetoric from the president.

What the American people need and deserve is a budget, a plan to end deficit

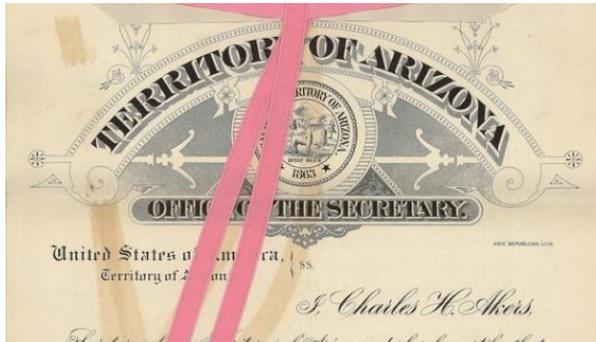
spending and an honest discussion about the difficult issues we face on immigration, crime prevention and energy.



Click [HERE](#) or the video above to watch my reaction immediately following the President's speech.

### **Happy Birthday Arizona!**

Arizona is known for the five C's Copper, Cattle, Cotton, Citrus and Climate that defined the state and grew its economy. I believe that a sixth C, the character of its citizens, is what really makes Arizona such an appealing and wonderful place to live.



I wanted to share a collection of historical Arizona documents detailing the birth of our state. Please, click the picture above or [HERE](#) to see them.

### **Pope Benedict XVI's Decision**

Pope Benedict XVI's decision this week teaches us that we can all learn from the humilities of age and of a wise man. I wish him well in the future and, as a

Catholic, I thank him for his service to God and the Church.

### **Obamacare Malady of the Week**

The government takeover of health care as we know it, if not made simpler, will see a lot of parents going without dental coverage for their children. Please see more [HERE](#).

### **SAVE THE DATE**

#### **Listening Sessions with Rep. Gosar**

I will hold “Listening Sessions” in Buckeye on February 19th, in Apache Junction on the 21st, and for Yavapai County in Prescott Valley on the 22nd. Each unique forum will allow residents to voice their concern about the issues that matter most to them. To learn more please, click [HERE](#) and [HERE](#).

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2013

#### **BUCKEYE LISTENING SESSION**

TIME: 6:30pm-8:00pm

LOCATION: Buckeye Valley Chamber of Commerce:

508 E. Monroe Ace

Buckeye, AZ 85326

Click [HERE](#)

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2013

#### **APACHE JUNCTION LISTENING SESSION**

TIME: 6:00pm-7:30pm

LOCATION: Apache Junction Council Chambers

1001 N. Idaho Road

Apache Junction, AZ 85119

Click [HERE](#)

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY, 22 2013

#### **Yavapai Listening Session**

Time: 6:00PM- 7:30PM MST

Location: Magistrate Court

7501 E. Civic Circle.

Prescott Valley, AZ 86314

Click [HERE](#)

#### **Faith-Based Roundtable**

I will be holding a Faith-Based Roundtable, open to the public, on Wednesday, February 20th in Prescott. Local religious leaders and I will discuss what role, if any, the federal government has in religion. Read more [HERE](#).

### **San Tan Office Grand Opening**

My staff will be holding an open house during the grand opening of my San Tan office on Thursday, February 21st.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2013

#### **SAN TAN OFFICE GRAND OPENING**

Time: 10:00AM – 11:30AM

Location: The Office of Rep. Gosar  
270 E. Hunt Highway, Suite 12  
San Tan Valley, AZ 85143

### **Kingman Office Grand Opening**

The grand opening of my district office in Kingman will be on Friday, March 1.

Following the grand opening, I will be discussing my Downwinders legislation to seek compensation and recognition of Mohave county residents suffering from weapons testing radiation. Please click [HERE](#) to learn more.

### **Upcoming Office Hours**

TUESDAY, FEB. 19, 2013

#### **TOWN OF WELLTON OFFICE HOURS**

TIME: 2:00pm - 5:00pm

LOCATION: Town of Wellton Town Hall  
28634 Oakland Avenue  
Wellton, AZ 85356

#### **APACHE JUNCTION OFFICE HOURS**

TIME: 3:00pm-6:00pm

LOCATION: Apache Junction Public Library 1177 N. Idaho Road  
Apache Junction, AZ 85119

#### **KINGMAN OFFICE HOURS**

TIME: 1:00pm-4:00pm

LOCATION: Kingman City Engineering Office  
230 N. Street Kingman, AZ 86401

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 20, 2013

#### **BULLHEAD CITY OFFICE HOURS**

TIME: 1:00pm - 3:00pm

LOCATION: Senior Nutrition Center  
2275 Trane Road  
Bullhead City, AZ 86442

TUESDAY, FEB. 26, 2013

**QUARTZSITE OFFICE HOURS**

TIME: 11:00am-2:00pm

LOCATION: Quartzsite Library

465 N. Plymouth Ave.

Quartzsite, AZ 85346

As always, you can follow everything I am working on in Arizona and Washington, D.C. through my website (<http://gosar.house.gov>) on Twitter [@repgosar](#), or through [Facebook](#) at Representative Paul Gosar.

Sincerely,



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