



# ADOT Mexico and Border Activities Update

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### **Arizona-Mexico Relationship**



- \$14.1 billion = 2013 Arizona's bilateral trade with Mexico (up from \$13.2 billion)
- ◆ 48.3 million = 2013 Number of people that crossed the border between Arizona and Mexico (up from 42 million)
- 16.3 million = 2013 number of cars (up from 15 million)
- 763,000 = 2013 number of trucks (up from 754,000)
- 1,800 = 2013 number of trains (up from 1,300)
- \$450+ million = Investment in border infrastructure in the past 7+ years





### Why work together?



- Binational region centrally located to major consumer markets in Mexico and the US
- Arizona-Mexico as a platform for R&D, production, marketing and distribution for North America and the world





# Mariposa Reconfiguration

- US \$250 Million port expansion almost completed
- Ribbon CuttingOctober 15, 2014
- Will double if not triple throughput for inspection pick up
  - From 4 to 8 cargo lanes
  - From 4 to 12 car lanes
  - Dedicated
     pedestrian and bus
     facilities



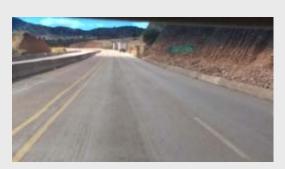
- Dedicated southbound inspection facilities
- Working to modernize SR-189 connecting POE to Interstate 19





# **Commercial Corridor At Nogales**

- Improvements on Mexican side still pending include:
  - Repaving of Corridor
  - Construction of additional lane 1 KM long
  - Construction of new aduanas 4 KM south of the border
  - Pedestrian drop off and pick up
  - Improve maintenance and fencing
  - Deploy appropriate signage
- WORKING ON: Completion of improvements be completed on Mexican side – shorter term and longer term











#### **Delays at Querobabi**





- Delays at Querobabi Military
   Inspection point continue to make
   MX15 Corridor very inefficient
- Impacts the flow of trucks, cars and buses the move all along Pacific Coast of Mexico destined for the US market
- Countermands all gains of the investment made at Mariposa Port of Entry
- Willing to explore ways to make inspection more effective and efficient, including donation of equipment
- How can we work with the Mexican military authorities in order to make inspections more efficient?





# Rail Connectivity with Mexico

- Rail crossings at Nogales are growing substantially
- Critical to long-term competitiveness of the region
- Union Pacific and Ferromex are undertaking projects to improve passage through Nogales
- First time in over 40
   years shipped
   watermelons from Sinaloa
   to Nogales by truck, then
   via rail to Baltimore
- Great interest to look at other perishable commodities







### Highway 15 – High Speed Corridor



- One of the principal US-Mexico trade corridors
- Principal gateway to Western United States and Canada
- Connects some of Mexico's most important cities, including Mexico, D.F., Guadalajara, Mazatlan, Culiacan, Cd. Obregon and Hermosillo
- What are Mexico's plans to enhance reliability and efficiency in the corridor?





### **Douglas and San Luis**

- Existing Port of Entry in Douglas is outdated and overburdened
- Strategy to relocate commercial operations to a new port of entry west of existing port
- City of Douglas issued an RFQ and chose a Development Team
- Southbound waits at San Luis I exceed 1 to 2 hours
- Some High-Impact/Low-Cost projects are underway
- Long term solution is to allow cars to cross at San Luis II









# Other Activities Along the Border

- ◆ Opening of the new Arizona trade office in Mexico City
- Speeding completion of SR 189 in Nogales
- ◆ TTCA and renewed emphasis on manufacturing and production, and on global trade
- ◆ Development of State Freight Plan and emphasis on border infrastructure



# Thank you!