

# ARIZONA STATE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

Katie Hobbs, Governor

Gary Knight, Chairman  
Richard Searle, Vice Chairman  
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Jackie Meck, Member  
Ted Maxwell, Member  
Jesse Thompson, Member  
Jenny Howard, Member

Welcome to a meeting of the Arizona State Transportation Board. The Transportation Board consists of seven private citizen members appointed by the Governor, representing specific transportation districts. Board members are appointed for terms of six years each, with terms expiring on the third Monday in January of the appropriate year.

## BOARD AUTHORITY

Although the administration of the Department of Transportation is the responsibility of the director, the Transportation Board has been granted certain policy powers in addition to serving in an advisory capacity to the director. In the area of highways the Transportation Board is responsible for establishing a system of state routes. It determines which routes are accepted into the state system and which state routes are to be improved. The Board has final authority on establishing the opening, relocating, altering, vacating or abandoning any portion of a state route or a state highway. The Transportation Board awards construction contracts and monitors the status of construction projects. With respect to aeronautics the Transportation Board distributes monies appropriated to the Aeronautics Division from the State Aviation Fund for planning, design, development, land acquisition, construction and improvement of publicly-owned airport facilities. The Board also approves airport construction. The Transportation Board has the exclusive authority to issue revenue bonds for financing needed transportation improvements throughout the state. As part of the planning process the Board determines priority planning with respect to transportation facilities and annually adopts the five year construction program.

## PUBLIC INPUT

Members of the public may appear before the Transportation Board to be heard on any transportation-related issue. Persons wishing to protest any action taken or contemplated by the Board may appear before this open forum. The Board welcomes citizen involvement, although because of Arizona's open meeting laws, no actions may be taken on items which do not appear on the formal agenda. This does not, however, preclude discussion of other issues.

## MEETINGS

The Transportation Board typically meets on the third Friday of each month. Meetings are held in locations throughout the state. **Due to the risks to public health caused by the possible spread of the COVID-19 virus at public gatherings, the Transportation Board asks that people attending Board meetings in person take safety precautions they feel appropriate to protect themselves and others. In addition, for the time being the Transportation Board will conduct concurrent telephonic/WebEx virtual meetings.** In addition to the regular business meetings held each month, the Board may conduct at least one public hearing each year to receive input regarding the proposed five-year construction program. Meeting dates are established for the following year at the December organization meeting of the Board.

## BOARD MEETING PROCEDURE

Board members receive the agenda and all backup information one week before the meeting is held. They have studied each item on the agenda and have consulted with Department of Transportation staff when necessary. If no additional facts are presented at the meeting, they often act on matters, particularly routine ones, without further discussion. In order to streamline the meetings the Board has adopted the "consent agenda" format, allowing agenda items to be voted on en masse unless discussion is requested by one of the board members or Department of Transportation staff members.

## BOARD CONTACT

Transportation Board members encourage citizens to contact them regarding transportation-related issues. Board members may be contacted through the Arizona Department of Transportation, 206 South 17th Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona 85007, Telephone (602) 712-4259.

## NOTICE OF BOARD MEETING OF THE STATE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

Pursuant to A.R.S. Sec. 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the State Transportation Board and to the general public that the State Transportation Board will hold a board meeting open to the public on Friday, November 17, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. The Board may vote to go into Executive Session to discuss certain matters, which will not be open to the public. Members of the Transportation Board may attend in person, or by telephone or video conference. The Board may modify the agenda order, if necessary.

### EXECUTIVE SESSION OF THE STATE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

Pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the Arizona State Transportation Board and to the general public that the Board may meet in Executive Session for discussion or consultation of legal advice with legal counsel at its meeting on Friday, November 17, 2023, relating to any items on the agenda. Pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.03(A), the Board may, at its discretion, recess and reconvene the Executive Session as needed, relating to any items on the agenda.

### CIVIL RIGHTS

Pursuant to Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), ADOT does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, sex or disability. Persons that require a reasonable accommodation based on language or disability should contact the Civil Rights Office at (602) 712-8946 or email

[CivilRightsOffice@azdot.gov](mailto:CivilRightsOffice@azdot.gov). Requests should be made as early as possible to ensure the state has an opportunity to address the accommodation.

*De acuerdo con el título VI de la Ley de Derechos Civiles de 1964 y la Ley de Estadounidenses con Discapacidades (ADA por sus siglas en Inglés), el Departamento de Transporte de Arizona (ADOT por sus siglas en Inglés) no discrimina por raza, color, nacionalidad, edad, género o discapacidad. Personas que requieren asistencia (dentro de lo razonable) ya sea por idioma o por discapacidad deben ponerse en contacto con 602.712.8946. Las solicitudes deben hacerse lo más pronto posible para asegurar que el equipo encargado del proyecto tenga la oportunidad de hacer los arreglos necesarios.*

### AGENDA

A copy of the agenda for this meeting will be available at the office of the Transportation Board at 206 S. 17th Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting.

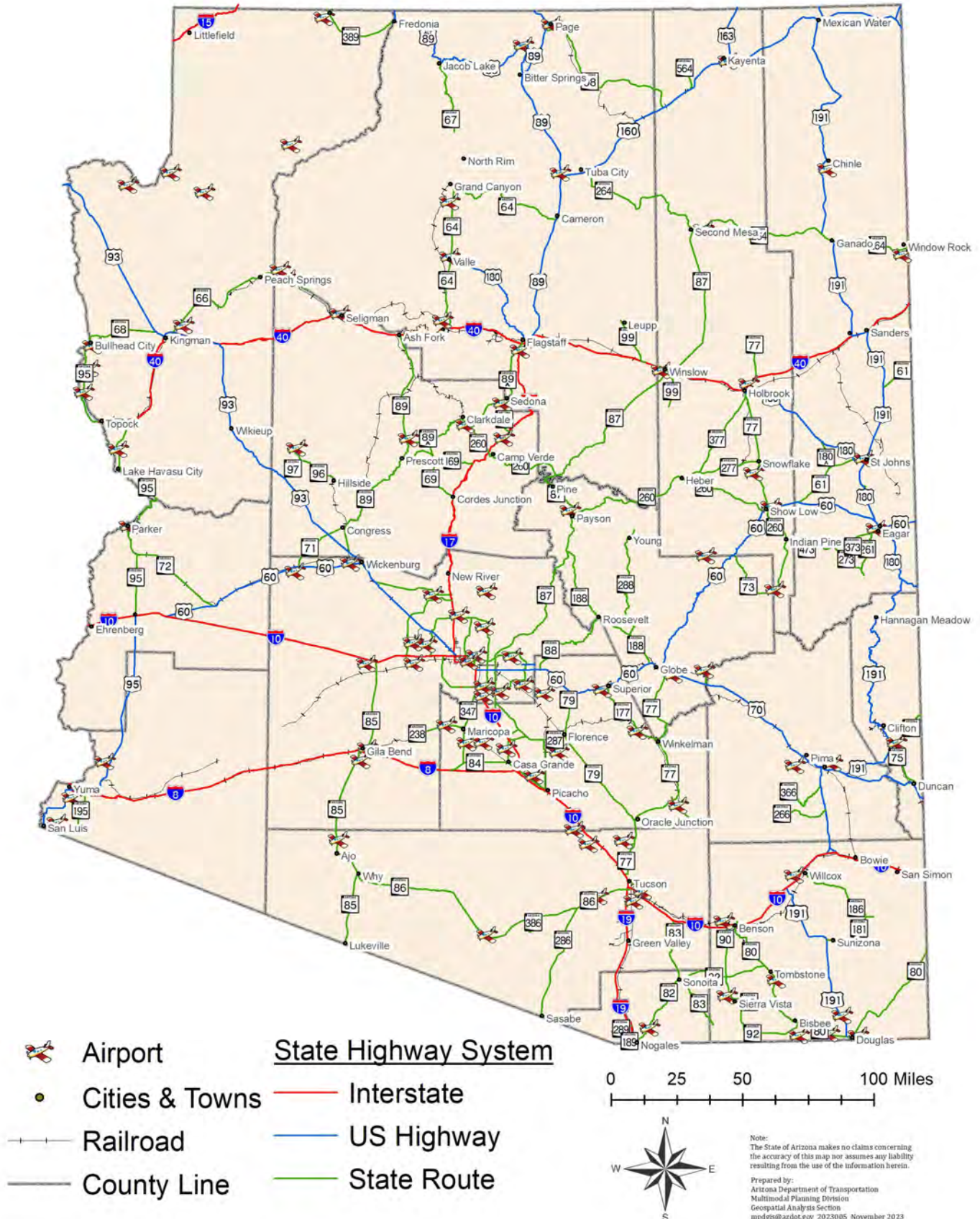
### ORDER DEFERRAL AND ACCELERATIONS OF AGENDA ITEMS, VOTE WITHOUT DISCUSSION

In the interest of efficiency and economy of time, the Arizona Transportation Board, having already had the opportunity to become conversant with items on its agenda, will likely defer action in relation to certain items until after agenda items requiring discussion have been considered and voted upon by its members. After all such items to discuss have been acted upon, the items remaining on the Board's agenda will be expedited and action may be taken on deferred agenda items without discussion. It will be a decision of the Board itself as to which items will require discussion and which may be deferred for expedited action without discussion.

The Chairman will poll the members of the Board at the commencement of the meeting with regard to which items require discussion. Any agenda item identified by any Board member as one requiring discussion will be accelerated ahead of those items not identified as requiring discussion. All such accelerated agenda items will be individually considered and acted upon ahead of all other agenda items. With respect to all agenda items not accelerated, i.e., those items upon which action has been deferred until later in the meeting, the Chairman will entertain a single motion and a single second to that motion and will call for a single vote of the members without any discussion of any agenda items so grouped together and so singly acted upon. Accordingly, in the event any person desires to have the Board discuss any particular agenda item, such person should contact one of the Board members before the meeting or ADOT Staff, at 206 South 17th Avenue, Room 135, Phoenix, Arizona 85007, or by phone (602) 712-4259. Please be prepared to identify the specific agenda item or items of interest.

**Dated this 9th day of November, 2023**

# State Highway System with Railroads & Airports





**ARIZONA STATE TRANSPORTATION BOARD**

**STATE TRANSPORTATION BOARD  
IN PERSON WITH OPTIONAL TELEPHONIC/WEBEX ATTENDANCE  
BOARD MEETING  
Town of Wickenburg  
155 N. Tegner Street, Suite A  
Wickenburg, Arizona 85390  
9:00 a.m., Friday, November 17, 2023**

**Telephonic** Pursuant to A.R.S. Sec. 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the State Transportation Board and to the general public that the State Transportation Board will hold a board meeting open to the public on Friday, November 17, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. The Board may vote to go into Executive Session, which will not be open to the public. Members of the Transportation Board may attend in-person at 155 N. Tegner Street, Suite A, Wickenburg, Arizona 85390 or by telephone or video conference call. The Board may modify the agenda order, if necessary.

**Public Participation** Members of the public who want to observe or participate in the Transportation Board meeting can either attend in person or access the meeting by using the WebEx meeting link at [www.aztransportationboard.gov](http://www.aztransportationboard.gov). Join the meeting as a participant and follow the instruction to use your telephone to enable audio. For members of the public attending in person, physical access to the meeting place begins at 8:00 a.m.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION OF THE STATE TRANSPORTATION BOARD**

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**PLEDGE**

The Pledge of Allegiance led by Floyd Roehrich, Jr.

**ROLL CALL**

Roll call by Board Secretary

**OPENING REMARKS**

Opening remarks by Chairman Knight

**TITLE VI OF THE CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1964, as amended.**

Reminder to fill out survey cards by Floyd Roehrich, Jr.

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc4D2Claw1iAlkGtVgGx\\_BqtrFgSE\\_ASd26of6JnVkd3HiKcg/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc4D2Claw1iAlkGtVgGx_BqtrFgSE_ASd26of6JnVkd3HiKcg/viewform)

## **CALL TO THE AUDIENCE (information only)**

### **VIRTUAL:**

An opportunity for citizens to discuss items of interest with the Board . To address the Board please fill out a Request for Public Input Form and email the form to [boardinfo@azdot.gov](mailto:boardinfo@azdot.gov). The form is located on the Transportation Board's website <http://aztransportationboard.gov/index.asp>. Request for Public Input Forms will be taken until 8:00 AM the morning of the Board Meeting. Since this is a telephonic/WebEx conference meeting everyone will be muted when they call into the meeting. When your name is called to provide your comments, you will indicate your presence by virtually raising your hand using your phone keypad or through the WebEx application.

To raise your hand over the phone:

If you have joined us using your telephone, raise your hand by pressing \*3 on your phone keypad. You will be unmuted by the meeting moderator and asked to make your comments. When you have finished speaking or when your time is up, please lower your hand by pressing \*3 on your phone keypad.

To raise your hand using the WebEx computer or internet browser application:

If you have joined us using the WebEx computer or internet browser application, open your participant panel located on the menu on the bottom left of your screen. When the participant panel opens, click on the hand icon on the right side of your name on the participant panel. You will be unmuted by the meeting moderator and asked to make your comment. When you have finished making your comment, the moderator will mute your line and we ask that you please lower your hand by clicking on the hand icon again.

To raise your hand using the WebEx iPhone or Android application:

If you have joined us using the WebEx iPhone or Android application, select the three dot menu icon on the bottom of the screen. When it opens, select "Raise Hand" at the top of the menu screen. You will be unmuted by the meeting moderator and asked to make your comment. When you have finished speaking, the moderator will mute your line and we ask that you please lower your hand by clicking on the hand icon again.

### **IN PERSON:**

An opportunity for members of the public to discuss items of interest with the Board. Please fill out a Request for Public Input Form and turn in to the Secretary if you wish to address the Board.

## **BOARD MEETING**

### **ITEM 1: Director's Report**

The Director will provide a report on current issues and events affecting ADOT.  
(For information and discussion only — Jennifer Toth, Director)

- A) Overview of successes and current activities**
- B) State and Federal Legislative Report**
- C) Last Minute Items to Report**

(For information only. The Transportation Board is not allowed to propose, discuss, deliberate or take action on any matter under "Last Minute Items to Report," unless the specific matter is properly noticed for action.)

### **ITEM 2: District Report—No Report This Month**

Staff will provide an update and overview of issues of regional significance, including an updates on current and upcoming construction projects, district operations, maintenance activities and any regional transportation studies.  
(For information and discussion only — No report this month.)

### **\*ITEM 3: Consent Agenda**

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Consideration by the Board of items included in the Consent Agenda. Any member of the Board may ask that any item on the Consent Agenda be pulled for individual discussion and disposition.  
(For information and possible action)

#### **Items on the Consent Agenda generally consist of the following:**

- Minutes of previous Board Meeting
- Minutes of Special Board Meeting
- Minutes of Study Sessions
- Right-of-Way Resolutions
- Construction Contracts that have no bidder protest or State Engineer inquiry and meet the following criteria:
  - Low bidder is no more than 15% under state estimate
  - Low bidder is no more than 10% over state estimate
- Programming changes for items that are a part of the approved scope of the project if they do not exceed 15% or \$200,000, whichever is lesser.

### **ITEM 4: Financial Report**

Staff will provide an update on financing issues and summaries on the items listed below:  
(For information and discussion only — Kristine Ward, Chief Financial Officer)

- Revenue Collections for Highway User Revenues
- Maricopa Transportation Excise Tax Revenues
- Aviation Revenues
- Interest Earnings
- HELP Fund status
- Federal-Aid Highway Program
- HURF and RARF Bonding
- GAN issuances
- Board Funding Obligations
- Contingency Report

**ITEM 5: Multimodal Planning Division Report**

Pursuant to A.R.S. 28-506, staff will present an update on the current planning activities, to include following:

- A) Tribal Transportation Issues
- B) Truck Parking Plan Update
- C) Transportation Alternatives (TA) Program Update

(For information and discussion only — Paul Patane, Division Director, Multimodal Planning Division)

**\*ITEM 6: Priority Planning Advisory Committee (PPAC)****Page 389**

Staff will present recommended PPAC actions to the Board including consideration of changes to the FY2024 - 2028 Statewide Transportation Facilities Construction Program.

(For discussion and possible action — Paul Patane, Division Director, Multimodal Planning Division)

**ITEM 7: State Engineer's Report****Page 406**

Staff will present a report showing the status of highway projects under construction, including total number and dollar value. Provide an overview of Construction, Transportation and Operations Program impact, due to the public health concerns.

(For information and discussion only — Audra Merrick, Deputy State Engineer)

**\*ITEM 8: Construction Contracts****Page 412**

Staff will present recommended construction project awards that are not on the Consent Agenda.

(For discussion and possible action — Audra Merrick, Deputy State Engineer)

**\*ITEM 9: Draft 2024 Board Meeting and Public Hearing Dates and Locations**

The 2024 Transportation Board Meetings are scheduled to be held on the third Friday of the month. The January meeting is the second Friday of the month due to the statutory requirement of selecting the Chair and Vice-Chair by the third Monday. Study Sessions are scheduled quarterly on an as-needed basis.

(For discussion and possible action—Floyd Roehrich, Jr., Deputy Director-Business Enterprise)

Proposed Meeting Dates and Locations

January 12, 2024—Maricopa (BD 1)

February 1, 2024—(Virtual Study Session to review Tentative 2025-2029 Five Year Program)

February 16, 2024—Bullhead City (BD6)

March 15, 2024—Pinal County (Florence) (BD4)

April 19, 2024—Douglas (BD3)

May 17, 2024\*—Tucson (BD2) (Public Hearing for Tentative 2025-2029 Five Year Program)

June 6, 2024—(Virtual Study Session to Review Final Tentative 2025-2029 Five Year Program)

June 21, 2024—Flagstaff (BD5)

July 19, 2024—Pinetop-Lakeside (BD5)

August 16, 2024—Virtual Only

September 20, 2024—Sahuarita (BD2)

October 18, 2024—Prescott (BD6) ( Rural Transportation Summit)

November 15, 2024—Wickenburg (BD1)

December 20, 2024—Sierra Vista (BD3)

\*Board meeting and Public Hearing on Tentative Five-Year Transportation Facilities Construction Program

**\*ITEM 10: State Transportation Board Policies 2023**

Staff will present the Transportation Board Policies for 2023 with possible edits for compliance with current laws, rules, regulations, and guidance provided by our federal partners. Board Policies can be reviewed at <https://aztransportationboard.gov>.

(For discussion and possible action—Floyd Roehrich, Jr., Deputy Director-Business Enterprise)

**ITEM 11: Suggestions**

Board Members will have the opportunity to suggest items they would like to have placed on future Board Meeting agendas and any topics for the next board meeting. Staff will remind everyone of the location for the next board meeting.

**\*Adjournment**

\*ITEMS that may require Board Action



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**RIGHT OF WAY RESOLUTIONS (Action as Noted)**

<b>ITEM 3a:</b>	RES. NO. 2023–11–A–035 PROJECT: 060 LA 062 F0297 / 060–A(213)T HIGHWAY: QUARTZSITE – WICKENBURG SECTION: Centennial Wash Bridge, Str. #117 ROUTE NO.: U. S. Route 60 DISTRICT: Northwest COUNTY: La Paz RECOMMENDATION: Establish new right of way as a state route and state highway to accommodate design change and facilitate the imminent construction phase of this bridge replacement improvement project within the Community of Wenden, necessary to enhance convenience and safety for the traveling public.	Page 15
<b>ITEM 3b:</b>	RES. NO. 2023–11–A–036 PROJECT: AZM–600–5–701 HIGHWAY: EAST PAPAGO (RED MOUNTAIN FREEWAY) SECTION: Jct. I–10 – 44th St. (Moreland Street) ROUTE NO.: State Route 202 Loop DISTRICT: Central COUNTY: Maricopa DISPOSAL: D – C – 122 RECOMMENDATION: Abandon to the City of Phoenix, in accordance with that certain 120-Day Advance Notice of Abandonment, dated July 17, 2023, right of way acquired for the above referenced project that is no longer needed for the State Transportation System and can be better managed by the Local Public Agency.	Page 24
<b>ITEM 3c:</b>	RES. NO. 2023–12–A–037 PROJECT: 087 MA 193 H5211 01R / S 087–B–800 HIGHWAY: MESA – PAYSON SECTION: Forest Boundary – Dos 'S' Ranch (Bush Highway T. I.) ROUTE NO.: State Route 87 DISTRICT: Central COUNTY: Maricopa DISPOSAL: D – C – 073 RECOMMENDATION: Extinguish and relinquish to the Tonto National Forest, right of way along the Bush Highway acquired for the improvement of the interchange at State Route 87 that is no longer needed for the State Transportation System and can be better managed by the Local Public Agency upon its reassignment to the County of Maricopa.	Page 33

RIGHT OF WAY RESOLUTIONS (Action as Noted)

*ITEM 3d:	RES. NO.	2023-11-A-038	Page 44
	PROJECT:	087 PN 136 F0521 / 087-A(214)T	
	HIGHWAY:	PICACHO – COOLIDGE – CHANDLER – MESA	
	SECTION:	S. R. 87 at Skousen Road	
	ROUTE NO.:	State Route 87	
	DISTRICT:	Southcentral	
	COUNTY:	Pinal	
	PARCELS:	11-1155 and 11-1156	
	RECOMMENDATION:	Establish new right of way as a state route and state highway, along with additional temporary construction easement right of way, to accommodate design change and facilitate the imminent construction phase of the above referenced project, necessary to enhance convenience and safety for the traveling public.	

## Contracts: (Action as Noted)

Federal-Aid ("A" "B" "T" "D") projects do not need FHWA concurrence, but must comply with DBE regulations; other projects are subject to FHWA and/or local government concurrence and compliance with DBE regulations.

\*ITEM: 3e

BOARD DISTRICT NO.: 4

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BIDS OPENED: OCTOBER 13, 2023  
HIGHWAY: PHOENIX – GLOBE HWY (US 60)  
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SECTION: QUEEN CREEK BRIDGE  
WATERFALL CANYON BRIDGE  
COUNTY: PINAL  
ROUTE NO.: US 60  
PROJECT : TRACS: 060-D(216)S; 060 PN 227 H856601C  
060-D(221)T; 060 PN 229 F031501C  
FUNDING: 94.3% FEDS 5.7% STATE  
LOW BIDDER: AMES CONSTRUCTION, INC.  
LOW BID AMOUNT: \$ 44,699,573.38  
STATE ESTIMATE: \$ 51,074,625.00  
\$ UNDER ESTIMATE: \$ 6,375,051.62  
% UNDER ESTIMATE: 12.5%  
PROJECT DBE GOAL: 4.92%  
BIDDER DBE PLEDGE: 5.39%  
NO. BIDDERS: 5

RECOMMENDATION: AWARD

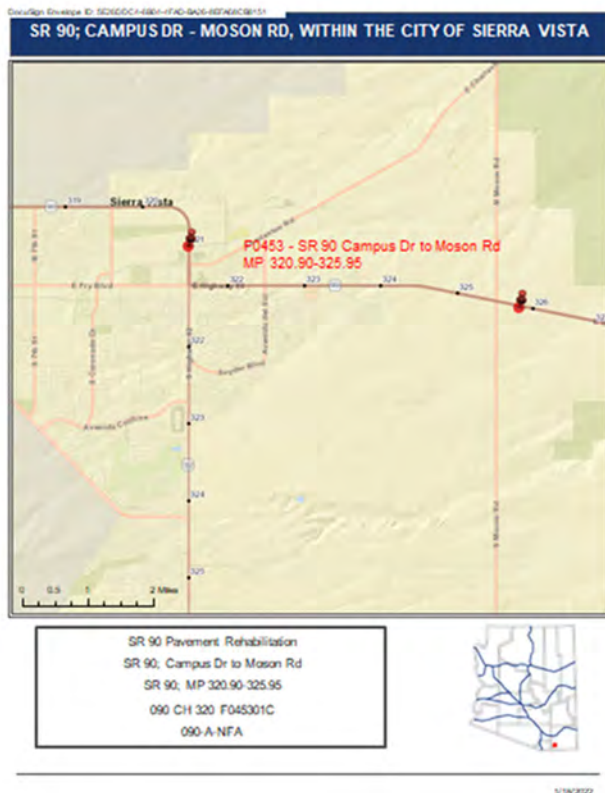


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**\*ITEM 3f:** BOARD DISTRICT NO.: 3  
 BIDS OPENED: OCTOBER 27, 2023  
 HIGHWAY: WHETSTONE TI-JCT SR 80 HWY (SR 90)  
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 SECTION: CAMPUS DR – MOSON RD  
 BORDER PATROL STATION – CAMPUS DR  
 COUNTY: COCHISE  
 ROUTE NO.: SR 90  
 PROJECT : TRACS: 090-A-NFA; 090 CH 320 F045301C  
 090-A-NFA; 090 CH 304 F059301C  
 FUNDING: 100% STATE  
 LOW BIDDER: FNF CONSTRUCTION, INC.  
 LOW BID AMOUNT: \$ 27,742,906.40  
 STATE ESTIMATE: \$ 29,996,503.75  
 \$ UNDER ESTIMATE: \$ 2,253,597.35  
 % UNDER ESTIMATE: 7.5%  
 PROJECT DBE GOAL: N/A  
 BIDDER DBE PLEDGE: N/A  
 NO. BIDDERS: 2  
 RECOMMENDATION: AWARD

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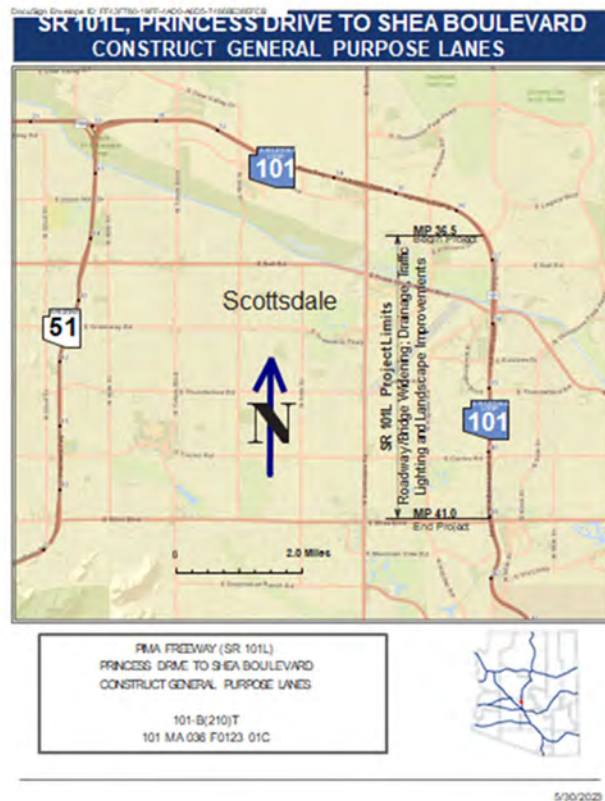


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**\*ITEM 3g:** BOARD DISTRICT NO.: 1  
 BIDS OPENED: OCTOBER 13, 2023  
 HIGHWAY: PIMA FREEWAY (SR 101L)  
 SECTION: PRINCESS DRIVE TO SHEA BOULEVARD  
 COUNTY: MARICOPA  
 ROUTE NO.: SR 101L  
 PROJECT : TRACS: 101-B(210)T; 101 MA 036 F012301C  
 FUNDING: 91.98% FEDS 5.33% STATE 2.69% LOCAL  
 LOW BIDDER: FNF CONSTRUCTION, INC.  
 LOW BID AMOUNT: \$ 108,141,707.00  
 STATE ESTIMATE: \$ 117,397,457.40  
 \$ UNDER ESTIMATE: \$ 9,255,750.40  
 % UNDER ESTIMATE: 7.9%  
 PROJECT DBE GOAL: 11.48%  
 BIDDER DBE PLEDGE: 11.77%  
 NO. BIDDERS: 4  
 RECOMMENDATION: AWARD

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November 17, 2023

RES. NO. 2023-11-A-035  
PROJECT: 060 LA 062 F0297 / 060-A(213)T  
HIGHWAY: QUARTZSITE - WICKENBURG  
SECTION: Centennial Wash Bridge, Str. #117  
ROUTE NO.: U.S. Route 60  
DISTRICT: Northwest  
COUNTY: La Paz

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION

TO THE HONORABLE ARIZONA STATE TRANSPORTATION BOARD:

The Infrastructure Delivery and Operations Division has made a thorough investigation concerning the establishment of new right of way as a state route and state highway for the improvement of the Quartzsite-Wickenburg Highway, U.S. Route 60, within the above referenced project.

The existing alignment was previously established when the Arizona State Highway Commission petitioned the American Association of State Highway Officials (AASHO) to extend the U.S. Route 60 highway designation westward from Amarillo, Texas through New Mexico, Arizona, and on to the west coast of California, on October 29, 1930, as disclosed on Page 37 of its Official Minutes. The acquisition of right of way by lease from the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad Company was approved in the Resolution of September 16, 1932, as shown on Page 65 of the Official Minutes. The Resolution of April 29, 1930 had previously established the location, relocation, and alteration of this right of way as a state highway under Federal Aid Project 98-D, as later disclosed in the Minutes dated June 29, 1933, shown on Page 297; and on Page 312 of the Minutes, dated June 28, 1935. The Commission's Resolutions of May 02, 1957, and January 30, 1958, on Pages 149 and 29, respectively, established additional rights of way for the purposes of drainage and widening. Thereafter, the overlapping designation of U.S. Route 70 was removed from the California State Line to the City of Globe, Arizona, upon approval of the Executive Committee of AASHO, as disclosed on Pages 101-103 of the Minutes of February 13, 1969. Arizona State Transportation Board Resolution 2022-09-A-034 of September 16, 2022, established new right of way as a state route for the above referenced project.

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New right of way is now needed to accommodate design change and facilitate the imminent construction phase of the above referenced bridge improvement project within the Community of Wenden to enhance convenience and safety for the traveling public.

Accordingly, it is necessary to acquire and establish the new right of way as a state route and state highway for this improvement project.

The new right of way to be established as a state route and state highway and acquired for necessary improvements is depicted in Appendix "A" and delineated on maps and plans on file in the office of the State Engineer, Infrastructure Delivery and Operations Division, Phoenix, Arizona, entitled: "Right of Way Plans of the QUARTZSITE-WICKENBURG HIGHWAY, Centennial Wash Bridge, Project 060 LA 062 F0297 / 060-A(213)T".

In the interest of public safety, necessity and convenience, I recommend that the new right of way depicted in Appendix "A" be established as a state route and state highway.

I recommend the acquisition of the new right of way, pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes §§28-7092 and 28-7094, an estate in fee, or such other interest as required, including advance, future and early acquisition, access rights, exchanges or donations, haul roads, material for construction, and various easements in any property necessary for or incidental to the improvements, as delineated on said maps and plans.

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I further recommend the immediate establishment of existing county, town and city roadways into the state highway system as a state route and state highway, which are necessary for or incidental to the improvement as delineated on said maps and plans, to be effective upon signing of this recommendation.

This resolution is considered the conveying document for such existing county, town and city roadways; and no further conveyance is legally required.

Pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes §28-7046, I recommend the adoption of a resolution making this recommendation effective.

Respectfully submitted,

GREGORY D. BYRES, P. E., Deputy Director  
for Transportation / State Engineer  
Arizona Department of Transportation

ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
205 South 17th Avenue  
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RESOLUTION OF ESTABLISHMENT

GREGORY D. BYRES, Deputy Director for Transportation and State Engineer of the Arizona Department of Transportation, on November 17, 2023, presented and filed with the Arizona State Transportation Board his written report under Arizona Revised Statutes § 28-7046, recommending the acquisition and establishment of new right of way as a state route and state highway for the improvement of the Quartzsite-Wickenburg Highway, U.S. Route 60, as set forth in the above referenced project.

New right of way is now needed to accommodate design change and facilitate the imminent construction phase of the above referenced bridge improvement project within the Community of Wenden to enhance convenience and safety for the traveling public.

Accordingly, it is necessary to acquire and establish the new right of way as a state route and state highway for this improvement project.

The new right of way to be established as a state route and state highway and acquired for this improvement is depicted in Appendix "A" and delineated on maps and plans on file in the office of the State Engineer, Infrastructure Delivery and Operations Division, Phoenix, Arizona, entitled: "Right of Way Plans of the QUARTZSITE - WICKENBURG HIGHWAY, Centennial Wash Bridge, Project 060 LA 062 F0297 / 060-A(213)T".



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RES. NO. 2023-11-A-035  
PROJECT: 060 LA 062 F0297 / 060-A(213)T  
HIGHWAY: QUARTZSITE - WICKENBURG  
SECTION: Centennial Wash Bridge, Str. #117  
ROUTE NO.: U.S. Route 60  
DISTRICT: Northwest  
COUNTY: La Paz

WHEREAS establishment as a state route and state highway, and acquisition of the new right of way as an estate in fee, or such other interest as required, is necessary for this improvement, with authorization pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes §§ 28-7092 and 28-7094, to include advance, future and early acquisition, access rights, exchanges or donations, haul roads, material for construction, and various easements in any property necessary for or incidental to the improvements, as delineated on said maps and plans; and

WHEREAS because of these premises, this Board finds public safety, necessity and convenience require the recommended acquisition and establishment of the new right of way as a state route and state highway needed for this improvement; and

WHEREAS the existing county, town or city roadways, as delineated on said maps and plans, are hereby established as a state route and state highway by this resolution action; and this resolution is considered the conveying document for such existing county, town and city roadways; and no further conveyance is required; therefore, be it

RESOLVED that the recommendation of the Deputy Director is adopted and made part of this resolution; be it further

RESOLVED that the right of way depicted in Appendix "A" is hereby designated a state route and state highway, to include any existing county, town or city roadways necessary for or incidental to the improvements as delineated on said maps and plans; be it further

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SECTION: Centennial Wash Bridge, Str. #117  
ROUTE NO.: U.S. Route 60  
DISTRICT: Northwest  
COUNTY: La Paz

RESOLVED that the Deputy Director is hereby authorized to acquire by lawful means, pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes §§ 28-7092 and 28-7094, an estate in fee, or such other interest as required, to include advance, future and early acquisition, access rights, exchanges or donations, haul roads, material for construction, and various easements in any property necessary for or incidental to the improvements, as delineated on said maps and plans; be it further

RESOLVED that written notice has been provided to the County Board of Supervisors in accordance with Arizona Revised Statutes § 28-7043, and to the affected governmental jurisdictions whose local existing roadways are being immediately established as a state route and state highway herein; and that this resolution is the conveying document for such existing county, town and city roadways; and no further conveyance is legally required; be it further

RESOLVED that the Deputy Director secure an appraisal of the property to be acquired and that necessary parties be compensated - with the exception of any existing county, town or city roadways being immediately established herein as a state route and state highway. Upon failure to acquire said lands by other lawful means, the Deputy Director is authorized to initiate condemnation proceedings.

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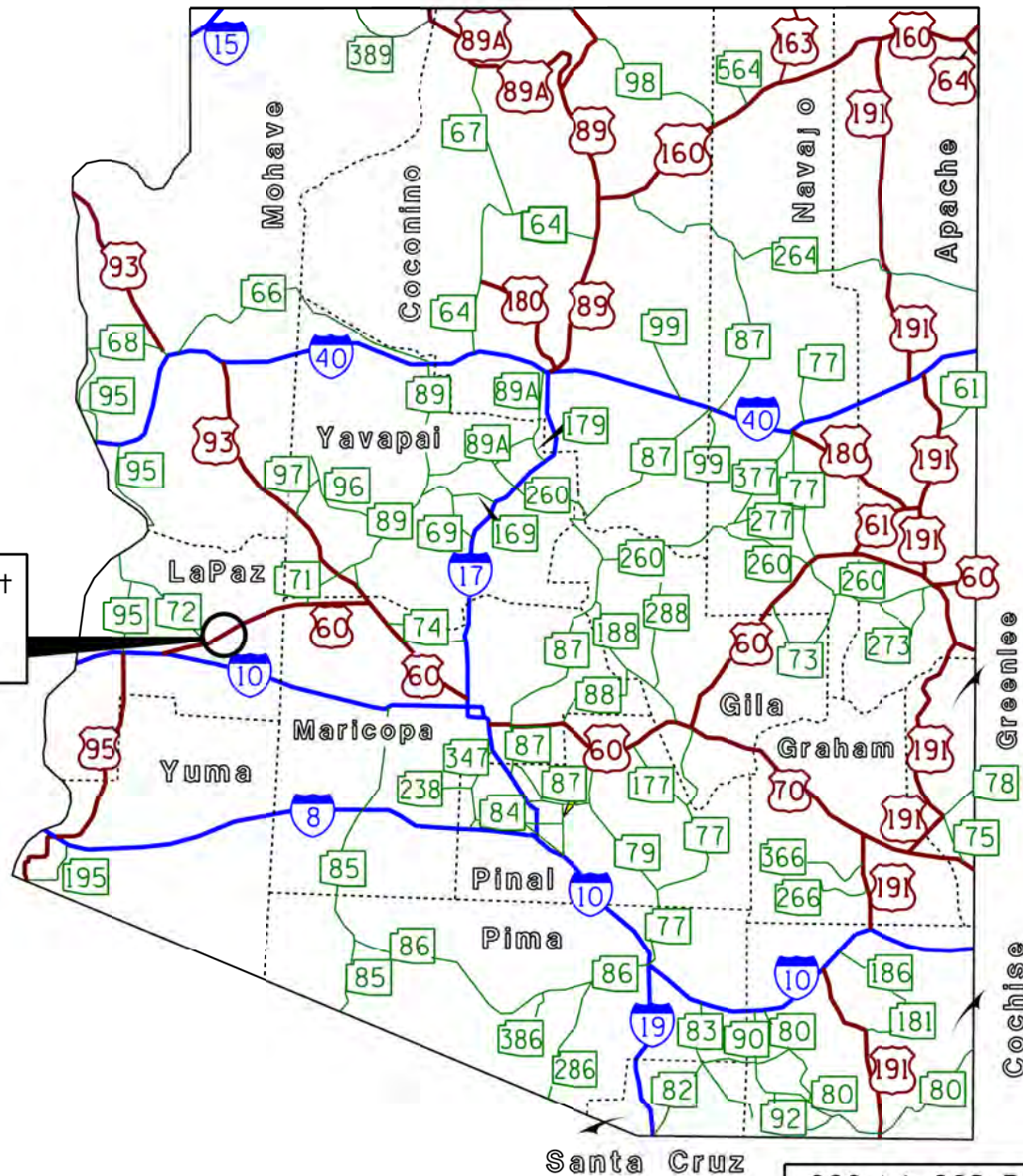
CERTIFICATION

I, GREGORY D. BYRES, as Deputy Director for Transportation and State Engineer of the Arizona Department of Transportation, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy from the minutes of the Arizona State Transportation Board, made in official session on November 17, 2023.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and the official seal of the Arizona State Transportation Board on November 17, 2023.

GREGORY D. BYRES, P. E., Deputy Director  
for Transportation / State Engineer  
Arizona Department of Transportation

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Area of Establishment  
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# APPENDIX "A"

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QUARTZSITE - WICKENBURG HIGHWAY  
Centennial Wash Bridge, Str. #117  
La Paz County





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RES. NO. 2023-11-A-036  
PROJECT: AZM-600-5-701  
HIGHWAY: EAST PAPAGO (RED MOUNTAIN FREEWAY)  
SECTION: Jct. I-10 - 44th St. (Moreland Street)  
ROUTE NO.: State Route 202 Loop  
DISTRICT: Central  
COUNTY: Maricopa  
DISPOSAL: D - C - 122

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION

TO THE HONORABLE ARIZONA STATE TRANSPORTATION BOARD:

The Infrastructure Delivery and Operations Division has made a thorough investigation concerning the abandonment of certain right of way acquired for the State Route 202 Loop, the East Papago, now known as the Red Mountain Freeway, within the above referenced project.

Being the Preliminary Transportation Corridor recommended by the Regional Council of the Maricopa Association of Governments, the right of way to be abandoned was previously adopted and approved as the State Route Plan for the East Papago Highway, a future controlled-access highway, by Arizona State Transportation Board Resolution 84-02-A-05, dated February 17, 1984. It established the right of way as a state route, provided for early and advance acquisition of rights of way, and designated the East Papago as State Route 217. To facilitate the construction phase of the above referenced project, Resolution 86-04-A-27, dated April 18, 1986, established this segment as a state highway. Thereafter, Resolution 87-11-A-105, dated December 18, 1987, renumbered and redesignated State Routes 216, 217, and part of State Route 220 as the Red Mountain Freeway portion of the State Route 202 Loop.

The right of way to be abandoned is no longer needed for the State Transportation System and can be better managed by the Local Public Agency. The City of Phoenix will accept jurisdiction, ownership and maintenance responsibilities for the right of way in accordance with that certain 120-Day Advance Notice of Abandonment, dated July 17, 2023, executed pursuant to the provisions of Arizona Revised Statutes § 28-7209.

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PROJECT: AZM-600-5-701  
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ROUTE NO.: State Route 202 Loop  
DISTRICT: Central  
COUNTY: Maricopa  
DISPOSAL: D - C - 122

Accordingly, I recommend that the State's interest in the right of way be abandoned, as depicted in the attached Appendix "A" and on the maps and plans of the above referenced project.

The right of way to be abandoned is delineated on the maps and plans on file in the office of the State Engineer, Infrastructure Delivery and Operations Division, Phoenix, Arizona, entitled: "Right of Way Plan of the EAST PAPAGO, Jct. I-10 - 44th Street, Project AZM-600-5-701", and is shown in Appendix "A" attached hereto.

I further recommend that the right of way depicted in Appendix "A" be removed from the State Highway System and abandoned to the City of Phoenix, in accordance with that certain 120-Day Advance Notice of Abandonment, dated July 17, 2023, and as provided in Arizona Revised Statutes §§ 28-7207 and 28-7209; subject to the retention of existing access control and all other currently existing facilities and structures of the State Transportation System; and subject to the reservation of a perpetual easement for ingress, egress and maintenance of said existing facilities and structures, including, but not limited to: said access control, soundwalls, drainage, signage, utilities, and any and all appurtenances thereto, which shall remain intact and under the control of the Arizona Department of Transportation, as depicted in said Appendix "A" and on said maps and plans of the above referenced project.

All other rights of way, easements and appurtenances thereto, subject to the provisions of Arizona Revised Statutes § 28-7210, shall continue as they existed prior to the disposal of the right of way depicted in Appendix "A".

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The abandonment becomes effective upon recordation in the Office of the County Recorder in accordance with Arizona Revised Statutes § 28-7213.

This resolution is considered the conveying document for the right of way to be abandoned; and no further conveyance is legally required.

Pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes § 28-7046, I recommend that the Arizona State Transportation Board adopt a resolution making this recommendation effective.

Respectfully submitted,

GREGORY D. BYRES, P. E., Deputy Director  
for Transportation / State Engineer  
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DISTRICT: Central  
COUNTY: Maricopa  
DISPOSAL: D - C - 122

RESOLUTION OF ABANDONMENT

GREGORY D. BYRES, Deputy Director for Transportation and State Engineer of the Arizona Department of Transportation, on November 17, 2023, presented and filed with the Arizona State Transportation Board his written report under Arizona Revised Statutes § 28-7046, recommending the abandonment of certain right of way to the City of Phoenix within the above referenced project.

The right of way to be abandoned is no longer needed for the State Transportation System and can be better managed by the Local Public Agency. The City of Phoenix will accept jurisdiction, ownership and maintenance responsibilities for the right of way in accordance with that certain 120-Day Advance Notice of Abandonment, dated July 17, 2023, executed pursuant to the provisions of Arizona Revised Statutes § 28-7209.

Accordingly, it is recommended that the State's interest in the right of way be abandoned.

The right of way to be abandoned is delineated on the maps and plans on file in the office of the State Engineer, Infrastructure Delivery and Operations Division, Phoenix, Arizona, entitled: "Right of Way Plan of the EAST PAPAGO, Jct. I-10 - 44th Street, Project AZM-600-5-701", and is shown in Appendix "A" attached hereto.

WHEREAS said right of way is no longer needed for state transportation purposes; and

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WHEREAS the City of Phoenix will accept jurisdiction, ownership and maintenance responsibilities for the right of way in accordance with that certain 120-Day Advance Notice of Abandonment, dated July 17, 2023, executed pursuant to the provisions of Arizona Revised Statutes § 28-7209; and

WHEREAS for the convenience and safety of the traveling public, it is necessary that within the area of abandonment, the State of Arizona, acting by and through its Department of Transportation, shall retain existing access control and all other currently existing facilities and structures of the State Transportation System; and shall reserve a perpetual easement for ingress, egress and maintenance of said existing facilities and structures, including, but not limited to: said access control, soundwalls, drainage, signage, utilities, and any and all appurtenances thereto, which shall remain intact and under the control of the Arizona Department of Transportation, as depicted in the attached Appendix "A" and on said maps and plans; and

WHEREAS this resolution is considered the conveying document for such right of way; and no further conveyance is legally required; and

WHEREAS this Board finds that public safety, necessity and convenience will be served by accepting the Deputy Director's report; therefore, be it

RESOLVED that the recommendation of the Deputy Director is adopted and made part of this resolution; be it further

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RESOLVED that the right of way depicted in Appendix "A" is hereby removed from the State Highway System and abandoned to the City of Phoenix, in accordance with that certain 120-Day Advance Notice of Abandonment, dated July 17, 2023, and as provided in Arizona Revised Statutes §§ 28-7207, 28-7209 and 28-7210; be it further

RESOLVED that within the area of abandonment, the State of Arizona, acting by and through its Department of Transportation, hereby retains existing access control and all other currently existing facilities and structures of the State Transportation System; and reserves a perpetual easement for ingress, egress and maintenance of said existing facilities and structures, including, but not limited to: said access control, soundwalls, drainage, signage, utilities, and any and all appurtenances thereto, which shall remain intact and under the control of the Arizona Department of Transportation, as depicted in the attached Appendix "A" and on the maps and plans of the above referenced project; be it further

RESOLVED that this abandonment becomes effective upon recordation in the Office of the County Recorder in accordance with Arizona Revised Statutes § 28-7213; and that this resolution is the conveying document for the right of way abandoned herein; and no further conveyance is legally required; be it further

RESOLVED that the Deputy Director provide written notice to the City of Phoenix, evidencing the abandonment of the State's interest.

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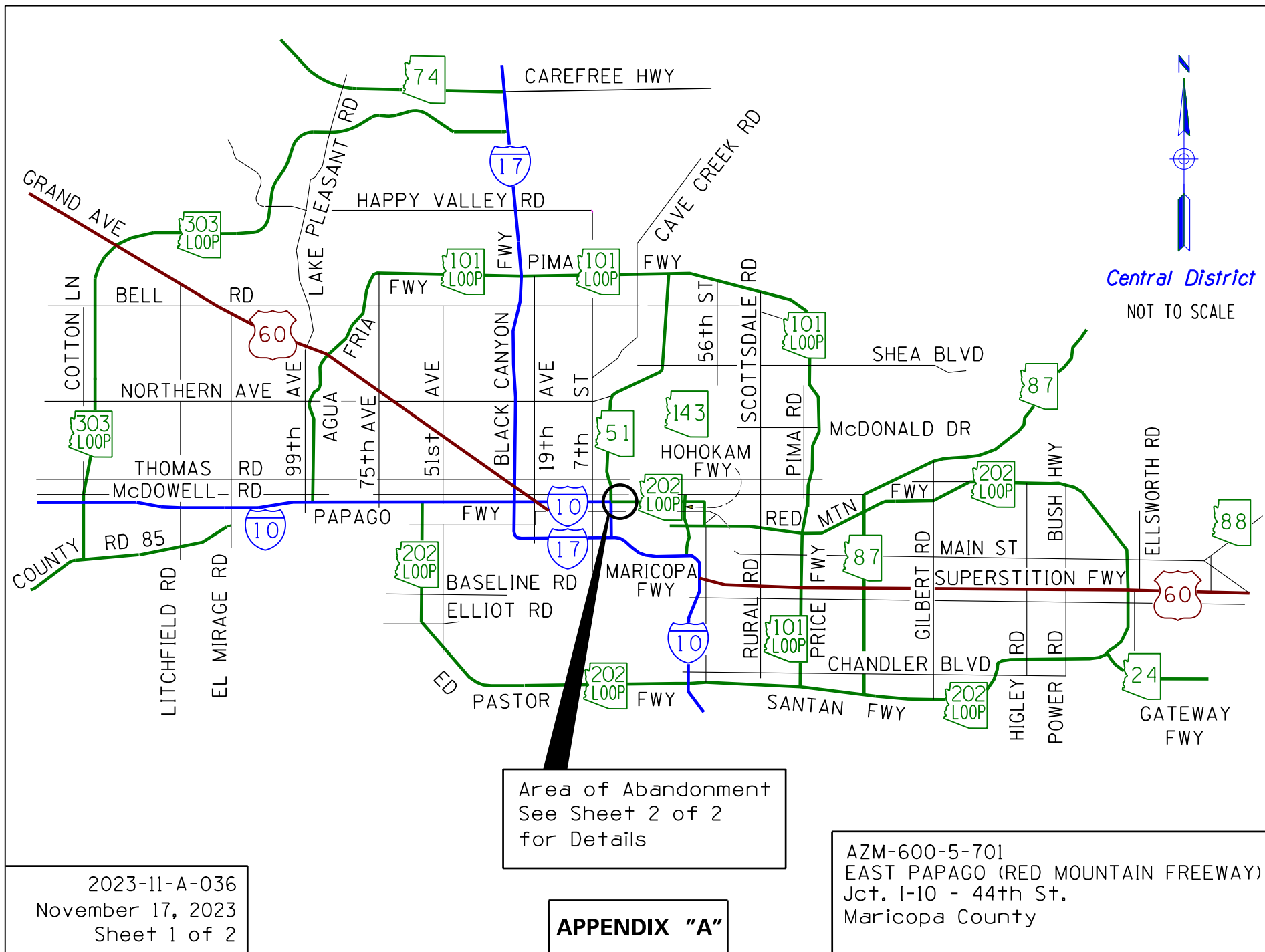
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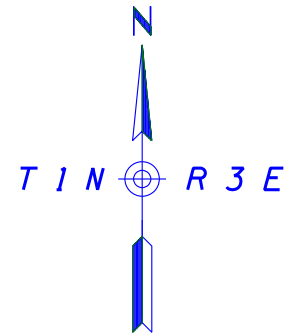




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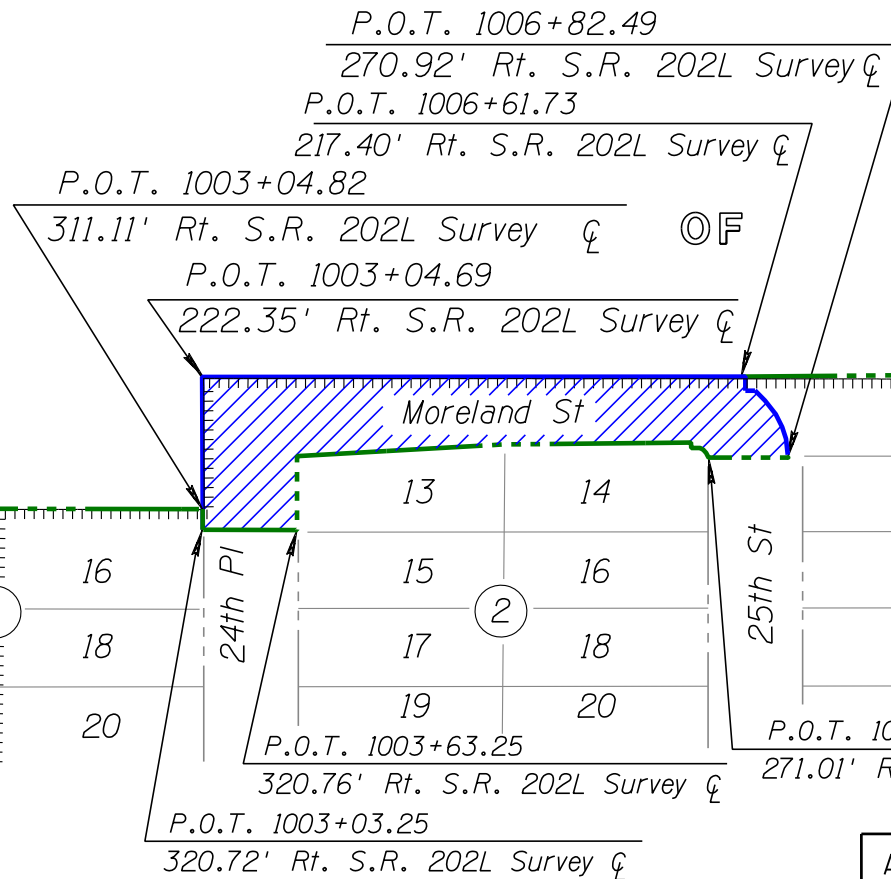
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# STATE ROUTE 202L RED MOUNTAIN FREEWAY



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Area of Abandonment

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AZM-600-5-701  
EAST PAPAGO (RED MOUNTAIN FREEWAY)  
Jct. I-10 - 44th St.  
Maricopa County

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RES. NO. 2023-11-A-037  
PROJECT: 087 MA 193 H5211 01R / S 087-B-800  
HIGHWAY: MESA - PAYSON  
SECTION: Forest Boundary - Dos 'S' Ranch (Bush Highway T.I.)  
ROUTE NO.: State Route 87  
DISTRICT: Central  
COUNTY: Maricopa  
DISPOSAL: D - C - 073

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION

TO THE HONORABLE ARIZONA STATE TRANSPORTATION BOARD:

The Infrastructure Delivery and Operations Division has made a thorough investigation concerning the extinguishment and relinquishment of a certain portion of highway easement right of way for right of way originally acquired for use within the above referenced project.

Previously a county road known as the Beeline Highway, this portion of State Route 87 was established as a state route by Arizona State Highway Commission Resolution 59-116, dated June 15, 1959; Resolution 61-14, dated July 26, 1960, established it as a state highway. On April 02, 1965, in Resolution 65-28, the Commission moved State Highway 87 projects, and many of those along State Highway 160, from the Secondary to the Primary Federal Aid System. Thereafter, additional right of way for realignment and widening improvements in the Forest Boundary-Dos 'S' Ranch Section was established as a state route under the above referenced project by Arizona State Transportation Board Resolution 2006-10-A-049, dated October 20, 2006. To facilitate design change and accommodate the construction phase of the project, it was established as a state route and state highway by Resolution 2007-02-A-015 on February 16, 2007.

Said portion of highway easement right of way, lying within the Tonto National Forest, is no longer required for the State Transportation System.

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RES. NO. 2023-11-A-037  
PROJECT: 087 MA 193 H5211 01R / S 087-B-800  
HIGHWAY: MESA - PAYSON  
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ROUTE NO.: State Route 87  
DISTRICT: Central  
COUNTY: Maricopa  
DISPOSAL: D - C - 073

Accordingly, I recommend that said highway easement right of way be removed from the State Transportation System, and extinguished and relinquished, according to law, to the United States Department of Agriculture, acting by and through its Forest Service, on behalf of the Tonto National Forest.

This resolution is considered the only document necessary to extinguish and relinquish said portion of highway easement right of way; and no other instrument of conveyance is legally required.

The portion of highway easement right of way to be removed from the State Transportation System, lying within the Tonto National Forest, was acquired by the State of Arizona, by and through its Department of Transportation, in that certain Federal Highway Administration Highway Easement Deed, dated February 24, 2009, recorded March 12, 2009, in Document No. 2009-0220594, records of Maricopa County, Arizona.

Said portion of highway easement right of way is delineated on maps and plans on file in the office of the State Engineer, Infrastructure Delivery and Operations Division, Phoenix, Arizona, entitled: "Right of Way Plans of the MESA - PAYSON HIGHWAY, Forest Boundary - Dos 'S' Ranch, Project 087 MA 193 H5211 01R / S 087-B-800," and is depicted and described in Appendix "A" attached hereto.

All other rights of way, easements and appurtenances thereto, subject to the provisions of Arizona Revised Statutes § 28-7210, shall continue as they existed prior to the extinguishment and relinquishment of the portion of highway easement right of way depicted and described in Appendix "A".

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DISPOSAL: D - C - 073

The extinguishment and relinquishment becomes effective upon recordation in the Office of the County Recorder in accordance with Arizona Revised Statutes § 28-7213; and this resolution is considered the only document necessary to extinguish and relinquish said portion of highway easement right of way; and no other instrument of conveyance is legally required.

Pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes §§ 28-7046 and 28-7214, and Code of Federal Regulations 23CFR § 620, Subpart B, I recommend the adoption of a resolution making this recommendation effective.

Respectfully submitted,

GREGORY D. BYRES, P. E., Deputy Director  
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HIGHWAY: MESA - PAYSON  
SECTION: Forest Boundary - Dos 'S' Ranch (Bush Highway T.I.)  
ROUTE NO.: State Route 87  
DISTRICT: Central  
COUNTY: Maricopa  
DISPOSAL: D - C - 073

RESOLUTION OF RELINQUISHMENT

GREGORY D. BYRES, Deputy Director for Transportation and State Engineer of the Arizona Department of Transportation, on November 17, 2023, presented and filed with the Arizona State Transportation Board his written report under Arizona Revised Statutes §§ 28-7046, 28-7210, and 28-7214, and Code of Federal Regulations 23CFR § 620, Subpart B, recommending removal of a certain portion of highway easement right of way from the State Transportation System by the extinguishment and relinquishment thereof.

The portion of highway easement right of way to be removed from the State Transportation System, lying within the Tonto National Forest, was acquired by the State of Arizona, by and through its Department of Transportation, in that certain Federal Highway Administration Highway Easement Deed, dated February 24, 2009, recorded March 12, 2009, in Document No. 2009-0220594, records of Maricopa County, Arizona.

Said portion of highway easement right of way is delineated on maps and plans on file in the office of the State Engineer, Infrastructure Delivery and Operations Division, Phoenix, Arizona, entitled: "Right of Way Plans of the MESA - PAYSON HIGHWAY, Forest Boundary - Dos 'S' Ranch, Project 087 MA 193 H5211 01R / S 087-B-800," and is depicted and described in Appendix "A" attached hereto.

Said portion of highway easement right of way, lying within the Tonto National Forest, is no longer required for the State Transportation System.

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RES. NO. 2023-11-A-037  
PROJECT: 087 MA 193 H5211 01R / S 087-B-800  
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Accordingly, it is recommended that said highway easement right of way be removed from the State Transportation System, and extinguished and relinquished to the United States Department of Agriculture, acting by and through its Forest Service, on behalf of the Tonto National Forest, according to law.

WHEREAS said portion of highway easement right of way is no longer needed for State transportation purposes; and

WHEREAS a remaining portion of highway easement right of way is still needed for State transportation purposes and is to be used for public highway purposes within the State Transportation System; and

WHEREAS this resolution is considered the only document necessary to extinguish and relinquish said portion of highway easement right of way; and no other instrument of conveyance is legally required; and

WHEREAS because of these premises, this Board finds public convenience requires that said portion of highway easement right of way, lying within the Tonto National Forest, be removed from the State Transportation System, extinguished and relinquished to the United States Department of Agriculture, acting by and through its Forest Service, on behalf of the Tonto National Forest; therefore be it

RESOLVED that the recommendation of the Deputy Director is adopted and made a part of this resolution; be it further



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RES. NO. 2023-11-A-037  
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RESOLVED that the portion of highway easement right of way, lying within the Tonto National Forest, no longer needed for State transportation purposes, is removed from the State Transportation System by extinguishment and relinquishment to the United States Department of Agriculture, acting by and through its Forest Service, on behalf of the Tonto National Forest, as provided in Arizona Revised Statutes §§ 28-7046, 28-7210, and 28-7214, and Code of Federal Regulations 23CFR § 620, Subpart B; be it further

RESOLVED that the extinguishment and relinquishment becomes effective upon recordation in the Office of the County Recorder in accordance with Arizona Revised Statutes § 28-7213; and that this resolution is the only document necessary to extinguish and relinquish said portion of highway easement right of way; and no other instrument of conveyance is legally required; be it further

RESOLVED that the remaining portion of the highway easement right of way not being extinguished and relinquished herein shall remain in the State Transportation System for use as such.

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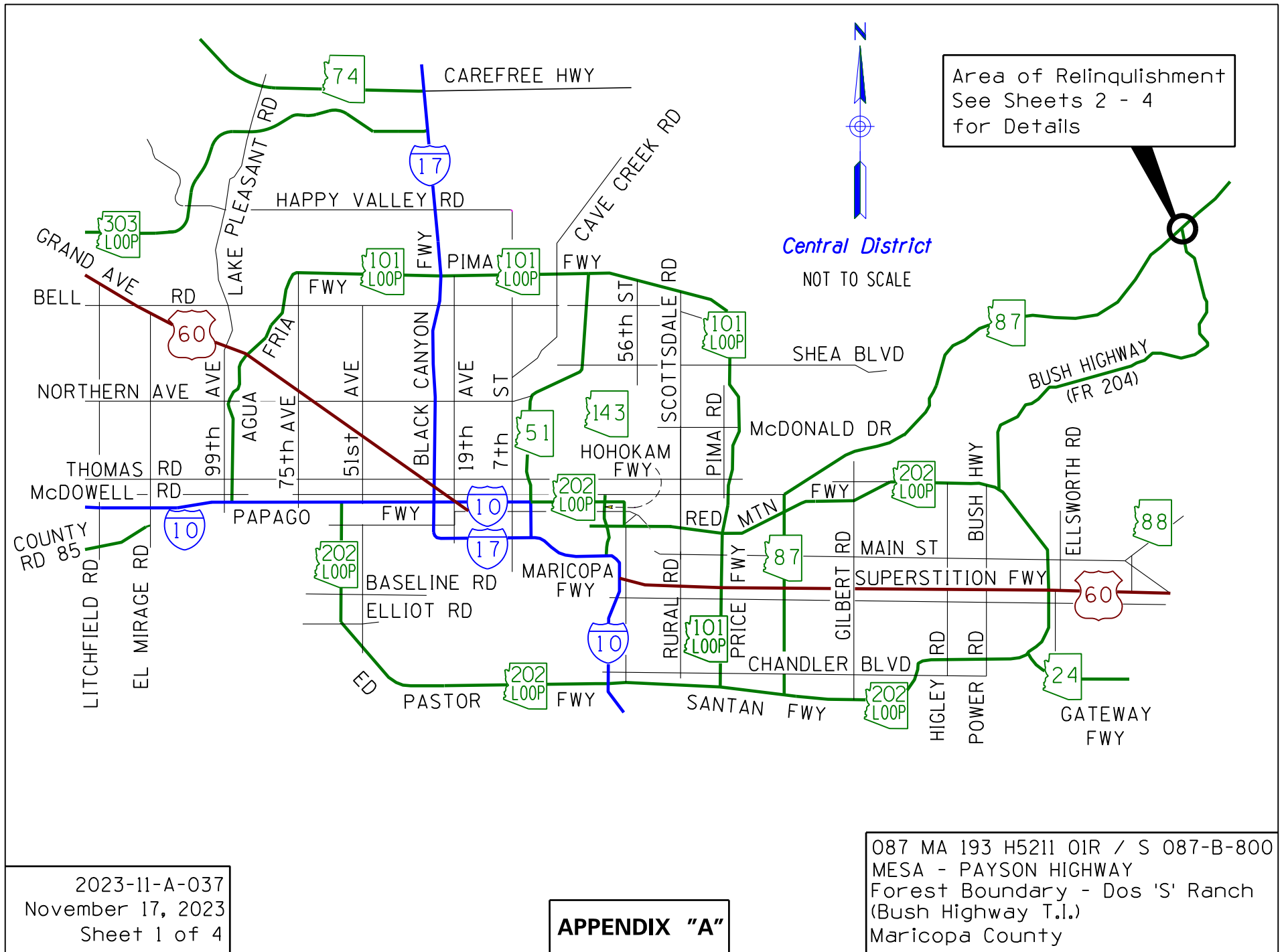
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and the official seal of the Arizona State Transportation Board on November 17, 2023.

GREGORY D. BYRES, P. E., Deputy Director  
for Transportation / State Engineer  
Arizona Department of Transportation

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**APPENDIX "A"**  
Legal Description

Area of Right of Way Relinquishment and Reassignment along the  
Bush Highway:

That portion of the Northeast quarter of the Northwest quarter (NE¼NW¼) of Section 8, Township 3 North, Range 8 East of the Gila and Salt River Base and Meridian, Maricopa County, Arizona, as depicted on Sheet P-18, Arizona Department of Transportation Drawing D-07-T-955, on file in the office of the State Engineer, Infrastructure Delivery and Operations Division, Phoenix, Arizona, entitled: "Right of Way Plans of the MESA-PAYSON HIGHWAY, Forest Boundary - Dos 'S' Ranch, Project 087 MA 193 H5211 01R / S 087-B-800", described as follows:

COMMENCING at the North quarter corner of said Section 8, Township 3 North, Range 8 East, a BLM brass cap, which bears North 89° 41' 38" East, a distance of 2,642.08 feet from the Northwest corner of said Section 8, being a BLM brass cap;

Thence, along the North line of said section, South 89° 41' 38" West, a distance of 747.91 feet to the East line of State Route 87 right of way along Bush Highway (also known as FR 204);

Thence, departing said North line and along said East line, South 28° 03' 05" East, a distance of 130.00 feet to an angle point;

Thence, continuing along said East line, South 13° 55' 22" East, a distance of 175.00 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING, said point also identified as being located at Station 787+52.00, a distance of 100.00 feet left of the FR 204 survey centerline, as shown on said Sheet P-18 of the above referenced Arizona Department of Transportation Right of Way Plans;

Thence, departing said East line, South 76° 04' 38" West, a distance of 213.28 feet to a point on the West line of said State Route 87 right of way along Bush Highway;

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<b>Project:</b> 087 MA 193 H5211 01R	<b>Resolution:</b> 2023-11-A-037	<b>Highway:</b> MESA - PAYSON
<b>Route:</b> State Route 87	<b>Section:</b> Forest Boundary - Dos 'S' Ranch	<b>Disposal:</b> D - C - 073

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Legal Description  
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Thence, along said West line, South 22° 33' 06" East, a distance of 15.17 feet to an angle point;

Thence, continuing along said West line, South 13° 55' 22" East, a distance of 323.00 feet;

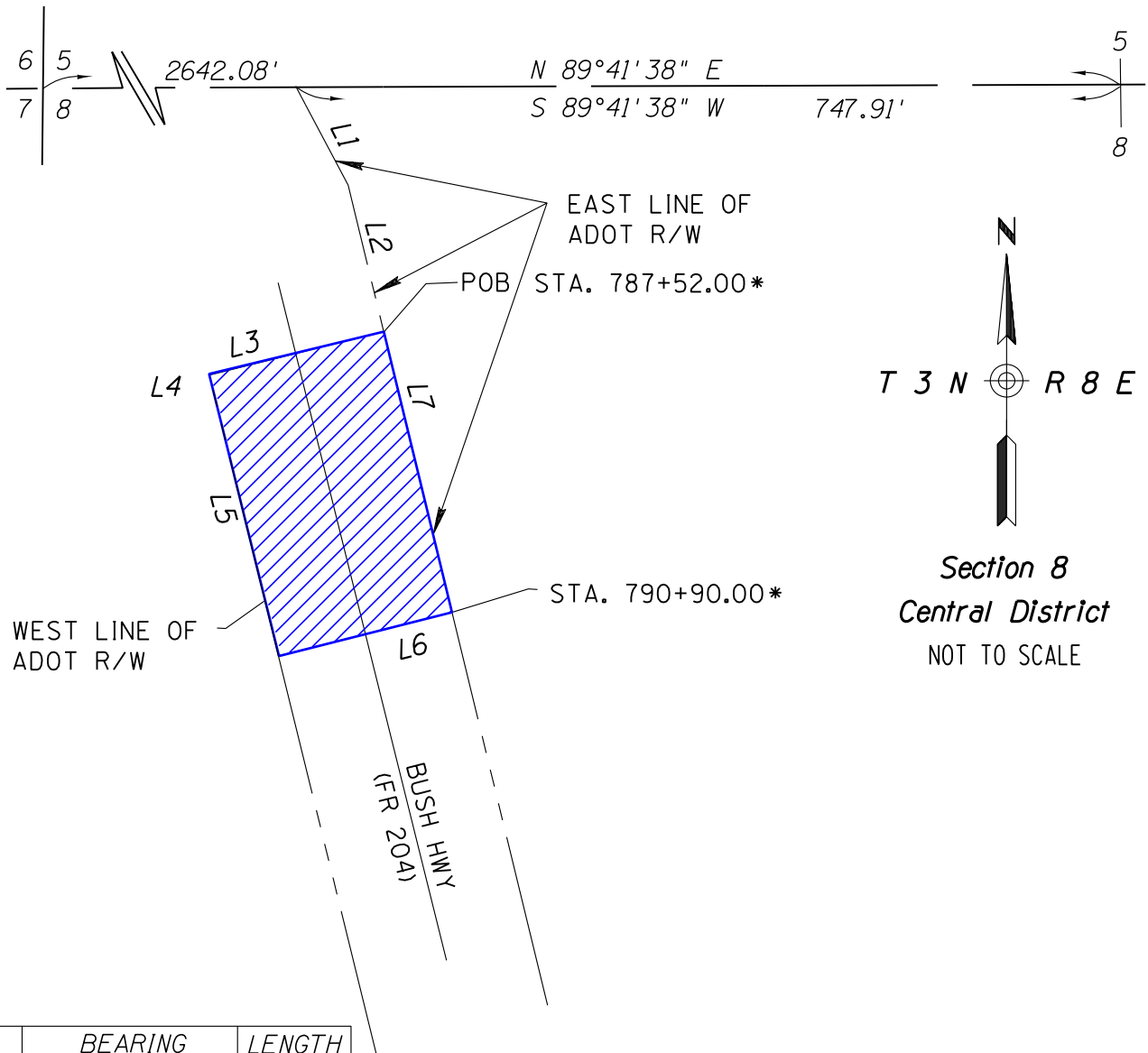
Thence, departing said West line, North 76° 04' 38" East, a distance of 211.00 feet to a point on the East line of State Route 87 right of way along Bush Highway, said point also identified as being located at Station 790+90.00, a distance of 100.00 feet left of the FR 204 survey centerline, as shown on said Sheet P-18 of the above referenced Arizona Department of Transportation Right of Way Plans;

Thence, along said East line, North 13° 55' 22" West, a distance of 338.00 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING.


The above described parcel contains 71,335 square feet, or 1.6376 acres, more or less.

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<b>Project:</b> 087 MA 193 H5211 01R	<b>Resolution:</b> 2023-11-A-037	<b>Highway:</b> MESA – PAYSON
<b>Route:</b> State Route 87	<b>Section:</b> Forest Boundary – Dos 'S' Ranch	<b>Disposal:</b> D – C – 073



NO.	BEARING	LENGTH
L1	S 28°03'05" E	130.00'
L2	S 13°55'22" E	175.00'
L3	S 76°04'38" W	213.28'
L4	S 22°33'06" E	15.17'
L5	S 13°55'22" E	323.00'
L6	N 76°04'38" E	211.00'
L7	N 13°55'22" W	338.00'

Area of   
Relinquishment

\*ADOT MESA-PAYSON HIGHWAY, Project No. 087 MA 193 H5211 01R (Sheet P-18)  
Parcel Area 71,335 square feet or 1.6376 acres, more or less

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**APPENDIX "A"**

087 MA 193 H5211 01R / S 087-B-800  
MESA - PAYSON HIGHWAY  
Forest Boundary - Dos 'S' Ranch  
(Bush Highway T.I.)  
Maricopa County

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ROUTE NO.: State Route 87  
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COUNTY: Pinal  
PARCELS: 11-1155 and 11-1156

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION

TO THE HONORABLE ARIZONA STATE TRANSPORTATION BOARD:

The Infrastructure Delivery and Operations Division has made a thorough investigation concerning the establishment of new right of way as a state route and state highway for the improvement of the Picacho - Coolidge - Chandler - Mesa Highway, State Route 87, within the above referenced project.

The existing alignment was previously established as a state highway, designated State Route 87, by Resolution of the Arizona State Highway Commission, dated September 09, 1927, entered on Page 26 of its Official Minutes, and depicted on its Official Map of State Routes and State Highways, incorporated by reference therein. Arizona State Transportation Board Resolution 2011-03-A-013, dated March 18, 2011, established new right of way as a state route for widening and improvements along this segment of the Picacho - Coolidge - Chandler - Mesa Highway under Project 087 PN 135 H7896 01R. However, as a result of design change, the acquisition of additional right of way was not required for the improvement project. Recently, Resolution 2023-04-A-016, dated April 21, 2023, established temporary construction easement right of way at this location for the above referenced improvement project.

New right of way is now needed in both fee and additional temporary construction easement interests for the above referenced project to accommodate intersection improvements to enhance convenience and safety for the traveling public.



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Accordingly, it is necessary to acquire and establish the new fee right of way as a state route and state highway for this improvement project.

The new fee right of way to be acquired and established as a state route and state highway, and additional temporary construction easement right of way to be acquired for this improvement are depicted in Appendix "A" and delineated on maps and plans on file in the office of the State Engineer, Infrastructure Delivery and Operations Division, Phoenix, Arizona, entitled: "Stage IV Design Plans, dated September of 2023, PICACHO - COOLIDGE - CHANDLER - MESA HIGHWAY, S.R. 87 at Skousen Road, Project 087 PN 136 F0521 / 087-A(214)T;" and are depicted on those entitled: "Right of Way Plans of the PICACHO - COOLIDGE - CHANDLER - MESA HIGHWAY, Jct. S.R. 287 - Gila River, Project 087 PN 135 H7896 / 087-A(202)A".

In the interest of public safety, necessity and convenience, I recommend that the new right of way depicted in Appendix "A" be established as a state route and state highway.

I recommend the acquisition of the new right of way, pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes §§28-7092 and 28-7094, an estate in fee, and such other interest as required, including advance, future and early acquisition, access rights, exchanges or donations, haul roads, material for construction, and various easements in any property necessary for or incidental to the improvements, as delineated on said maps and plans.

I further recommend the immediate establishment of existing county, town and city roadways into the state highway system as a state route and state highway, which are necessary for or incidental to the improvement as delineated on said maps and plans, to be effective upon signing of this recommendation.

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This resolution is considered the conveying document for such existing county, town and city roadways; and no further conveyance is legally required.

Pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes §28-7046, I recommend the adoption of a resolution making this recommendation effective.

Respectfully submitted,

GREGORY D. BYRES, P. E., Deputy Director  
for Transportation / State Engineer  
Arizona Department of Transportation

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RESOLUTION OF ESTABLISHMENT

GREGORY D. BYRES, Deputy Director for Transportation and State Engineer of the Arizona Department of Transportation, on November 17, 2023, presented and filed with the Arizona State Transportation Board his written report under Arizona Revised Statutes § 28-7046, recommending the acquisition and establishment of new right of way as a state route and state highway for the improvement of the Picacho-Coolidge-Chandler-Mesa Highway, State Route 87, as set forth in the above referenced project.

New right of way is now needed in both fee and temporary construction easement interests for the above referenced project to accommodate intersection improvements to enhance convenience and safety for the traveling public.

Accordingly, it is necessary to acquire and establish the new fee right of way as a state route and state highway for this improvement project.

The new fee right of way to be acquired and established as a state route and state highway, and additional temporary construction easement right of way to be acquired for this improvement are depicted in Appendix "A" and delineated on maps and plans on file in the office of the State Engineer, Infrastructure Delivery and Operations Division, Phoenix, Arizona, entitled: "Stage IV Design Plans, dated September of 2023, PICACHO - COOLIDGE - CHANDLER - MESA HIGHWAY, S.R. 87 at Skousen Road, Project 087 PN 136 F0521 / 087-A(214)T;" and are depicted on those entitled: "Right of Way Plans of the PICACHO - COOLIDGE - CHANDLER - MESA HIGHWAY, Jct. S.R. 287 - Gila River, Project 087 PN 135 H7896 / 087-A(202)A".

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WHEREAS establishment as a state route and state highway, and acquisition of the new right of way as an estate in both fee and temporary construction easement interests, or such other interest as required, is necessary for this improvement, with authorization pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes §§ 28-7092 and 28-7094, to include advance, future and early acquisition, access rights, exchanges or donations, haul roads, material for construction, and various easements in any property necessary for or incidental to the improvements, as delineated on said maps and plans; and

WHEREAS because of these premises, this Board finds public safety, necessity and convenience require the recommended acquisition and establishment of the new right of way as a state route and state highway needed for this improvement; and

WHEREAS the existing county, town or city roadways, as delineated on said maps and plans, are hereby established as a state route and state highway by this resolution action; and this resolution is considered the conveying document for such existing county, town and city roadways; and no further conveyance is required; therefore, be it

RESOLVED that the recommendation of the Deputy Director is adopted and made part of this resolution; be it further

RESOLVED that the right of way depicted in Appendix "A" is hereby designated a state route and state highway, to include any existing county, town or city roadways necessary for or incidental to the improvements as delineated on said maps and plans; be it further

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RESOLVED that the Deputy Director is hereby authorized to acquire by lawful means, pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes §§ 28-7092 and 28-7094, an estate in both fee and temporary construction easement interests, or such other interest as required, to include advance, future and early acquisition, access rights, exchanges or donations, haul roads, material for construction, and various easements in any property necessary for or incidental to the improvements, as delineated on said maps and plans; be it further

RESOLVED that written notice has been provided to the County Board of Supervisors in accordance with Arizona Revised Statutes § 28-7043, and to the affected governmental jurisdictions whose local existing roadways are being immediately established as a state route and state highway herein; and that this resolution is the conveying document for such existing county, town and city roadways; and no further conveyance is legally required; be it further

RESOLVED that the Deputy Director secure an appraisal of the property to be acquired and that necessary parties be compensated - with the exception of any existing county, town or city roadways being immediately established herein as a state route and state highway.

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CERTIFICATION

I, GREGORY D. BYRES, as Deputy Director for Transportation and State Engineer of the Arizona Department of Transportation, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy from the minutes of the Arizona State Transportation Board, made in official session on November 17, 2023.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and the official seal of the Arizona State Transportation Board on November 17, 2023.

GREGORY D. BYRES, P. E., Deputy Director  
for Transportation / State Engineer  
Arizona Department of Transportation

**Seal**







**STATE TRANSPORTATION BOARD MEETING  
IN PERSON WITH OPTIONAL TELEPHONIC/WEBEX ATTENDANCE  
9:00am, June 16, 2023  
Town of Florence  
775 Main Street  
Florence, Arizona 85132**

**Call to Order**

Chairman Gary Knight called the State Transportation Board Meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

**Pledge**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Floyd Roehrich, Jr.

**Roll Call by Board Secretary, Sherry Garcia**

A quorum of the State Transportation Board was present. **In attendance (in person):** Chairman Gary Knight, Vice Chairman Richard Searle, Board Member Ted Maxwell, Board Member Jesse Thompson, Board Member Jenny Howard, and Board Member Jackie Meck. Board Member Jenn Daniels participated virtually via WebEx. There were approximately 63 members of the public on-line and approximately 50 attendees in person.

**Opening Remarks**

Chairman Knight reminded members of the public, to keep their computer or phone muted during the meeting, unless called to speak during the Call to Audience.

**Title VI of the Civil Rights Act**

Floyd Roehrich, Jr., read Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended. Floyd, also reminded individuals to fill out survey cards, with the link shown on the agenda.

**Call to the Audience**

An opportunity was provided to members of the public to address the State Transportation Board. Members of the public were requested not to exceed a three minute time period for their comments.

ARIZONA STATE TRANSPORTATION BOARD  
BOARD MEETING

REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

BOARD MEETING

VIA WEBEX AND IN PERSON AT:

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June 16, 2023  
9:01 a.m.

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5 Arizona.

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7 PARTICIPANTS:

8 Board Members:

9 Gary Knight, Chairman  
Richard Searle, Vice Chairman  
10 Jackie Meck, Board Member  
Ted Maxwell, Board Member  
11 Jesse Thompson, Board Member  
Jenny Howard, Board Member  
12 Jenn Daniels, Board Member (via WebEx)

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2 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: We'll now move on to call to  
3 the audience. I will remind that anyone calling in (inaudible)  
4 minutes. Everyone will be muted when (inaudible) call in to the  
5 meeting. When your name is called to provide your comments, you  
6 will indicate your presence by virtually (inaudible) phone  
7 keypad or through the WebEx application. The WebEx host will  
8 guide you through the (inaudible) process following the  
9 instructions included in the agenda.

10 In person, there's an opportunity for members of  
11 the public to discuss items of interest with the Board. Please  
12 fill out a Request for Public Input Form and give it to the  
13 secretary if you wish to address the Board. In the interest of  
14 time, there will be a three-minute limit imposed. Please keep  
15 your remarks, both telephonically or in person, to three  
16 minutes. Thank you.

17 Go ahead, Floyd. If you'll call the first  
18 speaker.

19 MR. ROEHRICH: Yes, Mr. Chairman. A reminder.  
20 We do have a number of in-person as well as some online. We  
21 will do -- we will call up the in-person speakers first, and our  
22 first speaker is Florence Mayor Tara Walter.

23 MAYOR WALTER: Good morning. How is everybody  
24 today?

25 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Just fine.

1                   MAYOR WALTER: My name is Mayor Tara Walter. I  
2 wanted to take a moment to welcome you to Florence, Arizona, in  
3 an official capacity. We appreciate the attendance last night  
4 at the welcome reception. It was a great opportunity to be able  
5 to meet and talk in an informal basis.

6                   As you know, the town of Florence sits in between  
7 Phoenix and Tucson. We are the original county seat, and we are  
8 a rapidly growing community. There are many projects that are  
9 coming before us over the years, and we look forward to the  
10 opportunity to continue working with you.

11                  CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you. Thank you for your  
12 comments. Floyd?

13                  MR. ROEHRICH: Our next speaker is Mr. Alton John  
14 Shepherd.

15                  MR. SHEPHERD: Good morning, Mr. Chairman, Vice  
16 Chairman, Members of the Board. My name is Alton Joe Shepherd.  
17 I am the Apache County District 2 Board of Supervisor up in  
18 Apache County.

19                  A couple things I wanted to bring to your  
20 attention. One is just looking to -- again, the guidance of  
21 ADOT and the staff there as well. A couple of years ago we were  
22 able to acquire about \$1 million to resurface a school bus route  
23 around Ganado School bus loop. Since then we've worked with the  
24 project and the scope, the design and everything with the cost  
25 of inflation, has risen up to \$2.1 million to complete. So



1 right now, our county's in a dilemma here to either scale back a  
2 lot of the sidewalks and curbs that are on there and just focus  
3 in on the surfacing, but however, I'm down here just to see what  
4 we can do to see if we can acquire additional funds or matching  
5 funds for that project.

6           The others, I want to commend all the staff for  
7 providing and working with us on the SMART grant. Certainly it  
8 is always good to have the partnership working forward, because  
9 a lot of times in rural Arizona, we don't have the resources or  
10 the funding to have a full-time grant writer to assist us. And  
11 again, I'd just like to commend and ask for continued guidance  
12 and technical support.

13           And the other is we got -- we understand that  
14 ADOT will be doing a lot of pavement preservation and  
15 resurfacing along I-40. I'm hoping that we would be able to  
16 partner as well so that instead of just stockpiling some areas,  
17 Apache County is going to be submitted for use of those millions  
18 to be -- apply to county roads near the project area in -- near  
19 Chambers. And so, simultaneously, instead of taking millions to  
20 the stockpile, we're asking or hoping that we would be able to  
21 collaborate so that maybe the trucks can lay down the asphalt in  
22 a different place so that we can apply that as a county, just to  
23 make things easier, instead of double hauling.

24           Lastly is just, again, for future references on  
25 US Highway 191 south of Ganado, the shoulder widening is also

1 something I'm going to continue to advocate for. So (inaudible)  
2 appreciate the time and the Board's and local officials hosting  
3 this, and it's -- glad to be here too, as well.

4 So thank you, Mr. Chairman.

5 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: (Inaudible.)

6 MR. ROEHRICH: Our next speaker is Mr. Matt  
7 Rencher.

8 MR. RENCHER: Good morning, Mr. Chairman,  
9 Mr. Vice Chair and members of the Board. Thank you for allowing  
10 me the opportunity to address you. As stated, my name is Matt  
11 Rencher, and I'm the Public Works Director and the City Engineer  
12 for the City of Eloy. I wanted to take just a few minutes to  
13 express our appreciation and gratitude on behalf of the City of  
14 Eloy, for the funding that we were recently awarded from the  
15 State General Fund for highway -- highway projects.

16 The City of Eloy was awarded \$5 million from the  
17 State General Fund for the Sunland Gin Road, Interstate 10  
18 overpass and road improvements between Interstate 10 and Arica  
19 Road. This is a significant project in the City of Eloy that  
20 addresses some of the concerns that are, by some reports, up to  
21 15 years old.

22 The concerns have been especially relevant in the  
23 last five years or so, particularly with the increase in housing  
24 and development and the influx of new housing units in the  
25 subdivisions to the west of Sunland Gin Road, as well as in

1 Arizona City in Pinal County.

2 As traffic levels have increased for the -- for  
3 both South Sunland Gin and West Arica Road, the City of Eloy and  
4 Pinal County have received numerous emails and telephone calls  
5 from concerned area residences and -- residents and businesses  
6 regarding the operation of the intersection with Arica Road and  
7 Sunland Gin Road. These calls and emails have indicated that  
8 high levels of traffic on Sunland Gin Road have created a  
9 situation that makes it difficult for traffic coming out onto  
10 Sunland Gin Road to get access to the Interstate 10. In some  
11 reports, the in-peak travel times that -- the backup of one or  
12 two miles causes delays of 15 or 20 minutes for traffic leaving  
13 the subdivisions.

14 The additional funding that was awarded to the  
15 City of Eloy will greatly help to mitigate these issues and  
16 implement solutions to them and improve the facilities to  
17 provide a higher level of service to all of our affected -- all  
18 of our affected citizens by this particular interchange.

19 It shows that we take the concerns seriously, and  
20 we have -- we have committed to make our roads and streets  
21 better. We're grateful for the funding. We appreciate the  
22 opportunity to move this project forward. We appreciate the  
23 support.

24 I realize that you can't answer any comments or  
25 ask any questions, but I'd be happy to provide my contact

1 information at the end of the meeting if you -- if I can be of  
2 further assistance. Again, thank you very much. I appreciate  
3 it.

4 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you for your comments.

5 MR. ROEHRICH: The next speaker is Maricopa Mayor  
6 Nancy Smith.

7 MAYOR SMITH: Good morning. Hope you all are  
8 doing well. I'm so thankful to be able to come and speak with  
9 you. I would like to address a couple things of appreciation.

10 First to Board Member Jenny Howard for coming out  
11 to the city of Maricopa, taking a grand tour of Maricopa with us  
12 and learning all of the transportation needs that we have as a  
13 city, specifically State Route 347, but just to get a general  
14 idea how things are moving out in the city of Maricopa.

15 I would also like to thank Jennifer Toth and the  
16 staff that is in attendance behind me and those that aren't in  
17 attendance that came out last night to the city of Maricopa to  
18 share the results of the road safety assessment to our residents  
19 in a town hall. It was fantastic. They did a great job,  
20 provided a lot of great information, and although our residents  
21 can be kind of feisty, they really appreciated the information,  
22 and we challenged them to take that information back to their  
23 homes, their family, their friends, their neighborhoods and  
24 share the information that we learned and what road safety helps  
25 are coming from ADOT and how we as individuals can help the road

1 safety on State Route 347 as well.

2 Today I want to draw your attention to something  
3 that I'm really excited about, very proud about in regards to  
4 funding that we have thus far on State Route 347. In 2021, our  
5 first appropriation of approximately \$50 million for the Riggs  
6 Road overpass, that was the legislative session that we got that  
7 first bulk of money for that overpass. And then in '22 and  
8 again this year, in '23, we received some inflationary dollars  
9 for that overpass to make sure that we keep up with inflation.

10 And so as you probably are aware, the -- we often  
11 are hearing from the federal government about clawbacks,  
12 clawbacks of COVID money, and sometimes at the state level as  
13 well. In this legislative session, we're talking a little bit  
14 about clawbacks. So I have a major concern that we've worked  
15 very hard.

16 If you look at the mayors that have worked as  
17 hard as I think I'm working, we start with Mayor Anthony Smith.  
18 Four years of being the mayor and coming to ADOT board member --  
19 meetings. Ten years with Mayor Christian Price coming to board  
20 members and working it hard. And I'm following in suit, and  
21 we're working it hard, and we've worked hard over the last three  
22 legislative sessions to get approximately a total of \$80 million  
23 in funding for State Route 347, including \$18 million this year  
24 for two intersection improvements, and we don't want to lose  
25 that money to clawbacks.

1                   So what I'd like to ask is that there be some  
2 type of possibly two times a year update on how that money is  
3 being spent, and if that money is being spent yet, and how the  
4 status of those projects are working.

5                   Thank you very much.

6                   CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you for your comments.

7                   MR. ROEHRICH: Our next speaker is Mr. Kevin  
8 Biesty.

9                   MR. BIESTY: Good morning, Chairman Knight,  
10 Director Toth, members of the Board. For the record, my name is  
11 Kevin Biesty, and I'm here on behalf of Freeport-McMoRan in  
12 Bagdad, Arizona.

13                   Bagdad's main mine product is copper, which as we  
14 know, is a key component to the nation's energy transition plan  
15 for net zero emissions by 2050. Many of the strategies  
16 currently being deployed in this effort equate to a large need  
17 for copper. For example, electric vehicles use up to four times  
18 more copper than internal combustion engine vehicles.

19                   Another key component is to have a modern, safe  
20 and efficient transportation network capable of moving people  
21 and goods necessary for a successful energy transition. That is  
22 why we support the proposed improvements to SR-93 identified in  
23 the tentative FY '24-'28 plan before you and applaud the  
24 Department and this Board for their continued commitment to  
25 modernization and safety improvements along this corridor, a

1 corridor that our team members and our product move along on a  
2 daily basis.

3 The other corridor that is critical for the  
4 movement of materials and the decarbonization effort is SR-97.  
5 As you're aware, Freeport-McMoRan has been working with the  
6 Northwest District on a project to improve SR-97 and enhance  
7 safety, utilizing \$10 million made available by Freeport, and a  
8 \$10 million General Fund appropriation from the Legislature,  
9 which will be used towards a federal RAISE grant that Yavapai  
10 County submitted earlier this year for the project.

11 As an update on this effort, I attended a meeting  
12 with USDOT earlier this month and was told that they are  
13 planning to announce these RAISE grant awards by the end of the  
14 month. So we are anxiously awaiting this announcement, and  
15 hopefully next month we can announce that it was successful.

16 In closing, we ought to publicly thank District  
17 Administrator Brozich and his team for the efforts in this  
18 endeavor, and also thank you, Mr. Chairman, members of the  
19 Board, Director Toth and her dedicated team for the service to  
20 the State. Thank you very much.

21 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you. Thank you for your  
22 comments.

23 MR. ROEHRICH: Our next speaker is Mr. Edigar  
24 Kajirawa. And he's spoken before, and I butcher his name every  
25 time, so I apologize, but he -- at least he knows who he is,

1 right?

2 MR. KAJIRAWA: Yes, sir.

3 Good morning, Chair and Vice Chair and fellow  
4 Board Members. I think I have been following you around for a  
5 couple of months now, and I appreciate the opportunity to be in  
6 front of you once again. My name is Edigar Kajirawa, Assistant  
7 City Manager with the City of Bullhead City.

8 I would just like to first of all take the  
9 opportunity to thank all of you and the Department for all your  
10 support and guidance. We've been able to get some projects  
11 pushed through you and with your support. We have Highway 95  
12 right now, with construction starting this summer, and then also  
13 through the legislative process, we've been able to get funding  
14 for the right turn lanes.

15 Today I stand before you to bring it to your  
16 attention and also sort of request additional funding to support  
17 our RAISE grant application for the Bullhead Parkway. This  
18 application went to the Department of Transportation last year.  
19 It wasn't awarded, but it was designated as a project of high  
20 merit. During our debrief, they did identify that we did not  
21 have enough state support from the technical aspect of it, and  
22 we also lacked local collaboration.

23 So this year, we've taken a different path, and I  
24 don't want to speak too much into it, but it does seem  
25 optimistic. They're going to be announcing the winners later on



1 this month, on the 28th, but before you today is a request for  
2 3 million to go towards the Bullhead Parkway, which is a 10.2  
3 mile road. No streetlights, no median. I think about 20  
4 percent of it has some shoulders. So we (inaudible) want to  
5 (inaudible) that and make it a multimodal project and also  
6 alleviate traffic off Highway 95 and also make it safe. So we  
7 do believe this project is going to improve the local  
8 transportation infrastructure, and we hope that if it -- once it  
9 comes before you, you're able to approve it.

10 I stand for any questions.

11 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you very much for your  
12 comments.

13 MR. ROEHRICH: Our next speaker is Mr. Bill  
14 Robertson.

15 MR. ROBERTSON: Thank you, Mr. Chairman, Vice  
16 Chairman, Board, for the opportunity to address you this  
17 morning, and thank you for all that you do.

18 As Mayor Smith referenced, we had a presentation  
19 last night by ADOT representatives on the traffic safety  
20 analysis of the 347. (Inaudible) one of the biggest things that  
21 we learned is a project that's coming up rather quickly is the  
22 Riggs Road overpass of State Road 347. It has been designated  
23 one of the deadliest intersections in the state and has made  
24 that top honors list.

25 Riggs Road overpass is fully funded, but we've

1 also learned that it will not be built out until 2025. That's a  
2 bit disappointing, but we understand how the sausage is made and  
3 the difficulties entertaining funding, and we'll (inaudible)  
4 we'll take it in 2025. But the funding worries me a little bit  
5 We've heard stories about funding timing out, if it's not used  
6 appropriately in a period of time, that it could time out, or  
7 even the Legislature could claw it back.

8 So I'd like to ask you to try to do your best to  
9 secure that funding for us should it look like it's going to --  
10 the timing is going to be extended or that difficulties in the  
11 construction or the studies extend the time period where the  
12 funding (inaudible).

13 We do believe that this single project, although  
14 it's an intermediate project to the full expansion of 347 that's  
15 in our history, that it needs to happen now, sooner than later.  
16 The urgent -- there are some urgent intermediate projects that  
17 are on the -- on the burner now with ADOT to happen on 347 while  
18 we're late for funding sources for the complete expansion, and  
19 we thank ADOT for elevating that on their priority list and  
20 getting us a study. They did this study in record time. So  
21 they know the urgency, and we want to make sure that you are  
22 fully aware -- and I'm sure you are -- of the urgency of the  
23 347. Maricopa is now the eighth fastest growing city in the  
24 United States, with over 70,000 more homes to come in the next  
25 decade, and we have reached capacity.

1 Thank you for all you do, and thank you for your  
2 time.

3 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you for your comments.

4 MR. ROEHRICH: Mr. Chairman, those are all the  
5 requests to speak in person, so we'll move to the online  
6 requests, and I already see that Ms. Briiana Valez has raised  
7 her hand.

8 Bryce, would you please work with Ms. Valez to  
9 unmute her so she can make her comments?

10 WEBEX HOST: Ms. Valez, I have requested to  
11 unmute your line. You are now unmuted. You may speak.

12 MS. VALEZ: Thank you.

13 Good morning, Mr. Chairman and Vice Chairman and  
14 members of the Board. My name is Briiana Valez, and I represent  
15 the City of Phoenix Street Transportation Department, and I'm  
16 here today for Agenda Item 8.

17 Our application for the AZ Smart grant was  
18 originally supposed to be considered on the March 17th agenda,  
19 but due to things beyond our control was not considered on that  
20 day as planned. I'm here to let you know we are very excited  
21 about this opportunity to secure additional funding for a very  
22 important project, the Rio Reimagined Bicycle Pedestrian Bridge.  
23 This project advances and expands the local and regional active  
24 transportation network while also providing vital transportation  
25 options to disadvantaged communities. This project also

1 supports and complements the City's Vision Zero Road Safety  
2 Action Plan by offering a future parallel off-system option that  
3 will reduce conflicts between vehicles and bicycles and  
4 pedestrians.

5 With that, I want to say thank you for your time  
6 and consideration and that I will be available during the agenda  
7 item in case there are questions you may have. Thank you.

8 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: (Inaudible.)

9 MR. ROEHRICH: Our next --

10 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Floyd, I'm not seeing any  
11 closed captioning.

12 MR. ROEHRICH: Well, Bryce, are those captions  
13 running, please? Can you check?

14 WEBEX HOST: Yes. I'll double-check on that.  
15 Should be on. Let me see.

16 VICE CHAIRMAN SEARLE: You did have her name  
17 (inaudible).

18 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Yeah. I had her name up there,  
19 but okay.

20 MR. ROEHRICH: Mr. Chairman, does it -- can you  
21 see it?

22 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: All we saw was your name.  
23 There we go. Now we can see it. Thank you.

24 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: You won't be able to see  
25 it when (inaudible) the presentations, the PowerPoints.

1 MR. ROEHRICH: Okay. So when the presentations  
2 start, closed captioning will not be visible because you'll be  
3 seeing the presentation.

4 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you.

5 MR. ROEHRICH: Our next speaker is Mr. Bookman.

6 Mr. Mrakovcic -- man, I apologize for that.

7 Mr. Mrakovcic, if you're there, please raise your hand and we  
8 will unmute you.

9 WEBEX HOST: As a reminder, please press star  
10 three to raise your hand. Not seeing --

11 MR. ROEHRICH: Come back to -- yeah, I don't see  
12 anything raised either. We'll come back to that.

13 Our next speaker will be Mr. Jeronimo Vasquez.  
14 Mr. Vasquez, please raise your hand.

15 WEBEX HOST: I have requested to unmute your  
16 line. Your line is now unmuted. You may speak.

17 MR. VASQUEZ: Mr. Chair and members of the State  
18 Transportation Board, my name is Jeronimo Vasquez, and I serve  
19 on the Coconino County Board of Supervisors, District Two, and  
20 as vice chair of MetroPlan, the metropolitan planning  
21 organization in the Greater Flagstaff region.

22 I am here to seek your approval of the \$600,000  
23 AZ SMART Fund request for the I-40 design concept report update  
24 in the Bellemont area. Coconino County seeks to reduce traffic  
25 congestion and improve traffic flow at the existing I-40 and

1 Hughes Avenue traffic interchange, and on the I-40 Frontage Road  
2 within the Bellemont area.

3 The current I-40 design concept report commends  
4 shift -- recommends shifting the existing traffic interchange  
5 800 feet to the east and constructing two roundabouts. One  
6 roundabout for the off ramps and one roundabout for the  
7 intersection with Shadow Mountain Road.

8 The County constructed the roundabout at the  
9 proposed intersection with Shadow Mountain and attempted to  
10 procure the land where the new traffic interchange and off ramps  
11 were originally proposed to be located. Unfortunately, the  
12 private property owners were unwilling to sell their land to the  
13 County due to their own planned development.

14 The County now believes the recommendation to  
15 shift the traffic interchange 800 feet to the east may no longer  
16 be feasible due to the private development that has occurred  
17 adjacent to where the recommended traffic interchange off ramps  
18 would be located in the original design concept report.

19 Additionally, Coconino County is looking to  
20 update the I-40 design concept report to be competitive in  
21 applying for future federal funding. Specifically, a RAISE  
22 grant to improve, realign or construct a new traffic interchange  
23 in the Bellemont area, along with making frontage road  
24 improvement.

25 The design concept report update will ensure

1 collaboration and agreement between ADOT and Coconino County  
2 regarding improvements being proposed on the I-40 traffic  
3 interchange and frontage roads and intersections that may affect  
4 the state highway system.

5 The AZ SMART grant will help relieve the County  
6 of funding, a \$600,000 study to update the design concept report  
7 and allow the County to reinvest funds back into pavement  
8 preservation or put towards a match for future RAISE grants.

9 The AZ SMART Fund is extremely important to help  
10 alleviate the match burden on local agencies to access federal  
11 grants. Our project also directly benefits the state by  
12 creating a design for the problematic I-40 interchange at  
13 Bellemont and seeks federal funds to correct the issues.

14 On behalf of Coconino County and MetroPlan, I  
15 strongly support this SMART Fund request to update the design  
16 concept report that has multiple benefits for communities that  
17 use I-40 as a corridor to access recreational areas, economic  
18 centers and Bellemont residents impacted by the overcongested  
19 interchange and commercial truck traffic.

20 Thank you for your time and consideration. Thank  
21 you.

22 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you, Mr. Vasquez.

23 MR. ROEHRICH: Bryce, (inaudible) Board Member  
24 Daniels (inaudible) participation group. Could you please move  
25 her into the panelist group?

1 WEBEX HOST: Of course.

2 MR. ROEHRICH: And then I will check one more  
3 time if Mr. Mrakovcic is here. Will you please raise your hand?

4 WEBEX HOST: I'm not seeing a hand raised at this  
5 time.

6 Are you able to move Ms. Daniels into panelists?

7 WEBEX HOST: Yes. I'm (inaudible) right now.

8 MR. ROEHRICH: Okay. Mr. Chairman, that's all  
9 the requests to speak that we have.

10 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you.

11 We'll now move on to Item Number 1, the  
12 director's report.

13 DIRECTOR TOTH: Sorry. I was watching the screen  
14 and not paying attention.

15 Good morning, Chairman, members of the Board. I  
16 too want to echo and thank the Mayor and the town of Florence  
17 and the town council and the town staff for showing us such  
18 great hospitality last night. We're very happy to be here in  
19 Florence.

20 I want to start sharing a few quick updates with  
21 everyone. First giving a shoutout to our ADOT teams for  
22 recently earning some major awards. The ADOT Professional  
23 Development Team in our Employee Business and Development Office  
24 just won an international award for its Leading Others Program,  
25 which is aimed at developing leadership skills among ADOT



1 managers and supervisors. The program and the team were  
2 recognized by the Association for Talent Development at their  
3 conference.

4 We also received word that our US-60 Pinto Creek  
5 Bridge project was named the Western Regions Best Use of  
6 Technology and Innovation, and a median project by the America's  
7 Transportation Awards, which is an annual competition sponsored  
8 by AASHTO.

9 In addition, our *Arizona Highways* magazine earned  
10 17 awards for excellence at the International Regional Magazine  
11 Association's annual awards competition, and four those awards  
12 were first place gold honors. So a big congratulations to the  
13 staff, and really appreciate their dedication to making this a  
14 great state.

15 Next, I want to recognize everyone who took very  
16 quick action to kick off a series of pavement repair projects,  
17 including the State Transportation Board. We have 23 pavement  
18 repair projects on the schedule right now. We've also developed  
19 a website for the public that includes a schedule, as well as an  
20 interactive map, of the initial round of the \$50 million in  
21 improvements, along with information about additional future  
22 repairs, and that website is [www.azdot.gov/pavingrepairs](http://www.azdot.gov/pavingrepairs). It's  
23 a great site to share with your network and with other members  
24 of the public who are interested in getting details about that  
25 pavement preservation, which are scheduled throughout the

1 summer. A big thanks goes out to the ADOT teams who worked on  
2 getting these initial projects underway very quickly and  
3 efficiently.

4 Next, I want to highlight that the tentative  
5 five-year transportation program you'll be considering for  
6 approval later this morning received 1,089 comments in various  
7 ways, online comments, e-mail, some phone calls, and also verbal  
8 comments at the State Transportation Board meetings. That  
9 feedback is very important, and our ADOT staff reviews, tracks  
10 and manages every single one of those comments. Each comment  
11 was acknowledged, and in many cases, an individualized response  
12 was provided to the commenter. And I want to thank them for  
13 guiding that -- our ADOT employees for guiding that entire  
14 process and providing that customer service.

15 Lastly, now that we're on our way to wrapping up  
16 the five-year program, our attention will be turning to the  
17 state Long-Range Transportation Plan. You'll get an update on  
18 that later in the agenda, but I did briefly want to touch on one  
19 of the issues that you'll hear about, and that is the revenue  
20 gap.

21 When we updated the 2040 plan, there was a  
22 projected gap in funding, and now we're looking ahead to 2050.  
23 That gap obviously has increased. In the 2040 Long-Range Plan,  
24 the gap exceeded the available revenue by 135 percent. In the  
25 2050 Long-Range Plan, that gap is exceeded by available revenues

1 by 180 percent. Construction costs and growth definitely play a  
2 large part in that gap, but so does revenue and funding. If  
3 revenue isn't addressed, ADOT's ability to maintain, modernize  
4 and expand the system is greatly impacted.

5 Also, I want to note that ADOT infrastructure  
6 must also meet FHWA performance criteria or run the risk of  
7 losing funding. Our system must be maintained in a state of  
8 good repair and meet the performance targets. No investment  
9 choices would allow for even 50 percent of ADOT invest --  
10 infrastructure to meet those performance targets, and that's a  
11 serious problem for us.

12 I share all this to emphasize the future outlook,  
13 which is not positive, but it is the reality that we face every  
14 day. You'll hear more details from Paul when he shares the  
15 recommended investment choice and the gap revenue analysis, and  
16 I look forward to hearing your discussion.

17 Thank you for the time to update you, and I'll  
18 turn it over to Anthony Casselman. He'll give our legislative  
19 update.

20 MR. CASSELMAN: Good morning, Mr. Chairman, Board  
21 Members. Again, I'll just introduce myself. This is only the  
22 second board meeting I've been at. So Anthony Casselman. I'm  
23 with the ADOT Government Relations Office.

24 Just a quick update for you on activities going  
25 down at the Legislature. They reconvened this week for just a

1 couple of days, a couple of long days, to conduct business on a  
2 few outstanding pieces of legislation. They elected to adjourn  
3 until July 31st, so we won't see the end of session or the  
4 adjourned sine die, as they like to call it, until at least  
5 August.

6 A quick update on the Prop 400 extension. There  
7 was a proposal that was passed through the Legislature this  
8 week, Senate Bill 1246. The bill would have split the question,  
9 allocating a portion of the half cent sales tax to freeways,  
10 arterials and transit, and then a separate question to allocate  
11 the remaining tax revenues to light rail. Because it's not  
12 aligned with the Governor's proposal, it's expected that that  
13 bill is going to be vetoed.

14 Just a quick item I wanted to touch base on. I  
15 mentioned it just briefly in the last board meeting, but I  
16 thought it'd be good to mention it just one more time. Through  
17 Senate Bill 1735 -- this was a bill that was part of the  
18 budget -- there were some changes made to the SMART Fund  
19 enabling legislation, and I wanted to cover those this morning.

20 So these changes were made to clarify the  
21 Legislature's intent when the language was first passed in 2022  
22 regarding focus on rural communities across the state. The  
23 changes in the bill would exclude municipalities that are  
24 partially located in the urbanized area of Maricopa or Pima  
25 County. So the difference here is that the original legislation

1 said that it was going to exclude municipalities that were  
2 entirely located. Now they're adding that word that would  
3 exclude municipalities and towns that are partially located in  
4 an urbanized area.

5 So I just want to go over again what's the  
6 practical impact of this. The practical impact is that there  
7 are a large portion of municipalities in Maricopa and Pima  
8 counties that will no longer be eligible for the SMART Fund. It  
9 is important to note, and I want to make this distinction very  
10 clear to the Board this morning, that this change is not  
11 effective yet. This change will not go into effect until 90  
12 days after the Legislature adjourns sine die, which at this time  
13 is unknown. So I just want to make that statement that that  
14 change is not effective yet, but probably looking towards the  
15 end of the year, it will become effective.

16 That's my update. With that I'm happy to answer  
17 any questions.

18 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Did you want to talk about the  
19 12 and a half million?

20 MR. CASSELMAN: Oh, yes.

21 Mr. Chairman, I know there were some questions  
22 about the \$12 and a half million deposit and how it gets  
23 distributed. I did want to make a clarifying point about that  
24 as well. It's not explicit in the appropriation language, but  
25 you do have to refer back to, again, the enabling legislation

1 for the SMART Fund, which allocates -- or which outlines how  
2 that money is supposed to be allocated. So it's 20 percent to  
3 each category. That's how you get to that two and a half  
4 million per each category.

5 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: (Inaudible.) Does the 12 and a  
6 half million (inaudible) into effect (inaudible) sine die or  
7 does it go in effect July 1st?

8 MR. CASSELMAN: Mr. Chairman, great question.  
9 That will go into effect on July 1st.

10 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you.

11 Any other questions? Yes. Member Maxweell.

12 MR. MAXWELL: So thank you for that update. I've  
13 got a question on -- specific to the changes they made in  
14 SB1735. I know on some of the other changes to some of the fund  
15 programs that they put out there, they made it retroactive to  
16 the original date of the legislative action in earlier years.  
17 So I understand that it will not be officially in place until 90  
18 days from the -- from sine die, but my question is, is there a  
19 statement in here that makes it retroactive to that earlier  
20 date?

21 MR. CASSELMAN: Mr. Chairman, Board Member  
22 Maxwell, again, another great question. And no, there is no  
23 statement in the bill of that nature.

24 MR. MAXWELL: Okay. Thank you.

25 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: (Inaudible.)

1 MR. CASSELMAN: Thank you.

2 MR. MAXWELL: Gary, I did have one question to  
3 follow up with the Director.

4 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Go ahead, Ted.

5 MR. MAXWELL: Director, thank you for the update  
6 and the gloom and doom outlook. We -- that's -- you've heard me  
7 say lots of times at some point we've got to have a  
8 consideration of modernizing our infrastructure funding sources.  
9 What is it in -- you mentioned a couple of things that are  
10 impacting. Obviously, we know cost, inflation, that that all is  
11 going to impact it. Are there any specifics on the current  
12 funding sources that you see trending both in the downward  
13 direction or that are also part of the problem of why the  
14 farther we go out, we have the larger shortfalls?

15 DIRECTOR TOTH: Well, as our CFO, Kristine Ward,  
16 has presented, there's a great graph that shows the degradation  
17 of the gas tax of the HURF revenues coming in, in that we have  
18 not had a raise in that since 1991, and so because of inflation,  
19 obviously, the -- it keeps going and dwindling, whereas our VLT  
20 is increasing because there is that inflationary built in on the  
21 cost of the vehicles. So I would say that's probably the  
22 largest aspect of the degeneration in the HURF funding or the  
23 degradation of that over the years.

24 MR. MAXWELL: Okay. Thank you, Mr. Chair, and  
25 thank you, Director.

1 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Any other questions from the  
2 Board? (Inaudible) last minute items to report?

3 DIRECTOR TOTH: No, Mr. Chairman. Thank you.

4 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you.

5 We'll now move on to Item Number 2, the district  
6 report. This is for information and discussion only, and Doug,  
7 I'll turn the floor over to you.

8 MR. MOSEKE: There you go.

9 Good morning, Mr. Chair and members of the Board.  
10 My name is Doug Moseke. I'm Assistant District Engineer for the  
11 Southcentral District, and I appreciate the opportunity to  
12 provide a brief update on the construction projects that are  
13 ongoing and upcoming in the Southcentral District.

14 To begin with, we have our I-10 widening project  
15 that's from Ina Road to Ruthrauff. This is on the north end of  
16 the city of Tucson. Excuse me. This is on the north end of the  
17 city of Tucson, south end of Marana, and the contractor is  
18 Granite Construction. The contract amount's \$171 million.  
19 It's -- was awarded via low bid. The project started in  
20 February of 2023, and we expect the completion in late 2025.  
21 This will widen I-10 to four lanes in each direction, and it  
22 will result in four lanes from downtown Tucson all the way up to  
23 Ina Road. There'll be nine bridges reconstructed. We'll also  
24 flip the Sunset TI and, as part of a joint effort with Pima  
25 County, will connect Sunset Road to River Road over the Union



1 Pacific Railroad.

2           The second project is on State Route 77, from  
3 I-10 to Calle Concordia. This is awarded to Granite  
4 Construction. Contract amount was \$34.4 million, low bid on the  
5 project, that started in February of 2021, and we expect it to  
6 finish late summer, early fall of 2023. This was primarily a  
7 pavement rehabilitation project and safety improvements where we  
8 provided new curb and gutter and sidewalk from River to Magee,  
9 street lighting up to -- up to Ina. And then we worked with the  
10 RTA to add a northbound to a left turn onto Magee from State  
11 Route 77.

12           The third project, which is just around the  
13 corner here, State Route 79, crossing of the Gila River Bridge.  
14 The contractor on this was FNF Construction. It was a  
15 \$22.2 million project delivered as a construction manager at  
16 risk. This started in January in 2022, and was substantially  
17 complete just last month. This was a bridge replacement with  
18 accelerated bridge design. We actually ended up building the  
19 bridge off on either side of the existing bridge, demoed the  
20 existing bridge, and then slid the two pieces of the bridge  
21 together. So it was sliding about five football fields over two  
22 different weekends. We did -- on the -- on the photo to the  
23 right, you can kind of see the two sections of the bridge in  
24 their final position, and what we did to complete the project  
25 was a closure pour, and that's -- we're going to work with the

1 contractor to do a little bit of grinding. It's a -- it's a  
2 nice ride, but it's a -- it's a little rough, so we're going to  
3 work with them to see if we can kind of smooth it out a little  
4 bit.

5 The next project I wanted to discuss is State  
6 Route 387, from I-10 to State Route 87. This is a pavement  
7 preservation project that was awarded to Nesbitt Contract (sic)  
8 in the amount of \$5 million. Was also a low bid. They are  
9 intending to start this project late summer, early fall of this  
10 year and completed in the spring of 2024. This is going to mill  
11 and replace the existing pavement, do some chipseal, some  
12 shoulder buildup and a little bit of erosion work.

13 Then we'll move on to I-10, from Picacho to Pinal  
14 Airpark. This is another pavement preservation project that was  
15 awarded to Sunland Asphalt, with a contract amount of  
16 \$4.6 million awarded via low bid. This will be starting this  
17 fall, and we're hoping to wrap it up this winter.

18 And then just advertised this week is the State  
19 Route 287 and Christiansen left turn lane and State Route 87 at  
20 Kenworthy, westbound right turn lane. So this is on the street  
21 right now. We have a programmed amount of just under  
22 1.3 million. It'll be low bid. Once it's -- once it's awarded,  
23 we'll start this winter and look to wrap it up by summer of  
24 2024. And like I said, that will construct a left turn lane at  
25 Christiansen and a right turn lane at Kenworthy.

1           Also coming soon will be a roundabout project or  
2 dual roundabout project at State Route 287 and State Route 79B.  
3 This is a project that we've been working with a strong  
4 partnership with the Town of Florence and the Maricopa  
5 Association of Governments, and we are looking to get this  
6 advertised this summer. We're targeting July. We've programmed  
7 amount of \$8.9 million. It will be delivered via low bid.  
8 We'll -- we will look to start it fall this year and complete it  
9 in the summer of 2024. We'll construct two roundabouts, add  
10 some lighting, some drainage and sidewalk improvements.

11           The final project that I wanted to mention today  
12 is State Route 87 and Skousen Road traffic signal. We're  
13 anticipating to advertise this project in the fall of 2023. We  
14 have \$2.5 million programmed for construction. Delivery method  
15 will be low bid, and we anticipate the start date to be winter  
16 of 2023, with the expected completion near the winter of 2024.  
17 There's a long lead item with the traffic signal poles. And  
18 this will end up constructing traffic signal and turn lanes at  
19 the intersection of Skousen and SR-87.

20           And with that, thank you for the opportunity to  
21 present an update to you. I'd be happy to answer any questions

22           CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: (Inaudible) questions for Doug?  
23 I guess you're (inaudible). Great presentation. Thank you.

24           MR. MOSEKE: Thank you.

25           CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: We'll now move on to Item

1 Number 3, the consent agenda. Does any member want an item  
2 removed from the consent agenda for separate consideration?

3 Hearing none, do I have a motion to approve the  
4 consent agenda as presented?

5 MS. HOWARD: So moved.

6 VICE CHAIRMAN SEARLE: Second.

7 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: I have a motion from Member  
8 Howard and second from Member Searle to approve the consent  
9 agenda as presented.

10 All those in favor signify by saying aye.

11 BOARD MEMBERS: Aye.

12 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Opposed? The motion carries.

13 MS. DANIELS: I vote aye as well.

14 MR. ROEHRICH: Mr. Chairman. Mr. Chairman, yes,  
15 I would like to get Ms. Daniels (inaudible) since she is  
16 virtually.

17 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Oh, okay. I'm sorry. I didn't  
18 realize she (inaudible) now I see her name up on the screen. Go  
19 ahead.

20 MR. ROEHRICH: So Ms. Daniels, (inaudible).

21 MS. DANIELS: Aye. Thanks.

22 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you. (Inaudible.)

23 All right. We'll move on then to Agenda Item  
24 Number 4. This is for information and discussion only with  
25 Kristine Ward. It's the financial report.

1 (Pause in recorded audio.)

2 MS. DANIELS: We don't have sound online. I'm  
3 not sure if the microphone...

4 If the Chair -- I could hear the Chairman  
5 speaking, but I am unable to hear Kristine. Is anybody else  
6 having that same challenge?

7 WEBEX HOST: We are unable to hear online. We  
8 can hear the board members.

9 MS. DANIELS: I haven't heard the board members,  
10 though, since we lost sound, Bryce.

11 WEBEX HOST: Oh, okay. Yes.

12 MR. ROEHRICH: This is Floyd. (Inaudible.)

13 WEBEX HOST: Floyd, we can hear you.

14 MR. ROEHRICH: (inaudible) Daniels, so she might  
15 be having some audio issues.

16 MS. DANIELS: I can hear Floyd as well. I just  
17 was unable to hear Kristine speaking.

18 MR. ROEHRICH: Okay. So Kristine, do it again.  
19 Get much closer to the microphone. Sounds like it's not picking  
20 up your audio from the microphone. So if you could get close to  
21 a microphone, please.

22 MS. WARD: All right. Let's try this again.

23 Can you hear me, Ms. Daniels?

24 MS. DANIELS: Yes. Now we can hear you. Bryce  
25 was unable to hear you as well, so there must have been an

1 issue. Thank you.

2 MS. WARD: Okay. I'm very sorry. It's one of  
3 the few times in life that someone has that -- has suggested  
4 that I'm -- that I'm quiet.

5 All right. So going to the individual detail of  
6 Highway User Revenue Fund, we only have one little anomaly going  
7 on there with regards to use fuel, and it looks like we had a  
8 larger than anticipated refund there, so... But again,  
9 nothing -- when it comes to Highway User Revenue Fund, we are  
10 right on forecast and quite happy about that.

11 Moving on to the Regional Area Road Fund. Again,  
12 same circumstance. We are right within forecast. And let me  
13 turn some pages here. Excuse me. It was about \$720 million  
14 collected year to date. So we don't anticipate any issues  
15 there. We are 1 percent -- 1 percent above forecast. In the  
16 individual categories, nothing of significance to report there  
17 either.

18 And with regards to the federal aid program and  
19 the balance of the programs, no further -- no further reports.  
20 I'd be happy to take any questions.

21 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Does any board member have  
22 questions for Kristine?

23 MS. HOWARD: I do.

24 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Jenny.

25 MS. HOWARD: Kristine, several meetings ago, you

1 brought to the Board a balance discussion between the feds and  
2 the state. How is that progressing, and do you have an update?

3 Mr. Knight, Ms. Howard, you have great questions,  
4 starting with yesterday at the orientation. Yes. I actually  
5 was talking to our federal highway partners just before this to  
6 try and get an update to see what they had, and apparently we  
7 are still awaiting information from the FHWA mothership. So,  
8 you know, we don't have any updates, and we have been -- the  
9 last update that I received was that -- excuse me -- was that we  
10 would be hearing something before the August redistribution  
11 request that we typically will see in the next month or so.

12 That's a great question. We are looking -- it's  
13 not exciting to others, but we are waiting with bated breath for  
14 this outcome. Thank you.

15 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: (Inaudible) I didn't  
16 (inaudible) from the Legislature (inaudible) surplus for this  
17 coming (inaudible) and it looks like (inaudible) surplus. Is  
18 that -- is there any truth to that?

19 MS. WARD: Mr. Knight, I regretfully cannot  
20 answer that question. In a previous life I could have, but I  
21 have not -- I haven't looked at the General Fund in a while, so  
22 I apologize. I can't answer that, sir, but I'd be happy to get  
23 that information for you.

24 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay. (Inaudible) kind of  
25 anticipating that (inaudible) and I'm hoping that doesn't go

1 away. But anyway, I'm kind of keeping (inaudible) myself.

2 MS. WARD: I'd be happy to check into it and  
3 provide the information back to you.

4 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you, Kristine.

5 Any other questions from the Board?

6 MS. WARD: Thank you.

7 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: (Inaudible.) Thank you.

8 Moving on to Agenda Item Number 5. This is  
9 (inaudible) Paul Patane, for discussion and possible action.

10 MR. PATANE: There we are.

11 Thank you, Chairman Knight, Board Members,  
12 (inaudible) consideration request for the final approval of the  
13 FY 2024-2028 Five-Year Transportation Facilities Construction  
14 Program. (Inaudible.) Excuse me.

15 So today I'll discuss a little bit of background  
16 information that will show the final five-year highway delivery  
17 program, the final MAG program, the final PAG program, along  
18 with the final airport program and next steps moving forward.

19 So some of the key milestones in the process. We  
20 started (inaudible) in February with Board's approval of the  
21 tentative (inaudible) the public comment period. And then we  
22 had (inaudible) public hearing, followed by the Board study  
23 session June 1st. (Inaudible) effective (inaudible) July 1st,  
24 (inaudible). (Inaudible) fiscally constrained.

25 Just a recap of the funding (inaudible) five-year



1 tentative program. (Inaudible) programs.

2 So here we show (inaudible) expansion (inaudible)  
3 preservation. (Inaudible.) As you can see, (inaudible). In  
4 addition, the decision was made to increase the size of the HSIP  
5 program for 40 million annually to 62.7 (inaudible).

6 So now I'll show -- go through the (inaudible)  
7 program.

8 This slide shows a breakout the funding going to  
9 (inaudible) by year. This includes all the funding (inaudible)  
10 highway section (inaudible), the HSIP system bridge and the  
11 Transportation Alternative Program. As you can see (inaudible)  
12 portion is in the preservation category, and the black line that  
13 is shown is the target for the preservation, annual amount.

14 This here is turning to this -- the ADOT system.  
15 The same categories as presented. With the monetization  
16 category, we do (inaudible) bulk of that system is dedicated to  
17 preservation.

18 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Paul, can I -- can I stop you  
19 right there? I didn't -- this slide and this one, the black  
20 line which indicates the minimum for pavement presentation,  
21 that -- it seems like that line should not really be flat due to  
22 inflation and costs increasing for pavement preservation, that  
23 it also should rise somewhat each of the successive years.

24 MR. PATANE: That's a good comment, but -- for  
25 illustration purposes, but we kept the target at 320 million,

1 but we realize that through (inaudible) was much greater than  
2 that amount as far as the target, and the -- as we move forward  
3 with the updated Long-Range Plan that we'll be presenting later  
4 today, the target's not shown, but I'm making the assumption  
5 that both the new (inaudible) target will rise.

6 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you.

7 MR. MAXWELL: Mr. Chair.

8 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Yes, Ted.

9 MR. MAXWELL: Since you opened it up for  
10 questions, there's a couple that I know you're going to go into  
11 more detail, but because it's a specific funding question, the  
12 percentages, you talked about the increase in modernization and  
13 the more money funds put in the HSIP, but isn't that change over  
14 the course also impacted pretty significantly, because you have  
15 to assume that there will be no more regional funds? So in  
16 other words, 400 will stop in '25. Pima RTA stops contributing  
17 money to expansion. And I'm talking on the expansion side,  
18 which makes it -- and that stops in '26. Obviously, if those  
19 two pass, those -- will those percentages not change fairly  
20 significantly?

21 MR. PATANE: I don't (inaudible) phone a friend.

22 MR. ROEHRICH: Mr. Chairman, Mr. Maxwell, yes.  
23 One of the slides, there's only of Greater Arizona.

24 MR. MAXWELL: Okay.

25 MR. ROEHRICH: So that's only looking outside of

1 those two, two counties. But if you remember one of the slides  
2 that Kristine has shown in the past when she talked about the  
3 projection of revenues over the next five years, we have that  
4 big cliff dropoff in 2026 when the half cent sales tax ends, and  
5 that does go into only the regional appropriation of funds. So  
6 you'll see the program shrink, but it will only shrink in those  
7 regions, not the rest of the state.

8 MR. MAXWELL: I understand. The slide I was  
9 specifically referencing is the one that says -- includes  
10 Maricopa and Pima, but it's -- it was more of a question to try  
11 to raise the point that, yes, there's a shift in how the  
12 percentages look compared to five-year plans previously, but  
13 that is in part because we are now getting to the point where if  
14 these regional funding sources go away, we get to the point with  
15 our funding that we can really only support maintenance and some  
16 modernization going forward. We will lose the opportunity to do  
17 any expansion statewide if we -- I won't say lose. We always  
18 seem to come up with some money, but it will be significantly  
19 impacted, the opportunity to do expansion statewide in the  
20 future.

21 MR. ROEHRICH: Mr. Chairman, Mr. Maxwell, you're  
22 exactly right. It is going to really cause us to relook at how  
23 we balance those funds and how we program the projects, because,  
24 you know, like, the Regional Area Road Fund, that contributes  
25 over 400 -- almost \$500 million a year. That will stop.

1 MR. MAXWELL: Agreed. Thank you very much.  
2 Thank you, Mr. Chair.

3 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Questions for Paul?  
4 Thank you, Floyd.

5 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay. Paul, continue.

6 MR. PATANE: Thank you.

7 So moving down to the local competitive program.  
8 As you can see, (inaudible) over (inaudible) years on the local  
9 (inaudible) off system bridge. We also have the state parks  
10 roads as well. Is typically (inaudible) HSIP, typically it's  
11 almost two-thirds of that goes to the local agencies, because  
12 that is a statewide competitive program.

13 So for Greater Arizona, the distribution is --  
14 for the (inaudible) 66 percent toward preservation, with 20  
15 percent toward modernization and 14 percent for expansion.

16 So let's go (inaudible) some of the expansion  
17 projects that are currently in the program. As you can see,  
18 this I-10 (inaudible) from (inaudible) to 387 is still the  
19 (inaudible), and so this project (inaudible) traffic  
20 interchanges, reconstruction of some existing interchanges,  
21 (inaudible) great crossroad improvements.

22 Upon completion of the project, this is a typical  
23 section from the Loop 202 (inaudible) three general purpose  
24 lanes plus an HOV lane, and from Riggs Road south to 387, we'll  
25 add (inaudible) to just the three general purpose lanes.

1                   Some expansion for the FY '24 (inaudible) West  
2 Kingman TI, (inaudible) Cane Springs (inaudible) 93. There's  
3 right-of-way acquisition (inaudible) segment of 260. There's  
4 the I-17 35.8 million (inaudible) Cordes Junction. We have  
5 20 million dedicated for the -- for the I-10 expansion project.  
6 (Inaudible) for the Cochise Railroad overpass on US-191.

7                   MR. ROEHRICH: Paul.

8                   MR. PATANE: Yeah.

9                   MR. ROEHRICH: Excuse me, Paul. I want to quick  
10 interrupt. I keep getting a bunch of notices from online folks  
11 that say the volume is good, but (inaudible) some -- the audio  
12 coming through is muffled, like either, you know, we're not  
13 speaking clearly (inaudible) to adjust that audio. Is there a  
14 way to make it clearer? So -- because I (inaudible) little  
15 pounding and feedback. Maybe our settings are a little muted,  
16 but I'm getting a lot of online notices that it's hard to hear  
17 or make out the speakers.

18                  UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Part of it --

19                  MR. ROEHRICH: What I'm hearing is the speaker  
20 here, but also, up at the board, they're saying anybody speaking  
21 seems to be somewhat muffled. So I think the volume is good,  
22 but I -- somehow we're -- we might not be getting a clear -- a  
23 clear audio. Anyway... So speak clearly, please. Use the  
24 microphone, and we'll do the best we can, and I apologize for  
25 those people online. We'll try to monitor here as best we can.

1 Thank you.

2 MR. PATANE: Thank you. I'm sorry for that.

3 Moving on to FY '25. And so we have expansion  
4 for FY '25, a total of 168 million being proposed. The first  
5 project is on US-93, Vista Royale and Big Jim Wash. There's  
6 \$20 million dedicated for design work. (Inaudible) for the  
7 segment of I-10 from Riggs Road to 387. And also dedicated 25  
8 million (inaudible) 347 Riggs Road overpass.

9 MR. ROEHRICH: Okay. I just got an update. If  
10 we have a lot of microphones open, that does affect the way the  
11 audio comes through the system. So if you're not speaking,  
12 please turn off your microphone, but when you do speak,  
13 obviously please turn it back on so we can capture it, but we  
14 can help the audio clarity if we mute our microphones unless  
15 speaking. But please use them when you do speak so we can  
16 capture your comments. Thank you.

17 MR. PATANE: For FY '26, we have expansion  
18 projects that total of 97.5 million. We have 54.5 million  
19 dedicated to SR-260, Lion Springs, and we have 33 million  
20 dedicated to US-93, the Vista Royale.

21 FY '27 expansion, you have 124.5 million.  
22 There's 54.5 million dedicated for the Lion Springs segment, and  
23 we also have 70 million dedicated for the Big Jim Wash segment  
24 and US-93.

25 And currently, there's no expansion in the

1 program for FY 2028.

2           So moving to the Maricopa County segment, the MAG  
3 freeway system. Currently, I'd like to note that MAG staff has  
4 asked us to show the presentation here. As you can see, the  
5 development programmed out to FY 2024 and '25, there's a lot of  
6 uncertainty (inaudible) Proposition 400, so they only programmed  
7 that for these two years. The projects consist of -- the  
8 project (inaudible) consist of upgrading traffic interchanges,  
9 expansion projects, along with (inaudible) change (inaudible)  
10 German Road with Interstate 10.

11           For the -- for the PAG program, we have projects  
12 on the I-10, Country Club Road and Kino Parkway TI. That  
13 project has been combined for fiscal years FY '24 through '26 at  
14 a total of 202.3 million. We have the I-19 Irvington TI at  
15 84 million for FY '24. Then we have widening on I-10 from  
16 Valencia Road -- excuse me -- widening of I-19 from Valencia  
17 Road to I-10 at 79 million for FY '25 and '26.

18           So next we have the Airport Capital Improvement  
19 Program, and so on the cover here is the airport of the year,  
20 and this year the airport of the year was for Colorado City's  
21 airport.

22           So the program for fiscal year '24, the Airport  
23 Capital Improvement Plan includes some (inaudible)  
24 federal/state/local program at \$8 million, and the state/local  
25 program in \$17 million. Then we have our Airport Pavement APMS

1 program at \$5.2 million. We have the Grand Canyon National  
2 Airport at 2.3 million, and ADOT airport development groups at  
3 1.15 million, for a total of 33.655 million for this year's  
4 Capital Improvement Program.

5 So there was some changes needed after the study  
6 session. Just wanted to bring you the update on those changes.  
7 Restored (inaudible) projects, the Yuma -- or the port of entry  
8 projects for the Page, San Simon, Sanders and Yuma ports of  
9 entry. And the US-180 corridor improvements were for FY '24 and  
10 2025/26. We added a -- additional funding for the project  
11 assessment for 250,000 for the US-191 and I-10 interchange, and  
12 there were some other just narrative-type improvements,  
13 corrections to project names and other editorial items that we  
14 needed to do on the program.

15 As far as the -- adding to some of the comments  
16 made earlier regarding the public involvement, they've used a  
17 variety of resources to get the word out. News releases, social  
18 media posts, Facebook, Twitter and Nextdoor, the ADOT website,  
19 along with media articles written from ADOT. So we had received  
20 over 1,089 comments, and 995 of those comments were online, 75  
21 emailed, then 15 comments presented at the public hearing. As  
22 mentioned earlier, all those have received responses or will be  
23 receiving responses.

24 So the comments made were -- by mode, the state  
25 highways, we had about -- a little close to 989 that we had;



1 rail/transit, 36 comments; then airports, we had, 6. Major  
2 themes included: SR-260 pavement condition, I-10 as far as the  
3 Jackrabbit Road interchange, widening along 347 in Maricopa, the  
4 I-10 Pima County-Benson congestion/access. Then pavement  
5 conditions for I-17 and I-40, and along with the widening of the  
6 I-10 from the 202 to 387, Phoenix to Casa Grande segment.

7 And so just in response to some of the comments  
8 like the State Route 260, you know, there's some projects that  
9 got put in the program. The Lion Springs section, which was  
10 already in the program. The Overgaard to Campland, the pavement  
11 life extension. Then the Knottingham Lane to Milepost 347 that  
12 was added to the program, along with -- as far as the  
13 interchange at Jackrabbit Road and I-10, there is -- in FY '24,  
14 there was a State Legislature appropriated amount of \$5 million  
15 to design the traffic interchange. Then some of the items for  
16 the widen/improve safety on 347. There's dollars programmed for  
17 preservation, and the widening design is in the current program  
18 for '23, and also the Riggs Road overpasses in the current  
19 program for FY '23 and FY '25 for construction.

20 So regarding some of the pavement conditions  
21 along I-17, these are some of the upcoming spot repair locations  
22 that are shown. The I-10 Phoenix to Casa Grande widening. The  
23 Gila and the Gila River Bridge replacement is in the current  
24 program. The Riggs Road to SR-347 is programmed for right-of-way  
25 in '24. And there was a State legislative appropriation for

1 89 million for FY '24.

2 Then some of the complaints we got on the  
3 pavement conditions for I-40. These are some of the upcoming  
4 projects in the area that will help alleviate some of the poor  
5 pavement condition that we have. They vary from major rehab to  
6 spot mill and fill locations throughout the 85 (sic) corridor.

7 So the next steps moving forward, we're here  
8 today to request approval of the 2024 -- '24-'28 five-year  
9 program. Then the fiscal year starts July 1st, 2023. So  
10 that -- we're here today to request action from the Board for  
11 consideration.

12 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Does any member have a question  
13 for Paul? Jesse.

14 MR. THOMPSON: Paul, there's a concern apparently  
15 that was addressed by the Hopi Nation regarding the route on  
16 264, and they did not say anything on the comments part of this.  
17 So I'd like to get back with you on that as to the specific  
18 location they're talking about. They've reviewed the five-year  
19 plan, and they said they had maybe comment on this particular  
20 route on a certain location, but I will get back with you on  
21 that.

22 MR. PATANE: Yes, Board Member Thompson. Thank  
23 you.

24 MR. THOMPSON: Any other questions? Yes, Jenny.

25 MS. HOWARD: Paul, thank you so much, and thank

1 staff for their hard work again.

2 I do -- I do have one comment with regards to the  
3 320 million for preservation and how that percentage is  
4 decreasing compared to last year. I'm a proponent of  
5 maintenance of infrastructure, and I'm hoping that at some point  
6 could you present us some speculation on if we continue this  
7 same trek alongside the status of our highways -- you know,  
8 there were graphs you presented several months ago that showed  
9 the decline in the condition of our roads. Could you pair those  
10 two together and put together a synopsis over a number of years  
11 on the impact?

12 MR. PATANE: Yes, we can. We have that  
13 information that we could present at the next board meeting.

14 MS. HOWARD: Okay. Thank you.

15 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Any other questions for Paul?

16 In that case, is there a motion to approve the FY  
17 2024- 28 Five-Year Transportation Facilities Construction  
18 Program as presented?

19 MR. MAXWELL: So moved.

20 MR. MECK: Second.

21 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: I have a motion from Member  
22 Maxwell and a second from Member Meck to approve the five-year  
23 construction program as presented.

24 All those in favor signify by saying aye.

25 BOARD MEMBERS: Aye.

1 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT. Opposed? Motion carries.

2 Thank you, Paul.

3 MR. ROEHRICH: Mr. Chairman, if I could, I would  
4 like to acknowledge Ms. Daniels' vote.

5 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: I'm sorry. Could we have our  
6 vote from our virtual member?

7 MS. DANIELS: Aye. Thank you.

8 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Sorry, Jenn.

9 MS. DANIELS: No worries.

10 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay. We'll move on to Agenda  
11 Item Number 6, and this will be the Multimodal Division report  
12 for information and discussion only, and it's also with Paul  
13 Patane.

14 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: All right. There you go.

15 MR. PATANE: Thank you, Chairman Knight, Board  
16 Members.

17 So today, the current planning activities, we'll  
18 provide updates on the tribal transportation update, then also  
19 the 2050 Long-Range Transportation Plan update.

20 And just so that you know, Chairman Knight and  
21 Board Members, I'll be (inaudible) Jason James to give you a  
22 break on -- so he can provide the update on the 2050 Long-Range  
23 Transportation Plan.

24 So as far as -- on the tribal transportation  
25 update, some of the statewide activities that we're currently

1 working on is we're working with our MVD Records Management  
2 section on outreach to the tribal law enforcement agencies,  
3 because, you know, having the crash data is still one of the  
4 main concerns and priorities to get more -- better data on the  
5 crashes, and so that way those crashes can be taken into account  
6 when we look at evaluating the projects from a safety  
7 standpoint. And so it's important that we work with our tribal  
8 partners to ensure that we're getting the (inaudible) that we  
9 need on the -- on the reports.

10 So they've had a couple of meetings, and we're  
11 looking to continue this collaboration over the next few months  
12 to improve the current situation.

13 Next, on our (inaudible) activities per the  
14 request of the Navajo DOT, and we graciously accepted as to kind  
15 of reconvene after five years of not meeting the kind of Navajo  
16 DOT partnership meetings with ADOT, and so that meeting was  
17 actually held yesterday. And so I've heard good things about  
18 it, but we plan to just enhance that partnership and to meet  
19 quarterly moving forward to address any items such as ADOT  
20 project updates, (inaudible) news and any update to -- on any  
21 operational matters.

22 Next (inaudible) to address the ongoing flooding  
23 issues that have displaced family and economic -- and impact to  
24 local access roads in the community of Birdsprings, the flood  
25 risk issues related to recent bridge dam and levee breach

1 incidents. And so we're working with the Corps of Engineers on  
2 coming up with a solution or come up -- to identify solutions  
3 and taking care of the issues. So they had -- a preparation  
4 meeting was held on June 8th to identify the stakeholders and  
5 develop agenda for future meetings.

6 So some of the activities in the southern region.  
7 We've met recently with the -- with the Colorado River Indian  
8 Community segment related to traffic incident management. As  
9 you know, when those incidents along I-10 that require  
10 (inaudible) to keep traffic moving through the region, and so  
11 there's some concerns on ways to improve that traffic flow and  
12 operations to ensure there's minimal impact to some of the local  
13 roads along the Colorado River community areas.

14 Any questions on the tribal updates?

15 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Any member have a question for  
16 Paul? Yes, Jesse.

17 MR. THOMPSON: Paul, regarding the Birdspring  
18 flooding, I would like to see a little bit more information as  
19 to who have been -- to participate of that, because somehow,  
20 sometimes back, we've had to deal with that issue around  
21 (inaudible) Arizona. Oh, so, you know, that issue, I know, has  
22 been coming up for the last several years. And I know that  
23 there was a plan by the (inaudible) administration that comes  
24 in. So there has been plans that were in development stage with  
25 the Army Corps of Engineers. So I'd like to get more

1 information on that. Not right now, but maybe at a later  
2 period. So thank you very much.

3 MR. PATANE: Yes, Board Member Thompson. We'll  
4 follow up on that.

5 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Any other questions? And this  
6 was for information and discussion only, so we will move on now  
7 to Item Number 7, the PPAC items.

8 MR. ROEHRICH: Mr. Chairman. We've still got an  
9 update now from the Long-Range Plan. There's still a second  
10 presentation on Item 6.

11 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Sorry.

12 MR. ROEHRICH: So if we could load -- if we could  
13 load the next presentation, please.

14 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Inaudible) real quick.

15 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Flipped the page too quick.

16 MR. PATANE: Chairman Knight, Board Members, at  
17 this time, I'd like to introduce Jason James. He's with a  
18 Multimodal Planning staff. He's the project manager for the  
19 Long-Range Plan, and I just want to commend Jason on his  
20 efforts. Leading the Long-Range Plan effort is no easy task,  
21 and he's been doing a great job. So he'll be presenting Item 7D  
22 today. Thank you.

23 MR. JAMES: Excellent. Thank you, Paul. Really  
24 appreciate that. And good morning, Mr. Chair, members of the  
25 Board and everyone in attendance here today, in person and on

1 virtually. My name is, again, Jason James. I'll be introducing  
2 the update on the Long-Range Transportation Plan and  
3 specifically talking about the results of our gap analysis and  
4 our department recommended investment choice.

5 Okay. There it is. Okay.

6 So the purpose of my presentation for you today  
7 is to review the data and performance metrics for developing our  
8 investment choices based on what you just saw with our final  
9 program for fiscal year '24-'25 construction program, and also  
10 to get the input from you as far as the development of our final  
11 recommended investment choice.

12 So for building up to that recommended investment  
13 choice, we'll just go through just a quick review of the public  
14 survey input and meetings, the needs and revenue, kind of again  
15 to build the story as far as where we're going with our  
16 recommended investment choice. Then we'll go through our gap  
17 analysis, alternative investment choices, the effects on our  
18 pavement of bridge conditions as far as our investment choices,  
19 then finally to the recommended investment choice.

20 So before we get going into that, want to start  
21 back, basically what we -- what we decided on, what was decided  
22 on by the State Transportation Board back in 2018, and this is  
23 the 2040 Long-Range Transportation Plan recommended investment  
24 choice. And at that time, the recommendation was that 78  
25 percent of the -- of the allocations of Greater Arizona go to



1 preservation of the system, and that the remaining 22 percent go  
2 to modernization. The decision was made at that time to not put  
3 any allocations into expansion projects into Greater Arizona,  
4 with the exception of using up to 5 percent of the funding for  
5 seed money, and that seed money was, like, for any federal grant  
6 awards, a third party making a funding contribution or a public-  
7 private partnership is arranged.

8           So a quick review of our public survey input and  
9 meetings. So with our public survey, we did conduct that from  
10 October to January, just to seek the public's input on  
11 transportation goals and funding priorities. We received  
12 approximately 8,000 responses from a cross-section of Arizonans.  
13 This is the most responses we've ever received for a public  
14 survey in the time that we've been doing the Long-Range  
15 Transportation Plan update. So it was a huge success. We're  
16 definitely going to try to get -- try to go for even more than  
17 that in the -- in the next update, but it was definitely,  
18 definitely a good response from the public.

19           In addition to the public survey, we also had a  
20 series of public meetings in March, again, to update the public  
21 and seek feedback on our vision, goals, needs, revenue and  
22 budget forecast. So we had public meetings in Tucson,  
23 Flagstaff, Phoenix. We also had a statewide virtual meeting and  
24 also a telephone town hall.

25           As a result of this, 300 -- actually, 400 -- you

1 know, we went through 400 comments, actually -- correction to  
2 that slide there -- that were collected. We did respond to the  
3 comments that requested response and acknowledged that and put  
4 that all in a matrix form and got that all summarized. So  
5 again, big thank you to our ADOT communications folks and our  
6 public involvement folks with WSP for taking care of that.

7 All right. So the next -- this next slide here  
8 is the results of our survey, and it really tells -- it really  
9 tells the story as far as the priorities from the public. So  
10 looking on at all respondents, this includes all respondents in  
11 the Maricopa region, in Pima County. The number one priority  
12 was preservation, maintenance of the system, followed by  
13 expansion of -- and then third was modernization.

14 Now, we took all the respondents' responses that  
15 we received in Maricopa County in Pima County out, and you know,  
16 as you can see, with the transportation spending not in Maricopa  
17 County and Pima County, the priorities were virtually the same,  
18 with preservation and maintenance first, expansion second and  
19 modernization third. Again, this is something we didn't see in  
20 the last update, so it really tells a consistent story statewide  
21 on priorities of the public.

22 So next thing I want to mention -- talk about is  
23 needs and revenue. So with the needs, we looked at three  
24 categories when we were breaking down the needs of the system.  
25 The first one was our ADOT infrastructure. That's, you know,

1 composed of all interstate, state highway, US route facilities.  
2 The roadways themselves and associated infrastructure within the  
3 roadway right-of-way. So that's going to be pavement  
4 (inaudible). Also, our mobility needs, safety needs, freight  
5 needs, port of entries, rest areas, truck parking, and also the  
6 Grand Canyon Airport, because that's the only airport owned and  
7 operated by ADOT.

8 The next one we looked at was our stewardship  
9 needs, and those are funding programs that are administered by  
10 ADOT, but where ADOT either cannot or choose not to apply to  
11 funding to transportation facilities operated and maintained by  
12 ADOT. Our real transit funding programs is a great example of  
13 that. For the city of Phoenix and city of Tucson, we just act  
14 as a pass-through for the transit funds. However, for the 5310  
15 programs, our disabled, elderly, you know, transit programs, and  
16 also for 5311, our rural transit programs in our smaller  
17 metropolitan areas or tribal communities and rural communities,  
18 we have more stewardship over those programs. So those are --  
19 that's just an example there of our stewardship.

20 And then finally our complementary transportation  
21 systems. Those are systems that ADOT does not own, operate or  
22 maintain any of the facilities. So that's our local roads and  
23 railroads.

24 All right. So as a -- an -- oh, man, that did  
25 not come through, but it's okay. I can supply you with the

1 percentages if you need it. For some reason they did not come  
2 through, but the most important thing is the future needs of  
3 bullet points on that side of the screen.

4           So looking at our needs from '26 to 2050, just  
5 for infrastructure needs, it amounted to about \$174 billion of  
6 need. For our stewardship, \$57 billion. And, of course, with  
7 complementary transportation systems, we did not include that  
8 in -- for our state highway system needs. So that's a total of  
9 \$231 billion of needs identified, again, from that 2026 to 2050  
10 window.

11           All right. So now we'll go on to the -- hitting  
12 the revenue side of it, now that we've identified the needs. So  
13 when we were looking at the funding sources, we looked at four  
14 funding sources. We looked at the HURF, Highway User Revenue  
15 Fund, and that's our biggest revenue fund there. And again, all  
16 of you already know that, the gas, diesel taxes, registration  
17 fees are built into that.

18           We also looked at the Regional Area Road Fund,  
19 RARF, the half sales tax on business activities in Maricopa  
20 County. And then we also looked at our federal aid highway  
21 system program. That is the federal -- the formally funded  
22 allocations we receive from the feds for our transportation  
23 needs that we -- you know, that we receive from them.

24           And then finally, the new programs out of the  
25 IIJA, the Infrastructure Investment and JOBS Act and Bipartisan

1 Infrastructure Act. Those are programs such as the electrical  
2 vehicle funding that we received, carbon program, carbon  
3 reduction program. So the new programs and new funding, that's  
4 what makes up the IIJA.

5           One thing I want to say on this slide is one  
6 thing we did not include was the appropriations that we've  
7 received federally and as statewide, and even though they've  
8 been tremendous in helping us meet some of our needs and -- in,  
9 you know -- in helping us with a lot of our projects, it's not a  
10 dedicated source of funding. I mean, we could -- we could -- we  
11 could get a lot of money here in the next few years and dry up  
12 in 2027. So we don't know. So it's very unpredictable. Hence,  
13 why we didn't include that as one of the funding sources when we  
14 were doing a revenue analysis.

15           So the other thing we had to consider too as we  
16 did our revenue analysis was the rising Construction Cost Index  
17 of projects. Back in the last adoption of the -- of the Long-  
18 Range Transportation Plan in 2018, you can see that the  
19 Construction Cost Index was about 1.05. It has more than  
20 doubled since that time frame, and it's continuing -- according  
21 to our financial analysis, it's continuing to rise. It is not a  
22 situation where it's going to dip back down. It is -- it is  
23 rising and going up. So we had to consider that as we were  
24 building up our revenue analysis, that construction costs are  
25 just skyrocketing, for lack of a better term.

1                   So when we built our forecast for revenue  
2                   analysis, we had to provide a level of flexibility, you know  
3                   looking at not just a base forecast, but, you know, the low,  
4                   the, you know, worst case scenario, and then the high. So with  
5                   our base forecast, we are assuming that -- you know, funding of  
6                   a HURF gas tax stays at current levels, and that's pretty  
7                   consistent throughout all our forecasts. Also with the base  
8                   forecast, we're assuming that extension of the RARF tax  
9                   beyond -- you know, beyond 2025, 2026 in Maricopa County, and  
10                  that also that current federal funding levels with IIJA stay  
11                  consistent.

12                 For the more optimistic side, the high side, the  
13                 only difference is that, you know, looking at \$200 million  
14                 increase per IIJA federal funding with the new package past  
15                 2027, and then, of course, the low, and this is actually to -- a  
16                 reference to what you said earlier, Board Member Maxwell, below  
17                 is basically the RARF expires in 2026. So we -- again, if we  
18                 had to -- we had to take all those things into account.

19                 For the sake of our recommended investment choice  
20                 that we're going to be building towards, we went with our base  
21                 forecast per directive from our finance department.

22                 So going with that, with our revenue, going for a  
23                 base forecast extended is about \$73.3 billion in revenue, again,  
24                 from the 2026 to 2050 window. On the high side, 87.5 billion,  
25                 and if -- again, if RARF does not get extended, 48.8 billion

1 over 20 -- 25 years. So a significant decrease if that happens.  
2 But again, like I said before, for the sake of what we're doing  
3 before our recommend investment choice, we're going with our  
4 base forecast extended.

5 So, you know, putting that all together, so we  
6 had \$231 billion of need versus a revenue of \$73.3 billion,  
7 again, for '26 to 2050. So the funding gap just based on the  
8 base forecast is \$157.7 billion in meeting our needs, both for  
9 infrastructure and for our stewardship.

10 So how that translates from a year-by-year is  
11 that if we're just looking at -- strictly looking at  
12 infrastructure -- not even going to look at stewardship -- just  
13 looking strictly at infrastructure, we are about \$6 billion in  
14 the hole every single year for the next 25 years. If we're  
15 looking just at pavement, pavement needs, we're about \$2 billion  
16 in the hole from '26 to 2050. So that's the reality of where we  
17 sit with our revenue analysis.

18 So for building our recommended investment  
19 choice, we had to take out the revenue that was already  
20 allocated. So we have federal specific projects for safety, for  
21 highway safety improvement, a program for congestion mitigation,  
22 air quality in the -- in the MAG region, Sun Corridor in the  
23 Nogales region, in Yuma. So we took all those revenue that was  
24 already kind of allocated to specific programs, specific  
25 activities. What we're left with was a revenue flexibility of

1 32.4 billion. I'm going to come back to this number at the end  
2 when we go to our recommended investment choice, because that's  
3 what that number is going to be based on.

4 All right. Now going to our gap  
5 analysis/alternative investment choices. So we're starting to  
6 look at our alternative investment choices. We first started  
7 with what -- a slide you already saw earlier today, the fiscal  
8 year '24 to '28 final program for Greater Arizona. So again,  
9 the breakdown was 66 percent going to preservation, 20 to  
10 modernization and 40 percent going to expansion. So this is  
11 what we use as one of our alternative investment choices, and we  
12 kind of worked out from there, as you're going to see here in  
13 the next slide.

14 So for alternative investment choices, we looked  
15 at first kind of the final program investment choice. Assumes  
16 14 percent in expansion, 20 percent in modernization going  
17 forward the next 25 years. Then we looked at, okay, let's break  
18 it down even further, look at alternative investment choice of  
19 11 percent, and that's 11 percent going to expansion of projects  
20 in Greater Arizona. That's assuming, again, 14 percent of  
21 expansion, 20 percent of modernization in Greater Arizona up to  
22 2030, and then beyond -- from 2031 to 2050, decreasing it down  
23 to 10 percent in expansion and 14 percent in modernization, and  
24 then similar approach when we looked at the 7 percent. Again,  
25 you know, taking those final program investment choice numbers



1 up to 2030 and then decreasing it down to 5 percent funding in  
2 expansion projects and 14 percent of modernization from 2031 to  
3 2050. So that's -- those are the alternative investment choices  
4 that we're going to be looking at.

5           So what that breaks down to, like, per year is  
6 what you see on the screen here. So for a final investment  
7 choice, it would be about 800 to a million per year, with  
8 189 million going to expansion, 260 going to modernization.  
9 That 4 percent you see across the board here. That is the life  
10 cycle extension program, and, you know, we're recommending  
11 putting 50 million per year in that. And what that program  
12 is -- I'm going to give huge credit to our state engineer, Greg  
13 Byres, and our Pavement Technical Group. That's one of the  
14 innovative -- innovative practices that we've done to keep  
15 fair -- get fair condition pavements into good condition, and  
16 just to -- just to lessen the amount of pavement condition that  
17 we get in poor condition, is one of those things that we kind of  
18 were forced to do, just because we just don't have enough  
19 revenue to rehab all poor condition roadways. So it's like,  
20 okay, well, how can we keep our fair or good condition in fair  
21 or good so it never gets to -- gets to -- gets to poor, and that  
22 was one of the programs that came out of that. So that would be  
23 part of the preservation.

24           So, again, you see kind of the breakdowns per  
25 year depending on the percentage that goes to expansion projects

1 in Greater Arizona. So -- and again, this right here breaks  
2 down the percentage of need that's going to be met per each  
3 alternative investment choice, and we also included zero percent  
4 expansion. If we just want zero percent expansion in Greater  
5 Arizona, if this is what we're going to, this is the needs we're  
6 going to meet, and this really goes to what Executive Director  
7 Toth said earlier, as far as no matter what scenario we go with,  
8 we're not going to meet even 50 percent of our pavement needs.  
9 So that's just the reality. So these are -- these are the  
10 investment choices we have to consider, we had to consider as we  
11 were moving for our recommended investment choice.

12 All right. So now that you've seen the  
13 alternative investment choice, now we look at what are the  
14 condition impacts on our pavement and bridge, you know, from  
15 these choices.

16 So right off the bat, start off with the  
17 pictures. These are poor condition roadways and, you know, I  
18 hate to say this, but it's the truth. Drive about 50-60 miles  
19 in any direction on our state highway system and you will run  
20 into this. It's a fight that we're fighting, but it's -- like I  
21 said, because of the lack of revenues, it's really difficult to  
22 keep up, but we do our best. So just some condition examples  
23 there.

24 So what are -- what are the impacts on that from  
25 the -- from the numbers perspective? So what you're looking at

1 here on the screen here, the existing is what you're looking at  
2 now as far as our pavement and bridge conditions, and then the  
3 baseline going to our 7 percent, 11 percent, 14 percent, funding  
4 for expansion, that is over the next 25 years. That's '26 to  
5 like -- '26 to 2050.

6 So as you can see, you know, if we'd go zero  
7 percent in expansion projects, our pavements are going to be  
8 about 20 -- you know, 20 percent of our pavements are going to  
9 be poor. If we go with the final program of 14 percent in  
10 expansion, it will be just above 26 percent. So that's kind of  
11 what you're looking at there.

12 You don't see too much of a change, by the way,  
13 in our bridges, because our bridges, for the most part, are  
14 relatively good, good shape compared -- especially compared to  
15 other states on the western side. So that's why you see a lower  
16 percentage for bridges, because our bridges are relatively young  
17 compared to other states.

18 All right. Next one is our good condition  
19 roadways, and yes, they are out there. So this shows some  
20 examples right there of good condition roadways. Won't delve  
21 too much into that.

22 So with our good condition roadways, again, you  
23 see the existing for 2026 numbers right now. We have about -- a  
24 little above 30 percent of our payments in good condition and  
25 just above 60 percent of our bridges in good condition. So with

1 our -- going to our baseline to our final, you see the changes  
2 in good condition pavements go for about 28 percent, if we go  
3 zero percent expansion, to down to about just about 21 percent,  
4 if we go with 14 percent expansion. So that's kind of the  
5 difference there. Like I said, with bridges that stay  
6 relatively constant about 30 -- about 38 percent, you know, 37  
7 percent, around there for good condition bridges.

8           And then finally ending on fair condition  
9 pavements, and a lot of fair condition pavements are pavements  
10 that are not -- you know, they haven't gotten to the point of  
11 having, like, two-foot potholes quite yet, but you know just a  
12 good winter or two, it's done, you know, so those are our fair  
13 condition. Used a lot of crack seal on it. You know it's  
14 holding up but, you know, a few more years and it's going to be  
15 poor.

16           So -- and the reason why we want to end on this  
17 one for our condition impacts, we -- typically, you would go  
18 good, fair, poor. Notice we went good, poor, fair. The reason  
19 why we wanted to end on the fair condition impacts is because  
20 based on the revenue projection that we have for the next 25  
21 years, based on our models for our pavement deterioration, this  
22 what you see here -- and assuming the investment of \$50 million  
23 for our life extension program that I talked about earlier --  
24 this is the best case scenario. Basically, keeping our  
25 pavements at literally -- fair condition pavements at about 50

1 percent, that that is the best case that we have right now. So  
2 that's why I wanted to end on this slide for the fair condition  
3 impacts.

4 Again, our bridges stay relatively consistent,  
5 but again, our pavements stay -- because this 50 percent,  
6 assuming that, you know, again that we continue to be innovative  
7 with maintaining our state highway system the best way we can.

8 All right. So now that all builds to the  
9 recommended investment choice. So as a result of everything you  
10 just saw, our department recommended investment choice is the 7  
11 percent expansion, 78 percent preservation and 15 percent  
12 modernization. With those numbers, the '25 billion over 25  
13 years, the 5 billion for modernization, and 2.2 billion for  
14 expansion, that equals out to that 42.4 billion, as I mentioned  
15 earlier in our recommended investment choice -- flexible choice  
16 budget.

17 Again, you see what it needs. Again, it doesn't  
18 matter what scenario we go to. We're just not going to meet all  
19 our needs. We just have to do the best we can.

20 And a few -- a few points on this recommended  
21 investment choice. Number one, we recognize that there are gaps  
22 in our expansion needs in Greater Arizona, as -- especially in  
23 our critical corridors. We just felt as a department that not  
24 having anything for expansion is just -- again, it's not going  
25 to be good for the economic competitiveness of the state. So

1 that was one thing.

2 The second point I want to make on this is that  
3 with these percentages, this really falls in line with not just  
4 what we've been hearing from this State Transportation Board for  
5 a while as far as the importance of expansion projects, but also  
6 listening to the public. As you remember earlier -- from  
7 earlier slides, the public did note, you know, that expansion  
8 was their second priority, you know, behind preservation.

9 And then the third point on this, too, is that  
10 with 7 percent expansion, we still put a huge priority on  
11 preservation, which we know is going to be number one. As a  
12 matter of fact, that 78 percent matches what we recommended back  
13 in 2018. The only change we made is that we decreased  
14 modernization a little bit and then added some expansion.  
15 That's really the only difference. So preservation is still at  
16 the forefront as far as department priorities, but again, we  
17 just couldn't ignore expansion needs that we've seen throughout  
18 the years.

19 So I'm going to pause right there. I know I've  
20 been doing a lot of talking. So any comments? Questions?  
21 Input?

22 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Any questions from the Board?

23 MR. MAXWELL: Chair.

24 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: I think he kind of filled in  
25 the blanks for your question. He did a great job.

1 MR. JAMES: Thank you.

2 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Yes. Ted, go ahead.

3 MR. MAXWELL: Thank you. Mr. Chair. I was  
4 hoping, you know, somebody else would have them, but you knew I  
5 would have some.

6 A couple comments. I appreciate that you  
7 recognize that for expansion, you've been hearing it from the  
8 Board, but the thing I think sometimes we lose. There are --  
9 Pima County, we have the struggle. There's segments of Pima  
10 County that wanted, you know, no more growth, but the fact of  
11 the matter is this state is still growing at 1 percent. For the  
12 last ten years, we've had a one 1 -- over 1 percent increase  
13 every year except the COVID year, with a high of almost 2  
14 percent. And if you just look at the numbers, that means we've  
15 got about 100,000 new residents, roughly, in this state every  
16 year. So expansion, whether people like it or not, is probably  
17 going to be a driver in the future for our quality of life,  
18 period.

19 But a couple questions I had for you. And by the  
20 way, Jason, it was a great synopsis. I really appreciated how  
21 you presented it and a good breakdown. Not sure if that's the  
22 alternative choice that I'd make yet, but we'll talk about that  
23 in a second.

24 For the roadways, obviously ADOT's -- we've got  
25 our federal highway system, we've got our national highway

1 systems, we've got our non-national highway system roads. Is  
2 that -- were those numbers and assessments for all of the  
3 roadways? Because as in Greg's slides where he breaks down each  
4 one of those different types of roads, they're significantly  
5 different, especially when you get down to the non-national  
6 highways and other roads that ADOT's responsible for. So what  
7 road -- roadways were included in those numbers?

8 MR. JAMES: Absolutely. Great question. All of  
9 them were. Everything that -- in the state highway system,  
10 everything you just named, yes, was included, so...

11 MR. MAXWELL: And then the other question I've  
12 got, because as I understood it, at the point of where you did  
13 not include -- and correct me if I'm wrong before I ask the  
14 follow-on -- you did not include any regional funds for  
15 expansion or for -- into the system for your forecast in the out  
16 years, based on the fact that we don't have a 400, we don't have  
17 a -- or did you include the two current RTAs in that?

18 MR. JAMES: I did include two RTAs. Yes.

19 MR. MAXWELL: And then I won't ask my follow-up.  
20 Thank you.

21 MR. JAMES: No problem. Thank you.

22 Any other additional --

23 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Jesse. Jesse. I think you had  
24 a question?

25 MR. JAMES: Oh, yes, sir.



1                   MR. THOMPSON: I'd really don't want (inaudible)  
2 what I'm going to say, because I think you are blessed in many  
3 ways. If there's additional money, state moneys, that will go  
4 to (inaudible) projects, I feel good about it for you,  
5 everybody. (Inaudible) our Legislature of how they can help  
6 increase the (inaudible) to do more projects. Right now it  
7 seems like they are now turning (inaudible) certain projects  
8 (inaudible). I just want to bring that up, and I do (inaudible)  
9 on the presentation that was made. Jason, yesterday you were  
10 out there and you (inaudible) concerns out in Navajo land. So  
11 that good -- that is really good reaching out to those rural  
12 (inaudible) communities. Again, thank you very much.

13                   MR. JAMES: No, I appreciate that comment. Thank  
14 you.

15                   CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Member Searle.

16                   VICE CHAIRMAN SEARLE: I'll ask Jason a little  
17 input. As we look at this plan for the next 20 years or  
18 whatever it is, one of the issues we're constantly dealing with  
19 is lack of funding, and that's how you basically started this  
20 whole conversation, is the gap and how do you fill it. And I  
21 think -- I think we need to really recognize what the  
22 legislator -- Legislature has done this year. When we look at  
23 the funding that they have done for the expansion projects that  
24 we've got going on for the next couple of years.

25                   Two years ago, we had no expansion projects. The

1 funding just wasn't there. And if I was looking at this, and I  
2 understand the recommendation for alternative, it's -- you're  
3 trying to be balanced, but I think if we're trying to give a  
4 message, for what we need in Greater Arizona, I have a tendency  
5 to go with the zero percent expansion. Put our money to  
6 preservation, some to modernization, and put the onus of the  
7 expansion on to the Legislature where it -- because they can  
8 deal with that on an annual basis as things are needed as we  
9 grow.

10 But that would be my input. I'm looking on this.  
11 The preservation, when we look at the status of our highways,  
12 it's a tough job in the -- I'll acknowledge it, and I think I  
13 would -- I would -- I would recommend that we concentrate on  
14 preservation. (Inaudible.)

15 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you.

16 MR. JAMES: Thank you.

17 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Any other questions?

18 Does our virtual member have any questions on  
19 this item?

20 MR. ROEHRICH: Mr. Chairman, unfortunately  
21 Ms. Daniels had another conflict, and she did have to leave the  
22 meeting. So she has expressed her regrets, but she has had to  
23 depart the meeting.

24 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay. Thank you.

25 Yes, Member Howard.

1 MS. HOWARD: I tend to agree with Board Member  
2 Searle, and I tend to agree with the 7 percent alternative  
3 investment. I think that we do need to have some in preparation  
4 for expansion, but again, this is a plan, and it's a long-term  
5 plan, and we don't know what the future holds five years and  
6 beyond, but we need to have a plan to get there. And so I think  
7 that the 7 percent leaves room for pushing the needs that we  
8 have on to our Legislature. I am saddened at the fact that  
9 these numbers as far as meeting such a low percentage of need,  
10 but again, it is a plan, and I'm really hoping that as we move  
11 forward, we can improve those numbers along the way.

12 And again, I thank you for your time and  
13 diligence in this to ADOT staff. It's a huge undertaking. And  
14 the fact that we provide comments back to the public 100  
15 percent, collaboration is the number one tool here, and so many  
16 constituents and residents complain that the states and federal  
17 government don't communicate with them, and I'm just glad to see  
18 that we continue to provide that communication and proof of that  
19 communication back to them during all of these processes. So  
20 thank you.

21 MR. JAMES: Thank you. Appreciate that.

22 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: And this just goes to -- your  
23 presentation is great, and it just goes to reinforce the need  
24 for a dedicated revenue source that will -- that can be added to  
25 what we currently call HURF.

1 I've said before, I'll say it again, the  
2 Legislature needs to make the hard decision and figure out where  
3 that money's coming from, because the State has been blessed.  
4 We have recovered quite well from COVID, at least Maricopa  
5 County has, and the rest of the state is following, but there's  
6 two critical items that are part of that recovery. One is  
7 water, and two is our transportation infrastructure on the  
8 ground. Without either one of those, without one or the other  
9 or without both of them, our progress, our economic progress  
10 will stop. It just won't happen. Industries won't -- companies  
11 won't move here if they don't have good roads to get to and  
12 from -- their employees to and from their jobs. We just won't  
13 be considered for some of the incoming, new innovations and  
14 manufacturers have already -- have already come here, and we  
15 won't continue to get more of them if we don't keep our  
16 infrastructure up.

17 So the Legislature, it's really -- it's their  
18 job, but I've asked Kristine for some -- for some fun -- for  
19 some funding information and revenue source. And I'm working on  
20 a plan -- and I have a couple of legislators that were --  
21 legislators that are willing to listen, because they really need  
22 to come up with an additional dedicated revenue source, because  
23 we can't -- we just can't continue like this for the next 10, 20  
24 years.

25 And I agree, the 7 percent choice is by far the

1 best of what you've shown us, but the best scenario is for them  
2 to give us more money to do what needs to be done to keep the  
3 state competitive with everybody else, with the other states  
4 that we're -- right now we're ahead of, but we're not going to  
5 stay ahead of if we don't have the transportation infrastructure  
6 on the ground, and that's just the way it is. So they need to  
7 step up and do their job.

8 Any other comments? Ted.

9 MR. MAXWELL: Mr. Chair, thank you. I actually  
10 think this is a great conversation coming from the Board, and I  
11 think you can see a lot of the board members' dedication to the  
12 importance of infrastructure as the backbone of both our  
13 economy, but also our quality of life. And so these are not  
14 easy discussions.

15 I'd like the idea of sending a message, but it  
16 also troubles me. I think the last two years we've been blessed  
17 with budget surplus, and that's predominantly where the -- would  
18 I -- we can calm earmarks -- that's a bad word -- but where the  
19 assigned projects have come from the Legislature, and they've  
20 really done great things for rural Arizona particularly.

21 If either the Maricopa or the Pima regional  
22 funding does not get reauthorized eventually, it impacts the  
23 entire state, because now you're going to have a Legislature  
24 that's going to take any funds, assuming there's budget  
25 surpluses in the future, and they're going to use that on the

1 projects where their voters are, which predominantly is going to  
2 reside in Maricopa, when you look at the issue of the  
3 Legislature as a whole.

4 And I fully agree with Chairman Knight on this,  
5 that we do need the Legislature to lead, and that doesn't just  
6 mean give us more money. That means have the discussion, open  
7 the discussion of how we can change our current funding source.  
8 Because it doesn't -- everybody hears you say that and they  
9 think you're talking increasing taxes. That's not the case.  
10 There are a lot of models out there that do not change the tax  
11 basis at all in the state but do collect more money from those  
12 who use the roads for their benefit. And so it's not an easy  
13 solution.

14 I tend to lean towards the 7 percent, because I  
15 think we have to include some expansion in the future plan, for  
16 the planning purposes, kind of like Board Member Howard alluded  
17 to. It's just a plan. We obviously -- I assume we address this  
18 every five years. So --

19 MR. JAMES: Correct.

20 MR. MAXWELL: -- most of us will get another shot  
21 at making these percentages again, but not everyone, and I  
22 really do appreciate the word. And I really appreciate the  
23 comments from the other board members today.

24 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Yes, Jackie.

25 MR. MECK: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

1 I know you probably have taken this into  
2 consideration, but just out of curiosity, does these numbers  
3 take into effect inflation, interest rates, population growth  
4 and also electric cars?

5 MR. JAMES: And it takes -- it does take in  
6 effect, like, population growth. As far as the electric cars,  
7 what we did with that was we looked at the allocations we  
8 received for electric cars, from the -- from the -- from the --  
9 from the IIJA, and we put that to '26 numbers and expanded that  
10 out. So that's how we included EV on that, because we really  
11 didn't have a defined, I guess, picture on, like, you know, what  
12 are going to be the 20 year needs for EV. So that's kind of how  
13 we included that there, which just take the -- you know, take  
14 the numbers that we've already had and project it out.

15 MR. MECK: Well, I commend you on this kind of  
16 report. I mean, that you're going out 50 to 60 years, but  
17 obviously we have to do that, but the preservation,  
18 modernization when you came back with these numbers and that's  
19 what the public asked for, that's commendable, and I thank you  
20 for that.

21 MR. JAMES: Thank you, sir. Appreciate that.

22 MR. MECK: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

23 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Any other comments from the  
24 Board?

25 MR. JAMES: And also, Mr. Chair, I just have one

1 more slide too, so...

2 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay.

3 MR. JAMES: Yeah. It won't be as action-packed  
4 as this one. I promise. So -- but I appreciate the comments.  
5 Thank you very, very much.

6 And then the final one is just the -- just the  
7 schedule. Just -- so we are -- we're going to be wrapping up  
8 the gap analysis by the end of this year. Also, we're doing  
9 resilience analysis. So we're getting that wrapped up too. And  
10 that will be inclusive in the draft Long-Range Transportation  
11 Plan, which is going to be released next month. And before we  
12 release it to public comment, we will make sure that each of you  
13 get a copy of that prior to us releasing it to the 45-day public  
14 comment period.

15 We also are going to have one more public  
16 meeting, statewide virtual, towards the end of July, early  
17 August, just to update the public on our gap analysis,  
18 resiliency analysis and draft Long-Range Transportation Plan.

19 We are tentatively scheduled to have our final  
20 Long-Range Transportation Plan completed in September for a  
21 30-day comment period, and looking for State Transportation  
22 Board adoption in October. So that's kind of where we're --  
23 where we're heading to with our pending deliverables.

24 And with that, that concludes my update.

25 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Yes, Ted.



1                   MR. MAXWELL: Yeah. So I saw that -- the flow  
2 plan, but at what point does this body or do we weigh in on what  
3 our recommendation is regarding the funding sort -- the  
4 percentages versus the recommended alternative?

5                   MR. JAMES: I believe that's going to be in --  
6 and, you know, if I -- Floyd, you can correct me if I'm wrong --  
7 I believe that's going to be towards the final Long-Range  
8 Transportation Plan, a period will be about around September,  
9 so...

10                  MR. MAXWELL: Okay. Thank you.

11                  MR. JAMES: But again, correct me if I'm wrong,  
12 Floyd or Greg.

13                  MR. ROEHRICH: (Inaudible.) This is a planning  
14 activity.

15                  MR. JAMES: Yeah.

16                  MR. ROEHRICH: Where's your boss at, man?

17                  MR. BYRES: So, Mr. Chairman, Board Member  
18 Maxwell, what we'll probably be doing is bringing it -- this up  
19 each month all the way through to October, that way if there's  
20 any other comments that -- during the comment period that come  
21 through, we can keep you abreast of what we're hearing, and then  
22 also bring this forward so that there's an open discussion as we  
23 approach to the adoption in October.

24                  MR. MAXWELL: Thank you. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

25                  Any other comments from the Board? I guess not.

1 MR. JAMES: Awesome. Thank you very much.  
2 Appreciate it.

3 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you for a very  
4 comprehensive report.

5 MR. JAMES: Thank you.

6 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Now we'll move on to Agenda  
7 Item 7, the PPAC.

8 (Pause in recorded audio.)

9 MR. PATANE: -- so for your consideration,  
10 changes to the FY 2023-2027 Statewide Transportation Facilities  
11 Construction Program, new projects Items 7G through 7Q?

12 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Does any board member have a  
13 question or comment on any of the items from 7J to 7Q?

14 VICE CHAIRMAN SEARLE: No questions. So I'll  
15 make a motion to approve.

16 MR. THOMPSON: Second.

17 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: I have a motion from Member  
18 Searle and a second from Member Thompson to approve new  
19 projects, Item 7J through 7- --

20 VICE CHAIRMAN SEARLE: Q.

21 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: -- Q.

22 All those in favor signify by saying aye.

23 BOARD MEMBERS: Aye.

24 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Any opposed? Motion carries.

25 MR. PATANE: So next we have new projects for the

1 Airport Capital Improvement Program. Chairman Knight, Board  
2 Members, for your consideration, changes to the FY 2023-2027  
3 Airport Capital Improvement Program new projects, Items 7R  
4 through -- 7R and 7S.

5 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Any board member have any  
6 questions on 7R and S? Then I will entertain a motion to  
7 approve the Airport Development Programs Items 7R through 7S.

8 MS. HOWARD: So moved.

9 MR. MAXWELL: Second.

10 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: I have a motion from Member  
11 Howard and a second from Member Maxwell to approve as presented.

12 All those in favor signify by saying aye.

13 BOARD MEMBERS: Aye.

14 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Any opposed? Motion carries.

15 MR. PATANE: Thank you.

16 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you, Paul.

17 Well, now we'll move on to Item 8. This is the  
18 SMART Fund.

19 (Pause in recorded audio.)

20 (Break taken.)

21 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: I call the meeting back to  
22 order. Go ahead, Paul. We're on Item 8.

23 MR. PATANE: Thank you, Chairman, Board Members.

24 Today I'll be presenting the State Match  
25 Advantage for Rural Transportation, the Arizona SMART Fund

1 Program. So today we have five applications on the agenda.

2 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: And I would like to let the  
3 Board know that Paul's going to present all five of them, and  
4 then we'll do it one at a time. So if you can hold your  
5 questions until after his presentation of the five applicants.  
6 Thank you.

7 MR. PATANE: So just to recap on the eligibility  
8 uses. The uses include, of the AZ SMART Fund, grant  
9 reimbursement of grant development and submission costs, match  
10 on a federal grant and reimbursement of design and other  
11 engineering services. Currently, all cities and towns and  
12 counties are eligible except for those listed on the slide here.

13 (Pause in recorded audio.)

14 MR. PATANE: Next we have is the City of Gilbert,  
15 which applied for the 2023 RAISE grant for the design of the  
16 Veterans Memorial bikeway ped bridge. The work includes design  
17 of the bike ped bridge over the Union Pacific Railroad in  
18 downtown Gilbert. The project will eliminate the mobility  
19 barrier, reduce illegal track crossings, improve safety for  
20 pedestrians. The request is for match in the amount of  
21 \$375,000.

22 Next we have the -- is the Bullhead City, which  
23 they applied for the 2023 RAISE Grant for the Bullhead Parkway  
24 multimodal improvement projects. On the project, the work  
25 includes some roadway resurfacing, new medians, bus stops, bike

1 and ped paths and upgraded traffic signal systems. The project  
2 will improve safety, reduce congestion, improve efficiency  
3 throughout the city. Applicant is contributing 7.6 million.  
4 The request is for \$3 million for match.

5 The final application is from Coconino County.  
6 This is for 600,000 for design and other engineering services,  
7 and the request is to update the I-40 design concept report for  
8 the Bellemont area. The project will identify current options  
9 to improve, realign and construct a traffic interchange and  
10 frontage road improvements, and the request is for ADOT to  
11 administer this project.

12 So here's a recap of the -- of the five  
13 applications that were submitted, including -- they were  
14 included in the Board packet. We have highlighted in yellow the  
15 two -- the two preference criteria identified in the statute  
16 that the Board may utilize at its discretion. And so we have  
17 the match is part of the criteria, along with the project  
18 partners.

19 All five applications are currently eligible and  
20 have received the required COG, NPO approval and were approved  
21 by the PPAC to be considered by the Board.

22 The total request today is approximately 7.595  
23 million, which 6.775 million is for match and 820,000 request is  
24 for design and other engineering services.

25 So this is a recap of -- on the -- the funds to

1 date. As you can see, today they have earned almost \$181,000 in  
2 interest. This does not reflect, you know, the recent  
3 legislative appropriation of 2.5 million, which will be included  
4 after July 1, and so the available awards, the balance to date  
5 is what's in yellow for each of the categories, because four of  
6 the applications today were for municipalities greater than  
7 10,000. And then one from Coconino County was for counties  
8 greater than 100,000.

9 Are there any questions on what was presented so  
10 far?

11 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Board members have any  
12 questions so far? Go ahead, Mr. Searle.

13 VICE CHAIRMAN SEARLE: Could we go back to that  
14 previous slide?

15 So what I'm hearing you say, Paul, is that the  
16 request from Gilbert, Sierra Vista, Bullhead City and Phoenix  
17 all fall under that municipalities 10,000 or greater, and we  
18 have 3,496,000 available to award?

19 MR. PATANE: Yes, Board Member Searle.

20 VICE CHAIRMAN SEARLE: And then -- so then  
21 Coconino County also -- so we don't have enough money to  
22 allocate the four of them then; is that correct?

23 MR. PATANE: That is correct, sir.

24 VICE CHAIRMAN SEARLE: Okay. Just want to make  
25 sure we're all on the same page.

1                   CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: At this point, just to make  
2 things maybe a little quicker, I would accept a motion to award  
3 the AZ SMART funds to Coconino County. It's the only pot that  
4 can handle their request, and their request is only 639,000.

5                   VICE CHAIRMAN SEARLE: I'll second that. You  
6 made the motion.

7                   CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay.

8                   MR. MAXWELL: Mr. Chair, could I ask for  
9 clarification on the motion?

10                  CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Pardon?

11                  MR. MAXWELL: Can I ask for clarification on the  
12 motion? Are we going to go back and talk about the other four?  
13 So for simplicity --

14                  CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Yeah, for simplicity, if we --  
15 if we do the easy one first, then we can tackle the four hard  
16 ones.

17                  MR. MAXWELL: Thank you, sir.

18                  CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: So I made a motion, seconded by  
19 Member Searle to award the SMART funds requested by Coconino  
20 County.

21                  All those -- all those -- is there any -- yes.

22                  MR. THOMPSON: I got something to say. Thank you  
23 to yourself, Chairman, and to the Vice for agreeing to go along  
24 with the proposal. Earlier during the comment period, there was  
25 a gentleman that came on and already discussed the issue with

1 us. So therefore, not discuss it, but rather presents to us his  
2 concern about this one here. And I've been meeting with some of  
3 the supervisors as well as the MetroPlan that was mentioned  
4 (inaudible). So again, thank you very much. That is definitely  
5 in need of. Thank you very much.

6 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Well, if Mr. Searle hadn't made  
7 my comment a motion, I would have left it for you, because --  
8 but anyway, it is what it is.

9 All those -- all those in favor signify by saying  
10 aye.

11 BOARD MEMBERS: Aye.

12 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Any opposed? Motion carried.

13 So now we'll move to the four that have applied  
14 for money that's not all there. Would the Board -- anybody on  
15 the Board like to start the discussion?

16 Go ahead, Ted.

17 MR. MAXWELL: If you're looking for somebody to  
18 start the discussion, I'll fill that role.

19 Yeah. Mr. Chair, there's two things that worry  
20 me about this category. This is the category that was -- we  
21 heard about earlier in the legislative update, both as my  
22 understanding, the changes to whose eligible will occur 90 days  
23 after sine die. The Legislature was pretty clear across the  
24 board that they believed in those changes. That's why I asked  
25 the question about if it had been retroactive. Matter of fact,



1 the Senate vote was 25 to 5, the House vote was 46 to 13,  
2 recommending those changes, and my understanding was that the  
3 Governor's office also supported those changes as this was  
4 targeted towards the rural transportation.

5 I do think these two cities that are outside  
6 of -- Pima and Maricopa -- on these valid applications. So at  
7 some point I'd be willing to move those forward, but that's -- I  
8 think we've got to at least consider the -- what the intent of  
9 the Legislature is in this case and the Governor's office as  
10 well. But at a minimum, we know we can't award all these, and  
11 obviously, one of the requests is for 3- -- I believe it was  
12 3.4 million. So that's going to be a challenge as well.

13 VICE CHAIRMAN SEARLE: So clarification, Ted,  
14 you're saying that we move ahead with Bullhead City and Sierra  
15 Vista?

16 MR. MAXWELL: I would be willing to make that  
17 motion.

18 VICE CHAIRMAN SEARLE: And if just additional --  
19 we've got 3.4 in there right now, but with the additional  
20 funding after July 1st, another 2.5, it takes up to 5.9. So  
21 even if we didn't -- on these other ones, we could revisit this  
22 in July when there's additional funding. Okay.

23 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: There's only -- I'd like to  
24 make one comment. There's only one drawback -- there's only one  
25 obstacle. The RAISE grant that they've all applied for, that --

1 the decision on that comes out the 28th of this month, which  
2 means that after July, they'll know they -- whether or not they  
3 got it, if they didn't get it. However, I guess my question  
4 would be they can still apply for -- even if they didn't -- if  
5 they didn't get it, and once the 2.5 million, after July 1st,  
6 becomes available, then they could apply -- reapply for a RAISE  
7 grant and reapply for SMART funds that would be available at  
8 that time; is that correct?

9 MR. PATANE: Chairman, Board Members, they're  
10 eligible up until the execution of the grant agreement. Once  
11 the grant agreement execs -- is executed, they're no longer  
12 eligible and...

13 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay. So what you're telling  
14 me then is June 28th is not a hard deadline. It's just when  
15 they receive yes or no, and if we (inaudible) they could still  
16 get the SMART funds, because the RAISE grant wouldn't have been  
17 executed? Is that what you're saying?

18 MR. PATANE: Correct.

19 MR. ROEHRICH: So -- well, hold on.

20 Mr. Chairman --

21 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: What's the execution date?  
22 Does anybody know?

23 MR. ROEHRICH: Well, it will be after -- once  
24 they get the grant, then they will execute the grant agreement,  
25 that will come after the fact.

1                   But I think, unless I'm misunderstanding this,  
2     the cities have already submitted their application, meaning  
3     they've already identified all the funding sources. They're  
4     asking for reimbursement or assistance in financial match from  
5     the SMART Fund, but that shouldn't hinge on where the  
6     application is, because the application's already been submitted  
7     with all the financials developed.

8                   So whether you action it now or after they get  
9     the notification of award, they can always come back and ask for  
10    that reimbursement as well, because we're reimbursing what's  
11    already been put in their financial plan. So it should not  
12    impact them getting the grant through the process. That's how I  
13    understand it; is that correct?

14                  MR. PATANE: Yeah, go ahead.

15                  MS. DANKA: Mr. Chairman, Members, for the  
16    record, my name is Lisa Danka, and I am the manager of the AZ  
17    SMART grant program.

18                  The determination on when a federal grant  
19    agreement is executed depends on the project and its readiness.  
20    The determination on whether they can apply for an AZ SMART  
21    grant is based on whether or not that federal grant agreement  
22    has been executed. Once that's executed, they would not be  
23    eligible for the AZ SMART program from the perspective of match.

24                  MR. MAXWELL: Mr. Chair.

25                  CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Go ahead, Ted.

1                   MR. MAXWELL: Can we confirm? I believe we heard  
2 this at the meeting in Winslow. If we award some of this to the  
3 ones who are applying in 2023, so they won't know until  
4 June 28th, if they do not get the RAISE grant, then those funds  
5 return into the SMART fund portfolio and can be reissued to  
6 others?

7                   MR. PATANE: That is correct, Board Member  
8 Maxwell.

9                   MR. MAXWELL: Thank you.

10                  CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: So did you make your  
11 recommendation in the form of a motion on Bullhead City and  
12 Sierra Vista?

13                  MR. MAXWELL: For the purpose of discussion, I  
14 will absolutely move that we approve the Bullhead --

15                  MR. ROEHRICH: Mr. Chairman, just -- you want to  
16 try to keep these all separated, because they have the potential  
17 to have different impacts. Will you please -- I would recommend  
18 that you take each application individually. So if you would  
19 like to move those two forward, let's do Bullhead first, then  
20 Sierra Vista, but let's do them individually so they're not tied  
21 together in case something happens to one over the other. Then  
22 the motion gets impacted.

23                  MR. MAXWELL: Floyd, greatly appreciate your  
24 input. So therefore, I will move that we award the Sierra Vista  
25 AZ SMART Fund first.

1 VICE CHAIRMAN SEARLE: I will second that.

2 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Well, I have a motion from  
3 Member Maxwell and a second from Member Searle to award AZ SMART  
4 fund to --

5 MR. MAXWELL: Sierra.

6 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: -- Sierra Vista. Any further  
7 discussion?

8 All those in favor signify by saying aye.

9 BOARD MEMBERS: Aye.

10 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay. That takes care of  
11 Sierra Vista, and what -- all I'm working on is what the balance  
12 is going to be, but if you want to move on to -- Gilbert's only  
13 asking for 375,000.

14 Mr. Chair, at this time I'll move that we award  
15 Bullhead City's, because I think that the Gilbert one's back in  
16 (inaudible) --

17 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Three -- I was trying to see  
18 what was left. They're going to -- it's going to be slightly  
19 less than 3 million, but they're going to get almost 3 million.  
20 349, 349, 6, 780...

21 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: There's no longer three  
22 left right now.

23 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Right now, if we -- according  
24 to my calculations, if we awarded Gilbert the 375,000 --  
25 although they've got zero contributing -- my recommendation

1 would be to award Bullhead City the 3 million. There's only  
2 100,000 -- a little less than 100,000 --

3 MR. ROEHRICH: So Mr. Chairman.

4 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: -- would put -- it would put --

5 MR. ROEHRICH: So Mr. Chairman, Board Member  
6 Maxwell already made a motion to award Bullhead City. Did you  
7 want to ask for a second, or did you want to go back and  
8 deliberate on that motion?

9 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay. I do have a motion. You  
10 did make a motion for Bullhead City. Okay. I've got a motion  
11 to award Bullhead City and a second from?

12 VICE CHAIRMAN SEARLE: I'll second.

13 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: I've got a second from Member  
14 Searle.

15 MR. ROEHRICH: Yes, sir. Now, please do your  
16 deliberation if you want to look at what funding is available.

17 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay. So somebody can do the  
18 math out there and see what's left for the last applicant. It's  
19 going to be -- but anyway, I have a -- I have a motion and a  
20 second.

21 All those in favor signify by saying aye.

22 BOARD MEMBERS: Aye.

23 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Any opposed?

24 Okay. We've awarded the SMART Funds to Bullhead  
25 City.

1 MR. ROEHRICH: Mr. Chairman, before we move on --

2 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: The balance of --

3 MR. ROEHRICH: That's what I want to double-  
4 check. They're working the balance right now. What we may have  
5 is if you award more money than what is in there, we may have to  
6 put a cap on it. So let's quick -- let's let them do the math.  
7 So if they approved Bullhead City, how much was the left after  
8 approving Sierra Vista?

9 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thank you.

10 (Inaudible conversation.)

11 MR. PATANE: It should be -- with the balance  
12 will be approximately \$277,000.

13 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: That's what I thought. That's  
14 what I thought.

15 So do I have a motion to award the balance in the  
16 municipal pot 10 -- 10K plus to -- of AZ SMART Funds to the City  
17 of Gilbert?

18 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: For purposes of  
19 discussion --

20 MR. MECK: I'll make the motion.

21 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: I have a motion from have  
22 Member Meck.

23 VICE CHAIRMAN SEARLE: (Inaudible) decision. I'll  
24 second it, but I think --

25 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay.

1                   VICE CHAIRMAN SEARLE:  -- I think there is some  
2 discussion on this topic.

3                   CHAIRMAN KNIGHT:  Okay.  And a second from Member  
4 Searle.  And the floor is yours, Mr. Searle.

5                   VICE CHAIRMAN SEARLE:  The question is, and then  
6 Ted brought it up earlier, is the intent of the Legislature is  
7 do these -- does Gilbert comply with the intent of the  
8 legislation for the SMART Funds?  And I think that's something  
9 that I think as a board, we should discuss.

10                  CHAIRMAN KNIGHT:  Well, it's my understanding  
11 that staff has determined that they do before they bring them to  
12 us; is that correct?

13                  MR. PATANE:  Correct.  They -- currently, Gilbert  
14 does qualify for the AZ SMART.

15                  CHAIRMAN KNIGHT:  Okay.  Does that --

16                  VICE CHAIRMAN SEARLE:  They comply -- will they  
17 comply on July 2nd?

18                  MR. ROEHRICH:  So, Mr. Chairman, Mr. Searle, when  
19 the new law takes effect, which will be 90 days after sine die,  
20 which we don't know yet, because they've extended their session  
21 to -- at least to July 31st, when that law takes effect, they  
22 will not be eligible, but that date is not known at this point.

23                  VICE CHAIRMAN SEARLE:  Fair enough.

24                  MR. PATANE:  So 90 days could be November, at the  
25 earliest?  Whenever --



1 VICE CHAIRMAN SEARLE: Yeah. It could be some --

2 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: As I understand it.

3 VICE CHAIRMAN SEARLE: Then with the additional  
4 2.5 that we will have in this bucket, come July 2nd,  
5 theoretically, we could give them the entire amount that they're  
6 requesting in July.

7 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: That's -- I can't answer that  
8 question, because I'm -- I haven't read the legislation.

9 MR. ROEHRICH: Mr. Chairman, Mr. Searle, on  
10 July 1st, when the additional two and a half million dollars is  
11 put into each of these individual buckets, that will create a  
12 new balance, and then that money will be available. For  
13 distribution at that time. But until July 1st, all we have is  
14 these balances that are -- that Paul presented today.

15 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: And at this time we cannot  
16 encumber those funds; is that correct?

17 MR. ROEHRICH: That's almost a legal question for  
18 Michelle, but I will tell you administratively that has been the  
19 actions we've taken, to not encumber those future funds until  
20 they become available. That is correct.

21 MR. MAXWELL: Mr. Chair.

22 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Ted.

23 MR. MAXWELL: -- get any clarification on the  
24 Phoenix number for their project? Because I thought that was  
25 higher than the numbers we're talking right now, but if I could

1 get that clarification, it would help this discussion.

2 MR. PATANE: The request from the City of Phoenix  
3 was 3.4 million for MAG.

4 MR. MAXWELL: So I guess that's an additional  
5 concern on top of whether the -- one, I am concerned about going  
6 against the will of the Legislature and the Governor at this  
7 point, and I'm going to assume that there's -- and that's -- I  
8 know assumptions are bad. You never make an assumption, but --  
9 but I know from the votes of the Legislature it was definitely  
10 their intent, and the Governor signed the bill into law. So I'm  
11 going to make the leap that she was supportive of the concept in  
12 general.

13 That's one concern, but another concern with the  
14 Phoenix rate -- the proposal was that's \$3.4 million. That ask  
15 is more than we will have for the entire next fiscal year to  
16 award to the cities above 10,000, and that includes the rural  
17 cities, and this -- you know, not from a rural area, but it's  
18 very clear that SMART, the last two words in it is rural  
19 transportation. So I take that -- I do take that somewhat  
20 seriously.

21 To your point, I would not be opposed to issuing  
22 what we have remaining in this fund to Gilbert. It doesn't get  
23 them their entire slot. And do we have the option -- I guess  
24 clarification, Paul. Do we have the option of awarding less  
25 than the amount requested? I know we did that with Flag

1 earlier, so I'm going to assume that that's still an option.

2 And to your point, Mr. Chair, you said they right  
3 now -- it looks like there's no city money in this, and this  
4 would really require them to put some skin in the game as well.

5 And those are just my thoughts in one long  
6 stream.

7 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay. So --

8 MR. ROEHRICH: So Mr. Chairman and Mr. Maxwell,  
9 the way my understanding is, the motion that was made to award  
10 the funds to Gilbert were to fund up to a balance that -- left  
11 in the account, whatever it is. So the motion was not to give  
12 them their full amount. It was to give them -- the balance left  
13 would be \$277,008.19. So that would tap out that account.  
14 That's how I understood the motion verbiage, unless you want to  
15 either modify the motion or present a new motion.

16 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Well, so should the motion be  
17 to just award the balance in that particular --

18 MR. ROEHRICH: That's what the motion said. What  
19 I heard Mr. Searle say when he said it was to -- or I'm sorry.  
20 Mayor Meck had given the motion -- was to award the balance that  
21 was in the account to Gilbert. So that's the motion I believe  
22 was made.

23 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: I think the -- yeah. The  
24 motion was to award the balance, whatever that --

25 MR. ROEHRICH: Whatever was left in that account,

1 and it's the \$277,019 --

2 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: And then that pot will be --

3 MR. ROEHRICH: It'll be zero balance out. There  
4 will be no funds left.

5 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: It will be zeroed out until  
6 July 1st.

7 MR. ROEHRICH: July 1st.

8 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay.

9 Mr. Chair, one more.

10 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Yes, please. Ted.

11 MR. MAXWELL: Thank you, Mr. Chair.

12 Director, I guess I'd turn to you as the director  
13 on the Governor's staff, and I know I've said I'm going to make  
14 this assumption or to make the leap. Do you know what the  
15 Governor's thoughts on the change in the pending legislation --  
16 or the -- it's not pending legislation -- the legislation that's  
17 been signed into law, what -- do you know her thoughts and  
18 opinions on that?

19 DIRECTOR TOTH: Mr. Chairman, Member Maxwell, I  
20 think you hit it right on the head when you said rural is in the  
21 name of the SMART grant.

22 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Any further discussion?

23 I have a motion and a second. All those in favor  
24 signify by saying aye.

25 BOARD MEMBERS: Aye.

1 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay. And just to be clear,  
2 the motion was to award the balance of the SMART funds in the  
3 (inaudible) 10k plus to City of Gilbert?

4 MR. ROEHRICH: Yes, sir. You called for the aye.  
5 Are there any nays? I didn't hear if you asked for any nays.

6 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Any opposed? Motion carries.

7 MR. ROEHRICH: Thank you.

8 MR. MAXWELL: Mr. Chair, can I make one final  
9 comment?

10 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Yeah. Go ahead, Ted.

11 MR. MAXWELL: I do appreciate the Town of Gilbert  
12 having a Veterans Memorial Bicycle pedestrian bridge. I think  
13 it's a -- it's always proper to honor those who have served,  
14 especially those who have given in communities, and there's a  
15 lot of different forms of service, but I think that one played  
16 into my decision to continue to support that, despite some of my  
17 other concerns.

18 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Well, I think the fact that it  
19 kind of needs there -- needs to be there because of the railroad  
20 tracks. They are currently having to cross the railroad tracks  
21 without -- it looks like without a crossing of any kind. So it  
22 looks like it's much needed. So anyway...

23 MR. ROEHRICH: So Mr. Chairman and Board Members,  
24 before we move on, I do want to make sure we get this on the  
25 record.

1           Having approved the other four applications that  
2     have been presented, and now that the category is zero balance,  
3     the City of Phoenix application, it really is not able to be  
4     actioned at this time. So by default, that application, I  
5     guess, will no longer be presented to the Board.

6           MR. MAXWELL: Floyd, do you need an action? I  
7     mean, do we need to vote on the City of Phoenix?

8           MR. ROEHRICH: Unless you're going to vote zero.  
9     I don't know what else you would vote.

10          MR. MAXWELL: Mr. Chair, can we vote to move that  
11     conversation into July? I mean, that will -- we'll probably  
12     have much longer discussion on the legislative and --

13          CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: You want to defer it?

14          MR. MAXWELL: We would defer that until we  
15     have -- we don't have the funds right now.

16          CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: I have a motion to defer it to  
17     the next board meeting. Do I have a second?

18          VICE CHAIRMAN SEARLE: I'll second that.

19          CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: I have a motion from Member  
20     Maxwell and a second from Member Searle to move the application  
21     from the City of Phoenix, to defer that and move it to our next  
22     meeting, which will be in July.

23          MR. MAXWELL: And just for clarification on top  
24     of that, there's still not going to be enough funds to meet the  
25     Phoenix request in July.

1 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: True.

2 MR. ROEHRICH: So I'd asked not to deliberate on  
3 that beyond the deferral at this point.

4 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Yeah. Right now we're just  
5 kicking the can down the road. Yes. And so it doesn't really  
6 change the situation, and maybe -- okay. Any further  
7 discussion?

8 All those in favor signify by saying aye.

9 BOARD MEMBERS: Aye.

10 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Any opposed?

11 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: I'll oppose that.

12 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: One opposed. Motion carries.

13 MR. PATANE: Thank you.

14 MR. BYRES: We'll move on to Agenda Item  
15 Number 9, the state engineer's report, with Greg Byers.

16 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: All right. There you go.

17 MR. BYRES: Thank you, Mr. Chairman, Board  
18 Members. We have -- I'll kind of go through the summary of  
19 active and finalized projects. We have 104 projects under  
20 construction, or 2.2 billion. Eight projects have been  
21 finalized in May. We're at 12.5 million. Fiscal year to date,  
22 we have 66 projects that have been finalized.

23 That is the state engineer's report on  
24 construction projects.

25 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you, Greg.

1 Do any board members have any questions for Greg?  
2 Then we'll move on finally to Item Number 10, new  
3 construction contracts.

4 MR. BYRES: Thank you very much, Mr. Chairman.

5 What you see in front of you is a -- basically a  
6 summary of the projects that we had this past month. We had a  
7 total of seven projects. Right now we are carrying a difference  
8 of \$11,877,405.08, or 1.7 percent over what we were projecting  
9 for construction.

10 So as you look at the totals for the entire year,  
11 you can see where we're at. We actually did pretty good this  
12 month. We were under, which dropped us down to that 1.7  
13 percent. So we're traveling actually in a very good position at  
14 this point in time, especially getting towards the end of the  
15 year.

16 So we can go on to Item 10A. 10A, now I've got  
17 to get to my notes. 10A is a project that was postponed last  
18 month. This was a -- we had an apparent lower that was KEZ  
19 Construction, Inc. They did not have a timely submittal of  
20 their BECO documentation, and it was determined that they were  
21 ineligible for award. So with that, we went to the second  
22 bidder, and with the second bidder, the lower -- the second  
23 bidder's bid was \$896,887.00. The State's estimate was  
24 \$625,325. The difference was \$271,562, or 43.4 percent over the  
25 State's estimate.



1           The construction costs were higher than estimated  
2     due to the remote location of the site. Construction is also  
3     going to progress slower than estimated due to the slope of some  
4     of the surfaces that we have within the scour protection. After  
5     we analyzed the current bid, it appears to be responsive and  
6     responsible, and we recommend award to Whelcon Contractors, LLC.

7           CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Is there a motion to award  
8     Item 10A to Whelcon Contractors, LLC, as presented?

9           MS. HOWARD: So moved.

10          VICE CHAIRMAN SEARLE: Second.

11          CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: I have a motion from Member  
12     Howard and a second from Member Searle to award Item 10A to  
13     Whelcon Contractors, LLC.

14          All those in favor signify by saying aye.

15          BOARD MEMBERS: Aye.

16          CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Any proposed? I'm waiting,  
17     Richard. Motion carries, unanimous.

18          MR. BYRES: The next item we have is Item 10B.  
19     This is a pedestrian facilities improvement project. This is  
20     actually the second time this project has bid. The first time  
21     there were no bidders. This is a city project. This time  
22     around, as it bid, we only had one bidder. The one bid received  
23     was substantially higher than the State's estimate. The City of  
24     Apache Junction is not willing to accept the higher cost for the  
25     project, and it is recommended that we reject all bids.

1 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Do I have a motion from the  
2 Board to --

3 VICE CHAIRMAN SEARLE: This sounds like right up  
4 my alley. Yeah, I'll make the motion.

5 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: To reject all bids?

6 MS. HOWARD: I'll second.

7 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Do I have a second?

8 MS. HOWARD: I'll second.

9 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: I have a motion from Member  
10 Searle and a second from Member Howard.

11 MR. MAXWELL: Mr. Chair, I have a question, just  
12 for discussion purposes.

13 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Ted.

14 MR. MAXWELL: So this is the second time we've  
15 gone out on bid on this one, and we got zero bids, and we got a  
16 single bid. What do you believe the issue is?

17 MR. BYRES: In this particular case, this is a --  
18 it's a pedestrian facilities improvement. It's a fairly -- one,  
19 it's a very difficult project to do. The bids that you've  
20 seen -- or the one bid that we did receive as -- was  
21 substantially higher than the engineer's estimate. There just  
22 isn't a lot of interest in this particular project at this point  
23 in time. It may be something that we will go back to the city  
24 and look at rescoping the project to make it a little bit more  
25 palatable for contractors, and hopefully we can entice more

1 interest in the project.

2 MR. MAXWELL: Thank you.

3 MR. BYRES: Thanks.

4 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay. I have a motion and a  
5 second. All those in favor signify by saying aye.

6 BOARD MEMBERS: Aye.

7 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Any opposed?

8 MR. BYRES: Thank you.

9 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Unanimous. We're -- that one  
10 passes as well.

11 That's all I've got for you, right?

12 MR. BYRES: Yep. That's it.

13 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you.

14 MS. HOWARD: Greg, I have a quick question.

15 MR. BYRES: Yes.

16 MS. HOWARD: Waterfall Bridge and Queen Creek  
17 Bridge, they were slated to bid this spring. Do you have a  
18 schedule for those?

19 MR. BYRES: So Queen Creek Bridge is --  
20 they're -- if they're not bidding this week, I think they bid  
21 here coming up in the next -- in the next week.

22 MS. HOWARD: Okay.

23 MR. BYRES: So it's on the schedule.

24 MS. HOWARD: Thank you.

25 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay. We'll move on to Item

1 Number 11. Does the Board have any suggestions for future  
2 agenda items? Ted.

3 MR. MAXWELL: Mr. Chair, I do have one suggestion  
4 based on that -- the first time I saw documentation, one of our  
5 things from the Aeronautic Division. At some point I'd like  
6 ADOT to set up to have the Aeronautic Division come in and kind  
7 of give us a briefing of what they do and the differences. You  
8 know, I've had a lot of questions on, you know, the Grand Canyon  
9 is treated differently and how those things work. And it could  
10 be a study session or a board meeting in the future, depending  
11 how busy the board meeting schedule is, but I'd appreciate to  
12 learn more about that division.

13 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay. Any other comments?  
14 Yes, Jesse.

15 MR. THOMPSON: Chairman, members of the Board,  
16 staff and audience, I was thinking that there's some discussion  
17 that took place earlier regarding increasing the HURF moneys.  
18 In the past years, maybe a couple of years back, we sent a  
19 message to the Governor about the status of the -- her money and  
20 our concern. Could we be able to do that again, get that  
21 message to the Governor?

22 MR. ROEHRICH: So Mr. Chairman, Mr. Thompson,  
23 what you're referring to is when you adopted the five-year  
24 program previously. In the letter of transmittal that comes by  
25 the director on behalf of the Board and submits it, there were

1 statements in there regarding the impacts that our funding  
2 situation has been. That is a question that I'm afraid I'm  
3 going to have to defer to the -- to the director on. If you're  
4 asking that of her to take that message forward, that then  
5 becomes an issue that she's going to have to agree to.

6 DIRECTOR TOTH: Mr. Chairman, Member Thompson,  
7 I think you might be referring to the last Long-Range  
8 Transportation Plan. When the plan was adopted, the Board  
9 actually adopted a letter and signed off on it in regard to  
10 trying to make a statement that the revenue and the funding  
11 gap needed to be addressed.

12 MR. THOMPSON: Yes.

13 DIRECTOR TOTH: We'd be happy to have that  
14 conversation with the Board again.

15 MR. THOMPSON: Chairman, there's only  
16 recommendation, if that's where the Board wants to go.

17 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you, Jesse.

18 I want one announcement. If the board members  
19 would all remain, they would -- the City of Florence would like  
20 a picture of all of us in front of that background over there.  
21 So if you -- don't run off.

22 And I think Floyd might have a comment or two  
23 about the next meeting.

24 MR. ROEHRICH: Just a reminder, the next meeting  
25 is in the town of Show Low. It's Friday, July 21st, and we

1 already started coordinating with the town on a number of  
2 issues. As we gather information, we'll make sure to send it  
3 out to all the board members and staff.

4 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Great, thank you, Floyd.

5 Having covered all the items on today's agenda,  
6 this meeting is adjourned.

7 (Meeting adjourned at 12:21 p.m.)  
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**Adjournment**

***Chairman Gary Knight adjourned the State Transportation Board Meeting on June 16, 2023.***

**Meeting adjourned at 12:21p.m. PST.**

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State Transportation Board

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Jennifer Toth, Director  
Arizona Department of Transportation



**STATE TRANSPORTATION BOARD MEETING  
IN PERSON WITH OPTIONAL TELEPHONIC/WEBEX ATTENDANCE**

**9:00am, July 21, 2023**

**City of Show Low**

**181 N. 9<sup>th</sup> Street**

**Show Low, Arizona 85901**

**Call to Order**

Chairman Gary Knight called the State Transportation Board Meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

**Pledge**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Floyd Roehrich, Jr.

**Roll Call by Board Secretary, Sherry Garcia**

A quorum of the State Transportation Board was present. **In attendance (in person):** Chairman Gary Knight, Board Member Ted Maxwell, Board Member Jesse Thompson, Board Member Jenny Howard, and Board Member Jackie Meck. Vice Chairman Richard Searle participated virtually via WebEx. Board Member Jenn Daniels was absent. There were approximately 68 members of the public on-line and approximately 40 attendees in person.

**Opening Remarks**

Chairman Knight reminded members of the public, to keep their computer or phone muted during the meeting, unless called to speak during the Call to Audience.

**Title VI of the Civil Rights Act**

Floyd Roehrich, Jr., read Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended. Floyd, also reminded individuals to fill out survey cards, with the link shown on the agenda.

**Call to the Audience**

An opportunity was provided to members of the public to address the State Transportation Board. Members of the public were requested not to exceed a three minute time period for their comments.

ARIZONA STATE TRANSPORTATION BOARD  
BOARD MEETING

REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

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City of Show Low  
181 North 9th Street  
Show Low, Arizona 85901

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2 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Moving on to call to the  
3 audience, telephonically and WebEx. Everyone will be muted when  
4 they call in to the meeting. When your name is called to  
5 provide your comments, you will indicate your presence by  
6 virtually raising your hand using your phone keypad, which when  
7 it works is star three, or through the WebEx application. The  
8 WebEx host will guide you through the unmuting and muting  
9 process following the instructions included with the meeting  
10 agenda.

11 In person, there is an opportunity for members of  
12 the public to discuss items of interest to the Board. Please  
13 fill out a Request For Public Input Form and give it to the  
14 board secretary, in this case, to Floyd, if you wish to address  
15 the Board.

16 In the interest of time, both  
17 telephonically/WebEx and in person, a three-minute limit will be  
18 imposed in order that we can move along in a timely manner.  
19 Please limit your remarks to three minutes.

20 So, Floyd, if you will call the first.

21 MR. ROEHRICH: Mr. Chairman, our first speaker  
22 will be showing Show Low Mayor Leech.

23 MAYOR LEECH: Good morning. Like he said, my  
24 name is John Leech, Junior. I'm the mayor of Show Low. First  
25 of all, welcome you guys to beautiful Show Low, and we

1 appreciate it very much.

2 A little housekeeping. There's restrooms back  
3 there, for you people out there and anybody in the audience.  
4 You go out past the library. There's restrooms over there.

5 I'm really excited that you guys are up here, and  
6 I just want to thank you so much for what you've done up on the  
7 mountain so far. You've done a lot not just in our community,  
8 Pinetop-Lakeside and Show Low, but up on the rim for people  
9 coming up here. I'm sure you guys knew how dangerous it was up  
10 on the rim. I drove up there yesterday, and it looks amazing.  
11 So I know there's a lot of work to be done. I know you guys are  
12 playing catch-up. I get it. But I just appreciate everything  
13 you've done so far, and anytime you want to come up to the  
14 mountain, you're more than welcome.

15 And I know the comment earlier about how your  
16 community works together. I think Mr. Maxwell made that  
17 comment. Stephanie Irwin's going to talk as soon as I'm done,  
18 but we work great together. We do -- we do so many events up  
19 here on this mountain, we -- you know, Pinetop does theirs. We  
20 do ours. But when we talk to each other with mayor -- when --  
21 it's a community effort, and same with our roads. When they  
22 have bad roads, we go up there too.

23 But we definitely appreciate everything you're  
24 doing, and if you need anything, our city manager's in the back.  
25 He'll wave his hand. Unfortunately, I've got to take off here

1 in a little bit. I kind of had a rough night last night, so I'm  
2 going to probably take off here in a little bit, but thank you  
3 again for coming. If you need anything whatsoever, let us know  
4 that. Thank you again.

5 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you, Mr. Mayor.

6 MR. ROEHRICH: Our next speaker will be Pinetop-  
7 Lakeside Mayor Stephanie Irwin.

8 MAYOR IRWIN: Good morning, Mr. Chairman, members  
9 of the Board, staff. I'm Stephanie Irwin, the Mayor of Pinetop-  
10 Lakeside, and I just would like to echo some of Mayor Leech's  
11 comments. We came to your meeting in May and presented our case  
12 to be implemented onto the five-year plan, and I think that  
13 you've definitely heard our voices, and we are so grateful for  
14 that, I can't even begin to tell, as well as the emergency road  
15 repairs that were made to Highway 260, which is our main street,  
16 White Mountain Boulevard. We have about 28,000 cars that travel  
17 through there, vehicles that travel through there on a daily  
18 basis, and our citizens are eternally grateful. As I was  
19 driving down this morning, it was a pleasure. I was able to  
20 keep my car in one lane without going off to the side or into  
21 the center lane to avoid the holes. So thank you very, very  
22 much for that. We appreciate it.

23 I would also like to invite you to possibly  
24 schedule a meeting maybe next summer in the Pinetop-Lakeside  
25 community. We would love to host you, and I hope we can make



1 that work.

2 Special thanks also to our district engineer, Ed  
3 Wilson, and our district representative Jesse Thompson, for  
4 helping to shepherd us through the process of getting back on  
5 the five-year plan as well as the emergency road repairs that  
6 are made.

7 So thank you, and I hope you enjoy your stay in  
8 our community. As Mayor Leech said, we are separate entities,  
9 but we all work together on a regional level, and we're all good  
10 friends. It's a healthy rivalry, much the same as you probably  
11 have with those other schools you might have mentioned earlier.  
12 Anyway, thank you again. Appreciate your time.

13 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you, Mayor.

14 MR. ROEHRICH: Our next speaker is Mr. Jim  
15 Patterson.

16 MR. PATTERSON: Thank you. My name is Jim  
17 Patterson, Mr. Chairman. I appreciate it, and the board members  
18 and so on, and the Director and all the staff and the  
19 organization. One of the greatest, in my opinion, organizations  
20 in the State of Arizona, and probably one of the most important  
21 to everybody. And echo the comments of the mayors and so on. I  
22 spend most of all my summers up here, and the roads were  
23 atrocious, and they were causing a lot of problems. And as Bill  
24 Gibson told me from Charlie Clark's, that the police department  
25 weren't picking them up anymore for weaving around, you know,

1 even though they came out of Charlie Clark's. But I don't know  
2 what we're going to do now that the roads are fixed and they're  
3 straight.

4 But anyway, thank you very much for what you do,  
5 and I know that we all need to talk to our elected officials to  
6 get more money for transportation. I mean, it's vitally  
7 important across there, and then as the -- as the mileage goes  
8 up and so on, the needs are greater and greater. So on -- even  
9 though Jackie didn't want to say it, I met him before that, and  
10 he went -- came down to the University of Arizona. And he was  
11 in Buckeye. I was Chandler. But we've had a long, long  
12 relationship, and it's been wonderful. Good to see you. Thank  
13 you.

14 MR. MECK: Bear down.

15 MR. PATTERSON: Hunker down.

16 MR. ROEHRICH: Our next speaker is Mr. Craig  
17 Starkey. Mr. Craig Starkey.

18 MR. STARKEY: I'll pass.

19 MR. ROEHRICH: Pass? You don't have to, you  
20 know. Our next speaker is --

21 MR. STARKEY: I'll just make one comment. How  
22 much you -- excuse me.

23 MR. ROEHRICH: Please come up to the microphone.  
24 Thank you.

25 MR. STARKEY: How much you people are

1 appreciated. From church the other day, they were asking people  
2 if they had anything that they were thankful for, and the  
3 congregation of the whole -- all for ADOT and fixing our roads.  
4 So you are appreciated because they could get to church without  
5 blowing up a tire. Thanks for all your efforts.

6 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you for your comment.

7 MR. ROEHRICH: Our next speaker's Mr. Dave  
8 Roberts.

9 MR. ROBERTS: Doug.

10 MR. ROEHRICH: Doug Roberts. Thank you.

11 MR. ROBERTS: Thank you, Chairman and Members. I  
12 want to echo what Mayor Leech and Mayor Irwin have said and  
13 Mr. Patterson. As residents up here on the mountain,  
14 transportation is crucial and vital to us in a rural area. We  
15 can't get -- we can't -- all of our products and, you know, our  
16 lifeblood is the roads between here and the Valley and, you  
17 know, points.

18 And having those roads available, and oftentimes  
19 I think what you may always hear are all the complaints about  
20 the potholes and -- you know, we heard them all winter long. We  
21 recognize we had a very, very tough winter. You guys do a  
22 difficult task, and you tackle a difficult task. We appreciate  
23 your efforts, and we appreciate the efforts of the road workers,  
24 the snowplow drivers, the people that are out there filling the  
25 potholes.

1           We recognize that there are funding limitations.  
2 We would like to see that increase, obviously. We wonder what  
3 happens to the HURF funds. We understand some of those have  
4 been maybe applied differently than what we would like. So we  
5 would like to improve -- the state legislators to restore  
6 whatever funding there are or increase whatever funding you can  
7 get.

8           And again, I think it's mostly we recognize that  
9 you guys are doing a difficult job. We are grateful that you  
10 have these meetings in different areas of the state so that  
11 people can put in their public input. That's wonderful.

12           The bottom line is for what I hear from all of  
13 (indiscernible) citizens around here is we need more pothole  
14 maintenance. We need more passing lanes, because people get in  
15 a hurry, especially people that are coming up here to visit,  
16 and, you know, they -- and as a result they make dangerous,  
17 dangerous passing situations. We see them every day, on the 260  
18 and the 60, going from here to Springerville. There's some  
19 absolutely crazy people out there that -- passing in no passing  
20 zones, and we need more passing lanes and probably more DPS  
21 enforcement to try to target those particularly bad drivers.

22           But mostly I just wanted to say thanks for what  
23 you do. We recognize it. We just -- we would appreciate more  
24 money and more roads. Thank you very much.

25           CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you for your comments.

1 MR. ROEHRICH: Our next speaker is Mr. Michael  
2 Lomayaktewa.

3 MR. LOMAYAKTEWA: Good morning, Chair and members  
4 of the State Transportation Board. Appreciate you having me  
5 come back and provide testimony to the -- to the Board.

6 Our request is like anyone else. It's nice --  
7 because I too am a resident of the White Mountains. So the  
8 improvement on the White Mountains have been really nice to  
9 travel these roadways. And so you -- on my weekly commute, and  
10 even (indiscernible) it's an awesome drive, (indiscernible)  
11 improve roadways. And then you get into Hopi. Then you're also  
12 encountering situations of what the White Mountains have  
13 encountered, but ours have been long standing for quite some  
14 time. So we wanted to make, again, a repeated request to take  
15 into consideration, keep us in mind, our improvement need that  
16 we have on Hopi.

17 The other is support us with our NACOG regional  
18 priority list. Yes, we have a few projects that are on this  
19 list. The HIR Loop road, Kachina Road is what we refer to as  
20 well. It's the northeastern connection between our communities  
21 and Flagstaff and the other towns and cities.

22 The second is the (inaudible) School Road.  
23 That's also on the priority list, and that's very important to  
24 us, because it supports our education need for the area.

25 And the other is the HIR 60. Had an interesting

1 discussion with one of our state legislators that are supporting  
2 us in that. So we want to also provide that just to keep in  
3 mind.

4 And last is our block (inaudible) airport that we  
5 are venturing into, hopefully have improvement, as that is also  
6 beyond repair.

7 We appreciate our Northeast District engineer, Ed  
8 Wilson. He's been very supportive, and we appreciate all that  
9 you have done for our communities within the state. So it's a  
10 pleasure of having come before the State Transportation Board.  
11 Thank you very much. (Inaudible.) Thank you.

12 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you for your comments.

13 MR. ROEHRICH: Our next speaker is Mr. Leonard  
14 Scott.

15 MR. SCOTT: Good morning, Chair and Board  
16 Members. (Inaudible) speak a little bit. I work for the Hopi  
17 Department of Transportation. I'm a civil engineer technician  
18 and (inaudible) projects, and our -- our director just spoke  
19 that we have several projects that we're trying to seek funding  
20 for.

21 First one is the Kachina Point Road, which serves  
22 both Navajo/Hopi communities, and the outlying towns of  
23 Flagstaff, Winslow, Phoenix. This road is in need of  
24 rehabilitation. So we currently have some funds available to  
25 get the road ready for construction, which we hope is

1 (inaudible). This road sometimes serves as an alternate route  
2 as well when Arizona State Highway 89 northbound gets closed.  
3 So (inaudible) outlining cities that provide services to towns  
4 like Page and up further north.

5 The other one is the old (inaudible) School Road  
6 That road has been there for I don't know how many years, but  
7 it's in dire need of rehabilitation, as it serves the school,  
8 the village, the post office, the community building there, and  
9 then, like, villages that -- and communities that come visit the  
10 village as well.

11 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Could you stand just a little  
12 closer to the mic?

13 MR. SCOTT: Oh, okay. I'm sorry.

14 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: They're recording this, and I'm  
15 not sure --

16 MR. SCOTT: Oh, okay.

17 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: -- they're getting -- not sure  
18 they're getting --

19 MR. SCOTT: Sorry about that.

20 Other than that, you, know, that's just made the  
21 NACOG Regional priority projects list last year, but  
22 unfortunately, we didn't make the same project, so we're going  
23 to try to get that back on this list, along with the other rural  
24 communities' projects that didn't make the list. So I'm just  
25 trying to advocate for some of our projects. Thank you.

1                   CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you. Thank you for your  
2 comments.

3                   MR. ROEHRICH: Our next speaker is Mr. Mill --  
4 excuse me -- Mr. Bill Best.

5                   MR. BEST: Good morning, Mr. Chairman and Board  
6 Members. Just glad to see some familiar faces here on the Board  
7 I'm the county engineer from Navajo County, and we definitely  
8 appreciate the partnership that Navajo County has with the  
9 Northeast District. Got Northeast District and it's a good one.  
10 Thank you very much.

11                  CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you. Thank you for your  
12 comments.

13                  UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Still the best.

14                  MR. ROEHRICH: You had the best comment so far.  
15 Thank you.

16                  Our next speaker is Mr. Curt Fernau. I apologize  
17 for that last name. Excuse me.

18                  MR. FERNAU: You got it. You aced it.

19                  Good morning, ladies and gentlemen. I appreciate  
20 you guys being here, and I don't blame you being here this time  
21 of year, especially on Friday. Hopefully you have Saturday and  
22 this weekend you can enjoy some of the things we have up here,  
23 maybe take a ride up to Sunrise and take the ski lift, and it  
24 goes up at the top. They have hamburgers and hot dogs you can  
25 eat there, and you have a beautiful, beautiful view.



1                   And I want to compliment you also on the job  
2                   that's being done. No longer do I have to run down to the  
3                   Valley and make sure I come back when it's still daylight so I  
4                   don't have a blowout hitting some big potholes, and it's really,  
5                   really nice.

6                   We have a very heavily traveled Highway 260 in  
7                   this town. Forty years ago, it was the most heavily traveled  
8                   rural highway in the state. I believe the Super Walmart here is  
9                   the first one built in the state, right here in Show Low. So we  
10                  have an awful lot of traffic, people coming from New Mexico. So  
11                  we really appreciate the good roads.

12                 One of the businesses I was in was a small  
13                 trucking business, and as you travel into town, and this is  
14                 something that really concerns me, because it's almost been  
15                 crushed a few times, you come in from Payson on Highway 260,  
16                 where you meet Highway 60 with the Circle K and that Victorian  
17                 building on the two corners. They've done a beautiful job and  
18                 striping. They've taken a long time striping that road, but  
19                 they neglected to put the hash marks for the left-hand turn lane  
20                 on the outside where you're driving in from Highway 260 to 60.  
21                 Continually, they don't know where to pull in, especially the  
22                 long trucks. I've had to jam on my brakes a couple times, even  
23                 with people pulling shorter trailers, but particularly the long  
24                 53-foot trailers. They'll make a short turn, and it completely  
25                 cuts off the inner automobile.

1           It needs to be striped. It really is a serious  
2 problem. Somebody's going to get hurt there. I've been -- I've  
3 got over 3 million miles under my belt from driving, and I  
4 understand how this corner's really, really important, and I  
5 think it would be advisable having the left-hand turn lane on  
6 Highway 60, Deuce of Clubs, that is going west, to have that  
7 moved back a little bit for the short corners.

8           So again, welcome to our city. We have a  
9 wonderful one here. Back in the '80s, this was one of the best  
10 kept secrets, but now Show Low is growing so fast, and I don't  
11 blame you for being here at all. Welcome and come again. Thank  
12 you.

13           CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you.

14           MR. ROEHRICH: Mr. Chairman, that's all the  
15 requests to speak we have for in person. I now look to the ones  
16 who are online. And a reminder, when I call your name, please  
17 raise your hand through the WebEx, or if you're on the phone,  
18 through star three, and the WebEx host will unmute your line or  
19 let you unmute your line.

20           Our first online speaker is Ms. Liz Boudreau.  
21 Ms. Boudreau, please raise your hand. Ms. Boudreau, please  
22 raise your hand.

23           WEBEX HOST: Your line is unmuted, Ms. Boudreau.

24           MR. ROEHRICH: Ms. Boudreau, if you're speaking,  
25 we cannot hear you.

1                   WEBEX HOST: We may be having some audio issues  
2 with Ms. Boudreau. I don't see her mic working.

3                   MR. ROEHRICH: Okay. Why don't we come back and  
4 try that again?

5                   Our next speaker is Ms. Lucinda Andreani.  
6 Ms. Andreani, please raise your hand.

7                   WEBEX HOST: You're unmuted at this time.

8                   MS. ANDREANI: Good morning. Thank you very  
9 much. I appreciate the opportunity to speak with you today. My  
10 name is Lucinda Andreani. I serve as the Deputy County Manager  
11 and Flood Control District Administrator for Coconino County,  
12 and we too appreciate a long and very positive relationship with  
13 ADOT and have worked very closely over many years with the  
14 Board, and certainly Mr. Thompson, and he served as a supervisor  
15 for many years. So thank you for the opportunity.

16                   I wanted to speak today through a request for  
17 funding to the AZ SMART program that we have submitted and in  
18 working with our MetroPlan organization here in the Flagstaff  
19 area. This relates to the disaster --

20                   MR. ROEHRICH: Ms. Andreani, your audio quit.  
21 Are you still there? Sounds like our audios --

22                   MS. ANDREANI: -- flooding. We experienced 45  
23 major flood events in this area last year, which caused nine  
24 full closures to Highway 89 that you're probably aware runs  
25 north from Flagstaff into Utah, Colorado, very importantly, the

1 Navajo Nation, Hopi tribal area and several other tribal areas.  
2 And we had nine full closures and numerous partial closures  
3 throughout the summer last year. It was just a devastating  
4 impact to not only the local residents.

5 We have about 1,000 homes that are impacted, but  
6 given the highway impacts, the impacts go much, much beyond  
7 impacts to people's daily lives. Accessing medical care,  
8 accessing services, accessing employment, our economy. This is  
9 obviously a crucial corridor for access to the Grand Canyon and  
10 many of the other national parks and monuments that we have in  
11 Northern Arizona and the Page area.

12 And so we are working very closely with ADOT. We  
13 met with State Director Toth recently and discussed this  
14 situation, and it's resulted in this request for funding.  
15 Overall, what we're trying to accomplish is to secure a PROTECT  
16 grant from federal DOT that could allow us to expand a facility  
17 that was constructed post-Schultz fire back in 2015, as well as  
18 a crossing that has been impacted by the flooding.

19 We will -- we are investing -- we, the flood  
20 control district --

21 MR. ROEHRICH: Excuse me, Ms. Andreani. Your  
22 time is up, please. Could you finish your comments?

23 MS. ANDREANI: I'll say we're investing over,  
24 with federal and district funds, about 125 million. And again,  
25 we would really appreciate the partnership to have a positive

1 impact on this critical state highway. Thank you.

2 MR. ROEHRICH: Thank you.

3 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you.

4 MR. ROEHRICH: Our next speaker is Mr. Jeronimo  
5 Vasquez. Mr. Vasquez, please raise your hand.

6 MR. VASQUEZ: Good morning, everyone. Can you  
7 hear me?

8 MR. ROEHRICH: Yes, sir. Please make your  
9 comments.

10 MR. VASQUEZ: Thank you.

11 Mr. Chair and members of the State Transportation  
12 Board, my name is Jeronimo Vasquez and I serve on the Coconino  
13 County Board of Supervisors, District 2, and as the Vice Chair  
14 of MetroPlan, the metropolitan planning organization in the  
15 greater region -- Flagstaff Region.

16 I'm here to seek your approval for the 3.7  
17 million AZ SMART Fund request for the PROTECT grant application  
18 for matching funds for the Highway 89 flood mitigation project.  
19 Last year, the Tunnel and Pipe Fires burned almost 50,000 acres  
20 in the Coconino National Forest and caused 45 major flooding  
21 events that devastated local communities and shut down parts of  
22 Highway 89 with full or partial closures 13 times.

23 I'd like to share two stories from community  
24 members about their experiences with post-wildfire flooding  
25 along Highway 89. As you will hear, this is truly a life/death

1 and livelihood issue for the communities and travelers along the  
2 highway.

3           From the first community member: Every time it  
4 rains on the burn scar above Government Tank, we have a  
5 devastating flow of black sludge and debris crashing into our  
6 property. We have been hit seven times and fear losing our  
7 barn. The flow keeps getting bigger. After the Schultz fire,  
8 we lost fence lines. I purchased a flood policy, and they are  
9 not covering anything because we were able to keep floodwater  
10 out of the house. My adult son tried to cut a fence line before  
11 the fence collapsed and went into the black flow, and he almost  
12 drowned. This has become a very dangerous situation and is  
13 probably five times worse than the Schultz fire aftermath. It's  
14 running through our property, anywhere between five and eight  
15 feet deep.

16           Another community member speaks of the impact of  
17 the highway shutting down on his family: When the highway shuts  
18 down, there is not an alternative way for us to get between our  
19 home and town, and I have been on the wrong end of the highway  
20 several times, waiting -- having to wait for hours to get home.  
21 Our largest problem is daycare. When the rains start, we have  
22 to pick up our daughter earlier. She could be stranded away  
23 from us, which is very frightening. There was an occasion when  
24 the road closed before we were able to get to her, and a friend  
25 had to pick her up and keep her on the south side of the closure

1 until the highway reopened. Without our friend, I don't know  
2 what we would have done.

3 Highway 89 connects tribal lands to Flagstaff,  
4 and tribal communities suffered repeated elimination of access  
5 to jobs, schools, healthcare and commerce. When the highway  
6 closes, oversized vehicle traffic poses hazards on tribal roads  
7 and may cause erosion of the shoulder and destruction of  
8 guardrails, strain on bridges and Navajo Department of  
9 Transportation safety staff of four to deal with the detour  
10 issues on tribal roads. This includes speeding adjacent to Hopi  
11 villages and places a strain on tribal law enforcement.

12 Highway 89 closures affect tourism to notable  
13 national parks like the Grand Canyon, Lake Powell and Horseshoe  
14 Bend, which contribute to Arizona's economy.

15 A match award from the AZ SMART Fund will enable  
16 Coconino County to seek funding for the third portion of an  
17 interconnected system of on-forest watershed restoration in  
18 neighborhood flood mitigation, and thirdly --

19 MR. ROEHRICH: Excuse me, Mr. Vasquez, but that  
20 is your three minutes. Could you please complete your comments?

21 MR. VASQUEZ: A highway drainage project for the  
22 Government Tank and Copeland Basin, this project is being  
23 proposed in the PROTECT grant. On behalf of Coconino County and  
24 MetroPlan, I strongly support this Smart Fund request to fund  
25 the PROTECT match of Highway 89 flood mitigation that has

1 several multiple benefits for people across Arizona.

2 MR. ROEHRICH: Thank you, Mr. Vasquez.

3 MR. VASQUEZ: Thank you.

4 MR. ROEHRICH: Our next speaker is Ms. Sandra  
5 Tavel. Ms. Tavel, please raise your hand.

6 WEBEX HOST: You are now unmuted.

7 MS. TAVEL: Mr. Chair and members of the State  
8 Transportation Board, my name is Sandra Travel, and I'm a  
9 transportation planner with MetroPlan, the Metropolitan Planning  
10 Organization in the greater Flagstaff region. I am here to  
11 advocate on behalf of Coconino County's \$3.7 million Arizona  
12 SMART fund request for matching funds for the PROTECT grant  
13 application for Highway 89 flood mitigation.

14 This highway drainage project for the Government  
15 Tank culverts and Copeland Basin is a crucial aspect of a large,  
16 interconnected system designed to achieve long-term resilience  
17 for flood mitigation on Highway 89, which is an ADOT facility.  
18 This project has partners who are deeply invested, such as the  
19 US Forest Service at 42.3 million for on-forest watershed  
20 restoration, Natural Resources Conservation Service, NRCS, which  
21 is part of the United States Department of Agriculture, at  
22 49.5 million for in neighborhood flood mitigation, and the  
23 Department of Forestry and Fire Management, an Arizona State  
24 agency, has contributed 12.1 million, and Coconino County is  
25 contributing 13.2 million of its own funds toward the project,



1 for a total project value of 11 -- I'm sorry -- \$117.2 million.

2 Coconino County is seeking federal PROTECT  
3 funding, and in turn, Arizona SMART fund for the match for  
4 highway drainage improvements between Cinder Lake Landfill Road  
5 and Copeland Lane along Highway 89. All these pieces must work  
6 together to resolve flooding issues which shut down the highway  
7 13 times last year alone. The number of partners and scale of  
8 their investment demonstrates the earnestness and belief for the  
9 need for this project and commitment to get it done.

10 The highway drainage project at Government Tank  
11 and Copeland Basin seeks to fund two new box culverts, two  
12 concrete channels and upsizing the Copeland Basin upstream of  
13 the highway, all designed to withstand a 25-year rainfall event,  
14 or two inches in 45 minutes. Currently, the highway floods with  
15 a two-year rainfall event.

16 As you heard from Supervisor Vasquez's accounts  
17 from two community members, flooding along the Highway 89  
18 corridor causes destruction of property and livelihoods for  
19 adjacent residents and travelers, safety risks and even death.  
20 A 12-year-old girl died in the floods in 2022 after the Pipeline  
21 Fire.

22 Detours last up to two hours that interrupt  
23 access to commerce, recreation, education, healthcare and jobs  
24 and cause road damage and staff strain on tribal lands when  
25 oversized vehicles take detours on tribal roads and bridges.

1           Additionally, when road damage occurs because of  
2 these detours on tribal lands, funding the repairs has  
3 jurisdictional barriers. Highway 89 is the only corridor to  
4 Colorado, Utah, Nevada and Northern Arizona. Highway 89 is a  
5 state-owned facility, and the County is working closely with  
6 ADOT to address flooding. In addition to ADOT partnership, the  
7 County has meaningful and robust investment from other federal  
8 and state agencies.

9           Lastly, Highway 89 is an important corridor that  
10 enables the economy in Northern as well as Greater Arizona. On  
11 behalf of MetroPlan, we'd like to thank the State Board for your  
12 consideration.

13           MR. ROEHRICH: Our next speaker is Mr. Kee Allen  
14 Begay. Mr. Begay, please raise your hand.

15           WEBEX HOST: I do not have any raised hands at  
16 the moment.

17           MR. ROEHRICH: Okay. We'll come back.

18           Our next speaker is Ms. Jennifer Thompson.  
19 Ms. Thompson, please raise your hand.

20           WEBEX HOST: Ms. Thompson, you are unmuted.

21           MS. THOMPSON: Great. Can you guys hear me?

22           MR. ROEHRICH: Yes, ma'am. Please go ahead and  
23 make your comments.

24           MS. THOMPSON: Okay. Good morning, Chairman  
25 Knight and members of the Board. I'm Jennifer Thompson, and I'm

1 the controller and townsite utilities manager for the Freeport-  
2 McMoRan mine in Bagdad. This is located in Yavapai County.

3 US-93 and State Route 97 are used by several  
4 hundred private vehicles and commercial freight trucks daily. I  
5 want to start off by thanking ADOT for the progress in widening  
6 the US-93 near Wickenburg. This is important progress and  
7 widening a very dangerous road that continues to experience  
8 fatalities, serious injuries and extensive personal and business  
9 interruptions.

10 Unfortunately, we were not awarded the RAISE  
11 grant for the State Route 97 reconstruction, so we are working  
12 to submit our application for the rural grant due in August.  
13 This will provide safer access to and from our mine site for the  
14 hundreds of commercial and private vehicles that use it every  
15 day. This will also facilitate better access and readiness for  
16 first responders who also use this road to reach emergencies on  
17 US-93.

18 As you know, I've talked about before, we're  
19 looking into -- we're doing a feasibility study on a potential  
20 expansion for the Baghdad operations to provide copper as we  
21 work towards the net zero emissions energy transition plan.  
22 This potential expansion would double the current production,  
23 bringing us to 400 trucks per day for copper and commercial  
24 freight, and add 600 employees plus 150 contractors, all using  
25 State Route 97.

1 I'd like to thank you, Mr. Chairman and members  
2 of the Board, for the opportunity to speak, and many thanks to  
3 Director Toth and the ADOT team for all the hard work you do,  
4 and we will continue to partner with ADOT as we move forward  
5 with this next grant submission. Wishing you all a happy  
6 weekend and cool weather over there in Show Low. Wish I was  
7 there. Thank you.

8 MR. ROEHRICH: Our next speaker is Mr. Kevin  
9 Biesty. Mr. Biesty, please raise your hand.

10 WEBEX HOST: Mr. Biesty, your line is now  
11 unmuted. If you are speaking, we are unable to hear you at this  
12 time.

13 MR. BIESTY: Good morning, Mr. Chairman. Can you  
14 hear me?

15 MR. ROEHRICH: Yes, Sir. Please make your  
16 comments.

17 MR. BIESTY: Good morning, Mr. Chairman, members  
18 of the Board, Director Toth. My name is Kevin Biesty, and I'm  
19 here today on behalf of Freeport-McMoRan Bagdad and would like  
20 to give you a brief update on our partnership with ADOT to  
21 improve SR-97.

22 As you may recall, the FY 2023 budget, the  
23 Legislature appropriated \$10 million to ADOT from the General  
24 Fund in FY 2024 to make improvements to State Route 97 near  
25 Bagdad. The language stipulated that this appropriation will

1 revert back to the General Fund on June 30th, 2025, if ADOT does  
2 not secure federal funding on or before June 30th of 2025.

3 In addition to the \$10 million appropriation,  
4 Freeport has committed to a minimum of \$10 million towards the  
5 necessary improvements, and as Ms. Thompson just briefed you,  
6 Yavapai County submitted the RAISE grant earlier this year, but  
7 unfortunately, it was not successful. But we would like to  
8 thank Roger McCormick and his team at Yavapai County Public  
9 Works and Yavapai County for submitting the grant application  
10 and their continued support for this important project.

11 So moving forward, in an effort not to lose the  
12 state and private investment that is already on the table, we'll  
13 continue working with Yavapai County and the ADOT team to pursue  
14 another round of grant opportunities in the recently announced  
15 MPDG grant. As mentioned by Ms. Thompson, that submission  
16 deadline is August 21st. So we will plan on providing you an  
17 update at this -- at the next board meeting.

18 Thank you for the opportunity to address you this  
19 morning, and I would like to close by publicly thanking all the  
20 ADOPT personnel that regardless of the temperature or the  
21 weather conditions, they're out on our roadways ensuring people  
22 have a safe and reliable transportation system. So let's do our  
23 part by driving responsibly and respectfully. Thank you and  
24 have a great weekend.

25 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you, Kevin, for your

1 comments.

2 MR. ROEHRICH: Our next speaker is Mr. Travis  
3 Pruitt. Mr. Pruitt, please raise your hand.

4 WEBEX HOST: Mr. Pruitt, your line is now  
5 unmuted.

6 MR. PRUITT: Hello? Can you hear me okay?

7 MR. ROEHRICH: Yes, sir, Mr. Pruitt. Please make  
8 your comments.

9 MR. PRUITT: Thank you. I appreciate the  
10 opportunity to speak this morning, and good morning to the  
11 members of the Board.

12 Also, I wanted to take a moment just to express  
13 our support for a couple of items that are on your agenda this  
14 morning and then also provide some additional information on  
15 them.

16 The first item I wanted to mention was Item  
17 Number 3 (inaudible). This is the paving project scheduled for  
18 Bullhead City, Kingman Highway 68. This is a critical project.  
19 That highway links to several important businesses that are  
20 along that line there, one of them being Dot Foods, which is a  
21 huge food distributor. So it's important that that highway  
22 remains safe and useful to keep that distributor here. It's a  
23 huge employer for the community, as well as several other  
24 businesses along that connect to that highway.

25 The other piece of it is Bullhead City is

1 starting to grow and be a significant economic center for the  
2 region. So we are connecting -- that highway connects us to  
3 people that are in the Golden Valley area, as well as Kingman.  
4 So it's important that those people can reach us, come in, do  
5 shopping and things like that and help to strengthen and build  
6 the economic vitality throughout our community.

7           So one, we just wanted to thank you for your  
8 consideration of that project this morning. Looks like it came  
9 in under bid, so that was good, and we appreciate your support  
10 and consideration for that project.

11           The other project that's being considered is --  
12 it's listed as Silver Creek Road, again, in Bullhead City. This  
13 is a median, center median project and lighting project. Also  
14 important. It's right on our Bullhead City Parkway.

15           So we have two important roadways, Highway 95 and  
16 the Bullhead City Parkway. That Parkway, again, is important to  
17 a lot of businesses. One, again, the Dot Foods, food  
18 distributor, which is a huge employer in our community, but also  
19 that is kind of our emergency exit route, and it alleviates a  
20 lot of traffic flow that backs up on Highway 95.

21           So again, an important roadway, and we appreciate  
22 your consideration for this project. So I just wanted to  
23 express our support, and then also hopefully it'll pass with no  
24 problem, but I am available for any questions that anyone may  
25 have. So thank you again. I appreciate the time this morning.

1 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you, Travis.

2 MR. ROEHRICH: So, Mr. Chairman, I do want to go  
3 back to the two speakers to see if we were able to make a  
4 connection with them.

5 Ms. Liz Boudreau. Boudreau, are you there?  
6 Please raise your hand.

7 WEBEX HOST: Ms. Boudreau, if you hit star six on  
8 your phone, you should be able to unmute.

9 MR. ROEHRICH: Ms. Boudreau, if you're speaking,  
10 we cannot hear you.

11 WEBEX HOST: Does not look like she is unmuted  
12 yet.

13 MR. ROEHRICH: Thanks, Randy. How about -- go  
14 ahead.

15 WEBEX HOST: I was just going to say, once again,  
16 if you want to unmute, hit star six, but we can come back.

17 MR. ROEHRICH: And Mr. Kee Allen Begay.  
18 Mr. Begay, are you there? Please raise your hand.

19 WEBEX HOST: I do not see Mr. Begay in the  
20 meeting.

21 MR. ROEHRICH: Mr. Chairman, I'm sorry. We seem  
22 to have difficulty with the audio connection for Ms. Boudreau,  
23 but if we cannot make that connection, that is all the requests  
24 to speak.

25 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you, Floyd.



1                   We'll now move on to Item Number 1, which is the  
2                   director's report.

3                   MR. THOMPSON: Chairman.

4                   CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Yeah, Jesse.

5                   MR. THOMPSON: Can we come back to them if  
6                   they're available, become available to speak, Kee Allen Begay  
7                   and other individual as well?

8                   CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Sure, if they -- if they  
9                   come -- if they come back --

10                  MR. ROEHRICH: Mr. Chairman, you can open up call  
11                  to the audience at anytime if you choose to.

12                  CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Sure.

13                  MR. ROEHRICH: I would recommend, since it has  
14                  been almost -- quite a bit, try to get through a lot of the  
15                  agenda. Then maybe we can try it towards the end of the  
16                  meeting.

17                  CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Exactly. Exactly. But if they  
18                  do come back on so that we know they're there, just let us know  
19                  so we can put them on at the end.

20                  MR. ROEHRICH: Yes, sir.

21                  CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you.

22                  Director.

23                  DIRECTOR TOTH: Good morning. Thank you to Show  
24                  Low, Pinetop-Lakeside and the County for their hospitality this  
25                  morning. We are happy to be in Show Low this morning. I was

1 fortunate enough to be able to be up here most of the week  
2 visiting with our staff and enjoying the community.

3 I'll get started by sharing a few ADOT updates.  
4 First, if I can have the next slide, I want to give you a look  
5 at the pavement repair projects currently underway. From the  
6 map, you can see that the pavement repairs are taking place in  
7 critical areas around the state. The sections shown in green  
8 represent the projects that are either currently underway right  
9 now or are scheduled to start throughout this summer. The areas  
10 in orange show the projects that were scheduled -- that are  
11 scheduled for this current fiscal year.

12 As I mentioned at last month's meeting, we have a  
13 great website up and running. It's at [azdot.gov/pavingrepairs](http://azdot.gov/pavingrepairs).  
14 That site actually has an interactive map, an interactive  
15 version of this map, so visitors to the site can actually hone  
16 in on project schedules and detailed information about the  
17 repair projects that you see up here today.

18 I want to again give a big thanks to the State  
19 Transportation Board for approving these projects, to the  
20 amazing staff that we have that works so quickly to get these  
21 projects moving, and to the industry for being so responsive to  
22 all these projects being released, along with those that were  
23 already in the five-year program.

24 Next, I'd like to share a few safety-related  
25 updates. As you all are very well aware, we're right in the

1 middle of Arizona's wildfire season. Just earlier this month,  
2 we had to close US-60 in both directions north of Globe because  
3 of a brush fire. Our crews are often asked to provide much  
4 needed assistance during a wildfire incident. They respond and  
5 coordinate with emergency services and other state and local and  
6 federal agencies, especially when road closures are necessary.  
7 I'm very proud of their efforts, but obviously hope that there  
8 would rather be no fires.

9           As a public safety announcement, in order to  
10 prevent fires, we do encourage motorists to use extra care to  
11 reduce the chance that vehicles ignite a fire. To prevent  
12 sparks, we remind people to make sure that nothing is hanging  
13 underneath their vehicle or dragging on the pavement, and if you  
14 pull off the road, your vehicle is hot. If you're in the grass,  
15 it can create a fire from the bottom of the vehicle.

16           Which also brings me to the next big safety topic  
17 this time of the year: Our extreme heat. Our crews are out  
18 there almost every day in the summer, and we do take precautions  
19 in order to protect them with these rising temperature, and  
20 obviously that includes a focus on water, shade and also rest.  
21 And I do want to give a shoutout to all of our crews for being  
22 safe to protecting themselves from the heat as they work so  
23 diligently on the projects throughout the state.

24           On another note of safety, we're always on the  
25 lookout for ways to get the public involved. One very

1 successful campaign has been our annual safety message contest,  
2 and I'm happy to report that the contest is back for its seventh  
3 year. Right now we're accepting entries for creative and  
4 engaging traffic safety messages that will be displayed on the  
5 overhead message boards. Last year we received more than 3,000  
6 entries, so this is -- you can go onto our website,  
7 [azdot.gov/signcontest](http://azdot.gov/signcontest) to enter your creative messages. And then  
8 starting on August 9th, you can log back in and come to the --  
9 to the site to vote for your favorite message. We're very  
10 excited to have that happening once again this year.

11           Quickly, I want to let you know that our teams  
12 are preparing notices to inform the public of the upcoming  
13 45-day comment period on the Long Range Transportation Plan,  
14 which you heard about at the last board meeting. The draft plan  
15 is scheduled to be released for comment on Monday, July 24th.

16           And finally, I want to share a bit of good news  
17 for travelers on Interstate 17. The Sunset Point rest area is  
18 open again. Upgrades to the restrooms along with the water and  
19 the septic system are complete, and it's really enhanced the  
20 rest area's capacity and accessibility.

21           So today there is no legislative report. The  
22 Legislature is in recess, but we will keep you updated on any  
23 changes. That's the end of my report. Thank you.

24           Thank you, Director. No Last minute items report  
25 then?

1 DIRECTOR TOTH: No, sir. Thank you.

2 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay.

3 MR. ROEHRICH: Mr. Chairman, I apologize, but I'm  
4 going to interrupt you real quick.

5 Randy, could you move Mr. Searle from participant  
6 to a panelist? I see he is also logged in as a participant.  
7 Let's see if that helps with our connection with Mr. Searle.

8 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you.

9 MR. ROEHRICH: Randy, are you able to find his  
10 name there? Richard Searle?

11 WEBEX HOST: Yep. I'm doing it right now.

12 MR. ROEHRICH: Thank you.

13 WEBEX HOST: He does not show up in the attendees  
14 list. Is he on his telephone?

15 MR. ROEHRICH: I don't know. I thought I looked  
16 at the participant list and I saw Richard Searle.

17 WEBEX HOST: If he was there, he might have  
18 dropped off.

19 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: He said he was trying multiple  
20 ways to get -- to get on, so...

21 MR. ROEHRICH: I see he's listed --

22 WEBEX HOST: Okay.

23 MR. ROEHRICH: -- on the attendants. I see a  
24 Richard Searle.

25 WEBEX HOST: Yes. He should -- he should be a

1 panelist now.

2 MR. ROEHRICH: Mr. Searle, I just want to check  
3 if you have audio now. Are you -- are you able to speak to us?  
4 Can you hear us?

5 Randy, if you could work with Mr. Searle to see  
6 if you can try to make that audio work, if there's a way he can  
7 unmute himself now.

8 WEBEX HOST: Yes. I will reach out to him.

9 MR. ROEHRICH: Thank you.

10 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you.

11 MR. ROEHRICH: Mr. Chair, I apologize, but if you  
12 want to move on, you can.

13 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Pardon?

14 MR. ROEHRICH: I apologize for interrupting, but  
15 if you want to go to the next item.

16 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Oh, no problem. No problem.

17 We'll now move on to Item 2, the district report.  
18 Mr. Wilson's up with our district report.

19 MR. WILSON: Good morning. I'd like to welcome  
20 everybody to Show Low. For me it seems like it's really warm,  
21 but I know for a lot of people it's not really -- it's really  
22 not, so... We really want to welcome you here, and I'd like to  
23 thank the City of Show Low for hosting. So they had a really  
24 nice thing this morning, so it's greatly appreciated, so...  
25 (Inaudible)

1                   Next slide.

2                   So you've heard a lot today about our urgent  
3 repairs, and I just wanted to kind of cover it real briefly.  
4 This slide is showing how Mother Nature really just kind of  
5 swept us off the roads in some places. So up on the -- up on  
6 the mountain (inaudible) particularly, you know, in 191, south  
7 of Alpine, you know, we had a lot of digging to get those back  
8 open, 260 from Horseshoe Lake, all the way over the top of the  
9 mountain, and on 273. The picture there with the trucks in it,  
10 those trucks, that's when we got back to them the day before.  
11 So we have two trucks that are running together so that if one  
12 gets stuck, the other one can pull it out, but sometimes they're  
13 overwhelmed with the 80-mile-an-hour winds and blowing snow.

14                  So the next slide, please.

15                  Is -- you know, you've seen a lot of these  
16 pictures over time and just on the road damage here in Pinetop  
17 and on 60 and on I-40. So, you know, the city of Pinetop or  
18 Lakeside, the -- it was about 30 miles, 30 lane miles that  
19 looked like that. You know, we -- I apologize for saying lane  
20 miles, because we -- a lane mile is a 12-foot strip of pavement  
21 a mile long. So I apologize for saying that.

22                  Go ahead. Next slide.

23                  So anyhow, the urgent repairs team, and they've  
24 been really, really appreciated by the -- by the local  
25 communities. So one thing that I'd really like to take time is

1 to thank the local communities for all the support that we've  
2 had from them. So whenever we had those -- the pictures that  
3 you saw before of all the potholes and all those things, they  
4 don't just call ADOT. The local communities up here, they get  
5 hundreds and hundreds of phone calls and interaction with their  
6 constituents that are our constituents also, because people  
7 don't always know exactly where to go. So -- and they really --  
8 the local community really helped support everything that we did  
9 and came together behind us. So I really want to thank them for  
10 all their support.

11 Next slide.

12 So the first project we have here is US-60 right  
13 here in Show Low, and the US-60 and 260, both the -- both the  
14 main routes through town, and Sunland Asphalt and Construction  
15 is the contractor. It's a \$16.6 million project that is  
16 primarily a pavement preservation project with a lot of ADA  
17 repairs that go with it and some and reconstructing the  
18 intersection of Show Low Lake and Cub Lake Roads off of 260.

19 So this project is really way overdue. So  
20 they're -- you know, the contractor's out of time. We're  
21 starting our third -- our third year on this project that  
22 they -- you know, they have a plan together, and they are  
23 getting to the end, and there will be a seal coat coming here in  
24 the next couple of weeks and the permanent ground-in striping  
25 will be shortly after that. So once that (inaudible). It is --



1 it is moving forward.

2 So next slide.

3 This -- the next project is on US-191 between  
4 Chinle and Black Mountain Wash, in that Chinle to Many Farms  
5 section. So Fann Contracting is the contractor. It's a \$13.8  
6 million project. So this project really is for a shoulder  
7 widening. It's really three projects that are HSIP, Highway  
8 Safety Improvement Projects, that are kind of lumped into one  
9 bigger project, and it's really justified by all the crashes  
10 that we were having up there to add the five-foot shoulder. So  
11 Fann really -- they went in last year and they completed about  
12 90 percent of the work in about 50 percent of the time. So they  
13 knocked out everything except for the seeding and the chipseal,  
14 and the seeding is underway right now, and the chipseal will be  
15 in a couple of weeks and this project will be wrapped up here  
16 pretty quickly, so...

17 Next slide.

18 So this project is the intersection of 264 and  
19 IR4, is on the Hopi lands. Is -- it is being constructed by  
20 Show Low Construction, and it's a \$775,000 project, which is  
21 going to construct the -- this walking path and lighting on the  
22 walking path, as well as to light up an intersection that's  
23 right there. So it is also Highway Safety Improvement Fund, and  
24 one of the things about this area is we don't get a lot of  
25 accident data. So we're working with the tribe right now to get

1 more through our partnership, but it takes that data to obtain  
2 the Highway Safety Improvement Funds. So that's a pretty neat  
3 project for that community.

4 Next slide, please.

5 So this next slide is on 264, from the --  
6 approximately the Coconino/Navajo County line to BIA 503. So  
7 this is a one-inch bond running course. It's a life extension  
8 project. So this pavement was -- is pretty rough, but it was a  
9 pretty sound pavement, and so the one-inch bearing course,  
10 we're -- we'll get a lot more years out of that road. And it's  
11 also being contracted by Sunland Asphalt, and it was about  
12 \$4.25 million.

13 So next slide, please.

14 So the next project is on I-40 from Joseph City  
15 to Perkins Valley. So it's being constructed by F&F  
16 Construction at \$10.7 million, and it's a pavement preservation  
17 project, and this is another one of those projects, it wasn't  
18 really -- it wasn't an urgent repair, but it really was an  
19 urgent repair, because it was in pretty rough shape by the time  
20 that this project happened, so...

21 Next slide, please.

22 All right. The -- this project is on State  
23 Route 87 at Teesto Wash, so it's a full bridge replacement  
24 project. It's a \$6.9 million project being constructed by SEMA  
25 Construction. So right now they're at the stage where they

1 have -- they really just poured the pier cap and the last  
2 abutment, so they're -- will be setting girders here in a couple  
3 weeks, and in about three months we'll be driving on it,  
4 hopefully, so...

5 Next slide, please.

6 This project is kind of interesting, because it's  
7 a Central Federal Lands project that's on 261. It's from Eager  
8 to Crescent Lake. It's right through the National Forest. It  
9 serves the -- a lot of high recreation area up on the National  
10 Forest that goes up to Big Lake for the people that like to go  
11 (inaudible) Big Lake. So -- and it is a -- it's a \$13.35  
12 million project. It's being constructed by Hatch Construction,  
13 but it is being managed through the Central Federal Lands. So  
14 we're actually not constructing that ourselves. Central Federal  
15 Lands is constructing that as part of their federal lands access  
16 program. So that's -- it's a pretty neat project for us.

17 Next slide, please.

18 So this is a -- these projects kind of throughout  
19 the district are state line item funded projects, so this slide  
20 shows some fog coats that we're doing all around the district  
21 from, you know, Burnside Junction to Ganado on 264, on State  
22 Route 87, from Tes Toh Wash to Snake Butte, on US-180, the  
23 Beaver Dam Wash to Ellsworth Road, and State Route 77,  
24 Cottonwood Wash to 14 Mile Hill, and US-60 to Salt River Canyon  
25 to Carrizo. So we're going to be fog coating a total of about

1 138 lane miles for this project. So it's a -- these seal coats  
2 will really help us withstand some more of these winter  
3 conditions, so...

4 And the next slide.

5 So these chipseal projects are also FY '24, state  
6 line item funded projects. So we have three of those, all of  
7 163, from Kayenta all the way to the Utah state line; on US-191,  
8 starting at I-40, going north to Milepost 385; and on 277,  
9 which -- from Papermill Road into Snowflake itself. And we will  
10 seal coat another 105 miles of chipseal with this project, so...

11 Next slide.

12 So really, that's all I've got. Anybody have any  
13 questions?

14 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Any questions from anybody  
15 on -- any board members?

16 I did get a text from Mr. Searle. He says he's  
17 on WebEx now. He can see -- he can see the meeting, I hope.

18 MR. ROEHRICH: Mr. Searle, if you're there, let's  
19 check your audio real quick. Could you please unmute your  
20 yourself? We'll check your audio.

21 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: How about that? Can you hear  
22 me now?

23 MR. ROEHRICH: Yes, sir.

24 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Success.

25 MR. ROEHRICH: Fantastic.

1                   VICE CHAIR SEARLE: This has been an experience,  
2 I'll say, if nothing else.

3                   MR. ROEHRICH: I'm sorry about that, but you came  
4 in just the perfect time to check Mr. Wilson, see if you got any  
5 questions for him.

6                   VICE CHAIR SEARLE: No questions. Thank you.  
7 I'm going to go back on mute.

8                   MR. ROEHRICH: No, no, don't. I don't want a  
9 problem.

10                  CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Yes, Member Thompson.

11                  MR. THOMPSON: Yes. I do appreciate, you know,  
12 all the work you have been doing out there, because those  
13 projects are visible anywhere you go, whichever way. There's  
14 always projects going, and that the Hopi tribes are  
15 representing, Mike said, you know, that's very visible. It's  
16 noticeable that something good is happening there. So thank you  
17 very much, Ed.

18                  CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Any other questions for Ed?

19                  MS. HOWARD: I do have a question.

20                  CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Yes, Jenny.

21                  MS. HOWARD: Mr. Wilson, so these emergency  
22 repairs that the director spoke of earlier, these are all done  
23 with in-house forces, with the district forces, or are they  
24 contracted out or...

25                  DIRECTOR TOTH: So the urgent projects, the map

1 that you saw up there, all of those projects are contracted out.

2 MS. HOWARD: Okay.

3 DIRECTOR TOTH: Some of the projects that Ed  
4 covered, specifically the fog coat and the chipseal, those are  
5 done by either our maintenance staff or through contracted  
6 methods.

7 MS. HOWARD: Okay. Thank you.

8 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Any other questions?

9 Guess not, Ed. Thank you. Thank you for your  
10 report.

11 And now we will move on to the consent agenda,  
12 Item Number 3. Does any member want any of the items removed  
13 for separate consideration or discussion?

14 Then I will entertain a motion to approve the  
15 consent agenda as presented.

16 MS. HOWARD: So moved.

17 MR. THOMPSON: Second.

18 MR. MAXWELL: Second.

19 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay. I have a motion by  
20 Member Howard and a second by Member Maxwell or Member Thompson?

21 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Member Thompson.

22 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT. Member Thompson. He came from  
23 over there, so I couldn't tell who it was. Member Thompson,  
24 just -- the second from Member Thompson.

25 All those in favor signify by saying aye.

1 BOARD MEMBER: Aye.

2 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Any opposed?

3 And would you -- Floyd, would you poll the  
4 virtual members?

5 MR. ROEHRICH: Yes, sir.

6 Board Member Searle.

7 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: Aye.

8 MR. ROEHRICH: And, Mr. Chairman, Board Member  
9 Daniels has not logged in yet, so she is --

10 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay.

11 MR. ROEHRICH: -- not available.

12 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you.

13 We'll move on to the financial report, Agenda  
14 Item 4, with Kristine.

15 MS. WARD: Good morning, Board Members. I  
16 sincerely regret that I cannot be up there with you and out of  
17 the Valley. It is a warm experience down here.

18 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: I'll bet it's cooler here than  
19 there. Yes.

20 MS. WARD: Yes. So, Mr. Maxwell, hopefully I  
21 will be able to provide you an exciting report, even more  
22 exciting than the snow plow pictures, the road damage pictures  
23 and the elk that Mr. Wilson was able to provide you. I am sure  
24 a chart will help keep things exciting.

25 MR. MAXWELL: It's all about the numbers.

1 MS. WARD: If we can go to the first slide, I  
2 would appreciate it. Very good.

3 Okay. So reporting out on the Highway User  
4 Revenue Fund, we have closed out the year, and this is the final  
5 report for FY '23, and if you look there, you'll see at the  
6 very -- and you squint at June, you will see zero percent. I  
7 will tell you what that -- well, what that represents is a zero  
8 percent variance from forecast. We have some very giddy  
9 economists right now, because they only had an \$800,000  
10 variation on their forecast from actuals this year. So we're --  
11 I've not got a lot to report other than a lot of happiness at  
12 this point.

13 Gas tax revenues, just a little below -- just a  
14 little above forecast, and what's interesting is about .9  
15 percent above last year. So it was pretty flat. Diesel, we ran  
16 below forecast, and VLT is close, about 4.5 percent last year,  
17 above last year. So that's how things got balanced off.

18 If we go to the next slide, please.

19 This shows you the individual categories and you  
20 can -- for the month of June, you can see that we were a little  
21 below forecast in that final month.

22 Next slide.

23 So for the Regional Area Road Fund, we've got --  
24 we've got -- these reflect the month of -- year to date through  
25 May. We've got one more month to go to finalize Regional Area



1 Road Fund. We don't get that data until a month later. It  
2 always lags behind. But as you can see, we're within forecast  
3 range, and year to date we've collected about \$660 million worth  
4 of revenues, and it runs about 8.8 percent above last year at  
5 this time.

6 If we can go to the next slide.

7 So this will give you the individual categories  
8 for May, for the actual month, for the individual month. We  
9 were above last year by 1.2 percent, but a little bit -- about  
10 5.5 percent behind our forecast.

11 So if we can go to the next slide.

12 So, Mr. Chair, that concludes the financial  
13 report portion of the agenda items, but you'll see on the Agenda  
14 Item -- we now have Agenda Item 5 and 6 that I'm ready to move  
15 on to when -- if there aren't any questions.

16 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Yeah. Are there any questions  
17 from any board member on what Kristine has covered so far?

18 Kristine, we're ready to proceed with Item 5.

19 MS. WARD: Thank you.

20 So I think it was about two months ago I  
21 mentioned to the Board that I would be coming to the Board and  
22 requesting your approval to conduct a new bond issue. So we've  
23 been working with our financial advisors, RBC Capital Markets,  
24 Kurt Fruend and Tom Carlson, and identified an opportunity to  
25 pay off some higher interest rate HURF bonds and replace them

1 with lower interest debt, lower interest rate debt.

2           So this is very much like when you refinance your  
3 home and you are able to get a lower interest rate, and that  
4 results in you having lower mortgage payments.

5           So we'll accomplish this in three steps. So  
6 you'll see on -- Mr. Chair, that with this is broken down into  
7 Item 5 and Item 6 on the agenda, but as I tell the -- relay  
8 what's going on, I'm going to relay it, tell the story all in --  
9 all right now, and then we'll break it down to the agenda items.

10           So we'll accomplish this refinancing, refunding  
11 in three steps. So the first thing that we're going to do is we  
12 are seeking the approval to prepay to defease some HURF bonds  
13 that we issued back in 2015. So we're going to pay these bonds  
14 off. It will cost us about \$310 million. That three -- and we  
15 will use state highway funds to pay or defease these bonds.  
16 We're currently paying a 5 percent interest rate on these bonds,  
17 and we will be able to pay them off and reissue new bonds to --  
18 at a lower interest rate.

19           The second step is that we will offer to buy back  
20 some HURF bonds. When we buy back bonds, it's known as a  
21 tender, and those bonds -- these are bonds that we issued in  
22 2020. In the current market, the bonds are worth less than  
23 their face value, and if we offer investors a slight premium, a  
24 slightly higher price, they might be willing to sell some of  
25 those back. Those first two items are Agenda Items Number 5.

1 Both associated with Agenda Items Number 5.

2 The third step is that we will issue new lower  
3 cost bonds to replace the cash that we use to pay off the 2015  
4 bonds and to pay for the HURF 2020 bonds that we buy back from  
5 investors. So like I said, we're currently paying 5 percent  
6 interest on the 2015 bonds. We estimate that in issuing the new  
7 bonds, the interest cost on those new bonds will be  
8 approximately 2.71 percent. The decreased interest costs are  
9 estimated to result in net present value savings of  
10 approximately \$31 million associated with paying the 20- --  
11 paying off the 2015 bond, refinancing the 2015 bonds and  
12 3.4 million net present value savings from buying back bonds  
13 from the 2020 issue, for a total savings of about \$34 million.

14 So if the Board approves, the next steps would be  
15 that Chairman Knight and Director Toth will sign the defeasance  
16 document as well -- that allows the department to prepay the  
17 2015 bonds, and you will sign a bond resolution that allows the  
18 department to issue the new bonds. We would then subsequently,  
19 in the next couple of weeks, like the week of the 31st, we would  
20 meet with rating agencies. And currently, we have -- if you're  
21 interested, we have bond ratings. We expect those ratings to be  
22 AA plus for S&P, AA1 for Moody's. And so we would go through  
23 those rating calls the week of the 31st. We would anticipate  
24 selling the bonds in late August, early September, and closing  
25 on the issue not long after the sale. And Chairman Knight, that

1 is when you and the Director would get writing -- writer's cramp  
2 from signing a plethora of documents.

3 So what we are seeking is your approval to  
4 proceed with the -- your Agenda Item Number 5, the prepayment of  
5 outstanding HURF bonds. And I'm not sure how this is best  
6 handled, Floyd, but we will also be seeking adoption of the  
7 authorizing resolution associated with Agenda Item Number 6.

8 MR. ROEHRICH: So Mr. Chairman --

9 MS. WARD: I would be happy to take any  
10 questions.

11 MR. ROEHRICH: Okay. Sorry. I was just going to  
12 say that it is two motions, and when you're ready for the  
13 motions, I have the motions written out, Kristine, based upon  
14 the language that we got, and so I could be ready to read those.  
15 But I think, as Kristine said, let's first see if there are any  
16 questions.

17 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Yes. Are there any questions  
18 from the Board for Kristine? Mr. Maxwell.

19 MR. MAXWELL: Thank you, Mr. Chair. Kristine,  
20 thanks. And yeah, your slides were fascinating. It's -- I'll  
21 tell you, just don't get the -- your economists used to nailing  
22 the number every time or we're going to start to come to expect  
23 it, and they could be -- they could be in trouble.

24 So I do have a couple of questions. It's -- the  
25 bond authorization's for 310 million, and based on what you've

1 described, the intent is to issue all of those bonds because we  
2 believe we'll be able to use all those to either pay down the  
3 interest rate on the 2015 bonds or buy back those 2020 bonds.  
4 So if we authorize the 310, you anticipate using all of it?

5 MS. WARD: Mr. Chair, Mr. Maxwell, yes, that is  
6 correct.

7 MR. MAXWELL: Okay. On that, what -- how much of  
8 the breakdown of that 310 million is going to go to attaining  
9 the lower interest rate on the 2015 bonds versus the buying back  
10 on the 2020 bonds?

11 MS. WARD: Mr. Chairman, Mr. Maxwell, that's a --  
12 that's a good question. It will be highly dependent upon -- so  
13 the 310 -- let me start there. The 310 represents the --  
14 exclusively the amount of the 2015 bonds --

15 MR. MAXWELL: Okay.

16 MS. WARD: -- to defease those 2015 -- the  
17 replenishment of the State Highway Fund that will be used to  
18 defease the 2015 bonds.

19 With regards to the tender, where we are going to  
20 offer to ask investors if they would like to sell their bonds  
21 back to us, for that it -- we haven't -- it's an estimate. It's  
22 all based on estimates, and it's based on estimates because most  
23 of the -- the variable that is most in question is how many  
24 investors will actually want to sell their bonds. So we will  
25 adjust the new issuance, the 2023 issuance based on what we --

1 the receptivity we get by investors to sell their bonds. Does  
2 that -- does that help?

3 MR. MAXWELL: It does, Kristine. I guess the  
4 question would be so the 310 that you're getting authorization  
5 for, could it be more if we get a -- let's -- everybody  
6 (inaudible) wants to sell back their 2020 bonds, so we could end  
7 up issuing more 2023 bonds than the 310 million?

8 MS. WARD: Yes. I believe -- yes. Technically,  
9 yes, that is correct. So we will -- if -- if so right now I  
10 think on the 2020 bonds we have, we are estimating that about 30  
11 percent of the investors -- the estimates that I provided you  
12 are based on 30 percent of the investors purchasing, being  
13 willing to sell their bonds. Excuse me.

14 MR. MAXWELL: And then the final question on --  
15 so obviously the maturity dates and the -- you know, the payoff  
16 dates for us change on those bonds as we reissue them. How much  
17 further out will the 2023 bonds go than either the maturity date  
18 on the 2015 or the payoff of the 2020? Really on the 2015 ones,  
19 how much longer will we have those bonds is basically my  
20 question?

21 MS. WARD: Mr. Chairman, Mr. Maxwell, the  
22 maturity dates will be aligned with the present maturity dates  
23 of 2015, and they will align with the maturity dates on the  
24 2020s. We are not extending these maturities.

25 MR. MAXWELL: Perfect. I appreciate that answer.

1 Thank you, and thank you, Mr. Chair. That's all the questions  
2 I've got.

3 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Any other questions? Yes.  
4 (Inaudible.)

5 MR. MECK: Mr. Chairman, Kristine, in the  
6 resolution there are several bonds that have been issued, the  
7 2015, refers to 1980, all the way through 2019. What is the  
8 total bond indebtedness before any of this happens, all of those  
9 together that we have?

10 MS. WARD: Mr. Chair, Mr. Meck, we have  
11 outstanding bonds of I believe it's around \$1.9 billion in HURF  
12 bonds.

13 MR. MECK: That would be -- would that include  
14 the payoff and the initiation of these new bonds?

15 MS. WARD: Essentially, yes, because you will  
16 be -- we will be paying some bonds off, and we will be reissuing  
17 in amounts of similar -- the same amount. So we will not be  
18 issuing additional debt.

19 MR. MECK: Some of the new bonds, as I think I  
20 read, that -- could be 6 percent, is that -- does that apply to  
21 any of these monies?

22 MS. WARD: No. The 6 -- the 6 percent is an  
23 outside interest rate. The actual rate that we're anticipating  
24 is about 2.7 percent, and that's associated with the term of  
25 these bonds, the -- that are being paid off. The term that

1 Mr. Maxwell was referring to, it's about six years. So we're in  
2 the early -- it's essentially short-term debt. Think of it that  
3 way, I think, is the easiest way to put it.

4 MR. MECK: And some of these bonds were due  
5 during the pandemic. Did we -- were we current? I'm the new  
6 kid on the block, so I don't know, but were we current? With  
7 the payments there look like they're all 30-day payments over  
8 the 12 months?

9 MS. WARD: Mr. Chairman, Mr. Meck, if we weren't,  
10 current, Director Toth would be throwing me out of the door.  
11 Yes, sir. We have always been prompt and timely with our debt  
12 service payments.

13 MR. MECK: Okay. Then my question, maybe I  
14 didn't clarify that, it was during the pandemic. Did we or was  
15 the Board, ADOT, current during the pandemic on all the bonds,  
16 payments?

17 MS. WARD: Mr. Chairman, Mr. Meck, yes.

18 MR. MECK: That was reassuring. Thank you.  
19 Thank you very much.

20 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Any other questions from the  
21 Board? Mr. Searle?

22 Hearing nothing, I assume no questions.

23 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: Did you -- did you ask for  
24 me, Gary?

25 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: No. It's just whether you had



1 any questions or not, Richard.

2 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: No questions. Not at this  
3 time.

4 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay. Thank you.

5 In that case --

6 MR. ROEHRICH: So, Mr. Chairman, then we are  
7 asking for a motion to approve the adoption of authorizing  
8 resolution and repayment of outstanding HURF bonds as presented.

9 MR. MAXWELL: So moved.

10 MS. HOWARD: I'll second.

11 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: I have a motion from  
12 Mr. Maxwell and a second from Board Member Howard.

13 All those in favor signify by saying aye.

14 BOARD MEMBERS: Aye.

15 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Any opposed?

16 Would you poll --

17 MR. ROEHRICH: Mr. Searle, how was your vote?

18 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: Aye.

19 MR. ROEHRICH: And Ms. Daniels is still absent.  
20 So your -- the motion did carry, Mr. Chairman.

21 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay. We'll move on to Item --  
22 Agenda Item 6, and I believe you have a motion --

23 MR. ROEHRICH: Now, the second motion, as  
24 Kristine had mentioned, the second motion, which completes all  
25 three actions necessary as she's presented today, is this is a

1 motion to approve the adoption of authorizing resolution for  
2 HURF 2023 bonds as presented.

3 MR. MECK: I'll make a motion.

4 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: I have a motion from Board  
5 Member Meck.

6 MR. THOMPSON: Second.

7 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: And a second from Board Member  
8 Thompson to approve as stated.

9 All those in favor signify by saying aye.

10 BOARD MEMBERS: Aye.

11 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Any opposed?

12 Hearing none. Would you poll Mr. Searle?

13 MR. ROEHRICH: Mr. Searle, and your vote, sir?

14 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: Aye.

15 MR. ROEHRICH: Thank you.

16 Mr. Chairman, again, that's six ayes, and  
17 Ms. Daniels is absent. The motion carries.

18 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Great. Thank you.

19 We'll now move on -- and that's all the -- that's  
20 all the motions we have for the bonds correct?

21 MR. ROEHRICH: Mr. Chairman, that completes the  
22 financial report unless you have more questions for Kristine.

23 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Does any board member have any  
24 other questions or Kristine at this time?

25 Thank you, Kristine. You did a great job.

1 MS. WARD: Thank you. Have a good day.

2 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Now we'll move on to Agenda  
3 Item Number 7, with Paul Patane, for the Multimodal Planning  
4 Division Report. For Paul, it's -- the floor is yours.

5 MR. ROEHRICH: Mr. Chairman, I think you will see  
6 that --

7 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Yes.

8 MR. ROEHRICH: -- Mr. Patane unfortunately got  
9 selected for jury duty, and he's in the middle of a trial. He  
10 is observing, but Mr. Clem Ligocki will be presenting the MPD  
11 report, feedback report and the AZ SMART.

12 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Great. I could see Paul on the  
13 screen, so I didn't know whether he was going to do it virtually  
14 or not. Thank you.

15 MR. LIGOCKI: Okay. Mr. Chairman and members of  
16 the Board, I'm not as good looking as Paul. I will -- I will do  
17 my very best, but he is there in case he wants to add anything,  
18 improve on what I'm presenting here today.

19 So real quickly, on the Multimodal Planning  
20 Division report -- if we go to the next slide, please.

21 We have four items, the tribal transportation  
22 update, as we normally do. Looking at the P2P, Planning to  
23 Programming process and where we're at with that right now, and  
24 then State Route 88, the Apache Trail project, the update on  
25 that one, and then some information on bridge and pavement

1 preservation briefly.

2 Next slide, please.

3 So we're really excited about the Tribal  
4 Transportation Safety and Injury Prevention Summit. That is  
5 coming up on August 9th and 10th. That will be in Phoenix at  
6 the Desert Willow Conference Center. I think you've received  
7 invitations to that. If you need more information on that, just  
8 let me know and we'll get that back out to you. Okay? You can  
9 see that there are other hosts there involved, Federal Highway  
10 Administration, NHTSA and other state agencies, the Governor's  
11 Office of Highway Safety and some important tribal organizations  
12 there with us.

13 I'm happy to say that we've got 13 tribes already  
14 registered for that event, and that's great. And then also it's  
15 exciting that we have at this -- I'll just say at this time,  
16 confirmed for a keynote address appearances of Governor Katie  
17 Hobbs and Arlando Teller, who you know is a former board member  
18 as well, but is assistant secretary for tribal government  
19 affairs right now. At this time, they're confirmed to present.  
20 Nice place.

21 So more tribal transportation updates. First,  
22 looking at some statewide activity. The electric vehicle plan.  
23 As you know, for 2022, we completed the first EV plan  
24 successfully, and now we're working on updating that one to a  
25 2023 plan update, and that has an August 1st deadline. Staff is

1 working really hard on that.

2 One thing in that plan that is provided, amongst  
3 many other things, is recommendations for possible charging  
4 locations on these seven additional corridors that you see here.  
5 The change here is that previously only interstate highways were  
6 eligible to apply for the NEVI funding, but now they've added  
7 just the national highway system, and that's important, because  
8 it doesn't go beyond that to the other state highways that are  
9 also important, but we're not at that step at this time.

10 So these are all national highway system routes.  
11 We used a rating factor internally to look at which ones were  
12 important, the best to nominate, things like access to important  
13 federal offices, attractions, forests and such, traffic levels,  
14 underserved areas. And each of these routes, more than 50  
15 percent of each of these routes serves underserved areas. In  
16 most cases, over 80 percent. So those are some of the factors  
17 we used.

18 Then I would note we are doing a lot of tribal  
19 outreach on this, and there was a meeting held July 12th with  
20 representation there from Gila River Indian Community, Hualapai  
21 Tribe and Salt River Pima Maricopa Indian Community, and then an  
22 additional meeting July 19th as a virtual public meeting. And  
23 we've gained a lot of valuable input from that.

24 Next, please.

25 More statewide activity. It was mentioned

1 earlier by Ed Wilson that we're working on data real hard with  
2 the tribes, and this is another one, traffic count. So our MPD  
3 staff is working on improving our traffic count program and our  
4 cooperation with the tribes on that. So that will continue, and  
5 there's a meeting on July 28th on that in Phoenix to work on  
6 that.

7 And now the southern region. The State Road 86  
8 Wildlife Crossing project is ongoing. We've reported briefly on  
9 that -- briefly on that before, but we have some new meetings  
10 where, on April 8th, district council recommendation that the  
11 district communities be involved. So that is ongoing, and we  
12 have Don Sneed, our southern region tribal planner, is helping  
13 to coordinate that. So that will be important, and looking  
14 forward to that.

15 Next, please.

16 Here's our outline of our Planning to Programming  
17 Process. You see it's pretty much year-round activity now.  
18 Once we're done with one program, we start with the next. So  
19 we -- we've got an earlier start now to make things flow better.  
20 You can see starting, you know, even as early as February and in  
21 through May, and you see each of the steps here.

22 If we can go next, I'll show you where we're at  
23 right now.

24 We've completed the project nominations coming  
25 through from district engineers, our project managers and

1 anything that we received, you know, from the Board, our tribal  
2 partners, COGs, Metropolitan Planning Organizations as well.  
3 And then in the April, May time period, we did something a  
4 little new, although it's been done before in the past. We did  
5 district tours. So our districts were really extremely helpful  
6 and welcoming us in and driving with us on the roads to get a  
7 really firsthand look and focusing on things that likely are to  
8 be recommended as projects for P2P. So we got -- we got some  
9 really expert thoughts on that and our pavement. Staff also  
10 came along with us on that. So that was really, really special  
11 there.

12 And then project nominations in June from the  
13 technical groups.

14 So what's left is we're currently working on  
15 ranking the projects. So that hard work is going on right now.  
16 You saw Jason James here last month. He's also key on this P2P  
17 process, and the ranking and driving that with our consultant.  
18 So that is ongoing. We have district workshops moved up to  
19 September now. You may have already received invitations to  
20 those. If you have not, you will soon. You have got those. We  
21 hope that you'll join us. You have been helpful in those in the  
22 past, so we're looking forward to that.

23 And then October is when we finalize the rankings  
24 and get those over to our programming staff, Lisa Danko and her  
25 team, and also to our planning level scoping team to start

1 working out the scope, schedule and budget. So better to get  
2 things in the program better from the start. That's kind of  
3 what we're doing there.

4 So next.

5 State Route 88, Apache Trail. You'll see the  
6 graphic that we've shown before. Fish Creek Hill Overlook Rest  
7 Area to Apache Lake Marina Road. Study area is a seven-mile  
8 segment that's shown there in red.

9 Next, please.

10 So, again, we're -- we have a seven-mile segment  
11 that we're conducting this study between those points that I  
12 mentioned earlier, and so that's Milepost 222 to 229. That's  
13 remaining closed to traffic now, of course, because of the  
14 extensive damage that came from wildfire and the large storm  
15 events that we had. So the purpose of this study is to  
16 determine the feasibility of reopening State Route 88 to  
17 vehicles, identifying potential improvements, and the cost to  
18 improve the areas of resilience, to improve resilience in the  
19 roadway environment. And then, you know, considering future  
20 storm events, you know, how we can prepare.

21 So the design concept report is ongoing to look  
22 at the potential improvements and to conduct the environmental  
23 review, which is required and important there. The US Forest  
24 Service lands that are managed by the Tonto National Forest,  
25 and, you know, again, it's a historic and scenic road as well,



1 and -- National Forest Scenic Byway.

2                   So that's all ongoing. And then the deliverables  
3 are that that design concept report and the environmental  
4 overview, we're looking at five alternatives. Don't have a lot  
5 of information on that right now, but we do have some  
6 alternative bids that we're looking at.

7                   Public meeting coming up August 16th from 5:30 to  
8 7:30 at Apache Junction Multi-Generational Center. They're on  
9 Idaho Road. The schedule has at this point in time looking at  
10 completion in the fall of 2023. So that's what I have on that  
11 particular subject.

12                   And then last slide, if you can advance, this is  
13 a slide that we've shown you before in the context of our five-  
14 year program presentation. In the bottom there, highlighted in  
15 yellow, to bring the system roadways into good condition would  
16 cost about \$5.8 billion by our estimates. And the reason we  
17 bring this up is I think at the last board meeting, Board Member  
18 Howard had some thoughts about that and wanted to see the  
19 figures. We're not sure if that's the exact number you were  
20 looking for, but if it is, there it is again with that slide so  
21 you have it for your reference.

22                   MS. HOWARD: Thank you.

23                   MR. LIGOCKI: Okay. Thank you very much.

24                   And then are there any questions on what I  
25 presented here so far?

1 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Any questions from the Board?  
2 Member Searle?

3 MS. HOWARD: I do have a question --

4 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: No questions.

5 MS. HOWARD: -- if I could.

6 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Yes. Member Howard.

7 MS. HOWARD: I'm excited to see the summit that  
8 we have coming up. You know, we talk about the communities that  
9 work together in the small municipalities to get things done,  
10 and just since I've joined the Board, I've seen much progress in  
11 the way with the tribes and ADOT to get things done, and I think  
12 we're moving closer. So many projects are driven by statistics,  
13 and if we don't have the right information from both sides,  
14 sometimes we can't justify doing some of the work that needs to  
15 be done. So it's a great thing, and I definitely noticed the  
16 progress just over the past few months, so -- when you're  
17 reporting, so...

18 MR. LIGOCKI: Thank you.

19 MS. HOWARD: Thank you.

20 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you.

21 Any --

22 MR. THOMPSON: Chairman.

23 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Yes.

24 MR. THOMPSON: Floyd, was there a reason why the  
25 hard copies were not provided to us? Always like to refer to

1 that when I'm way out there on the rural area.

2 MR. ROEHRICH: So Mr. Chairman, Board Member  
3 Thompson, the board secretary failed to make your copy for that  
4 item.

5 MR. THOMPSON: Okay. Then Clem, can you get a  
6 copy?

7 MR. ROEHRICH: Well, that's me. I did it. I  
8 must have missed it. I was printing out all the presentations.  
9 I apologize. It looks as if I missed that one.

10 MR. THOMPSON: Okay.

11 MR. ROEHRICH: It was not done on purpose. It  
12 was done by the board secretary's fatal error in competency. I  
13 tell you, Sherry left and it's gone to hell. I apologize.

14 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: That's probably why we're  
15 looking for a new secretary.

16 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yeah.

17 MR. ROEHRICH: You'll be looking more for the  
18 secretary after this meeting. I think the Director has about  
19 had it.

20 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: I had my extra copy just  
21 in case.

22 MR. ROEHRICH: Thank you. Thank you.

23 DIRECTOR TOTH: We'll make sure we provide that  
24 to you all.

25 (Speaking simultaneously.)

1                   CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: I don't like paper. I like --  
2 I like the electronic --

3                   MR. ROEHRICH: (Inaudible.) Mr. Thompson always  
4 asks for a hard copy of everything that we do, and that's what I  
5 bring. Everybody else is actually electronic.

6                   CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: I don't know where he stores it  
7 all.

8                   MR. MAXWELL: Yeah.

9                   Mr. Chair, I just wanted to let you know, Member  
10 Daniels is going to be unable to join us today. Connectivity  
11 problems make it impossible for her really to join and be an  
12 active participant in the discussion or the votes. So she's not  
13 going to join us today.

14                  CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay. Thank you.

15                  MR. LIGOCKI: Chairman, if there are no more  
16 questions, I have one more one minute thing that I would like to  
17 do.

18                  CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Fine. It's yours.

19                  MR. LIGOCKI: So today is July 21st, is the 26th  
20 year anniversary of one of our employees, and that's Lynn  
21 Sugiyama. He's an honored -- honorable, just dedicated  
22 employee. When he comes to work in the morning, it's all about  
23 public service, and you don't see him a lot. Maybe you saw him  
24 in some previous times and years, but a lot of the behind-the-  
25 scenes stuff you see, particularly on the PPAC and the board

1 material stuff that you see today and lots of other work in that  
2 group, he does a ton there, and he's just really a dedicated  
3 guy. 26 years for him today. 26 years, so --

4 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thank you, Clem.

5 MR. LIGOCKI: I want to recognize Lynn. He might  
6 be online. Lynn, if you're there, thank you very much.

7 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: And congratulations if he is.  
8 We appreciate his work. Thank you.

9 MR. LIGOCKI: I'm here for the next item when  
10 you're ready, sir.

11 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay. We're ready.

12 MR. LIGOCKI: Okay. So we have the PPAC  
13 recommendations, and it's a short list today, which makes up  
14 maybe just a little bit for last time. So we have only two  
15 project modifications, one new project and one airport project,  
16 and so the two project modifications are Items 8A and 8B. We'd  
17 like to ask your approval of those two items.

18 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Are there any questions on  
19 those two items from the Board? Does Mr. Searle have any  
20 questions?

21 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: None. Thank you.

22 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: In that case, is there a motion  
23 to approve the PPAC project modifications, Items 8A and 8B as  
24 presented?

25 MR. MECK: I make a motion.

1 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: I have a motion from Board  
2 Member Meck.

3 MR. THOMPSON: Second.

4 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: And a second from Board Member  
5 Thompson.

6 All those in favor signify by saying aye.

7 BOARD MEMBERS: Aye.

8 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Any opposed? Motion passes.

9 MR. ROEHRICH: Mr. Chairman, could I get  
10 Mr. Searle's vote?

11 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: I'm sorry.

12 MR. ROEHRICH: No, sir.

13 Mr. Searle, could I have your -- please provide  
14 your vote on PPAC Items A and B?

15 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: Aye.

16 MR. ROEHRICH: Thank you, sir. The motion  
17 carries.

18 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Sorry, Richard.

19 MR. LIGOCKI: Thank you.

20 Mr. Chairman, if we could move to the next slide  
21 that shows 8C. Thank you.

22 So there's only one new project. That is  
23 Item 8C. It is a local project, and we'd ask your approval of  
24 Item 8C.

25 MR. MAXWELL: So moved.

1 MS. HOWARD: Second.

2 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: I have a motion for -- if  
3 there's no questions or discussion from the Board, I have a  
4 motion from Board Member Maxwell and a second from Board Member  
5 Howard to approve Item 8C as presented.

6 Would you please -- that being said, all those in  
7 favor signify by saying aye.

8 BOARD MEMBERS: Aye.

9 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Any opposed?  
10 Would you poll Mr. Searle?

11 MR. ROEHRICH: Board Member Searle.

12 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: Aye.

13 MR. ROEHRICH: Thank you, sir. The motion  
14 carries.

15 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you.

16 MR. LIGOCKI: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

17 We have one more, which is the airport project.  
18 That is Item 8D. Apologies to Bagdad. It's Bagdad without the  
19 H, and we ask your approval of Item 8D, please.

20 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Is there any discussion or  
21 questions from the Board? In that case, I will entertain a  
22 motion to approve Airport Development Program Item 8D as  
23 presented.

24 MR. MAXWELL: So moved.

25 MR. THOMPSON: Second.

1 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: I have a motion from Board  
2 Member Maxwell, a second from Board Member Thompson for -- to  
3 approve Item 8D.

4 All those in favor signify by saying aye.

5 BOARD MEMBERS: Aye.

6 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Any opposed?

7 Please poll Board Member Searle.

8 MR. ROEHRICH: Mr. Searle, your vote, please.

9 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: Aye.

10 MR. ROEHRICH: Thank you, sir. The motion  
11 carries.

12 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you.

13 We will now move on to Agenda Item Number 9.  
14 You're going be standing there a while. Paul's going to owe  
15 you.

16 MR. LIGOCKI: Maybe not. We'll see.

17 Mr. Chairman, thank you, Board Members.

18 If you'll go to the next slide, please.

19 So just to refresh our memory is the eligible  
20 uses again are listed here on the slide, as we normally show.  
21 Up to 50 percent reimbursement of grant development and  
22 submission costs are limited to those smaller counties and  
23 smaller cities you see in the list there.

24 Also, the funds can be used to match a federal  
25 grant or surface transportation, and also reimbursement for



1 design and other engineering services is provided there as well  
2 for eligible projects.

3 And who's eligible right now, and I'll get to  
4 more on this is, it is ADOT cities and towns and counties except  
5 for those two listed there as we provided before. There's more  
6 information on that I'll have shortly in another slide.

7 If we can go to the next.

8 So today we have just one application before the  
9 Board, and it deals with the PROTECT grant program, which again,  
10 deals with resilience related to weather events, natural  
11 disasters, et cetera, primarily. So you see the information  
12 there. That notice of federal opportunity, that notice of  
13 funding opportunity, I should say, has been released, and it's  
14 August 18th that that closes. So we have some action there now.

15 If we move to the next slide, please.

16 So there's been some -- there's been some  
17 legislative action, so we wanted to summarize that for you  
18 briefly. So there were two bills that were passed.

19 Senate Bill 1722, which appropriated another  
20 \$12.5 million to the SMART Fund to go into the fiscal year 2024  
21 budget. But, of course, it does not expire. That added \$2.5  
22 million to each of the five pots that we have. That became  
23 effective July 1st, so we have that money at this point. So  
24 that's -- that is effective, and that's official. You'll see  
25 that in the table that we're updating here shortly.

1           Then we had Senate Bill 1735, which made a number  
2 of changes but is not yet in effect. So what this did is  
3 previously we had the statute defining -- or currently, I should  
4 say, defining eligible applicants by excluding those that are  
5 partially or entirely located in an urbanized area of a large  
6 county, which in this case is Maricopa County. And so what they  
7 did there is amend that law to change it to say now those are  
8 excluded are those which are partially or entirely. Before it  
9 was they had to be entirely. Now it's partially and entirely.  
10 So that's been changed. It's both now. So what that does is  
11 effectively, you know, exclude the rest of those communities in  
12 Maricopa County, in addition to the county itself. So when that  
13 takes place, that will change the -- when that becomes  
14 effective, it will change the eligibilities. There was another  
15 minor technical correction.

16           So since the Legislature is still out there and  
17 hasn't adjourned yet, if they come back in late July, we have to  
18 update the date that I have in the slide there, which is  
19 September 13th. It'll be, you know, late October at the soonest  
20 that this will become effective. So it's a general effective  
21 date, which is the 91st day after the end of the sine die  
22 adjournment of the Legislature. So when that happens, we'll  
23 find out. There will probably be a few celebrations amongst our  
24 legislative staff. And so, of course --

25           CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: I have a question.

1 MR. LIGOCKI: -- that will come up then.

2 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: I've got one question on that.  
3 You -- I may have misheard you, but did you say that when they  
4 changed it, partially or entirely located, it was originally  
5 entirely, and they added the partially?

6 MR. LIGOCKI: Correct. I may have had that  
7 reversed. Yes. That's correct.

8 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: So if it was entirely located  
9 in Maricopa County, it was not eligible, but they added the  
10 partially to that statement?

11 MR. LIGOCKI: Mr. Chairman, that's really close.  
12 It goes to the urbanized area. So some of the cities and towns  
13 were partially located in the urbanized area, but not --

14 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Not entirely.

15 MR. LIGOCKI: -- not entirely. But that list  
16 that we showed in the earlier slide, those were the ones.

17 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: What do they -- what do they --  
18 what are the boundaries of the urbanized area?

19 MR. LIGOCKI: Well, it's -- Mr. Chairman, it's --  
20 it is confusing for all of us that work with these multiple  
21 jurisdictions in the county. There's a lot of county islands.  
22 There's also some public lands. There are things that are  
23 rivers, may not be considered as well. So in those cases, there  
24 are gaps that -- you know, that are located there.

25 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: So let me get this straight.

1 For future reference, the City of Phoenix is not entirely  
2 located in the urbanized area? It's just partially located in  
3 the urbanized area? I (indiscernible) --

4 MR. LIGOCKI: Mr. Chairman, that is correct.  
5 They have (indiscernible) --

6 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Difficult to fathom that the  
7 City of Phoenix is not entirely in the urbanized area, but  
8 that's -- if that's the case, that's the case.

9 MR. LIGOCKI: Yes, Mr. Chairman. That's the way  
10 it is, because it goes to, you know, densities of population,  
11 and portions of the city are outside the urbanized areas.

12 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay.

13 DIRECTOR TOTH: Mr. Chairman, we can provide a  
14 map of the urbanized areas and send that on to you.

15 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay. Probably when we have to  
16 finally make a decision on that, it would be -- I need to have  
17 that. Thank you.

18 MR. MAXWELL: Mr. Chair.

19 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Yes.

20 MR. MAXWELL: This is -- so I wanted to clarify  
21 it as well, and I would appreciate seeing the map, because  
22 (indiscernible) comes back, obviously that's -- you know, we've  
23 got a SMART fund application out there from Phoenix that we're  
24 considering. So I think that will be extremely helpful.

25 And so when you mentioned, say, it's Maricopa

1 County, it's because the -- as I understand, the reason it  
2 doesn't impact Pima County cities is because the urbanized area  
3 of Pima County is not in excess of a million people. The county  
4 is, but the urbanized area is not. So it's really that  
5 1 million people is referencing the urbanized area population?

6 MR. LIGOCKI: There is actually -- south Tucson  
7 is affected.

8 MR. MAXWELL: So there -- so it's not 1 million  
9 in the urbanized area. It's in a county with a population --

10 MR. ROEHRICH: In the county of population of  
11 1 million.

12 MR. MAXWELL: -- of 1 million.

13 MR. LIGOCKI: Yes.

14 MR. MAXWELL: So it does impact Pima County as  
15 well, not just Maricopa County?

16 MR. LIGOCKI: That is correct.

17 MR. MAXWELL: I'm not saying that is a good  
18 thing, because, you know, it'd be better for the cities down  
19 there for it not to be (inaudible), but it is clarification, and  
20 there's -- south Tucson is the only one that's currently on the  
21 list that's impacted.

22 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yes, in addition to the  
23 county itself.

24 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay.

25 MR. MAXWELL: So will the partial impact the city

1 of Tucson then as well? I'm pretty sure it will, because  
2 there's several -- you know, it's -- there may even be another  
3 one. Marana may come down far enough into the urbanized area,  
4 I'm not sure, but it -- this -- if we could get a list of the  
5 cities that will change, because there's maybe some  
6 opportunities for SMART fund applications from Pima that the  
7 cities are -- or the municipalities may not even be aware they  
8 will no longer be eligible 90 days past sine die.

9 MR. LIGOCKI: Mr. Chairman --

10 DIRECTOR TOTH: We'll make sure to get you the  
11 map and those -- the list of the cities that are ineligible.

12 MR. MAXWELL: Thank you, Director. Thank you,  
13 Mr. Chair.

14 DIRECTOR TOTH: Cities and counties.

15 MR. LIGOCKI: We'll communicate that well.

16 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: If there's no further  
17 questions, go ahead and continue.

18 Will do. Okay. So that is it for the  
19 legislation. If we go to the next slide that has the map --  
20 there we go.

21 So this is the one application we have today.  
22 You heard Deputy County Manager Andreani, Supervisor Vasquez and  
23 Sandra Tavel from MetroPlan all talk about this one earlier in  
24 the comments. It's the State Route 89 flood mitigation. The  
25 request is for match in the amount of \$3,705,842 for their

1 PROTECT grant, and the work includes the watershed restoration,  
2 neighborhood flood mitigation, as you see there, highway  
3 drainage improvement and upsizing existing detention facilities.  
4 We heard quite a bit of detail on that earlier. So the numbers  
5 are there. And again, they will intend to be a direct  
6 recipient, if awarded this PROTECT funding.

7 MR. ROEHRICH: So Mr. Chairman, if I could. I  
8 have one additional point that I was asked to make.

9 When the application from Coconino County was  
10 submitted, Governor Hobbs did write a personal letter signed by  
11 her to add to the application, putting the Arizona support  
12 behind the application as well. So that was not in the original  
13 packet, and I was asked to convey that to the Board.

14 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you.

15 MR. LIGOCKI: Okay. Next slide, please.

16 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Yeah. Next.

17 MR. LIGOCKI: So in summary there, we've done all  
18 of our statutory checks that it's all eligible, eligible  
19 applicant, eligible projects. PPAC did do the approval to  
20 forward here. The request is for the match in the amount that  
21 you see. And there were no other requests there. And, of  
22 course, the Board's options will be to approve, modify, deny or  
23 request more information.

24 So next slide, please.

25 This is an enhanced table that you had requested.

1 So I'll go through this, not too quickly, so that we can catch  
2 the details that change.

3 Across the top of the table are the five eligible  
4 applicants. You see again ADOT, the municipalities under 10,000  
5 population, those over 10,000 population, and the counties under  
6 100,000 and counties over 100,000.

7 The revenues there, as you see in that top band,  
8 have grown. And so it's now 12.5 total appropriation, and along  
9 with the interest, you see those amounts are over 12 -- excuse  
10 me -- 12,700,000 in each category to start. So -- but some  
11 things have happened then. Since the last time we met, you  
12 recall at the last meeting there were applications approved in  
13 the amount of \$3 million for Bullhead City in SMART -- AZ SMART  
14 funds, and the -- see if I get this right -- I think it's these  
15 \$277,008 was for Gilbert, which is a partial award at that time,  
16 but they were not successful in getting their grants. And since  
17 those were match awards, that money gets returned to that pot of  
18 the large cities. Okay? So keep that in mind.

19 If we go down to the highlighted in yellow area,  
20 you'll see now then the available for awards in each category,  
21 and for the larger cities, that number is back up to  
22 \$5.8 million now. And you mentioned earlier the pending  
23 requests is City of Phoenix is there for that 3.4. So you can  
24 see what the balances are in determining your decision at some  
25 point in the future. As you come in with new, larger cities,



1 you'll know what those numbers are.

2 And then for today, we're focusing on the county  
3 application. And so you see the amount there available for  
4 award is 11.4 million, approximately, and the request today is  
5 for that \$3,705,842. And so you see the total there, and if you  
6 approve this application, you will still remain about  
7 7.8 million in that large counties pot.

8 So that's the summary there. I don't know if  
9 there are any questions.

10 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Any questions from the Board?

11 MR. ROEHRICH: Mr. Chairman, Mr. Thompson.

12 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Mr. Thompson.

13 MR. THOMPSON: Mr. Chairman, if you're ready to  
14 take action on this?

15 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Yes.

16 MR. THOMPSON: I'd like to request the support of  
17 the Board. I've been part of the MetroPlan for several years,  
18 and there's been a lot of efforts working together with the  
19 Native American tribes, with the City, with the County and, of  
20 course, with us as well. So the funding is there. (Inaudible)  
21 the justification, and as we heard earlier from some of the  
22 speakers, you know, that this is definitely a need to get it  
23 done, because this is kind of like an isolated road that's  
24 going, you know, up north. So with that, I'd like to move that  
25 we approve the amount requested by MetroPlan.

1                   CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: I have a motion.

2                   I would like to say that in this particular  
3 case -- and we have to take each one of them individually -- I  
4 think this is a very good application for the SMART fund. It's  
5 going to bring a lot --

6                   MR. THOMPSON: Uh-huh.

7                   CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: -- of outside dollars, federal  
8 dollars into the state that without the matching funds that  
9 might not happen, and I think it's a good thing, and it has my  
10 support as well.

11                   So I have a motion from Board Member Thompson.  
12 Do I have a second?

13                   MR. ROEHRICH: Mr. Chairman, I need to go back.  
14 On his motion, he said MetroPlan, but the applicant is Coconino  
15 County.

16                   CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay.

17                   MR. ROEHRICH: So may I read the motion first?

18                   MR. THOMPSON: Yes.

19                   CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Yeah. Read the motion or I'll  
20 read the motion, either one. Doesn't matter.

21                   MR. ROEHRICH: Okay. We're asking for a motion  
22 to approve the Arizona SMART Fund application from Coconino  
23 County in the amount requested as presented to the Board.

24                   MR. THOMPSON: Yes, that is my motion.

25                   CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: And I have a motion to that

1 effect from Member Thompson. Do I have a second?

2 MR. MECK: Second.

3 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: I have a second from Member  
4 Meck.

5 All those in favor --

6 MR. MAXWELL: Mr. Chair.

7 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Yes.

8 MR. MAXWELL: I've got a question.

9 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Yes.

10 MR. MAXWELL: Discussion. So we've established  
11 Maricopa County is ineligible for these funds. Pima County's  
12 ineligible for these funds. So we've got two county buckets,  
13 and I don't know the answer, so I'm going to ask the question.  
14 How many of the counties fit the greater than 100,000 population  
15 and how many counties fit in the less than \$100,000 -- 100,000  
16 number population?

17 MR. ROEHRICH: Mr. Chairman, Mr. Maxwell, off the  
18 top of my head, I do not know that. So if you've got the county  
19 population numbers, we can provide that.

20 MR. MAXWELL: I just looked up Show Low and  
21 Pinetop, and I'll get to that comment after this, but I think  
22 it's important to know. I'm not saying it's going to change my  
23 vote. I'm supportive of this as well, but as we go forward, I  
24 mean, if Coconino was the only one in that category, then they  
25 really -- that's -- if they come to projects with this, they've

1 probably got smooth sailing, but that means we've got all the  
2 other counties in the -- in the other category. It would be  
3 good to know and --

4 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: I can see. I can see --

5 MR. ROEHRICH: Chairman Knight.

6 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: -- Yuma County is more than  
7 100,000.

8 MR. MAXWELL: 100,000 as well.

9 MR. LIGOCKI: Mr. Chairman --

10 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: Chairman Knight.

11 MR. ROEHRICH: Mr. Searle. Yes, sir.

12 Mr. Searle, please make your comment.

13 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: Yes. To answer Ted's  
14 question, there's at least five or six counties that are over  
15 the 100,000 mark.

16 MR. MAXWELL: Okay.

17 MR. LIGOCKI: And Mr. Chairman, we can --

18 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Yeah, it would be nice to have  
19 that for the next -- by the next meeting or when -- before we --  
20 by the time we have to approve another out of that pot. It  
21 would be nice to have that information. I know Yuma County --  
22 that's my county. I know that it's got more than -- it's about  
23 200,000, so...

24 MR. MAXWELL: And Mr. Chair, you know, I just  
25 want -- it's a thought process, we're about to approve a third

1 of the funding available to a single county, and again, I --  
2 like I said, I personally am supportive of this usage of the  
3 money because of the amount of federal dollars, you know, but  
4 it's good for us to be able to balance the -- how much we're  
5 going to get in response to the match amount we support, but  
6 it's also good to know, and right now we haven't seen -- I'll  
7 give Coconino County and the Flagstaff area a lot of credit.  
8 They've been very good at trying to take -- you know, to  
9 leverage these SMART fund accounts, but I think to my point in  
10 the conversation we had this morning, it really is important for  
11 the other counties to realize this money's here, especially the  
12 smaller ones, which might need some help in the grants. They  
13 may not have as big a staff. But that -- you know, what we  
14 don't want is six years from now, this money still sitting there  
15 and nobody's taken it back -- you know, been able to leverage  
16 it, I should say.

17 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: And I too agree. I think that  
18 when we do consider each one of these, as we have here, we need  
19 to consider the additional funds that are coming into the  
20 projects, what this is a match for, and actually, that even  
21 though the 3.7 million is about a third of the pot, in this  
22 case, it's a very small percentage of the total dollars that --  
23 for the project. So I think that's one of the things we have to  
24 consider, one of the parameters that we have to consider going  
25 forward, so that that's what makes each one of these individual

1 awards kind of separate, consider each one on their own merits.  
2 And in this particular one, it's much needed, and it is going to  
3 bring in a lot of federal dollars to the state.

4 DIRECTOR TOTH: Mr. Chairman, if I could.

5 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Yes.

6 DIRECTOR TOTH: Thanks to my amazing staff that  
7 are back at the office, Cochise, Coconino, Mohave, Navajo,  
8 Yavapai, Yuma and Pinal County are all over 100,000.

9 MR. MAXWELL: A lot.

10 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Yeah. But I think as I did  
11 mention, and as you mentioned, I think that we -- as one of the  
12 parameters when we're considering these awards, we have to look  
13 at how many -- how many federal dollars or how many outside  
14 dollars these matches are bringing into the state, and when we  
15 consider it and make our decision.

16 Did you have a comment, Mr. Thompson?

17 MR. THOMPSON: I do. This is actually -- yeah,  
18 it's a request from the county. All I'm saying about MetroPlan  
19 is there's this group that's working together very closely to  
20 make these kind of projects happen. So with that, I do  
21 appreciate your thoughts, and I definitely -- you know, having  
22 been part of them and talking with them over the several weeks,  
23 I do appreciate your thoughts again, but, you know, you support.  
24 Let's move forward with this. Really appreciate it.

25 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay. Any other comments or

1 questions from the Board?

2           The only comment I would have in addition would  
3 be that since we're going -- we're going to have to consider  
4 each one of these applications on its own merit, so I don't  
5 really want this to set a precedent that we have to follow. It  
6 just -- this -- in this particular instance, the outside  
7 dollars, and it's a small match compared to the outside dollars  
8 that it brings in, and that weighs heavily on my consideration.

9           So in that case, we have a motion from Board  
10 Member Thompson and a second from Board Member Meck. All those  
11 in favor -- all those in favor signify by saying aye.

12           BOARD MEMBERS: Aye.

13           CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Any opposed?

14           Would you poll Board Member Searle?

15           MR. ROEHRICH: Mr. Searle, your vote, please?

16           VICE CHAIR SEARLE: I vote aye.

17           MR. ROEHRICH: Thank you, sir. The motion  
18 carries.

19           CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you.

20           MR. MAXWELL: Mr. Chair. Mr. Chair.

21           CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Yes.

22           MR. MAXWELL: Before we move on, could I just  
23 have a second to talk about this --

24           CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Absolutely.

25           MR. MAXWELL: -- this thing?

1           This chart, I appreciate this chart being up  
2 here, because it shows a lot, and it would -- today at the  
3 meeting we had with the communities beforehand, we talked a lot  
4 about the challenges of SMART fund apps. You know, a lot of  
5 these communities have a single point of -- single individual  
6 that works all their DOT issues and their transportation issues,  
7 and so it's not as easy for them to put together an application.  
8 That's why you're seeing a lot of the larger communities,  
9 because they've got deeper staffs.

10           Interesting enough, based on the Google's  
11 information, Show Low would be in the -- in the greater than  
12 10,000 category, which is the biggest category where there's a  
13 lot of -- lot of challenges in there, so -- but Pinetop-Lakeside  
14 would still be under the 10,000 muni side of it.

15           And the other thing I didn't -- had not thought  
16 about prior, ADOT obviously has our own ability in there, and so  
17 far we have not leveraged that either. So at some point I'd  
18 like us to consider and talk about what we're looking at for  
19 possible projects out there that we could get some leverage to  
20 SMART funds for the match, if appropriate, because those things  
21 are there. But I would absolutely encourage the counties,  
22 especially the counties under 100,000, because that full bucket  
23 is still available. You know, the majority of the  
24 municipalities under 10,000, that full bucket's available -- or  
25 most of that bucket's available too.



1           So this is a great opportunity to do what you  
2 heard so many of us talk about today, and that is the leverage  
3 outside dollars. You know, infrastructure funding, it's very  
4 difficult to attain. So anytime we can get somebody from  
5 outside our region that wants to put money into our state, that  
6 is something I think we should continue to pursue. So I'd  
7 encourage all those folks in those categories to start taking a  
8 look, and if they need help, they can reach out to ADOT and see  
9 if ADOT can supply them some help.

10           For the record, there's -- on the application,  
11 there's 29 different federal grants. So it's -- you know, a lot  
12 of times we hear about the RAISE and the PROTECT and the big  
13 ones that everybody knows about, but there's a lot of federal  
14 grants in here you can use, including the 30th category, which  
15 is other. So if there's a federal grant you know of that may  
16 not be on this, it doesn't prevent you from applying for these  
17 SMART funds to help you pursue that grant as well.

18           Thank you for the time, Mr. Chair.

19           CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: You bet. And I would like to  
20 add that as you mentioned, Show Low's in the over -- in the pot  
21 that's fairly depleted.

22           MR. MAXWELL: Yes.

23           CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: But you have to remember this.  
24 You can partner with your county, and if you -- if the -- if the  
25 pot for the city is not contained enough -- if we -- if it

1 finally becomes depleted, reach out to the county, your county  
2 supervisors, and in most cases they're going to be willing to  
3 partner with the community to keep that money in the county.  
4 That's the way Yuma County looks at it, because I've talked to  
5 their board of supervisors, and they're more than willing to  
6 work with the cities and towns within Yuma County where the  
7 funds for those particular cities or counties have been  
8 depleted. So don't be afraid to reach out to your county and  
9 partner with the county to get the SMART funds that you -- that  
10 you might need. They would have to fill out the application,  
11 but it's all in the county. So you can make that work as well.

12 MR. THOMPSON: (Inaudible.) You know,  
13 particularly those in the rural, remote areas, I don't know how  
14 much information we're getting out there, but most of the time  
15 when I visit those remote areas, they don't -- they have very  
16 little knowledge about it. So much of it, you know, have to  
17 talk to the county officials that they need to work with those  
18 (inaudible), and that's (inaudible) make an effort on my part,  
19 and I'm sure the cities, and they all fall, and they want to be  
20 part of this, and like you both said, that we need to let them  
21 more -- let them know more about, you know, what our discussion's  
22 about here and how we're -- like to move forward (inaudible)  
23 money out there.

24 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you.

25 Any other comments from the Board? Yes. Go

1 ahead.

2 MR. LIGOCKI: Mr. Chairman, just to follow up on  
3 that, I might add, we did, you know, blast out in the beginning  
4 a lot of information. If it would be helpful, you know, Lisa  
5 Danko has got all this stuff moving, and we'd be happy to --  
6 maybe it would be appropriate to send out another message to  
7 remind people this is viable and it's still out there and  
8 refresh their memories. Be happy to do that.

9 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Good.

10 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Very good.

11 MR. LIGOCKI: Mr. Chairman, Board, thank you.

12 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you.

13 We'll move on to Agenda Item Number 10, which is  
14 the state engineer's report, with Mr. Greg Byers.

15 MR. BYRES: Thank you, Mr. Chairman, Board  
16 members. I would kind of like to revert back to the past item.

17 ADOT has a very robust planning program. We have  
18 some really good individuals that work in our planning group.  
19 Any entity that wants to work on a SMART fund application, we  
20 are more than willing to help him out. So the application  
21 itself is fairly simple, but we can certainly help them and  
22 guide them in trying to put together any kind of application to  
23 help that out. So in that blast that Clem was just talking  
24 about, we need to make sure that that invitation goes out as  
25 well.

1 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you.

2 MR. BYRES: So, Mr. Chairman, Item 10, this is  
3 the state engineer's report. We currently have 100 projects  
4 under construction worth \$2.2 billion. Four projects were  
5 finalized in June, worth \$2.2 million. Fiscal year to date, we  
6 have 70 projects finalized. That 100 projects that we currently  
7 have out worth the \$2.2 billion is a substantial amount of work.  
8 So with that, I just kind of -- I'm going stand up here and give  
9 my little piece here.

10 Safety is paramount on our roadways. We have a  
11 lot of construction going on across the state. Anybody that  
12 came up 60 saw some of that, but that isn't just on 60. It's on  
13 numerous roadways across the state. So I've got a chance here  
14 to push safety, and I'm going to, because that truly is  
15 paramount for ADOT. We have employees out on those roadways.  
16 The contractors have employees out on those roadways. The  
17 public that is traveling on those roadways has to take and work  
18 through our work zones. So with that, we really need to push  
19 out that in those work zones, there's direction given for slower  
20 speeds, what to do if there's detours, if we have pilot lanes  
21 working. It is paramount that everybody just slow down, pay  
22 attention and read the directions that are necessary on the  
23 signage that we put out for all of our work selves (phonetic).  
24 It is huge, and right now it is everywhere. So it's a big deal  
25 right now.

1                   The other thing I'd like to say is with the  
2                   number of projects that we have, the construction industry  
3                   within the state of Arizona right now is extremely busy. They  
4                   are maxed out, and they're doing everything they can to expedite  
5                   work, but there's a lot going on. So patience is paramount. So  
6                   just wanted to push that out.

7                   So thank you very much. That's all I have for  
8                   Item 10.

9                   CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you.

10                  Then we'll move on to Agenda Item Number 11, and  
11                  you're still up.

12                  VICE CHAIR SEARLE: Chairman Knight.

13                  CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Yes, Richard.

14                  VICE CHAIR SEARLE: I've got a -- I've got a  
15                  question for Greg.

16                  CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay. Continue.

17                  VICE CHAIR SEARLE: Okay. Greg, speaking of  
18                  patience, back in May that -- I believe it was the 331 exit on  
19                  10, 191 south was damaged by that semi fire, and both the  
20                  southbound 191 and westbound 10 or one -- westbound off of 191  
21                  has been affected and are detoured on county roads. I keep on  
22                  looking for the contract for that emergency repair. Can you  
23                  tell me where we're at with that?

24                  MR. BYRES: So, Mr. Chairman, Board Member  
25                  Searle, you've got about another six weeks before you're

1 actually going to see this happen, but you will not see an  
2 advertisement. This is going to go through a different  
3 procurement for us to get this done. We've got design coming  
4 up. We've got -- the design is almost completed. We've got  
5 contractors that are looking at this to get it done.

6 One thing for you that you had brought up before  
7 was a route coming around for access, a ramp access on -- coming  
8 off of I-10 and for 191. That is going to be part of the  
9 project that is currently being designed, but it will not be --  
10 it'll be temporary for a detour during construction of the  
11 bridge, but it will remain in place, but we're going to gate it  
12 off. And the whole purpose of that is when we have large loads  
13 coming through, instead of having to detour them around, there  
14 will now be a means to be able to come around the bridge and  
15 make that detour without having to get off of I-10. So that is  
16 going to be part of the project.

17 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: Sounds good. Appreciate it.  
18 Right now that the detour is putting quite a bit of traffic on  
19 county roads that have weight limits on it, and the semi traffic  
20 is -- Cochise County's taking the brunt of this right now, so  
21 glad to see it's moving forward.

22 MR. BYRES: No problem.

23 As far as Item Number 11, new construction  
24 contracts. We had several contracts going out. The --  
25 currently, we're at -- for end of year, we came out at 2 percent

1 over our total budgeted amounts. Our total amount for FY '23  
2 came out to be \$707 million, 800 and -- \$707,839,343.90. Now,  
3 this is just construction costs. There's a lot more in project  
4 development that goes with this, which is well over a billion  
5 dollars. So extreme amount that we actually put out the door  
6 this past year. So with that, though, one thing to look at is  
7 that we were only 2 percent over in our total costs of that  
8 entire program. So we were fairly accurate within all of our  
9 estimating. We were off -- it seems like a big number, but for  
10 a program the size that we have, it's not too bad. We were off  
11 \$14,018,073.23 for the year, so...

12 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: 2 percent. 2 percent. That's  
13 not bad.

14 MR. BYRES: No, no, within 2 percent is pretty  
15 good.

16 So the first project that we have, Item 11A.

17 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Next slide.

18 MR. BYRES: Thank you. Next slide.

19 This is Item 11A. This is a pavement rehab  
20 project. This is on 10B, Arizona Avenue, Rex Allen Drive. The  
21 low bid was \$3,892,698. The State's estimate was \$3,200,387, a  
22 difference of \$692,311, or 21.6 percent.

23 One of the biggest changes that we had in this  
24 was there's a longer haul that's going to be necessary for  
25 asphalt materials, and with that, there's slower production

1 rates that were -- than what were estimated by the State. But  
2 after analysis of the low bid, it was determined that the bid is  
3 responsive and responsible, and we recommend award to Granite  
4 Construction Company.

5 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Very well. Are there any  
6 questions from anyone on the Board?

7 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: I'd like to make a motion to  
8 approve --

9 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Any questions from you,  
10 Mr. Searle?

11 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: No. I'd like to make the  
12 motion to approve.

13 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: It is in your district.

14 I have a motion from Board Member Searle to  
15 approve the award of Item 11A to Granite Construction Company.  
16 Do I have a second?

17 MR. MAXWELL: Second.

18 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: I have a second from Member  
19 Maxwell.

20 All those in favor signify by saying aye.

21 BOARD MEMBERS: Aye.

22 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Any opposed?

23 Would you poll Board Member Searle?

24 MR. ROEHRICH: Mr. Searle, your vote, please?

25 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: Aye.



1 MR. ROEHRICH: Mr. Chairman, the motion carries.

2 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you.

3 MR. BYRES: Next item we have is 11B. This is a  
4 rest area rehabilitation project. This is on I-17, McGuireville  
5 Rest Area. The low bid was \$6,052,750. State's estimate was  
6 \$3,343,686, a difference of \$2,709,064, or 81 percent over the  
7 State's estimate.

8 We had some substantially higher costs than what  
9 we had anticipated on the sewer system, the restroom  
10 renovations, lift station and then mobilization costs itself.  
11 ADOT does really good on roadways, so sometimes we don't do so  
12 good on other facilities. With the low bid being significantly  
13 higher than the State's estimate, our ADOT facilities group took  
14 and re-evaluated the project and decided to rescope the project.  
15 The rescope project will be completed through a different  
16 procurement process than this. We're having people do this that  
17 are much better at it. With that, we recommend rejection of all  
18 bids.

19 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Any questions from the Board?

20 MR. MAXWELL: Chair, what's the -- what are you  
21 anticipating the cost of the rescope project is going to be?

22 MR. BYRES: At this point -- at this point, we're  
23 not sure. Facilities is going back and taking a look at it.

24 MR. MAXWELL: So are -- so you're going to reduce  
25 some of the improvements -- I mean, I'm assuming because you're

1     scoping it, you had this vision and now it's going to be a  
2     little bit less. Is that how you're going to get back within  
3     the cost? I guess -- because what I'm trying to get at is you  
4     were very surprised by the rehabilitation cost. That's  
5     understandable. Things -- you know, it's a different world  
6     we're playing in right now, but did you -- normally with that  
7     sometimes here, we'll hear you say that you -- after review,  
8     they think they're reasonable. So is this an issue of it's just  
9     too much to pay and just going to rescope the requirements down,  
10    or was it you think you can get somebody that's going to do it  
11    for less?

12                   MR. BYRES: It was too much, and one of the big  
13    things is we try to not only take care of the issues that we  
14    have, but look out into the future. So we did more of an  
15    ultimate kind of design than what we -- than what's necessary.  
16    There's some that have to be done, particularly the water  
17    system, wastewater system have to be improved, but we kind of  
18    scale those back a little bit to make it much more palatable for  
19    funding-wise.

20                   MR. MAXWELL: Thank you, Mr. Chair.

21                   CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Is there any other thing that  
22    could be done in house?

23                   MR. BYRES: There's some that can, but it would  
24    be probably much more efficient and effective for a -- for  
25    (inaudible).

1                   CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Just a question.

2                   Any other questions?

3                   In that case, that's in my district. I will move  
4 to reject all bids as represented -- as presented.

5                   MR. MECK: Second.

6                   CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: And I have a second from Board  
7 Member Meck.

8                   All those in favor signify by saying aye.

9                   BOARD MEMBERS: Aye.

10                  CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: And any opposed?

11                  Would you poll Board Member Searle?

12                  MR. ROEHRICH: Mr. Searle, your vote, please?

13                  VICE CHAIR SEARLE: Aye.

14                  MR. ROEHRICH: Thank you.

15                  Chairman, the motion carries.

16                  CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you.

17                  MR. BYRES: The next item we have is Item 11C.

18 This is a scour retrofit on US-60. These were the wash bridges.

19 The low bid was \$1,900,000. The States's estimate was

20 \$1,035,639, a difference of \$864,361, or 83.5 percent.

21                  There we have three bidders on this project. One  
22 of the bridges that's on this particular project only has a  
23 clearance of 4 feet underneath it. When the State put together  
24 its estimate, it did not take that low clearance into  
25 consideration. So consequently, after speaking with the low

1 bidder on this, he's going to have to use remote-operated  
2 equipment in order to get under that bridge to do the excavation  
3 that's necessary for the project, which is going to be an  
4 extremely costly means, because it really reduces the production  
5 rates for the excavation. Then once the excavation is  
6 completed, we've got to go back in with material for the scour  
7 retrofit itself, which is also going to have to be done either  
8 by hand or with specialized equipment. So there's an added cost  
9 to that.

10 One of the other things is we did underestimate  
11 the bridge rails themselves -- or barrier is what I mean. With  
12 that, with the cost of concrete and forming of the specialized  
13 barriers, we did not take all that into account. There's --  
14 there was additional cost on that.

15 But after analysis of the low bid, it was  
16 determined the bid is a responsive and responsible bid. We  
17 recommend award to KAZ Construction, Inc.

18 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you.

19 Are there any questions or discussions from the  
20 Board?

21 Then it's in district -- it's in my district, so  
22 I will move to award Item 11C to KAZ Construction, Inc.

23 MS. HOWARD: I'll second.

24 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: And I have a second from Board  
25 Member Howard.

1 All those in favor signify by saying aye.

2 BOARD MEMBERS: Aye.

3 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Any opposed?

4 Would you poll Board Member Searle?

5 MR. ROEHRICH: Board Member Searle, your vote?

6 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: Aye.

7 MR. ROEHRICH: Thank you.

8 The motion carries, Mr. Chairman.

9 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you.

10 MR. BYRES: The next item we have is Item 11D.

11 This is a multi-use path improvement for the City of Peoria.

12 The low bid was \$2,953,610. The State's estimate was

13 \$2,601,026, a difference of \$352,584, or 13.6 percent.

14 One of the cost differences that we did see was  
15 the cost of metal handrail that extends through a portion of the  
16 path improvements. Costs were higher than what was estimated by  
17 the State. The other item was the single standing curb that  
18 goes with the pathway itself. The curb is going to have to be  
19 hand formed because the anchoring system for the handrails is  
20 embedded in it. We did not look at the production rate, so hand  
21 formed curb for that, so consequently, the costs go higher.  
22 After analysis of the bid, it appears the bid is a responsive  
23 and responsible bid and we recommend award to Meridian  
24 Engineering Company.

25 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Any questions or discussion?

1                   In that case, I will look for a motion to award  
2 Item 11D to Meridian Engineering Company and -- Board Member  
3 Meck.

4                   MR. MECK: I will make the motion.

5                   CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: I have a motion from -- --

6                   MR. THOMPSON: Second.

7                   CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: -- Board Member Meck. I have a  
8 second from Board Member Thompson.

9                   All those in favor signify by saying aye.

10                  BOARD MEMBERS. Aye.

11                  CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Any opposed.

12                  Would you poll Board Member Searle?

13                  MR. ROEHRICH: Board Member Searle?

14                  VICE CHAIR SEARLE: Aye.

15                  MR. ROEHRICH: Chairman, the motion carries.

16                  CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you.

17                  MR. BYRES: Next item we have is Item 11E. This  
18 is installation of roadway lighting in Bullhead City. The low  
19 bid was \$415,338. The State's estimate was \$591,209, a  
20 difference of \$175,871 under the State's estimate, or 29.7  
21 percent.

22                         The biggest item that we saw in the difference  
23 in cost was the contractor was able to get the poles and mast  
24 arms at a much cheaper rate than what we had anticipated. We  
25 also saw that the cost of PVC conduit was less, as well as the

1 installation for directional drilling. With that, after  
2 analysis of the bid, it was determined that the bid is a  
3 responsible and responsive bid, and recommend award to Michiana  
4 Contracting, Inc.

5 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Any questions from the Board?

6 Well, it's in my district, so I will move to  
7 award Item 11E to Michiana Contracting, Inc., as presented. Do  
8 I have a second?

9 MR. MECK: Second.

10 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: I have a second from Board  
11 Member Meck.

12 All those in favor, signify by saying aye.

13 BOARD MEMBERS: Aye.

14 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Any opposed? Would you poll  
15 Board Member Searle?

16 MR. ROEHRICH: Board Member Searle, vote?

17 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: Aye.

18 MR. ROEHRICH: Thank you.

19 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you.

20 MR. ROEHRICH: Motion carries.

21 MR. BYRES: The last item that we have is  
22 Item 11F. This is the installation of rectangular flashing  
23 beacons in Pinal County. The low bid was \$205,555. The State's  
24 estimate was \$125,422. The difference was \$80,133, or 63.9  
25 percent over the State's estimate.

1                   There were four bidders on this project. The two  
2 lowest bidders were not timely in their responses and submittals  
3 for the requirement of DBE forms. The third bidder was  
4 responsive. However, the bid was substantially higher than that  
5 of the State's estimate, and the local public agency was not  
6 willing to fund the project for that cost. We recommend  
7 rejection of all bids.

8                   MS. HOWARD: I have a question, Chair.

9                   CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Any questions by the Board?

10                  MS. HOWARD: I do.

11                  Do you anticipate a rebid?

12                  MR. BYRES: At this point, more than likely we  
13 will.

14                  MS. HOWARD: Okay.

15                  MR. MAXWELL: Mr. Chair, I've got another  
16 (inaudible). Is this not already -- I think we've seen this  
17 project before. Was it a rebid effort already on this one?

18                  MR. BYRES: For this one, no, this one isn't.  
19 This is -- this is one that -- the one that you're thinking of  
20 (inaudible) --

21                  MR. MAXWELL: Yeah, there's (inaudible) been a  
22 couple. I mean, I know Gold Canyon's been --

23                  MR. BYRES: Yeah.

24                  MR. MAXWELL: -- having a rough time at this  
25 Board level, so it's -- all right. Thank you.



1 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Any --

2 MR. MAXWELL: And it is a significant increase  
3 from the lowest bidder to --

4 MR. BYRES: Yeah.

5 MR. MAXWELL: -- to the third.

6 MR. BYRES: Yeah.

7 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Any other questions by the  
8 Board? Then I will entertain a motion to reject all bids --

9 MS. HOWARD: So moved.

10 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: -- in Item 11F as presented.  
11 I have a motion from Board Member Howard.

12 MR. MAXWELL: Second.

13 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: A second from Board Member  
14 Maxwell.

15 All those in favor signify by saying aye.

16 BOARD MEMBERS: Aye.

17 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Any opposed?

18 Would you please poll Board Member Searle?

19 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: Aye.

20 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you.

21 MR. BYRES: Thank you very much.

22 MR. MAXWELL: (Inaudible.)

23 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: We'll move on now to Agenda  
24 Item Number 12. Floyd.

25 MR. ROEHRICH: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

1                   So this is on here just to get the board members  
2 and staff to start looking over the Board policies. By statute,  
3 every two years the Board is supposed to review their policies  
4 and modify and remove, add, edit, whatever's necessary then  
5 re-adopt them. And that would be then the driving policies for  
6 the Board and for ADOT for the next two years until we  
7 re-evaluate them again.

8                   So I just wanted to remind the Board and staff.  
9 I put the link there. The policy's are on the Board's website,  
10 and I would ask that board members or staff, if you have policy  
11 recommendations, editing an existing policy, expand an existing  
12 policy, remove one or add a new one, please send those to me so  
13 we can start staffing them.

14                  My goal would be -- is to collect those policies  
15 over the next month, those recommendations over the next month,  
16 say by the August board meeting. Staff will work them in  
17 preparation for the September board meeting. We will bring them  
18 back in draft, start the deliberation with the Board, and  
19 through September, October, November, however long it takes to  
20 work our way through the policies, finalize what will be the  
21 Board policies that will be presented for approval, and my goal  
22 would be at the November time frame -- and that's traditionally  
23 how we've done it, late in the year, that November time frame,  
24 ask the Board to adopt the policies. But if we can start  
25 looking at them now, I can start gathering the information from

1 board members and staff that we can started putting it together.

2 And as I said, schedule-wise, my goal would be to  
3 collect those over the next month. Staff would look at them.  
4 At the September meeting, we will bring you a draft to start the  
5 deliberation, and that would give us October and into November  
6 if there's more questions and follow-up from board members, and  
7 then hopefully that November time adopt the board policies, and  
8 then that will be our guiding policies moving forward again for  
9 that next two-year period. So that's all. I just wanted to get  
10 staff moving forward with it and board members thinking about  
11 it.

12 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you Floyd.

13 Are there any questions? Member Maxwell?

14 MR. MAXWELL: Mr. Chair, Floyd, greatly  
15 appreciate getting this -- an early start on this, and it would  
16 be incredibly helpful if perhaps you could send that link in an  
17 email reminder to the members of the Board so that one-stop  
18 shopping, we'll just print it out and get started.

19 MR. ROEHRICH: Absolutely. I will do that. And  
20 as a reminder to staff as well, because I know a lot of them  
21 don't have those, like, on their desktop. They kind of rely on  
22 myself or the board secretary. I will send a reminder out by  
23 separate email with the link to all the board members and senior  
24 staff so we can get the discussion started. Thank you.

25 MR. MAXWELL: Thank you, Floyd. Thank you,

1 Mr. Chair.

2 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Any other questions from the  
3 Board?

4 Move on Agenda Item Number 13, which is  
5 suggestions. Are there any suggestions from the board members  
6 for future agenda items?

7 MR. ROEHRICH: Mr. Chairman, if I could, before  
8 getting to those suggestions, as Mr. Thompson had asked, would  
9 you be willing to open up call to the audience and to see if  
10 Ms. Boudreau or Mr. Kee Allen Begay is still on and able to make  
11 their comments?

12 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Absolutely. We can do that.  
13 I'm glad you reminded me, because I did forget. We're running  
14 on to close to noon now, so I kind of forgot about it.

15 I do have one quick question before we do that  
16 came to mind when I -- I've read that the new Sunset Point Rest  
17 Area is open, and that's good news. It looks like it's -- from  
18 the pictures, looks like it's great. They're closing the -- the  
19 one that they -- there was some (inaudible) that they were using  
20 prior to --

21 MR. ROEHRICH: The temporary one, that was  
22 something at Badger Springs TI, which is south of there. That  
23 is closed, and we're going to rehabilitate that site and put it  
24 back. We're going to move out all the temporary --

25 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay.

1 MR. ROEHRICH: -- (inaudible).

2 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Because I was going to suggest  
3 we could at least use that one for our trucking, for trucks to  
4 stop at.

5 MR. ROEHRICH: Yes, sir. I understand.

6 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Inaudible.)

7 MR. ROEHRICH: Exactly. We can give an update on  
8 the truck parking (inaudible) move forward, because we are in  
9 the process of developing that. So we'll put that on the next  
10 agenda. Oh, I'm sorry.

11 MR. BYRES: Mr. Chairman, we actually had -- we  
12 went through BLM to get this as a special use for the temporary  
13 rest area, so it -- they were very gracious to be able to allow  
14 us there. They're the underlying landowner. It is within ADOT  
15 right-of-way, but they are the underlying landowner. So  
16 consequently, there's -- for us to utilize it for anything other  
17 than this special use, we would have to go back to BLM to see if  
18 we could do it.

19 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: It's just a thought, because I  
20 know we're looking for more places for our truckers to park  
21 their rigs, so I was just thinking maybe use that for that.

22 MR. ROEHRICH: Thank you.

23 At this point, since the Chair did open up call  
24 to the audience, I would ask if Liz Boudreau, Ms. Boudreau, are  
25 you there? Please raise your hand.

1 WEBEX HOST: Go ahead and hit star six to unmute  
2 your line.

3 MR. ROEHRICH: Ms. Boudreau, if you're talking,  
4 we are not hearing you.

5 WEBEX HOST: Ms. Boudreau, now go ahead and hit  
6 star six. It does not look like her line is being unmuted.

7 MR. ROEHRICH: Thank you, Randy.

8 I'll go on. The other gentleman, Ms. -- Mr. Kee  
9 Allen Begay, Junior. Mr. Begay, are you there? Please raise  
10 your hand.

11 WEBEX HOST: I do not see any hands.

12 MR. ROEHRICH: Thank you, Randy.

13 Thank you, Mr. Chairman. It does not look as if  
14 we're able to continue with those requests.

15 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: That being said, and having  
16 covered all of the agenda items on this agenda, this meeting's  
17 adjourned.

18 (Meeting adjourned at 11:43 a.m.)  
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**Adjournment**

***Chairman Gary Knight adjourned the State Transportation Board Meeting on July 21, 2023.***

**Meeting adjourned at 11:43a.m. PST.**

Not Available for Signature

Gary Knight, Chairman  
State Transportation Board

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Jennifer Toth, Director  
Arizona Department of Transportation



**STATE TRANSPORTATION BOARD MEETING  
VIRTUAL ONLY/WEBEX ATTENDANCE**

**Call to Order**

Chairman Gary Knight called the State Transportation Board Meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

**Pledge**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Floyd Roehrich, Jr.

**Roll Call by Board Secretary, Linda Hogan**

A quorum of the State Transportation Board was present. Chairman Gary Knight, Vice Chairman Richard Searle, Board Member Ted Maxwell, Board Member Jenn Daniels, Board Member Jesse Thompson, Board Member Jenny Howard, and Board Member Jackie Meck. There were approximately 57 members of the public on-line and approximately 11 attendees in person.

**Opening Remarks**

Chairman Knight reminded members of the public, to keep their computer or phone muted during the meeting, unless called to speak during the Call to Audience.

**Title VI of the Civil Rights Act**

Floyd Roehrich, Jr., read Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended. Floyd, also reminded individuals to fill out survey cards, with the link shown on the agenda.

**Call to the Audience**

An opportunity was provided to members of the public to address the State Transportation Board. Members of the public were requested not to exceed a three minute time period for their comments.

ARIZONA STATE TRANSPORTATION BOARD  
BOARD MEETING

REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

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8 Board Members:

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Richard Searle, Vice Chairman  
10 Jackie Meck, Board Member  
Jenn Daniels, Board Member  
11 Ted Maxwell, Board Member  
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1 (Beginning of excerpt.)

2 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: We'll move on to call to the  
3 audience. Telephonically and WebEx, everyone will be muted when  
4 they call in to the meeting. When your name is called to  
5 provide your -- please provide your -- in order to provide your  
6 comments, you will indicate your presence by virtually raising  
7 your hand using your phone keypad or through the WebEx  
8 application. I think with the phone keypad it's star three.  
9 The WebEx host will guide you through the unmuting and muting  
10 process following the instructions included with the meeting  
11 agenda.

12 There will be -- there will be a three minute  
13 limit imposed, so please keep your comments to the three minute  
14 time period so that everybody will have a turn, and we can move  
15 on through the meeting efficiently.

16 Floyd, would you call the first?

17 MR. ROEHRICH: Yes, sir, Mr. Knight.

18 First, so I want to make sure. We have a call-in  
19 user. I don't know the number. I just want to make sure,  
20 Bryce, that that is a panelist.

21 WEBEX HOST: Yes. I have muted them, but I am  
22 unable to see who that is. So I can just -- I can move them to  
23 an attendee.

24 MR. ROEHRICH: Well, let's hold off in case  
25 that's Stacy. I know Stacy was going to come in as a panelist.

1 I don't see her yet, so maybe that's what she's doing is calling  
2 in.

3 WEBEX HOST: Okay.

4 MR. ROEHRICH: Let's see if we get more feedback  
5 from them. For now, we'll go ahead and move forward with call  
6 to the audience. I do have a few calls to the audiences. I  
7 will please call your name. The WebEx host will talk you  
8 through the unmuting process, and as the Chairman said, you'll  
9 have three minutes to make your comments.

10 Our first speaker is a Mayor John Leech. Mayor  
11 Leech, please raise your hand.

12 WEBEX HOST: A reminder, please press star three  
13 on your line. I see that they popped up. I have requested to  
14 unmute your line. You are now unmuted.

15 MAYOR LEECH: Am I unmuted?

16 MR. ROEHRICH: Yes, sir. Mayor Leach, we could  
17 hear you. Please make your comments.

18 MAYOR LEECH: Good morning. Thank you guys for  
19 letting me address you this morning. Just a -- just a quick --  
20 Show Low's the fastest growing community in the -- eastern  
21 central Arizona, and the bridge crossing over Show Low Creek is  
22 a -- is a key to satisfy several local and regional  
23 transportation and economical needs, increase the region's  
24 transportation network with construction of a bridge to connect  
25 SR-260 and Penrod Road, improve traffic conditions on SR-260 and

1 reduce carbon emissions, improve accessibility to the business  
2 corridor off of Penrod, creating an alternate route for EMS  
3 personnel and residential evacuations. Complete the design and  
4 engineering for Scott Ranch Road infrastructure expansion  
5 project will make the project more competitive for federal  
6 Department of Transportation funding.

7 The City will apply for applicable funding  
8 sources, including RAISE project -- or RAISE grant project and  
9 MPD grants. The project will bring an estimated 23 million to  
10 eastern Arizona.

11 I can tell you that one of the things that we're  
12 asking for, the design grant to design the project and the  
13 estimate of about 2.4 million. I'm a retired firefighter, and I  
14 could tell you the eastern part of Arizona in Apache County  
15 would greatly like this road, as well as Pinetop-Lakeside,  
16 Snowflake, Taylor. The reason being is this time of the year  
17 Show Low is very busy, and running emergency personnel through  
18 the middle of Show Low is a tragedy in itself, and with this  
19 extension project moving forward, they can all benefit from this  
20 road off of Penrod.

21 So we just ask for your continued support in this  
22 project. I know I've talked to our senators, and it was one of  
23 their high priorities as well. So I would appreciate your  
24 support. I know Pinetop-Lakeside, Snowflake, Taylor, and also  
25 Apache County would greatly appreciate this extension to divert

1 the traffic off of -- in the middle of Show Low, which is -- I  
2 think a lot of you were up here -- most of you were up here a  
3 month ago for the meeting, and our traffic up here this time of  
4 year is very busy. I mean, we triple in traffic going down the  
5 Deuce of Clubs and also 260, going up to Pinetop.

6 So this would -- this would help evacuation  
7 purposes. As you know, the fire season, it would help us  
8 evacuate our community to Penrod. Like I said, it's a huge  
9 asset to our community. We've been working on this project for  
10 well over, I think, 15, 16 years, and I've been involved in it  
11 for the past -- as a council member, for the past twelve.

12 So we just -- I'm just here asking for your  
13 support, and again, thank you guys for coming up here last  
14 month. And sorry I had to leave early, but I'm feeling better  
15 now and ready to move forward. So appreciate the time and thank  
16 you, Chairman. That's all I've got for now.

17 MR. ROEHRICH: Thank you, Mayor Leech.

18 Our next speaker is Mr. Michael Huff. Mr. Huff,  
19 please raise your hand.

20 WEBEX HOST: Mr. Huff, I have requested to unmute  
21 your line. You are now unmuted. You may speak.

22 MR. HUFF: Are you able to hear me?

23 WEBEX HOST: We can hear you.

24 MR. ROEHRICH: Yes, sir. Mr. Huff, we could hear  
25 you. Please make your comments.



1 MR. HUFF: Excellent. Good morning, Chairman,  
2 Knight, members of the Board. My name is Michael Huff. I'm a  
3 transportation planner and GIS analyst with Northern Arizona  
4 Council of Governments, or NAGOG. I want to thank you for the  
5 opportunity to speak today.

6 My comment serves to speak on the Arizona SMART  
7 Fund items for your consideration today, specifically to offer  
8 NACOG's full support and prioritization of the Yavapai County  
9 Arizona SMART Fund application on Item 7 on the agenda.

10 I want to give some context to that application.  
11 NACOG has been working with its peers, Central Yavapai MPO and  
12 MetroPlan Flagstaff, to develop a regional transportation safety  
13 plan over the past year or so, really aiming to address roadway  
14 safety issues and identify the most severe hazards, cull out  
15 projects and really serve to pave the path to improve roadway  
16 safety in Northern Arizona in a -- in a systemic, data-driven  
17 way.

18 So we've been working with our consultants over  
19 the past year to provide both a network-wide roadway safety  
20 analysis, as well as look at local roadway segments and  
21 intersections.

22 So at the local jurisdiction level, we've found  
23 that the Verde Valley area, including Sedona, Camp Verde,  
24 Cottonwood, Clarkdale, Jerome and the Yavapai Apache Nation has  
25 produced the most severe injury and fatal roadway crash rates in

1 the most recent years of data from ADOT. And so that's all just  
2 to say that the Verde Valley is a hotspot in Northern Arizona  
3 for dangerous crashes, and it is very much a priority area for  
4 improvement.

5 And so those results have driven Yavapai County,  
6 NACOG and those mentioned, Verde Valley cities and towns to  
7 fully support and collaboratively seek funding for a  
8 transportation safety plan specifically for the Verde Valley  
9 area to provide more tailored safety policy recommendations,  
10 emphasis areas, higher resolution data analysis, and to identify  
11 further and more comprehensively roadway safety improvement  
12 projects to a level of detail that isn't possible in the full  
13 Northern Arizona safety plan.

14 So these Verde Valley local agencies have already  
15 started bringing local sheriffs, police departments and fire  
16 chiefs into these conversations to make sure that we're starting  
17 to pinpoint those areas of emphasis and most prioritized safety  
18 issues before we even begin the project.

19 So we, NACOG, has worked with Yavapai County  
20 Public Works to submit both the Safe Streets for all application  
21 for the plan as well as an Arizona SMART Fund application for  
22 the local match portion of that plan.

23 Roger McCormick with Yavapai County Public Works  
24 is also in attendance today in support of the project, and the  
25 Arizona SMART fund application up for your approval today would

1 cover that local match portion, which is truly a pivotal piece  
2 of funding for a very high priority planning effort benefiting  
3 all residents of the Verde Valley jurisdictions, Yavapai County  
4 as well as travelers through the Verde Valley and Yavapai  
5 County.

6 So on behalf of NACOG, I want to thank you for  
7 your time and consideration of that application. Thank you.

8 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you. Thank you for your  
9 comments.

10 MR. ROEHRICH: Our next speaker is Mr. Kini  
11 Knudson. Mr. Knudson, I see your hand is raised. Bryce, could  
12 you please send the request to unmute?

13 WEBEX HOST: I've requested to unmute your line,  
14 Mr. Knudson. You are now unmuted. You may speak.

15 MR. KNUDSON: -- hear me. Thank you for the  
16 opportunity to speak this morning. I'm Kini Knudson. I'm the  
17 street transportation director for the City of Phoenix. I'm  
18 speaking on Agenda Item Number 7, which is Phoenix's application  
19 for the AZ SMART fund program.

20 Phoenix originally became aware of this program  
21 and funding opportunity in January after a presentation by ADOT  
22 staff to the MAG Transportation Review Committee. Once we were  
23 informed that we, as a -- Phoenix were qualified and eligible  
24 for this, we submitted an application as required.

25 Our \$3.4 million funding request was to support

1 the implementation of our 2022 RAISE grant award for our Rio  
2 Salado bike/ped bridge project. Our application was heard at  
3 the February PPAC meeting and moved forward for approval. At  
4 that time, Phoenix and San Luis were the first two cities to  
5 request funding through that -- this portion of the program  
6 that's focused on cities greater than 10,000 in population.

7 As the board members may remember, our request on  
8 the board agenda for its March meeting was on there. It was  
9 withdrawn based on concerns about Phoenix's eligibility for the  
10 program. Since then, it has been confirmed that Phoenix is  
11 currently eligible for funding under the AZ SMART program.

12 Our application has kind of been in a state of  
13 limbo for five months. During that time, funding applications  
14 from San Luis, Camp Verde, Flagstaff, Sierra Vista, Gilbert,  
15 Bullhead City have been heard by the Board. Phoenix has  
16 concerns that this program is set up as a first come, first  
17 heard kind -- as the program funding is limited. It began with  
18 \$10 million funded, programmed for cities over 10,000. With the  
19 \$2 million, \$2.5 million of additional appropriations and  
20 accrued interest and accounting for other applications that have  
21 been approved by the Board for funding, there is \$5.8 million  
22 funding currently available.

23 I would like to note that unlike most of the  
24 funding requests under the AZ SMART fund program, Phoenix has a  
25 project that has been awarded federal funds and is ready to move

1 forward right now. With respect to our \$3.4 million funding  
2 request, this bike/ped bridge project over the Salt River is a  
3 key regional project that supports the goals and visions of the  
4 Rio Reimagined Project that was championed by the late Senator  
5 John McCain, and also has the support of Governor Hobbs.

6 Key transportation -- this key transportation  
7 link is focused on bicycles -- bicyclists and pedestrians, our  
8 most vulnerable road users, and also provides a connection to a  
9 traditionally underserved community. It is the only -- and if  
10 it is -- but when it's built, it'll be the only dedicated active  
11 transportation crossing of the Salt River in the City of  
12 Phoenix.

13 Our project is not fully funded by the RAISE  
14 grant. I wanted to point that out. We are still seeking  
15 funding to help us fund the remaining portion of the project.  
16 If the Board were to award us the funding -- requested funding,  
17 we would utilize the funding to help us pursue the funding of  
18 the remainder of this important project.

19 In closing, I would like to reiterate that our  
20 funding request supports an incredibly necessary project that  
21 Phoenix is eligible for funding under the AZ SMART program. We  
22 have been anxiously anticipating Board action on our request for  
23 five months, and we would hope that a favorable result results  
24 in this morning's meeting. I want to thank the Board for your  
25 time, and I'll be staying online to answer any questions the

1 board members may have about our application or request. Thank  
2 you.

3 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you for your comments.

4 MR. ROEHRICH: Our next speaker is Ms. Crystal  
5 Figueroa. Ms. Figueroa, please raise your hand.

6 WEBEX HOST: I've requested to unmute your line.  
7 You are now unmuted. You may speak.

8 MS. FIGUEROA: Good morning, Mr. Chairman Knight,  
9 members of the Board. I'm Crystal Figueroa, the Executive  
10 Director of the Yuma Metropolitan Planning Organization. I'm  
11 speaking today in support of the ADOT AZ SMART fund application  
12 for US-95 improvements.

13 In collaboration and partnership with ADOT, YMPO  
14 has taken a proactive approach to seek grant funding  
15 opportunities. Most recently, YMPO was the recipient of a 2023  
16 RAISE grant for \$8.5 million for US Highway 95 planning project  
17 that will complete the final design and environmental clearance  
18 for approximately nine miles. Apart from the RAISE grant  
19 funding, 3.75 million is still needed to fully cover the total  
20 planning project cost. The total is -- the total -- I'm sorry.  
21 The goal is to design the nine remaining miles and make the  
22 project shovel ready for construction funding. Safety  
23 improvements are of critical importance to our community, as  
24 this busy two-lane highway has experienced numerous fatal  
25 crashes in recent years. Also, it directly serves our region's

1 two largest economic generators, the agriculture industry and  
2 the US Army Proving Ground, which plays a vital role in the  
3 nation's defense.

4 The US-95 project is recognized as the highest  
5 priority for the Yuma region, and YMPO will continue to apply  
6 for grant funding opportunities and advocate for programming in  
7 the ADOT Five-Year Facilities Construction Plan.

8 The collaboration with ADOT to leverage the AZ  
9 SMART fund currently available for the project can help maximize  
10 the construction funds.

11 Thank you for your partnership in helping  
12 securing additional funding for US-95 improvements.

13 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you, Crystal, for your  
14 comments.

15 MR. ROEHRICH: Our next speaker is Ms. Jennifer  
16 Thompson. Ms. Thompson, please raise your hand.

17 WEBEX HOST: You are now unmuted.

18 MS. THOMPSON: Can you hear me?

19 MR. ROEHRICH: Yes, ma'am. We can. Please make  
20 your comments.

21 MS. THOMPSON: Okay. All right. Good morning.  
22 Good morning, Chairman Knight, members of the Board. I've been  
23 on here several times. Reminder that I'm the controller and  
24 townsite utilities manager for the Freeport-McMoRan mine in  
25 Bagdad, located in Yavapai County.

1 I want to take this opportunity today to just  
2 truly thank you for the continued support and your partnership  
3 with us as well as Yavapai County. We've been working together  
4 to complete the rural grant application for the State Route 97  
5 corridor realignment and modernization, and this has created a  
6 stronger and more well-rounded application.

7 We also were able to receive a debrief on our  
8 unsuccessful RAISE grant application from USDOT yesterday that  
9 gave us insight to its strengths and weaknesses. We were able  
10 to use that information. It was timely to better our current  
11 application for the rural grant, which we'll be submitting  
12 today.

13 Many thanks to KK (phonetic), Rebecca Shone  
14 (phonetic), District Administrator Brozich and the Northwest  
15 District staff for their time and support. You know, they've  
16 not missed a meeting. They've reviewed everything timely, given  
17 great feedback, and those are long documents to go through. So  
18 I want to thank you all for your time and support. We look  
19 forward to working more with you, hopefully this -- we're  
20 awarded this grant.

21 And I hope you guys have a -- have a great  
22 weekend. Thank you so much for the opportunity to speak today.

23 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you. Thank you for your  
24 comments.

25 MR. ROEHRICH: So, Mr. Chairman, those are the



1 requests that have been formally submitted to speak at call to  
2 the public.

3 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Very well, Floyd. We'll move  
4 on to Item Number 1 on the agenda, which is the director's  
5 report.

6 DIRECTOR TOTH: Good morning, Chairman Knight and  
7 Board members. I have a few updates to share with you this  
8 month.

9 Since last month's board meeting, ADOT released  
10 its 2022 Arizona Motor Vehicle Crash Facts Report. That report  
11 is focused on traffic-related crashes and injuries that happen  
12 on all roads across the state, and that includes the state  
13 highway system as well as all local roads. Unfortunately, in  
14 2022, there were 1,294 traffic fatalities reported across  
15 Arizona, and that was an increase of 8.6 percent from 2021.

16 The report also shows what we already know, the  
17 fact of traffic-related injuries, fatalities are for the most  
18 part due to driver behavior, and that includes speeding,  
19 impairment and the failure to use seat belts and helmets.

20 On the subject of driver safety, I was very much  
21 encouraged when I spoke just last week at the Arizona Tribal  
22 Transportation Safety and Injury Prevention Summit. There I was  
23 able to share some of those statistics from the crash facts  
24 report, and I talked about how ADOT is committed to working with  
25 our partners to make our roads safer for everyone.

1           The Summit drew 130 attendees representing 13  
2       sovereign nations in Arizona. The summit sponsors included ADOT,  
3       the Arizona Department of Health Services, the Department of  
4       Public Safety, the Governor's Office of Highway Safety, the  
5       Intertribal Council of Arizona, Federal Highway Administration  
6       and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

7           Information was presented about Traffic Safety,  
8       traffic injury prevention, the importance of the crash data and  
9       funding opportunities that will no doubt lead to continued  
10      collaboration and information sharing for tribal agencies as  
11      well as our communities.

12          I want to thank Chairman Knight and Board Member  
13      Thompson for attending the summit. By all accounts, the summit  
14      was a success, and it lived up to the theme of partnering across  
15      agencies.

16          Another safety reminder about the dangers of  
17      wildfire season. Earlier this month we had closures on US-191  
18      near Hannagan Meadow due to the Willow Fire. Our ADOT crews  
19      often provide assistance during these wildfire incidents, and I  
20      want to thank them for their response and the coordination  
21      efforts with the local agencies.

22          Like last month, I want to share that ADOT  
23      encourages motorists to use extreme care in order to reduce  
24      sparks that cause those fires. We remind drivers to make sure  
25      that nothing is hanging under their vehicles or dragging on the

1 pavement, and also caution if you have to pull off the road with  
2 hot vehicles near tall grass or vegetation.

3           Lastly, I'll wrap up with an update on the work  
4 that's happening behind the scenes to repair the overpass at  
5 US-191 and I-10. You may remember in May a semi tractor-trailer  
6 crash caused significant damage to the support structure of  
7 US-191 bridge over the westbound I-10 just west of Willcox. Two  
8 days later, we were able to reopen I-10 westbound lanes using  
9 temporary supports. However, the overpasses itself still  
10 remains closed. We're moving forward with design and  
11 construction through the emergency relief reimbursement process,  
12 and right now we have a consultant on board who has worked  
13 closely with our bridge group for design of the repairs.

14           In addition, we've engaged with four contractors  
15 who have expressed interest in the project, and the goal is to  
16 be able to provide those contractors the plans by the end of  
17 this month for their review, and we hope that by early September  
18 we'd be ready to request bids. Ultimately, our goal is to start  
19 construction this fall and to finish in the spring of 2024, and  
20 we're looking at a cost estimate of about 10 million for  
21 construction.

22           I do want to emphasize how responsive ADOT teams  
23 have been since the crash damage to the structure. It really  
24 took a tremendous effort from our maintenance staff, our bridge  
25 groups, numerous other technical teams within ADOT to reopen

1 I-10 so quickly. We've had a great deal of cooperation from the  
2 contractor community as well, and they worked with us to quickly  
3 mobilize and build that temporary shoring structure.

4 I do want to point out that we understand the  
5 closure of the overpass is challenging the residents in the  
6 area. This project is a high priority for us. We're working  
7 hard to let drivers in the area and other stakeholders know  
8 about progress updates, and we'll continue to keep them updated  
9 on any future closures or detours.

10 With that, I'll turn it over to Stacy for the  
11 legislative report.

12 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you, Director, and it was  
13 great that Board Member Thompson and I could attend that Tribal  
14 Transportation Summit. We both sort of thoroughly enjoyed it.  
15 It was a -- it was a great event, and I hope they continue to  
16 have those in the years to come.

17 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: Gary.

18 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Yes.

19 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: This is Richard.

20 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Yeah, Richard.

21 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: Director, thank you for the  
22 update on the 191 overpass on I-10. I appreciate it, and it's  
23 good to hear that it's moving forward. Thank you.

24 DIRECTOR TOTH: Thank you.

25 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Any other comments from Board

1 Members?

2 MR. THOMPSON: Chairman.

3 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Yes. Is that Jesse?

4 MR. THOMPSON: Yes.

5 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Yeah. Go ahead.

6 MR. THOMPSON: Chairman and Board Members, I'd  
7 also like to say thank you, and I'm grateful that our Director  
8 Toth and the administration, the staff were able to put on this  
9 very successful summit.

10 One thing that I've come away with was that  
11 certainly I'm very happy that there's a negotiation going on  
12 sharing -- the tribe sharing of the crash data with our staff.  
13 So I think that's a big step. That's one thing that has been an  
14 obstacle all these years trying to share that information, but I  
15 felt very comfortable that things were happening at this point.  
16 So again, thank you very much, Chairman.

17 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Yeah. Thank you, Member  
18 Thompson.

19 Any other comments from the Board?

20 Then I guess we'll move on --

21 MR. ROEHRICH: So Mr. Chair --

22 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: -- we'll move on to the state  
23 and federal legislative report.

24 MR. ROEHRICH: Stacy, are you able to unmute your  
25 phone? So she's a panelist. She should be able to unmute her

1 phone, right, Bryce?

2 MS. GUILLEN: Good morning. Can you -- can you  
3 hear me?

4 MR. ROEHRICH: Yes, we can.

5 MS. GUILLEN: Got it.

6 MR. ROEHRICH: You have three minutes.

7 MS. GUILLEN: Sorry for -- I'm so sorry. Sorry  
8 for appearing on the phone. I was having trouble logging in,  
9 and I'm sure it's operator error, but as a participant, I was  
10 having trouble logging in, so I'm trying it from my phone.

11 My name is Stacy Guillen. Good morning,  
12 Mr. Chairman and members. I am ADOT's law and policy director.  
13 You're usually used, I think, to hearing this update from  
14 Anthony Casselman, but I'm filling in for him today as he's at a  
15 different event.

16 The legislative session, I'm sure you are well  
17 aware, reconvened for one day on July 31st, and after finishing  
18 up a few pieces of business, they adjourned sine die shortly  
19 after 5:00 p.m., marking the end of what is a record-setting  
20 204-day session. The lateness of the sine die makes the general  
21 effective date for legislation August 3- -- or sorry -- October  
22 30th.

23 I'm sure you are well aware that part of the work  
24 that they did on that day was to pass the Prop 400 extension.  
25 Both the House and the Senate pushed forward on Senate Bill

1 1102, which authorizes Maricopa County to establish a ballot  
2 proposition to extend the current half cent sales tax for 20  
3 years, and that bill was signed the next day, on August 1st, by  
4 Governor Hobbs.

5 The allocation of funding was a big topic of  
6 discussion and negotiation all session long. The final version  
7 of the bill allocates the funding to 40.5 percent for freeways,  
8 22.5 percent for arterials and 37 percent for transit. That is  
9 the main thing that occurred at the end of session, and within  
10 that bill there were a few pieces of statutory changes that  
11 don't necessarily directly apply to the Prop 400 piece but were  
12 part of that overall negotiation.

13 The other statewide legislative issue that the  
14 agency is working on right now is our sunset audit. Our agency  
15 is set to sunset, and we are going through the process of going  
16 through audits to renew our agency's ability to operate for  
17 however long the Legislature deems appropriate.

18 The Legislature has been -- through the Auditor  
19 General's office has been working very closely with ADOT to  
20 focus on the sunset audit. It is -- the Auditor General's  
21 office is currently wrapping up the audit and will appear before  
22 a legislative committee of reference, which we also refer to as  
23 a COR, sometime later this year or early next year, where they  
24 will recommend whether to extend or sunset the agency or combine  
25 it with another agency. And once that recommendation has been

1 made, ADOT will need to seek legislation to codify the COR's  
2 recommendation and statutorily extend the agency.

3 All of that ideally should take place next  
4 legislative session, and whatever recommendations that the  
5 Auditor General has for us may take -- may occur in the form of  
6 a bill, or they could just be things that ADOT works on in the  
7 future and then works with the Auditor General on to ensure that  
8 ADOT is following their recommendations.

9 And with that, I'd be happy to answer any  
10 questions.

11 I'm sorry. Mr. Chairman, I believe you're muted.

12 MR. ROEHRICH: You're muted, Mr. Chairman. Yes.

13 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: You're right. Sorry about  
14 that.

15 Thank you very much for your report.

16 Do any of the board members have a question for  
17 Stacy, I believe? Hearing none.

18 Do we have any last minute items to report?

19 DIRECTOR TOTH: No, sir. We don't.

20 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay. Before we move on to  
21 Item Number 2, Floyd has indicated that we have a couple of  
22 callers that got in late that would like to speak, so I'm going  
23 to allow them to speak now.

24 MR. ROEHRICH: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

25 Our next speaker will be Ms. Nancy Campbell.



1 Ms. Campbell, I believe you raised your hand. Bryce, would you  
2 please unmute her?

3 WEBEX HOST: Ms. Campbell, I have requested to  
4 unmute your line. You are now unmuted. You may speak.

5 MS. CAMPBELL: Okay. Hello. (Inaudible.) I am  
6 Nancy Campbell. Good morning, Chairman, Knight and Council. I  
7 am the vice chair of RTAC board, the treasurer and secretary of  
8 the Lake Havasu Metropolitan Planning Organization, along with  
9 the Lake Havasu City Council. And after a lot of consideration,  
10 I wanted to announce that I will be applying for the upcoming  
11 District 6 seat for 2024. It is sad to announce that Chairman  
12 Knight will be terming out, and after a long discussion with  
13 him, I look forward to being a positive addition to your board  
14 with all my asphalt and concrete, manufacturing and rural mining  
15 experience.

16 Thank you for allowing me to take this time to  
17 speak to all of you, and if anybody would like to reach out to  
18 ask me any questions, please do. My phone number is  
19 928-486-5727. I'll also put that in the message. And thank you  
20 for all your support and your time, and I look forward to  
21 learning more about everything you do.

22 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you, Nancy.

23 Floyd, would you call the next speaker?

24 MR. ROEHRICH: Our next speaker is Mr. Daryl  
25 Seymore, and I see Mr. Seymore has raised his hand. Bryce,

1 please unmute him.

2 WEBEX HOST: I have requested to unmute your  
3 line. You are now unmuted. You may speak.

4 MR. SEYMORE: Thank you, Chairman. Can you hear  
5 me?

6 MR. ROEHRICH: Yes, Mr. Seymore, we can.

7 MR. SEYMORE: Thank you. I'm Daryl Seymore. I'm  
8 a member of the Navajo County Board of Supervisors, and I come  
9 before you today to talk about the item that's on 7D, Scott  
10 Ranch Road, but more importantly for the City of Show Low to be  
11 able to apply for the SMART grant, SMART fund that they have --  
12 that you're offering to be able to work towards the Scott Ranch  
13 project.

14 This is the project that the City of Show Low has  
15 tried to get approved for the past 15 years, and what we find  
16 with our Federal Legislature, more and more of the projects need  
17 to be shovel ready in order to get some of these funds, for  
18 federal dollars. So my -- receiving this grant would be able to  
19 do some of those things to get this project more ready. It  
20 would give us a supplemental mapping for the right-of-ways.  
21 We'd would able to do our environmental clearances with the  
22 Forest Service easement process, the geotechnical evaluations,  
23 the drainage evaluations. We'd be able to get our bridge plans,  
24 the 60 percent, the 95 and the 100 percent submittals and would  
25 be able to work with the utility coordination.

1                   We have preliminary construction specifications,  
2                   final construction specifications for the final bid. It would  
3                   also help pay for the ADOT review and coordination and project  
4                   design fees.

5                   Show Low's growing very rapidly, and this is a  
6                   project that would definitely help with the transportation  
7                   problems we have in the area, along bridging a gap between 260  
8                   and Penrod Road. It would also improve the congestion on  
9                   Highway 260, and it would improve the accessibility to the  
10                  business corridor on Penrod Road. And most importantly, it  
11                  would also be another route for EMS and personal and resident  
12                  evacuations if we were in that, because we are in a very high  
13                  risk area.

14                  I believe Board Member Jesse Thompson's aware of  
15                  this project a little bit more than some of the others. You  
16                  were recently up to our area, and we appreciate that. You came  
17                  and visited, but I think you've told us to be squeaky. So we're  
18                  being squeaky and letting you know that we'd really appreciate  
19                  to be highly considered for this SMART grant.

20                  And I'm open for any questions you may have.  
21                  Thank you.

22                  CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you, Daryl, for your  
23                  comments.

24                  MR. SEYMORE: Thank you for your time. I  
25                  appreciate it.

1                   CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Does that conclude our late  
2 comers, Floyd?

3                   MR. ROEHRICH: Yes sir. That is -- that is all  
4 the requests.

5                   CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Then we'll move on to Item  
6 Number 2, and I guess -- according to my agenda, due to the --  
7 being a virtual meeting, there will not be a district report for  
8 this month; is that correct?

9                   MR. ROEHRICH: That is correct, Mr. Knight.

10                  CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Then we'll move on to Agenda  
11 Item Number 3, the consent agenda. Does any board member have  
12 an item on the consent agenda that they would like to remove for  
13 separate discussion? Hearing none.

14                  Do I have a motion to approve the consent agenda  
15 as presented?

16                  MR. MAXWELL: So moved.

17                  MR. THOMPSON: Second. Board Member Thompson.

18                  CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay. I've got a -- I've got a  
19 motion from Board Member Maxwell --

20                  MR. MAXWELL: Maxwell.

21                  CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: -- and a second from Board  
22 Member Thompson; is that correct?

23                  MR. THOMPSON: Yes.

24                  CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: All those in favor signify by  
25 saying aye.

1 BOARD MEMBERS: Aye.

2 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Any opposed?

3 Floyd, we're all virtual. Do you need to take a  
4 roll call vote?

5 MR. ROEHRICH: Yes sir. That's my mistake.  
6 Because we're all virtual, I've been asked to make sure we take  
7 a roll call vote. So please, moving forward on actions, we  
8 should just fall right to the roll call vote to make sure we  
9 have it properly recorded. Okay?

10 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay. Go ahead.

11 MR. ROEHRICH: I'll start with Vice Chairman  
12 Searle.

13 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: Aye.

14 MR. ROEHRICH: Board Member Daniels.

15 MS. DANIELS: Aye.

16 MR. ROEHRICH: Board Member Meck.

17 MR. MECK: Aye.

18 MR. ROEHRICH: Board Member Maxwell.

19 MR. MAXWELL: Aye.

20 MR. ROEHRICH: Board Member Thompson.

21 MR. THOMPSON: Aye.

22 MR. ROEHRICH: Board Member Howard.

23 MS. HOWARD: Aye.

24 MR. ROEHRICH: And Chairman Knight?

25 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Aye.

1 MR. ROEHRICH: All right. Motion carries, sir.

2 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: We'll move on to Agenda Item  
3 Number 4, which is the financial report, and I believe we have  
4 somebody that's going to give it to us in Kristine's place; is  
5 that correct?

6 MR. ROEHRICH: Mr. Chairman, that is correct.  
7 I'm just waiting. This is Floyd. I'm just waiting for a minute  
8 so I can share my screen. It's telling me that it has to  
9 connect. Okay. And (inaudible), that ain't working.

10 One second, Mr. Chairman. We're doing some  
11 checks here.

12 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: No problem.

13 MR. ROEHRICH: There we go. Thank you, sir.

14 We'll go ahead and get started. I'm just going  
15 to give a quick overview. Kristine Ward does -- sends her  
16 apologies. She had an issue come up that she was not able to  
17 reschedule, Mr. Chairman. So I'm just going to give a quick  
18 overview. We're going to just hit the highlights. She said  
19 that she will have a more in-depth discussion next month.

20 Since we're just starting the start of the fiscal  
21 year, you can see that the Highway User Revenue Funds, we're a  
22 little bit above her forecast, 2.1 percent. So that's pretty  
23 good. The only real declines she's seen is in diesel fuel.  
24 They're looking into what may have caused that, but everything  
25 else is showing pretty good growth, either moderate to strong

1 growth. So that is helping out the HURF fund as we start the --  
2 start of this fiscal year.

3 Here are the numbers, as you can see, compared to  
4 last year, from 40 million that first month to 44 million. So  
5 again, we're a little ahead of that, which shows that percentage  
6 of increase that said the 2.1 percent... Regional Area Road  
7 Fund, you can see that it's a little bit behind the reporting.  
8 So we are just closing out the fiscal year on that fund this  
9 month. So you can see for the year it's held pretty steady,  
10 just above forecast. June's was .3 percent above forecast.  
11 Total numbers for that period show that that's 2. -- at that .2  
12 percent. So it's better than being under forecast.

13 The last item she did say is last month the Board  
14 did approve the bond (inaudible) the State Highway Fund bonds.  
15 That is in process. She will have an update on that next month.

16 And with that, Mr. Chairman, I am done fumbling  
17 through the financial report. We have money in the bank.

18 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Do any board members have a  
19 question for Floyd? You're going to make it easy for him.  
20 Okay.

21 MR. ROEHRICH: Thank you. Greatly appreciate it.

22 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Then we'll move on to Agenda  
23 Item Number 5 with Paul Patane. This is for information and  
24 discussion only. The Multimodal Planning Division report.

25 MR. PATANE: Good morning, Chairman Knight, Board

1 Members. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to present  
2 today. So today on the Multimodal Planning Division report  
3 we'll be providing updates on -- next slide, please.

4 We'll have the tribal transportation update.  
5 We'll give you an update on the I-10 project, the I-10 Gap  
6 Project, the 202, 387 update, another update on the truck  
7 parking planning, our moving forward, and also provide  
8 (inaudible) information related to some ongoing discussion  
9 related to potential route transfer to SR-95 in Bullhead City.

10 Next slide, please.

11 You've heard Director Toth gave a great update  
12 related to the tribal summit, and just wanted to add to it. You  
13 know, we're truly grateful for all the outpouring support we  
14 have received, especially from Governor Hobbs, our tribal  
15 partners and ADOT leadership as well as USDOT and FHWA  
16 administration. And there was many of those of the staff who we  
17 want to say thank you for contributing to the success of the  
18 summit. And, you know, the summit was very successful, but one  
19 of my big take-aways was that we still have a lot of work to do,  
20 because currently there's only two tribes that report their  
21 crash data, electronic -- electronically into the system. And  
22 so it's important that we work with our other tribes and get  
23 their buy-in to use in the system, that way when we do the  
24 research related to crash data, that information is available.

25 Next slide, please.



1                   So some other ongoing activities. Recently the  
2 Navajo DOT hosted the national meeting on July 25th and 27th at  
3 the ADOT Central District Office. The Tribal Transportation  
4 Program is a major source of funding for the 574 tribes across  
5 the country. The Coordinating Committee provides input and  
6 recommendations to the BIA, FHWA and developing regulations,  
7 policies and procedures. The committee consists of tribal  
8 representatives from the 12 BIA regions, and recently,  
9 Mr. Chandler Willie was introduced as the new Navajo DOT  
10 Division Director, replacing Mr. Garrett Silversmith.

11                   Next slide, please.

12                   Some other ongoing activity with the Hopi Tribe  
13 related to a 264 grant application, Highway 264. The MPD staff  
14 collaborated with the Hopi DOT to develop and submit a grant  
15 application under the recently announced Rural and Tribal  
16 Assistance Pilot Program. The project is to develop a SR-264  
17 corridor preliminary engineering scoping document that will  
18 address transportation safety improvements on the Hopi  
19 Reservation. The project will -- it runs from BIA Route 2 to  
20 SR-87. This effort is in consideration of several meetings,  
21 including two Arizona State Transportation Board meetings where  
22 Hopi tribe officials commented on the 264 issues and some other  
23 concerns. So this was a great win for us where we worked with  
24 the Hopi tribe on submitting this grant application. So it was  
25 just initial more like application of intent to be followed up

1 if they were selected with a more detailed application.

2           Next slide, please, is the update to the I-10 Gap  
3 Project. It goes from Loop 202 to SR-387. Just want to share  
4 with you the most current implementation plan. While there's  
5 been several meetings with our -- with the community, our  
6 partners in this, and they've come up with a sound plan moving  
7 forward that (inaudible) kind of share with you today. We are  
8 starting on the north end and working southerly to the 387 Casa  
9 Grande area. And currently, you know, not all the project is  
10 funded. We are currently, probably later today, submitting for  
11 the Multimodal Project Discretionary Grant, the MPDG grant.  
12 We'll be applying for all three sections of the grant, OMEGA,  
13 INFRA and Rural. And the grant application is requesting  
14 95 million for -- complete the funding of the project. And so  
15 things are definitely moving in the positive direction, and the  
16 grant application was developed real closely with the Colorado  
17 River Indian Community, and we look forward to the actual  
18 submittal today.

19           Next slide, please.

20           This new update on the truck parking plan. We're  
21 nearing completion, and the Board should be seen a draft of the  
22 truck parking plan over the next month or early October, and we  
23 look to complete the plan later -- later in October. We do  
24 have -- we have started the procurement process of obtaining a  
25 consultant to begin design for the rest areas that are listed in

1 the program. So all that, the project development phase is  
2 active and moving forward. We do have the meeting scheduled  
3 next week with the Arizona Trucking Association, Mr. Tony  
4 Bradley, to give him that input and where we're at and the  
5 direction we're going to make sure that one of our key  
6 stakeholders has buy-in to this process.

7 Next slide, please.

8 Just wanted to share with you some ongoing  
9 negotiations and discussions that we're having with SR95 with  
10 the -- with the Bullhead City. This process is moving quite  
11 rapidly for our route transfer, and so I wanted to make sure  
12 that the Board was up to date on how things are moving forward.

13 Next slide, please.

14 So we've been approached by Bullhead City. They  
15 have interest in taking over the jurisdiction of approximately  
16 10 miles of State Route 95 within the Bullhead City limits. You  
17 know, there's always ongoing discussions and concerns  
18 (inaudible) when developers come in and we have that different  
19 jurisdictional environments associated with new developers, and  
20 so that continues to be a conflict, but, you know, one of the  
21 ways that, you know, this may solve some of those problems is  
22 (inaudible) with the route transfer.

23 So next slide, please.

24 So Northwest District staff has been taking the  
25 lead and moving -- and executing this route transfer, and these

1 are some of the items as far as progress to date. And we have  
2 met several times with the department officials and within the  
3 city of Bullhead. We're looking to -- during July 18th, the  
4 Bullhead City Mayor and City Council passed an adoption,  
5 adopting a resolution supporting the route transfer, State  
6 Route 95. Later that week, Bullhead City letter of intent was  
7 sent to the department, and there's been ongoing meetings with  
8 the Mayor and the City Manager as we begin to draft the  
9 intergovernmental agreement that's required for the -- for the  
10 route transfer. Eventually, as this process moves forward, the  
11 route transfer would need the Board approval.

12 Next slide, please.

13 Any questions?

14 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: Gary.

15 MR. ROEHRICH: Mr. Knight, I think you're muted.

16 Okay. Go ahead, Richard. I'm sorry.

17 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: Yeah. Paul, thank you for  
18 the update, and kind of in line of the request on Bullhead City  
19 and 95, do you have any idea what the status is on that Naco  
20 Highway question that was brought up earlier this spring?

21 MR. PATANE: No. It was my recollection that the  
22 last -- where we left off on that was the -- I believe the  
23 County was going to write a letter to ADOT kind of initiating  
24 the process. To my knowledge, to date, we have not received  
25 that letter.

1                   VICE CHAIR SEARLE: Well, it's -- I'll double-  
2 check, but that's -- I've talked to two different people down at  
3 the County, and they said they would do that. So let me see  
4 where that's at.

5                   CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Any other questions for Paul?

6                   MR. MAXWELL: Chairman Knight.

7                   CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Yes.

8                   MR. MAXWELL: I've got -- I've got a question for  
9 Paul, so appreciate it.

10                  CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay.

11                  MR. MAXWELL: So, Paul, can you just give a  
12 little detail -- obviously we've talked a lot about looking at  
13 some of the state routes that municipalities or cities may want  
14 to take back in, as Board Member Searle just brought up.  
15 There's some that we're looking at taking in to the state route  
16 system. So if this is to transfer the authority and control  
17 back to the city, Bullhead City, does it -- does it change the  
18 designation at all? What impacts and responsibilities does ADOT  
19 then still have for maintenance and oversight of it? Or I guess  
20 I'm looking for a little bit more detail on what roles we will  
21 retain and what roles we won't.

22                  MR. PATANE: As far as operations and  
23 maintenance, that will be the responsibility of the -- Bullhead  
24 City. You know, with the turnback, one of the big items that we  
25 tried to achieve in the turnback is relieving our responsibility

1 of jurisdictional operation and maintenance of that portion of  
2 highway.

3 As far as route designation, I know when we did  
4 the turnbacks in the Yuma area, we left the routes designated as  
5 currently they are, because that's kind of what people are used  
6 to, and it would be appropriate to still designate it as the  
7 State Route 95, sir.

8 MR. MAXWELL: Paul, just a quick follow-up to  
9 that. So when those changeovers, as it did in Yuma, occur, what  
10 kind of, I guess, public campaign or announcements are there to  
11 let the citizens, particularly those who are going to be most  
12 involved, understand that the state route -- well, if I see a  
13 state route, I assume that falls under ADOT's responsibility,  
14 but how will they know who to go for -- to ask for improvements  
15 or to complain about the current road conditions?

16 MR. PATANE: What -- we'll have to work with our  
17 communication sections on developing some outreach, you know,  
18 outreach with -- efforts (inaudible) include working with  
19 Bullhead City and, you know, through their public involvement,  
20 and we could probably, you know, make sure (inaudible) take care  
21 of that, sir.

22 MR. MAXWELL: Okay. Thank you. I may have some  
23 more follow-up at the next meeting or offline on how that  
24 process really works, because I think -- I understand it makes  
25 sense to keep them designated as state routes for simplicity,

1 for maps, for everything else, but at the same time, I think you  
2 know, I'd like to take a look at some of our documentation and  
3 see what -- how it's stated in our board's responsibilities and  
4 ADOT's responsibilities for the state route system in the --  
5 throughout the state. So appreciate it. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

6 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: (Inaudible.)

7 MR. THOMPSON: Chairman.

8 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Yes. Who was -- is that Jesse?

9 MR. THOMPSON: Yes, Chairman.

10 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Go ahead.

11 MR. THOMPSON: Once again, I'd just like to ask  
12 Paul if he can extend our thank yous again to all the ADOT staff  
13 and all those people that were involved in 2023 Arizona Tribal  
14 Transportation Safety and Injury Prevention Summit.

15 Again, I think you did a really good job, and I  
16 know that the tribal liaisons, Don Sneed, Paula Brown and  
17 (inaudible), they're even doing it today, reaching out to all  
18 those communities, tell -- informing them about the various ADOT  
19 programs. So through ADOT, you know, there's a lot of things  
20 that are happening out in the rural and remote area. So again,  
21 thank you very much.

22 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you, Jesse.

23 And Ted, I might be able to shed a little bit of  
24 light on 95 at -- in Yuma, we actually -- that was a particular  
25 tradeoff. ADOT, we -- the municipalities involved, which were

1 Yuma, Somerton, San Luis, we had to take over US-95, and ADOT  
2 for that agreement built 195, the (inaudible) surface highway  
3 from 32nd Street in Yuma all the way out to -- it's a four-lane  
4 divided highway, all the way to San Luis, the port of entry, to  
5 the commercial port of entry.

6           So every -- I guess what I'm -- what I'm getting  
7 at is every situation is handled a little bit differently. In  
8 this case, we took over 95, and we have to perform the  
9 maintenance and everything involved with 95, the old 95 that  
10 goes through Yuma, Somerton and eventually ends up in San Luis.  
11 We had to take over the county. Then the cities had to take  
12 over the maintenance of that highway, and in turn, we received a  
13 four-lane divided highway that connected San Luis to the eastern  
14 part of Yuma, and it was -- that was a separate -- you know,  
15 that was -- each individual case is probably going to be handled  
16 a little bit differently.

17           MR. MAXWELL: Thank you, Mr. Chair. I understand  
18 that. I guess I'd suggest maybe we take -- add it to a study  
19 session in the future or something or I can work it offline with  
20 Floyd just to make sure I understand as in your situation now,  
21 there's another state route out there, and I really want to make  
22 sure if the obligation to take care of it's through -- is it  
23 through an IGA? Is it -- because if it's still listed as a  
24 state route, I'm just concerned that we're going to be in a  
25 situation where ultimately ADOT and this Board is still



1 responsible for it if the City's not performing to a  
2 satisfactory manner. So it's just something I just need to  
3 documentation -- documentation is very important, how we do  
4 those, and I just need to learn more. So thank you.

5 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Exactly. And that will  
6 certainly be a good discussion to have.

7 Any other -- any other questions for Paul at this  
8 time? Hearing none.

9 We'll move on to Item Number 6, PPAC items, with  
10 Paul still -- Paul's still up. This is for discussion and  
11 possible action.

12 MR. PATANE: Thank you, Chairman Knight, Board  
13 Members.

14 So for your consideration, changes to the  
15 '24-2028 State Transportation Facility Construction Program.  
16 New projects, Items 6A through 6D.

17 MR. THOMPSON: Chairman.

18 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Yes. Member Thompson.

19 MR. THOMPSON: I will go ahead and move for  
20 approval from 6A to 6D as recommended.

21 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Do I hear a second?

22 MS. HOWARD: I'll second.

23 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: I have a motion from Member  
24 Thompson and a second from Member -- that was Jenny, wasn't it?

25 MS. HOWARD: Yes, it was.

1                   CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Board Member Howard. Okay.  
2   It's hard to tell on this virtual thing who's talking, but I  
3   think I got it right. So to approve PPAC new projects, Items 6A  
4   through 6D as presented.

5                   All those in favor signify by saying aye.

6                   BOARD MEMBERS: Aye.

7                   CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Opposed?

8                   MR. ROEHRICH: Mr. Chairman, we should do the  
9   roll call.

10                  CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Floyd, go ahead and do a roll  
11   call.

12                  MR. ROEHRICH: Thank you, sir.

13                  Vice Chairman Searle.

14                  VICE CHAIR SEARLE: Aye.

15                  MR. ROEHRICH: Member Daniels.

16                  MS. DANIELS: Aye.

17                  MR. ROEHRICH: Member Meck.

18                  MR. MECK: Aye.

19                  MR. ROEHRICH: Member Maxwell.

20                  MR. MAXWELL: Aye.

21                  MR. ROEHRICH: Member Thompson.

22                  MR. THOMPSON: Aye.

23                  MR. ROEHRICH: Member Howard.

24                  MS. HOWARD: Aye.

25                  MR. ROEHRICH: Chairman Knight.

1 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Aye.

2 Mr. Chairman, the motion carries.

3 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you.

4 Moving on to CPAC project Item 6E.

5 MR. PATANE: Thank you.

6 Chairman Knight, Board Members, for your  
7 consideration, changes to the 2024-2028 State Transportation  
8 Facilities Construction Program, project modifications, Item 6E.

9 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Do I have any questions or  
10 discussion from the Board?

11 Then I will entertain a motion to approve PPAC  
12 project modification Item 6E as presented.

13 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: This is Richard. I'll make  
14 the motion.

15 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you, Richard.

16 MR. MECK: Board Member Meck. Yes.

17 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: I have a motion from Board  
18 Members Searle and a second from Board Member Meck to approve  
19 PPAC project modification Item 6E as presented.

20 Floyd, please call the roll.

21 MR. ROEHRICH: Vice Chairman Searle.

22 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: Aye.

23 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Daniels?

24 MS. DANIELS: Aye.

25 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Meck.

1 MR. MECK: Aye.

2 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Maxwell.

3 MR. MAXWELL: Aye.

4 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Thompson.

5 MR. THOMPSON: Aye.

6 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Howard.

7 MS. HOWARD: Aye.

8 MR. ROEHRICH: Chairman Knight.

9 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Aye.

10 Mr. Chair, the motion carries.

11 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you.

12 We'll move on to Item 7, the AZ State Match  
13 Advantage for Rural Transportation or SMART Funds, with Paul  
14 Patane. So Paul, you're -- we're going to wear you out this  
15 morning. Go ahead.

16 MR. PATANE: Yeah. Thank you, Chairman Knight,  
17 Board Members. And this -- the items here, the AZ SMART fund  
18 are quite lengthy today, and so I ask for patience as we  
19 navigate through this part of the meeting, so -- but today we  
20 have six AZ SMART applications on the agenda, and the full  
21 applications were included in your board packet.

22 MR. ROEHRICH: Paul, (inaudible).

23 Mr. Chairman, this is Floyd. Mr. Thompson, could  
24 you please mute your line? We're getting a lot of noise in  
25 here, until we're ready for a motion. It looks like it's coming

1 from your line, please.

2 MR. THOMPSON: Sorry about that.

3 MR. ROEHRICH: Okay. Thank you.

4 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Okay. Go ahead.

5 MR. PATANE: Okay.

6 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay. We've got -- the first  
7 one we'll consider will be the application for Yavapai County,  
8 and I will --

9 MR. ROEHRICH: Mr. Chairman, you're jumping --  
10 Mr. Chairman, excuse me. You're jumping ahead of Paul's  
11 presentation.

12 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay. All right.

13 MR. ROEHRICH: Yeah. You're not quite ready to  
14 ask for that yet.

15 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: I thought he was -- I thought  
16 he was through.

17 MR. ROEHRICH: No. I'm trying -- I like your  
18 style. I like to get in under three minutes, but unfortunately,  
19 it's going to be a long discussion, because there's a lot of --  
20 a lot of issues to deal with. So please let Paul have his time.

21 MR. PATANE: Thank you. I prefer the abbreviated  
22 version anytime, so -- but we'll navigate through this  
23 presentation to staff. Took a lot of work to put it together.

24 So as far as AZ SMART eligibilities, we kind of  
25 show this slide each time, just reminding you of the eligible

1 uses and applicants. The legislative change that will make most  
2 cities and towns in Maricopa and Pima counties ineligible for  
3 the program will be effective on October 30th. And in these two  
4 counties, it appears only that Gila Bend in Maricopa County will  
5 remain eligible, but we still are working on creating the maps.

6 In addition, any applications we receive from  
7 impacted applicants before that date of October 30th will still  
8 be eligible because the Legislature did not make the change  
9 retroactive to the starting date.

10 So again, some of the eligible uses are  
11 reimbursement for grants. They can use -- these are for 50  
12 percent of grant development for counties and in cities of less  
13 than 10,000/100,000, respectively. The eligible uses includes a  
14 match for federal grant, along with reimbursement for design and  
15 other engineering services.

16 Next slide, please.

17 So some of the federal grants associated with  
18 these funding requests are -- is the RAISE grant. You know, the  
19 RAISE grant focuses on investments and surface transportation,  
20 infrastructure. Will have significant local and regional  
21 impact.

22 Next we have the Multimodal Project Discretionary  
23 Grant. This actually includes three separate grant  
24 opportunities, the MEGA, INFRA and the Rural, all of which focus  
25 on projects that strengthen supply chains, spur economic

1 development and improve safety and quality -- quality of life.

2 The next one is also a Safe Streets For All.

3 This grant funds a wide variety of projects focused on safety  
4 for all types of road users.

5 And then finally, we have an application for  
6 Advanced Digital Construction Management Systems, and this  
7 focuses on digitizing and construction management systems to  
8 make it more efficient and effective.

9 So the first group of applications we'll review  
10 are for the municipalities of 10,000 or more in population,  
11 which is -- you know, I think we've all seen this is by far the  
12 most activity -- you know, as far as a category, this is the  
13 highest activity.

14 First is the pending application from the City of  
15 Phoenix requesting 3.4 million to match on their 2022 RAISE  
16 grant award from the Rio Reimagined Bike and Ped Bridge. You  
17 know, the gentleman from the City of Phoenix, Mr. Knudson, did a  
18 great job on describing the project. It does -- the project  
19 will construct bicycle and ped bridges across the Rio Salado  
20 river along 3rd Street alignment. This improves the southern  
21 bank trails with low-emitting solar pedestrian scale lighting  
22 and pathway amenities between Central Avenue and 40th Street.  
23 The applicant is putting 18 percent of their funding toward the,  
24 match. Again, the request is for 3.4 million.

25 Next we have the Show Low. The project is the

1 Scott Ranch Road Infrastructure Expansion. We've heard two  
2 members from the call of the audience really describe the need  
3 for that project. The request is for 2.40 -- 2,408,000 for  
4 design, and this is for -- the work includes design for the  
5 funding of a bridge to connect SR-260 and Penrod Road. The  
6 applicant will submit construction in the 2024 RAISE grant  
7 round. The applicant is also requesting ADOT administration if  
8 the grant is awarded.

9 Next slide, please.

10 The final application in the municipalities over  
11 10,000 is from Bullhead City, for the Bullhead City Parkway  
12 Multimodal Improvement projects. Please note that the grant  
13 summary provided to the Board was incorrectly reflected as the  
14 RAISE grant. It should have been the Multimodal Project  
15 Discretionary Grant, as shown on this slide. The City is  
16 requesting match in the amount of \$3 million.

17 The Board previously awarded this amount to the  
18 City in the June -- for the RAISE grant application. They were  
19 not successful in receiving the RAISE grant, and the June award  
20 was returned to the SMART fund pursuant to the statute. They  
21 are now applying again with the same project under the rural  
22 allocation of the MPDG grant.

23 The scope of the project includes resurfacing,  
24 new medians, bus stops, bike/ped paths. The project will  
25 improve safety, reduce congestion, improve efficiency and



1 reliability along this route. The applicant is contributing  
2 7.6 -- 7,642,730 or 14.43 percent of the total project. The  
3 applicant is also requesting ADOT administration if the grant is  
4 awarded.

5 Our next category is counties over 100,000. We  
6 have one application today. This is from Yavapai County, from  
7 the Verde Valley -- for the Verde Valley Transportation Safety  
8 Plan. There's a gentleman, Mr. Huff, was at the call to the  
9 public today as well and did a very good overview of the project  
10 and the necessity. So just some of the highlights and works.  
11 The work of this plan will include goal setting, planning,  
12 analysis, stakeholder agreements, the (inaudible) projects to  
13 help improve safety along the Verde Valley. The applicant is --  
14 that -- has zero contribution toward the project. The applicant  
15 also intends to be the direct recipient of this grant.

16 Next slide, please.

17 So just a recap of the city and county  
18 applications. The first three fall into the cities over 10,000  
19 category. As you'll see in a moment when we show financials, we  
20 cannot fully fund all three applications in this category for  
21 municipalities over 10,000.

22 The last column, Yavapai County, falls into the  
23 counties over 100,000 category, and for those requesting match,  
24 the yellow highlights reflect the (inaudible) statute which the  
25 Board may consider as discretion for these applications.

1 All four applications are eligible. They have  
2 received the proper required MPO approval. PPAC has approved  
3 all the applications considered by the Board. For the city and  
4 county applications, the total match requested this month is  
5 3,062,500, which reflects the total pending for match of 6,462.  
6 Total design request was 2.408 -- 2,408,000.

7 So next we have -- next slide, please.

8 We have ADOT applications that we're submitting.  
9 (Inaudible) applications. We have two applications today. One,  
10 the first is for US-95 from Wellton-Mohawk Canal to Imperial Dam  
11 Road, and we are requesting 3.75 million in design. These funds  
12 will be used to supplement the 8.5 million RAISE grant awarded  
13 that the YMPO received for this project. The YMPO is  
14 transferring the award to ADOT, and ADOT will be administering  
15 the project. The grant will be used for final design,  
16 environmental clearance for the separated four-lane highway with  
17 widened shoulders. This project will improve safety, alleviate  
18 backups, encourage transportation options while providing safe  
19 and reasonable access to all the communities and regions in this  
20 area.

21 Next ADOT application is for -- is a request for  
22 1.25 million in match to develop and implement a digital  
23 delivery construction management system. We are applying for  
24 the Advanced Digital Construction Management System Grant to  
25 design and implement. This is expected to take four years for

1 complete implementation, and so some of the -- this project will  
2 streamline the process from inception through project delivery  
3 and proactively establish guidelines to achieve delivery goals,  
4 and ADOT will be in administering this project. The (inaudible)  
5 work also includes development, training, implementation of this  
6 new program that we're putting forward.

7           So next is a summary of the ADOT applications.  
8 The approval for ADOT projects is a little bit different than  
9 other applicants. The AZ SMART statute states that on the  
10 department's request, the Board shall approve the use of monies  
11 for match or design purposes. Because of this difference, we'll  
12 be requesting a separate motion for approval of the ADOT  
13 projects.

14           So I just want to share with you the current and  
15 cumulative financial activity. In total revenue section, as of  
16 July 31st, each category of the fund has earned approximately  
17 250,000 in interest.

18           In the Set Aside section, you'll see a new line  
19 called Design Recovered, with a negative entry in the minus  
20 under 10,000 column of 807- -- 807,500.

21           The Town of Clarkdale has vacated the AZ SMART  
22 design award the Board approved for the Bitter Creek Bridge in  
23 February, because the Town of Clarkdale received the legislative  
24 appropriation for the entire project. The Town no longer  
25 intends to pursue a federal grant, and therefore, the grant is

1 invalid since the whole point of providing the design funding or  
2 design is to prepare a project for an upcoming federal grant  
3 round.

4 In the Total Approved section, the yellow  
5 highlighted line shows the amount in each category that is  
6 available for award today after we account for all previous  
7 activity.

8 Finally, the Pending Requests section reflects  
9 the six applications, including the 3.4 million from the City of  
10 Phoenix. As you can see, the available funding in the  
11 municipalities over 10,000 column is insufficient to cover the  
12 pending requests in that category. We have also -- (inaudible).

13 Next slide, please.

14 So we broke it down into a few motions, seven, I  
15 believe, and so Chairman Knight, I'd respectfully request that  
16 we just go through each motion.

17 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay. Are you -- is that it,  
18 Paul? Are you done?

19 MR. PATANE: Yes. Yes, sir.

20 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay. Is there a question from  
21 any board member for Paul at this point?

22 Okay. Then as suggested, we will take this one  
23 motion at a time. First motion is for Item 7A, and I will  
24 entertain a motion to approve the AZ SMART fund application for  
25 Yavapai County in the amount requested.

1 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: So moved. This is Richard.  
2 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you, Richard.  
3 MS. HOWARD: I'll second it. This is Jenny.  
4 Thank you, Board Member Howard. I have a motion  
5 from Board Member Searle and a second from Board Member Howard  
6 to approve.  
7 Floyd, would you call for the roll vote?  
8 MR. ROEHRICH: Vice Chairman Searle.  
9 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: Aye.  
10 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Daniels.  
11 MS. DANIELS: Aye.  
12 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Daniels.  
13 MS. DANIELS: Aye. Can you hear me?  
14 MR. ROEHRICH: Yes, ma'am. Thank you.  
15 MS. DANIELS: Oh, all right.  
16 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Meck.  
17 MR. MECK: Aye.  
18 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Maxwell.  
19 MR. MAXWELL: Aye.  
20 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Thompson.  
21 MR. THOMPSON: Aye.  
22 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Howard.  
23 MS. HOWARD: Aye.  
24 MR. ROEHRICH: Chairman Knight.  
25 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Aye.

1 MR. ROEHRICH: Mr. Chairman, the motion carries.

2 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you.

3 We'll move on to Item 7B. Is there a motion to  
4 approve AZ SMART fund application for ADOT application US-95 in  
5 the amount requested?

6 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: This is Richard. I'll make  
7 the motion.

8 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you, Richard.

9 MR. MAXWELL: I'll second it. This is Ted.

10 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you, Ted.

11 I have a motion from Member Searle, a second from  
12 Member Maxwell to approve the AZ SMART fund application for ADOT  
13 US-95 in the amount requested.

14 Floyd, would you call for the roll vote?

15 MR. ROEHRICH: Vice Chairman Searle.

16 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: Aye.

17 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Daniels.

18 MS. DANIELS: Aye.

19 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Meck.

20 MR. MECK: Aye.

21 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Maxwell.

22 MR. MAXWELL: Aye.

23 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Thompson.

24 MR. THOMPSON: Aye.

25 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Howard.

1 MS. HOWARD: Aye.

2 MR. ROEHRICH: Chairman Knight.

3 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Aye.

4 Mr. Chairman, the motion carries.

5 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you.

6 Moving on to Item 7C. Do I have a motion -- I  
7 will entertain a motion for approval of AZ SMART fund  
8 application for ADOT application in the amount requested.

9 MS. HOWARD: This is Jenny. So moved.

10 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you, Member Howard.

11 Do I have a second?

12 MR. THOMPSON: Second. Member Thompson.

13 MR. MECK: Second.

14 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you. I have a second  
15 from Member Thompson. So I have a motion and a second to  
16 approve AZ SMART fund application for ADOT application as  
17 requested.

18 Floyd, would you call for the roll vote?

19 MR. ROEHRICH: Vice Chairman Searle.

20 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: I'm going to oppose this,  
21 gentlemen, so I say nay.

22 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Daniels.

23 MS. DANIELS: Aye.

24 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Meck.

25 MR. MECK: Aye.

1 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Maxwell.

2 MR. MAXWELL: I'm going to be an aye.

3 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Thompson.

4 MR. THOMPSON: Aye.

5 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Howard.

6 MS. HOWARD: Aye.

7 MR. ROEHRICH: And Chairman Knight.

8 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Aye.

9 Mr. Chairman, motion carries.

10 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you.

11 Ted, did -- I didn't ask for discussion prior to  
12 the vote. Is there something we -- you'd like to say?

13 MR. MAXWELL: No. I do think it would have been  
14 a good conversation maybe to have, because I would love to hear  
15 what Richard's concerns with it were. It's one that I did --  
16 looked at myself and had some questions about it, but we kind of  
17 rolled.

18 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay.

19 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: I'll just -- Gary, my concern  
20 is is we need all the money we can to fix the highways that we  
21 have, and I just -- first of all, I struggle with us giving  
22 ourselves this grant money. I realize it's part of our job, but  
23 I'd just rather see this money go to pavement. That's where I'm  
24 at.

25 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay. I can understand that.



1 I just -- it seems like that ADOT pot has had some question as  
2 to how they can use it, so anyway -- it's a little different  
3 than the other four pots. I guess that's what I'm saying.

4 MR. MAXWELL: And, Mr. Chair, this is Ted. I'm  
5 actually going to -- I'd like to amend my vote to a no on this  
6 as well, and I guess my concern is this: I really like how we  
7 partnered on the US-95 under the ADOT application, and I know  
8 last time at the board meeting we discussed that the ADOT fund  
9 could be used in conjunction with others. I guess this is -- if  
10 we're going to approve our own funding, I too would also like to  
11 have maybe a thorough -- a more thorough explanation on the  
12 project or conversation with staff so that we understand why we  
13 are allocating us some funding that was obviously given by the  
14 Legislature, and we have that option to do it, but I really  
15 prefer to see applications like the one we did on US-95, where  
16 we're actually making a difference out on the roadways. We know  
17 there's no -- there's very little hope insight in the near  
18 future of solving the financial issues we've got when it comes  
19 to our roadways and highways.

20 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay. And I understand that,  
21 Ted. I appreciate that. I guess -- I guess, Floyd, you can  
22 amend his vote to a nay, and I think probably when we get to  
23 future agenda items, it would be a good idea to have this on a  
24 future agenda item for discussion.

25 MR. ROEHRICH: So, Mr. Chairman, thank you for

1 that, and I do like the discussion, even though it came after  
2 the vote. What I would recommended is before any individual  
3 changes their vote, you actually revote as a group just to make  
4 sure that if other people feel the same way, they all have a  
5 chance to weigh in. So if we're going to change votes after the  
6 Board already voted, I would recommend that you just revote the  
7 whole topic for the whole -- for the whole panel (inaudible).

8 MR. MAXWELL: And, Mr. Chair, if that takes a  
9 motion, I would like to make that motion that we revote on this  
10 topic, and if any of the other members on the Board have some  
11 concerns, because this -- I have very little understanding on  
12 what this digital construction management system's going to be.  
13 My bad for not reaching out before the meeting, but there is  
14 some validity that this money is always going to be available,  
15 and if we -- one --

16 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Ted, and what I -- my  
17 understanding is that your vote will remain an eye right now  
18 because you have to be in the group that prevailed in order to  
19 have the motion reconsidered. So if you would like to make a  
20 motion to reconsider, then we can move from there.

21 MR. MAXWELL: And, Mr. Chair, I would like to  
22 make the motion to reconsider it and open it up for discussion.

23 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Do I have a second?

24 Richard, would you like to second that?

25 MS. DANIELS: I'll second the motion --

1 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: I was -- I was a nay, so I --

2 MR. MAXWELL: Okay. So whatever, I guess.

3 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: I've got a motion from Member  
4 Maxwell and a second from Member Howard.

5 MS. DANIELS: Daniels. (Inaudible.)

6 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Daniels. I'm sorry.

7 MS. DANIELS: That's okay.

8 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: And to reconsider the last --  
9 the last item.

10 All those in favor, would you please poll the  
11 Board, Floyd?

12 MR. MAXWELL: Mr. Chair, is this the vote to  
13 reconsider?

14 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: This is the vote to reconsider.

15 MR. MAXWELL: Thank you.

16 MR. ROEHRICH: That's correct. Okay.

17 Vice Chairman Searle.

18 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: Aye.

19 MR. ROEHRICH: And Member Daniels.

20 MS. DANIELS: Aye.

21 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Meck.

22 MR. MECK: Yes. I'd like to explain. I'll vote  
23 aye, but I just want to mention this is the first issue like  
24 this that has come up since I've been on the Board. I think if  
25 we can maybe have more detail on something like this, like when

1 it's within ADOT like this, I'd like to see a little bit more  
2 information than what we have here. Thank you.

3 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Maxwell.

4 MR. MAXWELL: Aye.

5 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Thompson.

6 MR. THOMPSON: Aye.

7 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Howard.

8 MS. HOWARD: Aye.

9 MR. ROEHRICH: And Chairman Knight.

10 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Aye.

11 So Mr. Chairman, that motion does pass.

12 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay. So we have a motion that  
13 just passed to reconsider the last item, Item 7C. I think, from  
14 what I'm hearing from the Board and from particularly what  
15 Member Meck said, that it might be a good idea to table this  
16 particular item for future consideration at the next board  
17 meeting so that we can have a better definition and discussion  
18 and clarification from ADOT. If that meets with everybody's  
19 approval, I would entertain a motion to table Item 7C.

20 MR. ROEHRICH: So Mr. Chairman --

21 MR. MECK: Board Member -- excuse me. Go ahead,  
22 Floyd.

23 MR. ROEHRICH: Mr. Chair, I just wanted to make  
24 sure that we had a chance to just look at this real quickly.

25 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay. Go ahead.

1                   MR. ROEHRICH: This is exact the request that we  
2 need to submit. So moving this out a month, that's what I  
3 wanted to ask the team, is if moving this out a month, does that  
4 affect our ability to go after this grant?

5                   MR. PATANE: It's part of the (inaudible) grants,  
6 and those expirations are August 21st.

7                   MR. ROEHRICH: So the expiration for this -- for  
8 this grant, if ADOT is to go after it, is August 21st, which  
9 means we will not be back in time to approve this to go after  
10 that grant. So we basically will not go this year, if that's  
11 the intent.

12                  CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay. Then I would suggest  
13 that we have our discussion right now, and the board members  
14 that are -- in particularly had questions on this, maybe we can  
15 get them answered before we vote on this item again, which  
16 apparently we will have to do after the discussion. So, Gary --  
17 (Speaking simultaneously.)

18                  CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Paul, do you want to give us  
19 any further -- any further clarification, or would you -- you  
20 just want to take questions from the Board?

21                  MR. PATANE: I'll try to answer as I can barely  
22 hear on the computer, so we talk about (inaudible) digital  
23 delivery, but the concept behind it is, you know, going to where  
24 a lot of the data is -- everything is digitized, where it's  
25 housed in one area. Right now, we have several system that we

1 use in project development. Okay? And the goal behind digital  
2 delivery is to improve project delivery, which means we would  
3 have the ability to hopefully speed up some of our project  
4 delivery phases in different aspects of the project development.

5 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: Gary, this is Richard.

6 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Yes, Richard.

7 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: Paul, what is the total grant  
8 amount being requested on this ADCGM grant?

9 MR. PATANE: The total amount being requested  
10 is -- one second, please.

11 (Inaudible discussion.)

12 MR. ROEHRICH: So, Mr. Chairman, did you hear  
13 that? The total amount would be 5 million in federal funds and  
14 1,250,000, which would be the state match, so for a total of  
15 \$6.25 million.

16 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: All right. Thank you.

17 MR. ROEHRICH: Mr. Chairman, this is also a  
18 program that will help our development team basically kind of  
19 streamline and do a better effort in getting projects ready and  
20 getting them out the door, and that is all part of Mr. Steve  
21 Boschen's area, and I see that Steve is online here. I don't  
22 know, Steve, if you wanted to weigh in on any further  
23 clarification or had a reasoning why this is a strategy for the  
24 department to go after this grant.

25 MR. BOSCHEN: Absolutely, Floyd. Chairman,

1 Knight, Board Members, I totally understand where Board Member  
2 Searle's coming from. I want all our money to go to pavement.  
3 But in terms of digital delivery, this is what the contracting  
4 field and our consultants have been asking for. We're way  
5 behind other states in terms of delivering plans more  
6 efficiently.

7                   So that's what this is really about. It's about  
8 getting rid of 500 sheet sets and having less plan sheets, and  
9 the model is the legal document. I think we probably could have  
10 presented this a hair better, but that's really the intent.  
11 Pennsylvania's way out in front of us. Utah is way out in front  
12 of us. So I know it's a lot of money, but that's what it takes  
13 to get a program like this off the board. So it's really  
14 digital delivery so that we can more efficiently, like Floyd  
15 said, deliver projects. And I really hope that you do go ahead  
16 and vote for approval of this, because in three or five years,  
17 I'm going to retire, and I want this on the Board, but that's  
18 not a reason to vote for it.

19                   MR. ROEHRICH: So if they vote for it, will you  
20 retire earlier? (Inaudible.) I'll vote.

21                   UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Inaudible.)

22                   UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Mr. Chair.

23                   MR. ROEHRICH: I'm sorry. My apologies.

24                   CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you very much for your  
25 clarification.

1 MR. MAXWELL: Mr. Chair.

2 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Comments from the Board?

3 MR. MAXWELL: Mr. Chair, this is Ted.

4 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Yes, Ted.

5 MR. MAXWELL: I do -- I do have -- and I know I'm  
6 going to end up being a stickler on this one. So on the actual  
7 application itself, on line 39, it looks like we, ADOT,  
8 requested a million dollars, yet on the match requested on the  
9 spreadsheet, it's got 1.25.

10 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yeah. It was updated.

11 MR. MAXWELL: Okay.

12 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: It's 125.

13 MR. PATANE: The correct request is -- Chairman  
14 Knight, Board Member Maxwell, the correct request is on the  
15 slide of 1.25 million.

16 MR. MAXWELL: Okay.

17 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Yes. When I read it, I  
18 understood it to be a million two five. 1.25 million.

19 Any other questions for the Board?

20 MS. HOWARD: This is Board Member Howard. I do  
21 have a couple of questions for Steve. So you talked about --

22 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Go ahead.

23 MS. HOWARD: -- digital transfer of drawings. Is  
24 there also a document management side to this that would further  
25 expedite IGAs and communications between stakeholders and ADOT



1 that could, you know, shorten a lot of these times? I've been  
2 on it for years from the other side as well, from the municipal  
3 side, and I know that there's room for improvement there. Would  
4 this help in those aspects as well?

5 MR. BOSCHEN: Chair Knight, Board Member Howard,  
6 I'll have to say no. We are looking at other areas to do that  
7 though in terms of that, but you'll probably appreciate that one  
8 of the benefits of this is we can give a contractor a file so  
9 that their equipment with machine language can read that. So  
10 we've done paving wirelessly. In the past, we've had to have a  
11 wire out there if we did concrete pavement. We can do this  
12 totally no hands. So this is one of the benefits of having  
13 machine grade control, and a lot of the equipment that we have  
14 does that. It's just that we don't deliver it in that format.  
15 We do it old school, which is 2D, 2D plans, and we live in a 3D  
16 world. The vertical, you know, infrastructure guys, you know,  
17 that do buildings, again, they're way out in front, and that's  
18 why we're trying to get with the times and do this 3D, you know,  
19 for transportation.

20 But to be honest with you, no, we're looking at  
21 other avenues to get JPA's and those type of documents  
22 coordinated better. This does not do that.

23 MS. HOWARD: Okay. Thank you.

24 MR. MAXWELL: Mr. Chair, one more clarifying --

25 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Any other -- any other

1 questions from the Board?

2 MR. MAXWELL: It's Ted. I've got one more  
3 clarifying question.

4 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Sure, Ted. Go ahead.

5 MR. MAXWELL: Since we're -- we vote on -- you  
6 know, ADOT ones we treat a little differently, but it's the same  
7 situation. If we go forward with this match and then we put in  
8 the request for the grant and don't get the grant, then the 1.25  
9 will go back into the ADOT SMART funds category? It won't stay  
10 residing within ADOT, will it?

11 MS. HOWARD: That's correct.

12 MR. MAXWELL: Thank you.

13 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Any other questions from the  
14 Board?

15 Hearing none, we will vote again.

16 Is there a motion to approve AZ SMART fund  
17 application for ADOT application in the amount requested by the  
18 applicant, which was 1.25 million?

19 MS. DANIELS: So moved. Jenn Daniels.

20 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you, Jenn.

21 MR. THOMPSON: Second.

22 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: And that was from (inaudible).  
23 Thank you.

24 MR. THOMPSON: Yes. I think the reason -- the  
25 reason why I'm going with it is that what caught my attention is

1 bringing more projects forward. That's why it caught my  
2 attention on getting this in place. So thank you very much.  
3 I'll second it.

4 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Mine as well. I'm very happy  
5 that it's going to make the system more efficient. I think  
6 that's very important in getting projects done in a more -- and  
7 awarded in a more timely manner.

8 So that being said, I have a motion from Member  
9 Daniels and a second from Member Thompson. Would you -- and I  
10 would call for the roll vote for it, Floyd.

11 MR. ROEHRICH: Vice Chairman Searle.

12 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: Nay.

13 MR. ROEHRICH: Was that an aye or a nay? I'm  
14 sorry, Mr. Searle.

15 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: That was a nay. I'm opposed.

16 MR. ROEHRICH: Okay.

17 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: I'm going to stay opposed.

18 MR. ROEHRICH: Yes, sir. Thank you, sir. Wanted  
19 to make sure I got it correct.

20 Member Daniels.

21 MS. DANIELS: Aye.

22 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Meck.

23 MR. MECK: Aye.

24 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Maxwell.

25 MR. MAXWELL: Aye, with an appreciation of the

1 conversation.

2 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Thompson.

3 MR. THOMPSON: Aye.

4 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Howard.

5 MS. HOWARD: Aye.

6 MR. ROEHRICH: And Chairman Knight.

7 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Aye.

8 Mr. Chairman, the motion does carry.

9 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you.

10 Moving on to Item 7D, which is the AZ SMART fund  
11 application for Show Low. Is there any questions or discussion  
12 from the Board on this item?

13 MR. MAXWELL: Mr. Chair.

14 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: It's Ted?

15 MR. MAXWELL: Yes.

16 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Yes. Go ahead, Ted.

17 MR. MAXWELL: Since all these three are for the  
18 municipalities underneath -- or for municipalities over 10K, and  
19 we know we do not have enough funding in that pot, do we want to  
20 take any time to discuss the three as a whole, or do you want to  
21 just take individual votes going forward?

22 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: I think it'll be -- I think  
23 it'll be quicker if we take individual votes, but --

24 MR. MAXWELL: We'll be out of money by the third  
25 one is what I'm telling you.

1                   CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: That's right. That's right.  
2 We will. Yeah. We will. I understand that.

3                   MR. ROEHRICH: So, Mr. Chairman, this is Floyd.  
4 I would ask that the Board -- remember the Board's options with  
5 the AZ grant fund applications are to approve them, to deny  
6 them, to defer them or to modify them.

7                   So in regard to Mr. Maxwell's comment, if you  
8 wanted to look at these three out of that category, since there  
9 is only basically \$5.8 million available, but we've been asked  
10 for -- was that three, six, seven, eight -- almost eight and a  
11 half million dollars or more of requests, you may want to have  
12 that deliberation to see if you would look to make any  
13 modifications or adjustments to the applications before taking  
14 action.

15                  CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay. Well, here's my problem.  
16 The AZ SMART Funds. SMART stands for State Match Advantage for  
17 Rural Transportation. When I look at these three applications,  
18 only two were rural transportation. I'm sorry, but only two  
19 are, and I think it's the Board's -- the Board's responsibility  
20 to prioritize.

21                  So my take is that we award SMART funds in -- as  
22 requested to Show Low and Bullhead City. That will leave only  
23 little under half a million in that fund, but those two are  
24 definitely rural transportation. I don't see the Phoenix  
25 application is rural transportation, but that's my take on it,

1 and it's open to discussion.

2 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: Gary, this is Richard.

3 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Yes, Richard.

4 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: Floyd or whoever, or Paul,  
5 the Bullhead City, we approved that, and it was -- they did not  
6 get the grant. So they're coming back for another grant,  
7 another bite at the apple for this one, correct?

8 MR. PATANE: Yes, Mr. Searle.

9 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: The Phoenix application for  
10 the Rio Salado Bridge, has that grant been approved yet or are  
11 they still looking for matching funds?

12 MR. PATANE: Chairman Knight, Board Member  
13 Searle, yes, the -- their grant has been approved.

14 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: The Phoenix has been  
15 approved. Okay. Thank you.

16 MR. PATANE: Yes.

17 Mr. Chair.

18 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Whom --

19 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: That's Ted.

20 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Ted. Go ahead, Ted.

21 MR. MAXWELL: So I know Mr. Knudson was -- said  
22 he'd stay on the line during the call if we had any follow-up  
23 questions, and he was -- you know, he did -- he did mention that  
24 they've already received their RAISE grant. They're trying now  
25 to come up with the rest of the funds to support the matching,

1 but I guess the question I'd have for him is will this project,  
2 since they've already got the RAISE grant, go forward with or  
3 without our match? I understand that it's -- the eligibility's  
4 there. It would be beneficial to them, and I understand all  
5 that, but I guess my concern is some of these projects, we will  
6 be making the project potential by providing the grant. Is the  
7 Rio Salado bicycle/pedestrian bridge going to go forward? While  
8 it may take more fundraising, some more identification of funds,  
9 with or without this grant? And that would play into my  
10 decision.

11 MR. ROEHRICH: So Mr. Knudson, if you are there,  
12 could you please raise your hand again, and we will have the  
13 WebEx host on unmute you.

14 Bryce, I can't tell. Has he raised his hand?

15 WEBEX HOST: I have requested to unmute your  
16 line. You are now unmuted.

17 MR. KAJIRWA: Thank you. (Inaudible) you unmuted  
18 me. This is Edigar Kajirwa from the City of Bullhead City. I  
19 believe the floor was passed on to the gentleman from the City  
20 of Phoenix.

21 MR. ROEHRICH: I'm sorry. I didn't understand  
22 what -- Mr. Knudson, is that --

23 MS. DANIELS: That wasn't Mr. Knudson.

24 MR. ROEHRICH: (Inaudible.)

25 MS. DANIELS: That was actually the gentleman

1 from Bullhead City, so we need Mr. Knudson to answer that  
2 question.

3 WEBEX HOST: My apologies. Mr. Knudson, I -- you  
4 are now unmuted.

5 MR. KNUDSON: Yeah. Mr. Chair and Board Member  
6 Maxwell, this is Kini.

7 To answer your question, when we had originally  
8 requested funding from the RAISE program, we had requested about  
9 \$55 million of a total project. With the funding we got from  
10 the federal government, we're only to -- able to support about  
11 \$34 million of that. So we still have close to \$20 million  
12 still of necessary funds to be able to do the complete project.

13 With the available funding from the RAISE grant  
14 program, we are doing a portion of that project. So that  
15 project will move forward with or without the SMART grant  
16 funding. However, the SMART grant funding would assist us in  
17 being able to complete the larger project that would be part of  
18 the improvements to the Rio Salado and the Rio Reimagined  
19 project.

20 So that -- that's our intent is to be able to  
21 help move forward to the larger project that we did not get  
22 funding for.

23 MS. DANIELS: Chairman --

24 MR. THOMPSON: Chairman --

25 MS. DANIELS: -- I have some additional comments



1 as well. I'm happy to wait my turn, though.

2 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay, Jenn. Go ahead.

3 MR. THOMPSON: I do feel the same way, that we  
4 need to apply this to the rule on transportation. I do agree  
5 with your assessment of this, Chairman, that we need to think  
6 about those communities, the way in the rural area. So again, I  
7 do agree that we should go with A&B at this time.

8 And my other question is would ADOT share with --  
9 some of theirs with the Rio Salado project?

10 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: I think --

11 (Inaudible conversation.)

12 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Member Thompson, I think that  
13 would have to come as a request from -- from Phoenix to be  
14 considered.

15 MR. ROEHRICH: Mr. Chair.

16 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Yes, Member --

17 DIRECTOR TOTH: Mr. Chairman. Mr. Chairman, this  
18 is Jennifer Toth.

19 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Yes. Yes. Yes, Jennifer. Go  
20 ahead.

21 DIRECTOR TOTH: My understanding, and I'm looking  
22 to staff, and Stacy has had a lot of conversation from a legal  
23 perspective on the funds, we would have to use it either on the  
24 state highway system. So this project, we wouldn't be able to  
25 use our funds on -- to help the City of Phoenix on this one.

1 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you.

2 MR. THOMPSON: Again, Chairman, thank you.

3 Again, I feel that the numbers, the Show Low application is well  
4 justified and meets the criteria, and I think if we were to take  
5 it separately, I would suggest that we approve that first one  
6 first.

7 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you, Member Thompson.

8 Member Daniels, did you have something that you  
9 wanted to say?

10 MS. DANIELS: Yeah. Thanks, you guys.

11 We had this conversation, I think, several months  
12 ago now about the definitions and the criteria within the SMART  
13 grant program. I recognize that Phoenix is not viewed as rural.  
14 However, there are parts of Phoenix that are actually still very  
15 rural, and so we need to get real specific about what rural  
16 means, and we also need to tighten up our guidelines, and I  
17 think that that was underway and may have already been completed  
18 since that last -- this last round of applications. But if they  
19 fit the criteria located within the SMART grant, then they  
20 should be eligible for the grant. And if they don't, we should  
21 be real clear up front with the municipalities that spend time,  
22 energy and resources to respond to these grant applications well  
23 in advance.

24 So it's my understanding that the City of  
25 Phoenix's application meets all of the same standards, even if

1 it is not viewed specifically by all members of this board as  
2 being rural. And again, that definition has changed. Gilbert  
3 used to be considered a rural community, and it is no longer,  
4 but I'm not sure that there's been a -- you know, a definition  
5 shift as far as the makeup of the community.

6 So I'm sensitive to this, and I recognize how  
7 much time, energy and resources it takes to respond to a grant  
8 application, and I think changing the rules or using one word  
9 out of the title to limit half -- you know, partway through this  
10 process is really, in my view, a very unfair way of doing this.

11 So I would recommend that we allocate the funds,  
12 the full 5.8 million, and distribute that as best we can  
13 equally, everybody taking an equal percentage. I'm not that  
14 great at math, so I'd need staff to let us know what that means,  
15 but I would be glad to make a motion when the time is right to  
16 reduce everyone's amount by the same percentage so that we can  
17 expand the entire 5.8 million and do that in a really equitable  
18 way. That to me is the only -- the only response, I think, that  
19 merits, you know, taking into consideration the time, energy and  
20 effort that all these municipalities contribute to this process.

21 MR. ROEHRICH: You're doing the math?

22 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yeah. (Inaudible.)

23 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you. I appreciate your  
24 comment.

25 I would just like to say that I think it's quite

1 obvious what the State Legislature's intent was. They messed  
2 up. They didn't get it right the first time, so they had to do  
3 an amendment. That amendment, had they not waited so long to  
4 sine die, would have gone into effect, and it was not their  
5 intent, obviously, that the City of Phoenix be included and  
6 eligible for the grant money, the SMART money. It wasn't --  
7 it's obvious that they did not intend that to happen.

8 Circumstances being what they are and the fact that they  
9 adjourned so late means that that won't actually go into effect  
10 until October, but it will go into effect in October, and then  
11 they will no longer be eligible, which is what was -- which is  
12 what the intent of the -- of the Legislature was to begin with.

13 So I really think that we should keep this money  
14 for what it was intended for, rural transportation, and Rio  
15 Salado is obviously not rural transportation.

16 MS. DANIELS: Chairman, Chairman, with all due  
17 respect, I've gotten in big trouble over the years trying to  
18 interpret the intention of the Legislature, and I would highly  
19 recommend we don't try to interpret their intention, even though  
20 the language that they've included now has provided additional  
21 clarity. It's a slippery slope for us to walk down as a -- as a  
22 state board to try to translate the intention of a large  
23 legislative body. That's not our job normally.

24 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Normally I would agree, but  
25 they have -- they have made it perfectly clear what their

1 intention was by doing the amendment. That -- had they not done  
2 that, then we would be on a slippery slope, as you say, because  
3 we would have to be what they -- what are their intentions. But  
4 now we know exactly what their intentions were. They spelled it  
5 out in the amendment. They realized they had screwed up, and  
6 now the amendment will take effect October 30th, and then there  
7 will be no discussion about whether they're eligible or not  
8 eligible.

9 I'm just looking at whether or not it's rural  
10 transportation, which is what the SMART fund is supposed to be,  
11 and in my mind, it's not rural transportation. I'm sorry, and I  
12 can't -- I like compromises, but it's -- I'm -- I can't go for  
13 it.

14 MS. DANIELS: Understood.

15 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Any other comments?

16 MR. MAXWELL: Mr. Chair. Sorry. I'll defer to  
17 Jenn -- to Jenny. I heard her wanting to speak up. I'll defer  
18 to her first.

19 MS. HOWARD: Thank you, Ted.

20 And actually, this takes me back to the question  
21 you had for the City of Phoenix, and I didn't quite receive a  
22 complete explanation as to if the project would move forward  
23 without these funds. It was a little bit contradicting to me.

24 So City of Phoenix, if you're still on the line,  
25 if -- I'm understanding, maybe you're taking a phased approach,

1 and a portion of the project is funded through whatever means  
2 you've taken. You still are in the process of applying for  
3 grants and seeking other funding, and this money would be  
4 leveraged to apply or replace funding that you could utilize to  
5 leverage for these grants. That's what I'm understanding, but  
6 could you clarify that for me?

7 MR. ROEHRICH: Mr. Knudson, are you still  
8 there?

9 WEBEX HOST: I have requested to unmute your  
10 line. You're now unmuted.

11 MR. KNUDSON: I'm unmuted now.

12 So to answer the question, the -- as have  
13 awarded, which is the \$25 million we received from the RAISE  
14 grant program and the local match we've -- we're trying to use  
15 right now, yes, we will move forward with the project, with or  
16 without these funds.

17 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you.

18 MR. MAXWELL: Mr. Chair.

19 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Yes. Who was that?

20 MR. MAXWELL: This is Ted.

21 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Yeah, Ted.

22 MR. MAXWELL: As we decide how we're going to  
23 move this forward, obviously there will be motions to follow.  
24 I'm just going to state my thoughts right now, is I am fully  
25 supportive of the Show Low application. I'd kind of like to

1 take that separately, because I think that that one, we may have  
2 broad (inaudible).

3 My only concern with the Bullhead City  
4 application is it's going to tie up \$3 million of SMART funds,  
5 and we've got limited inside the municipality above 10K or  
6 not. If there's something I actually wish the Legislature had  
7 done is they had redefined what -- those pots, because putting  
8 all the cities above 10K, it's very difficult for any of the  
9 cities less than 10K to come up with projects. I mean,  
10 they're much better off going to the State Legislature.

11 But I'm fully supportive of Show Low. I'm a  
12 little worried about Bullhead City, because if we do authorize  
13 the 3 million, that 3 million will be put towards them while  
14 they go through the process again and may not get the grant  
15 again at the end. And in theory, and I was fully supportive  
16 of that Bullhead Parkway multimodal improvements on the first  
17 vote, but they could come back every year, and now we've just  
18 got 3 million tied up that could go to other rural projects as  
19 well.

20 But -- so I'm for the Show Low application.  
21 I'm not sure about the other two in either form. I do believe  
22 the Rio Salado project is going to move forward, so I'm  
23 tempted -- I'm leaning towards voting no on that one.

24 MR. THOMPSON: Chairman.

25 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: The one thing I would like to

1 say is this Rio Salado is very, very close to downtown Phoenix.  
2 It's not in the -- in the suburbs. It's not in the outside of  
3 Phoenix. It's very close to the downtown Phoenix, and it's  
4 not -- it's just not rural. It is -- it -- and we're taking  
5 away funds -- actually, these funds were supposed to be, as  
6 we've treated them in the past, so that rural communities can  
7 apply. Before, they couldn't even apply for some of these  
8 federal grants, because they didn't have the financial  
9 wherewithal to come up with the matching funds. The SMART funds  
10 were supposed to give them that opportunity, and so Bullhead  
11 City, yeah, it's in my district, but that's got nothing to do  
12 with it. The fact is it's very rural. It meets, in my mind,  
13 all of the qualifications for a rural community, and they're  
14 doing exactly -- they would not even be able to apply for this  
15 grant without knowing that they have the matching funds  
16 available.

17               So I think we should give them that opportunity.  
18 I think they are very adamant about getting that they -- they've  
19 already applied for one grant, and as we all know, everybody  
20 that applies for RAISE grants doesn't always get them. In fact,  
21 more people -- or more municipalities don't get them than do.  
22 So that didn't deter them. They're right back after another  
23 grant that -- it could be successful with, but without the  
24 matching funds, they're not going to be able to get the grant.  
25 So I think both Show Low and Bullhead City, I think those --



1 this is exactly what the SMART Funds were set up for.

2 Phoenix now has the ability to go for the half  
3 cent sales tax renewal. They're under MAG. They should have  
4 no problem advancing the Rio Salado if it's -- if it's of that  
5 great importance to them, they shouldn't have any problem  
6 coming up with the money. They've certainly got a lot more  
7 money than the rural communities of Show Low and Bullhead  
8 City.

9 So I'm not for dividing it up. There will  
10 be -- about the only compromise I could live with was -- is  
11 there will be almost half a million, exactly 400 and -- when  
12 we're done, there would be \$437,407 left in that pot. I don't  
13 like it, but if you want to give that to --

14 MR. MAXWELL: Mr. Chair.

15 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: If you want to award that to  
16 Phoenix, that's fine, but --

17 MR. MAXWELL: Mr. Chair, I'd like to move to  
18 approve Show Low's application for Scott Ranch Road  
19 infrastructure for design in the requested amount of 2.408  
20 million.

21 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: I'll second that motion.

22 MR. THOMPSON: Second.

23 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: And that second was from  
24 Richard?

25 MR. THOMPSON: Board Thompson. Board Member

1 Thompson.

2 Okay. Okay. Thank you. Thank you, Jesse.

3 I have a -- I have a motion from Member Maxwell  
4 and a second from Member Thompson to approve the SMART fund  
5 application for the City of Show Low and the amount requested.

6 Floyd, would you call for the roll vote?

7 MR. ROEHRICH: Vice Chairman Searle.

8 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: Aye.

9 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Daniels.

10 MS. DANIELS: Aye.

11 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Daniels.

12 MS. DANIELS: Aye. Aye. Aye. Aye.

13 (Inaudible conversation.)

14 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: You get to vote twice, Jenn.

15 MS. DANIELS: That was only one vote.

16 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Meck.

17 MR. MECK: Aye.

18 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Maxwell.

19 MR. MAXWELL: Aye.

20 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Thompson.

21 MR. THOMPSON: Aye.

22 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Howard.

23 MS. HOWARD: Aye.

24 MR. ROEHRICH: Chairman Knight.

25 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Aye.

1                   So, Mr. Chairman, that was a seven -- unanimous  
2                   vote. Motion carries.

3                   CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you.

4                   VICE CHAIR SEARLE: Gary, this is Richard.

5                   CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Yes, Richard.

6                   VICE CHAIR SEARLE: Before we go forward for  
7                   the next motion, I would support Board Member Daniels'  
8                   recommendation to split this. I have concerns, and Ted voiced  
9                   it well. Bullhead City, we approved that last -- couple  
10                  months ago. They weren't successful in their grant. They're  
11                  going for another grant. I understand, but there's no  
12                  assurance that they will get it, and at the meantime, Phoenix,  
13                  which I did not support sending the money to last time, but  
14                  since they have been approved, the project's going forward, I  
15                  would support -- I would support splitting the funds between  
16                  the two, if Board Member Daniels wants to make that motion.

17                  CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Well, let me say this. The  
18                  amount of the SMART fund to Phoenix, whatever it is, is not  
19                  enough to complete. Even if we gave them the full amount they  
20                  asked for, it will not finish their project. Their project  
21                  requires additional funding, which they -- which they are  
22                  going to go out for, which they are going to have available to  
23                  them through MAG or whatever source it might be. This money  
24                  just lowers the amount by a very small amount that they have  
25                  to have to complete this project, and it won't stop it from

1 going forward at all. I'm not sure that it wouldn't stop  
2 without these matching funds.

3           It would probably stop Bullhead City from even  
4 applying for the second grant, but they're not here to comment  
5 on that, so I'm just guessing. But nevertheless, if they  
6 need -- they're asking -- it's less than -- less than 3  
7 million that they're asking for, so -- or whatever. It's 3  
8 million. But anyway, they -- their ask is just to match what  
9 they're applying for, and as I mentioned before, that's  
10 exactly what these funds are for, is so that they could apply  
11 for the -- for the -- the fact that they applied and did not  
12 get a grant previously has not deterred them from continuing  
13 to apply for grants, and that's what you have to do when  
14 you're a rural community. And you just have to ask for  
15 grants, and eventually -- it's been my experience that  
16 eventually you'll get one, but if you don't have the matching  
17 funds, you can't even apply.

18           So I think in my own mind that Phoenix doesn't  
19 really need the money, and they don't really fit into the  
20 rural transportation mode of what this SMART fund was intended  
21 for. So I really think that we should keep these SMART funds  
22 as they were intended, for rural transportation, and not jump  
23 through some loophole that the Legislature left in it the  
24 first time they passed it.

25           And with that, I would entertain a motion to

1 approve the SMART fund application for Bullhead City.

2 MR. THOMPSON: Chairman, I would go ahead and  
3 move on that, the motion, approval for the Bullhead City  
4 project application.

5 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Do we have a second?

6 I'll second it.

7 We have a motion from Member Thompson and a  
8 second by me to approve the AZ SMART fund application for  
9 Bullhead City in the amount requested by the applicant.

10 Floyd, would you call for the roll vote?

11 MR. ROEHRICH: I will --

12 MR. MAXWELL: Mr. Chair, can we have some  
13 discussion?

14 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Yes, we can. Go ahead.

15 MR. MAXWELL: Thanks, Gary. Sorry. Sorry. I  
16 didn't want to call the vote until I ask one more question for  
17 clarification.

18 So Floyd or anybody on staff, the grant that  
19 Bullhead City is entertaining applying for, is there a set due  
20 date for that grant yet?

21 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: It's today, actually.  
22 Let me confirm that.

23 MR. ROEHRICH: While -- I don't know that --  
24 staff is looking at that, but Mr. Chairman, there is the  
25 assistant city manager from Bullhead City who is online, has

1 his hand raised if you wanted to go ahead and ask him direct  
2 questions with the City of Bullhead.

3 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Go ahead and unmute him.

4 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: yeah.

5 MR. ROEHRICH: So, Bryce, can you please unmute  
6 Mr. Edigar Kajirwa. Bryce, are you able to mute him? Bryce,  
7 are you able to unmute Edigar?

8 Are we muted?

9 (Inaudible conversation.)

10 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Edigar, are you -- have you  
11 raised your hand?

12 WEBEX HOST: I have requested to unmute your  
13 line. You are now unmuted.

14 MR. KAJIRWA: There we go. Thank you, Bryce.

15 Good morning, Chair and the Board. It's a  
16 pleasure being with -- being able to speak to you once again.

17 Yes, this project did come before you in June in  
18 Florence. You did approve it. Unfortunately, as mentioned  
19 earlier on during the discussion, we did not get awarded that  
20 grant. I do appreciate the robust conversations that have  
21 occurred over the past few minutes, and we will be submitting  
22 this grant under the MPDG grant that is due on August 21st,  
23 which will be Monday. So it's not due today, as one of you  
24 mentioned, but due on Monday.

25 This project for us has been a top priority for

1 the -- for the City Council since the -- I will say since the  
2 early 2000s. Actually, we've been trying to see how we can  
3 resurface this road. The Department of Transportation and  
4 Federal Highway Authority has come out and done some tests over  
5 the past few years and have also indicated that it needs major  
6 changes. Last year when we applied for it, we got -- we got --  
7 we didn't get it, but the project was a highly designated  
8 project.

9 Under the RAISE grant this year, they came back  
10 and gave us higher scoring due to the partnership that we had  
11 with ADOT in terms of project administration and the technical  
12 expertise that ADOT will bring on board. I think the only issue  
13 they had with that was the financial aspect of it.

14 We have clarified everything, and one thing that  
15 I'd also like to mention is with the MPDG grant, in comparison  
16 with the RAISE grant, the RAISE grant, you're competing with all  
17 the cities across, all the cities and counties and other  
18 administrations across the United States. With the MPDG grant,  
19 it's been split between MEGA, INFRA and Rural, so similar to AZ  
20 SMART, the rural portion of the MPDG grant clearly has to be  
21 allocated towards rural municipalities and areas.

22 So we do believe we stand a better chance with  
23 this, especially given the traction and positive feedback we  
24 have gotten back from DOT, and we will highly appreciate your  
25 support for this project, as we've had multiple deaths and

1 accidents and fatalities on that particular parkway, and it's a  
2 much needed project.

3           The City of Bullhead City has been working on  
4 this, and we'll be able to make this project work, but as  
5 mentioned, when it comes to the financial aspect of it, it's  
6 just one of those projects that we really can't do. We don't  
7 have property taxes -- our financial sort of flexibility is  
8 limited, and any sort of grant that we can get, we do  
9 appreciate, and we always look for the opportunity to go after  
10 that with the hope that we can get it.

11           And to sort of just give further endpoints on  
12 the discussion that is ongoing right now, we applied for it in  
13 June. We didn't get it. As set forth in the statute, those  
14 funds went back to the AZ SMART pot.

15           This grant is due on August 21st. They're  
16 probably going to announce winners within the next three  
17 months or four months, and then if not awarded, those funds  
18 could come back and forward their municipalities over 10,000.

19           I stand for any questions. Thank you.

20           CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Ted, do you have any  
21 questions?

22           MR. MAXWELL: Yeah, Gary. What I'd like to  
23 ask -- I appreciate you coming back in front and explaining to  
24 us the status of where you stand right now. If you were to  
25 receive 2 million or a lesser amount than the 3 million, would



1 you still be able to go forward with your grant application, or  
2 does your grant application for the grant on -- due next Monday  
3 require the full 3 million to go forward?

4 MR. ROEHRICH: Edigar, did you hear that, that  
5 question?

6 MR. KAJIRWA: Yeah. Sorry. I muted myself by  
7 mistake, and Bryce just put me back on.

8 Yes, we would greatly appreciate that 3  
9 million. As of right now, the budget that we have sort of  
10 gone through with our financial team and seeing how much we  
11 can input into the project, the 3 million will make the  
12 project work. Anything less than that will put us in a bind.  
13 We have other projects that also have priority and -- such as  
14 water, that we all (inaudible) out in the Southwest. So  
15 anything less than 3 million puts us in a really tight  
16 situation, and we might have to forego applying for this  
17 grant. Thank you.

18 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Any other questions from the  
19 Board? I would just like to say one thing more. All of  
20 these -- both of these grants, the one for Show Low, the one  
21 for Bullhead City, both are -- as Board Member Searle pointed  
22 out, I'd rather keep the money in the pavement. Both of these  
23 grants are for roads. The Rio Salado, Phoenix, that's a  
24 pedestrian/bicycle bridge. It's not really pavement for cars to  
25 run on, and I think both the Show Low and Bullhead City

1 applications are more important, if for no other reason, just  
2 because we're talking about putting the money into pavement on  
3 the ground.

4 And that being said, we have -- is there any  
5 other comments or discussion from the Board?

6 In that case, we have a motion and a second.  
7 Floyd, would you call -- I'd call for the roll vote.

8 MR. ROEHRICH: Vice Chairman Searle.

9 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: Aye.

10 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Daniels.

11 MS. DANIELS: Aye. And I'd like a chance to  
12 explain my vote once we're done. Thank you.

13 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Meck.

14 MR. MECK: No.

15 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Maxwell.

16 MR. MAXWELL: Aye.

17 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Thompson.

18 MR. THOMPSON: Aye.

19 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Howard.

20 MS. HOWARD: Aye.

21 MR. ROEHRICH: Chairman Knight.

22 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Aye.

23 Mr. Chairman, with a vote of six to one, ayes,  
24 the motion does carry, and Member Daniels would like to explain  
25 her vote.

1 MS. DANIELS: Thank you. Appreciate the  
2 indulgence.

3 I'm in favor of expending these dollars to  
4 benefit our communities. That's the bottom line, is these  
5 dollars need to be spent in a -- in a way that benefits our  
6 state. I'm, I think, disappointed in the way that we weren't  
7 able to find a compromise that would benefit all of the  
8 communities in our state, and as much as I -- I'm a huge fan  
9 of the Rio Reimagined project. I think it's going to do  
10 wonders for both the state as well as for an underserved area  
11 of Phoenix, as well as the rest of the communities that will  
12 benefit from that. Basically, every city going west,  
13 including Buckeye and Avondale and all of the other cities  
14 that stand to benefit from the Tres Rios project and Rio  
15 Reimagined. So I'm disappointed that we were sort of divided,  
16 if you will, on this, but I am in favor of expending these  
17 dollars to benefit our communities.

18 So I congratulate Bullhead City and wish them  
19 all of the best in getting their secondary grant, and if for  
20 whatever reason they are unable to secure a secondary grant, I  
21 hope that they would come forward with a way to rededicate  
22 those dollars to either another community or another area of  
23 their community that would benefit through the proper channels  
24 and process. So hoping that that can occur if, in fact, they  
25 are unable to obtain the remaining grant that they need to

1 finish their project. I wish them all the best in getting that  
2 done though.

3 MR. KAJIRWA: Thank you.

4 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay. I would --

5 MR. ROEHRICH: So Mr. Chairman.

6 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Yes. Who was that?

7 MR. ROEHRICH: Mr. Chairman, this is Floyd.

8 Now that you've --

9 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Yeah, Floyd. I had a  
10 question for you, but go ahead.

11 MR. ROEHRICH: Now that you've approved the first  
12 two, that does leave left in the account for municipalities over  
13 10,000, \$437,407. So if you choose to give back that Phoenix or  
14 leave it in the balance or -- I don't know, something. Whatever  
15 the Board chooses.

16 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay. Well, we'll move --  
17 we'll move on with that, but my question is if we do not  
18 vote -- if we do not vote on the Phoenix award at all, then  
19 does it remain in the queue, so to speak, for -- until such  
20 time as October 30th comes along and they're no longer  
21 eligible? But if we -- if we vote on it and give them  
22 anything or nothing, then they're done, right? They would  
23 have to re-apply? But if we -- if we just don't vote on Item  
24 7F, then will they remain in the queue so that they can be  
25 considered at a later date? How's that going to work?

1                   MR. PATANE: Chairman Knight, Board Members, this  
2 is Paul Patane. The way -- in talking with our legal counsel,  
3 the way the current legislation is written is that the Phoenix  
4 application will remain eligible until their federal grant is  
5 executed. Even if, say, they don't execute the grant before  
6 October 30th, their application is still eligible after October  
7 30th.

8                   CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay. But if we -- if, as  
9 Floyd suggested, we vote to give them the balance that's in  
10 the fund, then they're done, right? Their application has  
11 been addressed? We've given them some SMART Funds and they  
12 will no longer be in consideration from that point going  
13 forward; is that correct?

14                  MS. DANIELS: May I -- may I make a suggestion on  
15 this actually to help us move things along?

16                   They may not want the additional federal  
17 dollars because of the additional reporting requirements and  
18 things. So why don't we table their application and see if  
19 they still want it? Maybe they can answer that on the phone  
20 right now, but if they wanted the remaining funds or not, I'd  
21 like to know that before we allocated them.

22                  CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Jenn, I think that's great.  
23 I just wanted to make sure that if we -- if we just don't vote  
24 on it, then they remain in the queue for --

25                  MS. DANIELS: I understand. So let's find out.

1                   CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Yeah. Okay. In that case, we  
2 just -- if we don't vote on Item 7F, then they will just remain  
3 in the queue, and they can --

4                   MS. DANIELS: Chairman, they're on the phone  
5 right now.

6                   CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: -- they can --

7                   MS. DANIELS: Chairman.

8                   CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: They can -- they can  
9 indicate to ADOT -- they can indicate to ADOT whether they  
10 want to stay and --

11                  MS. DANIELS: Chairman, they're on the phone  
12 right now. We can ask them if they would like us to expend  
13 those dollars or if they're interested in that or if they  
14 aren't. Like, that's -- like, they're here. We can ask them.

15                  CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay. Very good. That'll  
16 work.

17                  MR. ROEHRICH: So, Bryce, please unmute -- I'm  
18 guessing it's a Kini Knudson, who has raised his hand.

19                  WEBEX HOST: You are now unmuted.

20                  MR. KNUDSON: Yeah. Thank you.

21                  Mr. Chair, members of the Board, yeah, our  
22 intent on this was always trying to do our best to be able to  
23 do more work of an important project, and so anything does  
24 help. We are diligently working towards executing our grant  
25 agreement, which -- but that is not going to happen for a while,

1 because it does take some time once you have a grant award like  
2 this to get to a grant agreement.

3 We would like to be able to stay or remain  
4 eligible. I know there -- with the -- only \$400,000 and a  
5 little bit more available here, there is the opportunity that  
6 the Legislature may appropriate additional funding to this  
7 program. We would like to remain eligible to be able to  
8 compete for it as long as we're eligible to compete under this  
9 project.

10 I would say, you know, with Phoenix, yes, we  
11 are a large city, and we have, as Board Member Daniels pointed  
12 out, we have areas of need. We have areas that they're in  
13 rural areas, and when you're trying to serve an area of 520  
14 square miles and you have a limited budget, we're all under a  
15 limited budget no matter what agency you're talking to.

16 Any little bit helps us to be able to do more,  
17 because we have the same -- we have the same conversations and  
18 the same demands that every other city does, is if I don't get  
19 funding here, it's going to be taken out somewhere else. I  
20 don't have unlimited resources, and so I'm doing my best to be  
21 able to prioritize and put those where we can, and so I would  
22 say any little bit helps us to be able to do more for the  
23 residents of Phoenix and for our surrounding communities as  
24 well.

25 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay. My question at this

1 point would be if we give you the 400 and change, 400,000 and  
2 change that's left at this point in time then, you would have  
3 to re-apply if you wanted -- if SMART Funds became available  
4 before October 30th, you would have to be -- you would have to  
5 re-apply. However, if we -- if we don't award you anything,  
6 then you remain in the queue, and if the pot grows while  
7 you're still eligible, then you wouldn't have to re-apply  
8 because you'd already be there. So which would you rather do?

9 MR. KNUDSON: I would -- Mr. Chair and members  
10 of the Board, I would -- if the Board is agreeable to  
11 allocating the remaining funds that are available now to  
12 Phoenix, with the understanding that we have the ability to  
13 apply in the future if there are additional appropriations to  
14 it, until we get our grant agreement in place, I would  
15 appreciate that option. So if the -- if the Board so moves.

16 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay. Thank you.

17 MS. DANIELS: -- that motion.

18 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: I have a motion from Member  
19 Daniels. Do I have a second?

20 MS. HOWARD: I'll second that.

21 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Second from Member Howard.

22 MR. MAXWELL: Mr. Chair, can I ask one  
23 clarifying question?

24 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Yes, Ted. Go ahead.

25 MR. MAXWELL: So what I heard Paul say is because



1 their application was submitted now when they are currently  
2 eligible, and the date will always be that they submitted it  
3 during it's eligible, that until their grant's executed, they  
4 could be -- could receive more money. So my question to the  
5 staff is, does that include if next session they were to give  
6 2.5 million, or is October when the new law kicks in, does that  
7 mean all applications prior to the new rules now fall under the  
8 new rules?

9 MR. PATANE: Chairman, Chairman Knight, Board  
10 Member Maxwell, the way the current guidelines are put  
11 together and the way we are interpreting the statute, once we  
12 award any amounts of dollars to an entity, they are no longer  
13 eligible to come back in and re-apply under the same grant.  
14 So if we were to give the balance of the funds to the City of  
15 Phoenix, they cannot come back under the same application and  
16 apply for more money.

17 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Mr. Chairman, and the second  
18 part of that question is after October 30th, when the laws in --  
19 goes into effect that the Legislature passed, then the City of  
20 Phoenix is not eligible after that.

21 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Right.

22 MR. PATANE: -- application, correct.

23 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Right.

24 MR. MAXWELL: Thank you.

25 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Any other questions for Paul or

1 for Floyd?

2 MR. ROEHRICH: So Mr. Chair, this is Floyd.

3 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Any other comments?

4 MR. ROEHRICH: I do have a -- Mr. Chairman,  
5 this is Floyd. I do have a comment. I want to make sure to  
6 read the motion the way it would be approved to make sure that  
7 we have it captured, and in this case the motion is to approve  
8 Phoenix's application for the Rio Salado bicycle/pedestrian  
9 bridge for match in the amount of \$437,407, and then that  
10 would use all the available funds that are in that category.

11 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: That was the motion, and it's  
12 been seconded.

13 Any other discussion?

14 MR. ROEHRICH: It's been motioned and seconded.  
15 Yes, sir.

16 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: I have a motion -- I have a  
17 motion and a second. Motion by Member Daniels, a second by  
18 Member Howard to approve in the amount of \$437,407 to Phoenix.

19 Floyd, would you take a roll vote?

20 MR. ROEHRICH: Vice Chairman Searle.

21 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: Aye.

22 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Daniels.

23 MS. DANIELS: Aye.

24 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Meck.

25 MR. MECK: Aye.

1 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Maxwell.

2 MR. MAXWELL: Aye.

3 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Thompson. Member Thompson.  
4 Member Howard.

5 MS. HOWARD: Aye.

6 MR. ROEHRICH: Chairman Knight.

7 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Aye.

8 MR. ROEHRICH: Mr. Chairman, I do have six  
9 ayes, and I don't know if we lost Mr. Thompson, but I did not  
10 hear a vote from Mr. Thompson, but the motion does carry.

11 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Is he -- is he dropped off?

12 MR. ROEHRICH: I can't tell --

13 WEBEX HOST: He's here. He's just on mute.

14 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Did he --

15 MR. ROEHRICH: Mr. Thompson.

16 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Did he want to vote or did he  
17 want to abstain?

18 WEBEX HOST: I can see him trying to get off  
19 mute. I think he's trying to push some buttons.

20 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay. Tell him put his thumb  
21 up if he want- -- thumb up or thumb down.

22 MR. ROEHRICH: I will take a thumb up or thumb  
23 down, Mr. Thompson.

24 WEBEX HOST: That was a thumb up. He provided a  
25 thumb up.

1 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay.

2 MR. ROEHRICH: (Inaudible) is seven, unanimously,  
3 Mr. Chairman.

4 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Very good.

5 In the interest of compromise, I went along  
6 with it. I really didn't want to, but I did.

7 So now we'll move on to Item 7G. This one should  
8 be a lot easier.

9 Do I have a motion to rescind AZ SMART fund  
10 design funding for Clarkdale in the amount requested by the  
11 applicant?

12 MS. HOWARD: This is Jenny. So moved.

13 MR. MAXWELL: Second.

14 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: I have a motion from Member  
15 Howard, a second from Member --

16 MR. MAXWELL: Maxwell.

17 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: -- Maxwell. Okay. Thank  
18 you. Is there any discussion?

19 Floyd, would you take the roll vote?

20 MR. ROEHRICH: Vice Chairman Searle.

21 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: Aye.

22 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Daniels.

23 MS. DANIELS: Aye.

24 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Meck.

25 MR. MECK: Aye.

1 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Maxwell.

2 MR. MAXWELL: Aye.

3 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Thompson.

4 MR. THOMPSON: Aye.

5 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Howard.

6 MS. HOWARD: Aye.

7 MR. ROEHRICH: Chairman Knight.

8 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Aye.

9 MR. ROEHRICH: Chairman, the motion carries  
10 unanimously.

11 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you.

12 We'll move on to Agenda Item Number 8, state  
13 engineer's report, with a stand-in for Greg Byers.

14 MR. BOSCHEN: Chairman Knight and Board  
15 Members, I'm pleased to present the state engineer's report  
16 for the first month of fiscal year '24, and I promise it will  
17 be more benign than the last discussion.

18 So we have 98 projects under construction at a  
19 contract value of 2.1 billion right now. We did  
20 finalize/close out nine projects in July at 13.4 million. So  
21 obviously our fiscal year to date is nine projects finalized.

22 Next slide, please.

23 So one thing that we shared with you before is  
24 our construction cost index. So we're currently at the end of  
25 the year of fiscal '23 at 2.25, and that is based on a base year

1 of 2016. So yes, that's a doubling in cost over -- if I do my  
2 math right, close to seven years.

3 Next slide, please.

4 Since I'm in the pavement business, you know, I  
5 thought this would be something interesting for the board  
6 members. This is our total cost of AC per ton per year. It  
7 fluctuates kind of like the CCI, but obviously we had different  
8 components that lead into the CCI. Right now, we're comparable.  
9 We did actually have a decrease in fiscal '23, but I can tell  
10 you when I filled up my Jeep yesterday, we're going to have an  
11 increase. It's probably going to go back up to more like 2022.  
12 And oil is just one component in our binder mix. There's lots  
13 of other polymers, but oil is one of the main components. So we  
14 do fluctuate with that. So we're following our CCI, and I  
15 wanted the members to know, you know, what we're looking at in  
16 terms of what that is for our total AC.

17 And that's it for the state engineer's report.  
18 Be happy to answer any questions.

19 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Any questions from the Board?  
20 Hearing none.

21 And we will move on to Agenda Item 9, and  
22 you're still up.

23 MR. BOSCHEN: So Chair and Board Members, these  
24 are our new construction contracts. Thank you for the consent  
25 agenda approval of the three, but we have four that we need to

1 talk about.

2 Next slide, please.

3 This is going to be something new. We have a  
4 running total here, and we have -- we're going to talk about  
5 seven projects. We're looking at awarding five on this list.

6 Next slide, please.

7 First is Item 9A. So this is a scour retrofit  
8 bridge rehab project in District 6. It is 11 percent over.  
9 We underestimated the temporary access road for this. We do  
10 feel it is a responsive and responsible bid, and we recommend  
11 award to Fann Contracting, Inc.

12 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: Chair, I'll make a motion  
13 to approve. This is Richard.

14 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay, Richard. Thank you.  
15 And do I have a second?

16 MS. DANIELS: Second. Second from Jenn Daniels.

17 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you, Jenn.

18 I have a motion from Member Searle, second from  
19 Member Daniels to award Item 9A to Fann Contracting, Inc., as  
20 presented.

21 Floyd, would you take the roll call vote?

22 MR. ROEHRICH: Vice Chairman Searle.

23 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: Aye.

24 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Daniels.

25 MS. DANIELS: Aye. Aye.

1 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Meck.

2 MR. MECK: Aye.

3 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Maxwell.

4 MR. MAXWELL: Aye.

5 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Thompson.

6 MR. THOMPSON: Aye.

7 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Howard.

8 MS. HOWARD: Aye.

9 MR. ROEHRICH: Chairman Knight.

10 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Aye.

11 MR. ROEHRICH: Chairman, the motion carries  
12 unanimously.

13 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you, Floyd.

14 Go ahead.

15 MR. BOSCHEN: Next project is 9B. Again, in  
16 District 6, and this is one of two rumble strip projects I'll  
17 be talking about today. Significantly over engineer's  
18 estimate, and one of the main reasons was the mobilization.  
19 The subs were going to come in from California. We only had one  
20 bidder.

21 Staff does not feel this is a responsive and  
22 responsible bid, so our recommendation is to reject all bids,  
23 and we will be repackaging this to something -- with another  
24 payment pres. project. This might not be enough book of  
25 business for some of these firms, and we think if we bundle it



1 with another project, we'll get better bids. Staff's  
2 recommendation is to reject all bids.

3 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Do I hear a motion to reject  
4 all bids on Item 9B?

5 (Speaking simultaneously.)

6 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: So moved.

7 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Richard, was that you or  
8 Jackie?

9 MR. MECK: I'll second it if somebody will lead  
10 the motion.

11 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: Yeah, I made the motion,  
12 Gary.

13 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay. Thank you. A motion  
14 from Richard and a second from Jackie to reject all bids,  
15 Item 9B.

16 Would you please poll the Board?

17 MR. ROEHRICH: Vice Chairman Searle.

18 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: Aye.

19 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Daniels.

20 MS. DANIELS: Aye.

21 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Meck.

22 MR. MECK: Aye.

23 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Maxwell.

24 MR. MAXWELL: Aye.

25 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Thompson.

1 Member Howard.

2 MS. HOWARD: Aye.

3 MR. ROEHRICH: Chairman Knight.

4 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Aye.

5 MR. ROEHRICH: I'll go back to Member Thompson.

6 I may have missed his vote. Member Thompson, did you vote?

7 MR. THOMPSON: Aye.

8 MR. ROEHRICH: Thank you.

9 Chairman, the motion passes unanimously.

10 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you, Floyd.

11 9C. Moving on.

12 MR. BOSCHEN: 9C. This is a roadway widening  
13 project in Maricopa, State Route 347. We are doing this in  
14 partnership with the City of Maricopa. We did come in quite a  
15 bit over, and primarily it was due to the AC on this project.  
16 We were looking in that curve that I showed you before, and I  
17 think we're going to need to look at that curve going up a  
18 little bit more, towards 150 ton range. It is a job that  
19 we're going to be splitting this overage with, with both --  
20 with the City of Maricopa. They are very much in support of  
21 this project. So staff's recommendation is to award the  
22 project to Combs Construction Company, Inc.

23 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you.

24 Do I have a motion to award Item 9C that Combs  
25 Construction Company, Inc., as presented?

1 MS. HOWARD: This is Jenny. I will very happily  
2 make this motion. I'm very excited to see this project move  
3 forward.

4 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you, Jenny.

5 Do I have a second?

6 MR. MAXWELL: Second.

7 MS. DANIELS: Second.

8 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: That was --

9 MR. MAXWELL: I'll defer to Ms. Daniels.

10 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Okay. I have a motion from  
11 Member Howard and a second from Member Daniels to award  
12 Item 9C to Combs Construction Company, Inc.

13 Floyd, would you take the roll vote?

14 MR. ROEHRICH: Vice Chairman Searle.

15 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: Aye.

16 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Daniels.

17 MS. DANIELS: Aye.

18 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Meck.

19 MR. MECK: Aye.

20 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Maxwell.

21 MR. MAXWELL: Aye.

22 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Thompson.

23 MR. THOMPSON: Aye.

24 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Howard.

25 MS. HOWARD: Aye.

1 MR. ROEHRICH: Chairman Knight.

2 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Aye.

3 MR. ROEHRICH: So Chairman, it passes  
4 unanimously.

5 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you.

6 Item 9D.

7 MR. BOSCHEN: Mr. Chair, this is our second  
8 rumble strip job that unfortunately we're not going to move  
9 forward with. Very high dollar amount. You know, a million  
10 dollars, and the way this works is it's HSIP funds that are  
11 100 percent, and unfortunately, the local which is Mojave  
12 County, cannot come up with the additional overage, which is  
13 what is in our JPA.

14 What we are going to do is repackage this  
15 similar to the other one and see if we can combine it with  
16 another project. It may result in reducing the limits, but  
17 that's what we will be doing. But staff's recommendation is  
18 to reject all bids, because we can't come up with the funding.  
19 We will repackage it.

20 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Do I have a motion to reject  
21 all bids for Item 9D?

22 MR. MECK: Board Member Meck. I make a motion.

23 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you, Jackie.

24 Do I have a second?

25 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: I'll second it.

1 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Is that Richard?

2 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: Yes.

3 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you, Richard.

4 I've got a motion from Board Member Meck and a  
5 second from Board Member Searle to reject all bids,  
6 Item 9D.

7 Floyd, would you call for the roll vote?

8 MR. ROEHRICH: Vice Chairman Searle.

9 VICE CHAIR SEARLE: Aye.

10 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Daniels.

11 MS. DANIELS: Aye.

12 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Meck.

13 MR. MECK: Aye.

14 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Maxwell.

15 MR. MAXWELL: Aye.

16 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Thompson.

17 MR. THOMPSON: Aye.

18 MR. ROEHRICH: Member Howard.

19 MS. HOWARD: Aye.

20 MR. ROEHRICH: Chairman Knight.

21 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Aye.

22 MR. ROEHRICH: Chairman, the motion carries  
23 unanimously.

24 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you.

25 That should finish Item 9, and we'll move on to

1 Item Number 10. Any suggestions for future agenda items from  
2 the Board?

3 MR. ROEHRICH: Mr. Chairman, this is Floyd. I  
4 did take Mr. Maxwell's comment earlier about a study session  
5 overview of our turnback policy. We have prepared that  
6 before, given it to the Board, but it's been a little while.  
7 So I work with staff and we'll get something set up at a  
8 future date.

9 And then a reminder, our next board meeting is  
10 September 15th, and it is in the City of Kingman, and we've  
11 started -- we will start the coordination with them right  
12 after this meeting so we can get prepared for that. So it's  
13 September 15th, City of Kingman.

14 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you, Floyd.

15 MR. MAXWELL: Mr. Chair.

16 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Yes.

17 MR. MAXWELL: There's something else --

18 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Ted?

19 MR. MAXWELL: Yes, that's Ted.

20 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Go ahead, Ted.

21 MR. MAXWELL: Something else I'd like to add at  
22 some point, either do a study session or something, a  
23 discussion on right-of-way. We obviously approve a lot of  
24 changes to the right-of-ways, both, you know, obviously taking  
25 right-of-way, but also then returning it, and I know down in the

1 vicinity of Interstate 10, down here in Pima County, there's a  
2 lot of potential development going on and the very -- the width  
3 of right-of-way we've got is significantly different in  
4 different parts, and so we have -- I have been receiving some  
5 calls from developers that are wondering how they can either get  
6 ADOT to help them with either maintaining or constructing the  
7 right-of-way. And when I've said, well, would you be  
8 interested in possibly taking part of it. Again, I don't have  
9 the understanding of how much we have to keep or how much we  
10 could turn over, but it would -- I personally know I'd benefit  
11 from a discussion on right-of-way at a study session on how that  
12 process goes once we have it. You know, when do we turn it  
13 back? When don't we? And if there is opportunity for  
14 developers and others who might want to care for that right-of-  
15 way to give them the opportunity to do that for part of their  
16 development.

17 CHAIRMAN KNIGHT: Thank you, Ted.

18 Any other comments from the Board?

19 Any other items you'd like to move to future  
20 agenda items?

21 Hearing none, we have covered the agenda for  
22 this board meeting, all items. There being no further  
23 business for this Board, we are adjourned.

24 (Meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m.)  
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1 STATE OF ARIZONA     }  
2 COUNTY OF MARICOPA }     ss.  
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4         BE IT KNOWN that the foregoing proceedings were reported  
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17                     /s/ Teresa A. Watson

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**Adjournment**

***Chairman Gary Knight adjourned the State Transportation Board Meeting on August 18, 2023.***

**Meeting adjourned at 11:45a.m. PST.**

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Gary Knight, Chairman  
State Transportation Board

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Jennifer Toth, Director  
Arizona Department of Transportation

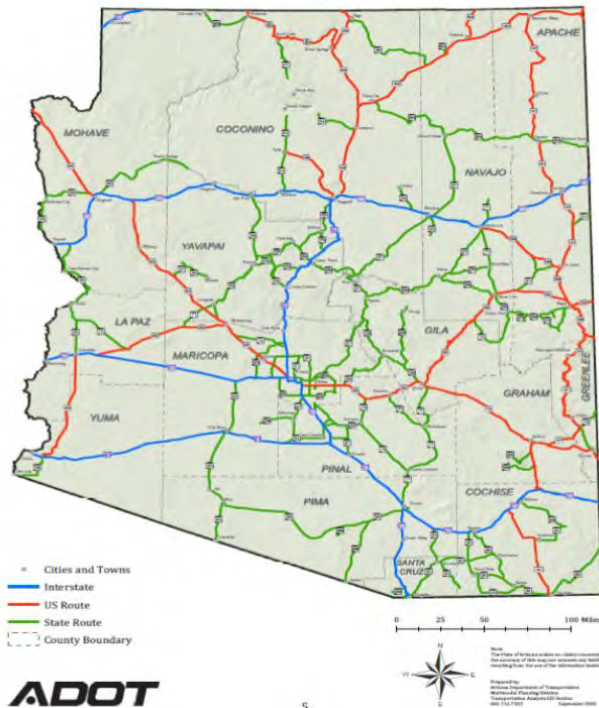
## PPAC - PROJECT MODIFICATIONS - DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

\*ITEM 6a.

<b>Route &amp; MP:</b>	Statewide
<b>Project Name:</b>	ROUNABOUT DESIGN GUIDELINES
<b>Type of Work:</b>	Design Guidelines
<b>County:</b>	Statewide
<b>District:</b>	Statewide
<b>Schedule:</b>	
<b>Project:</b>	_ TIP#: 103698
<b>Project Manager:</b>	Adam Carreon
<b>Program Amount:</b>	\$180,000
<b>New Program Amount:</b>	\$0
<b>Requested Action:</b>	Delete Project.

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Roundabout Design  
Guidelines



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1. PRB Meeting Date: 10/17/2023

2. Teleconference: No

3. Form Date / 5. Form By:

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Adam Carreon

4. Project Manager / Presenter:

Adam Carreon @ 602-712-2212

1615 W Jackson St, 065R - 6500 OPERATIONAL TRAFFIC & SAFETY  
ADMINISTRAT

6. Project Name:

ROUNDOABOUT DESIGN GUIDELINES

7. Type of Work:

8. CPSID: 9. District: 10. Route: 11. County: 12. Beg MP: 13. TRACS #: 14. Len (Mi.): 15. Fed Id #:

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16. Program Budget: \$180

17. Program Item #: 103698

18. Current Approved Program Budget:

\$180

18a. (+/-) Program Budget Request:

(\$180)

18b Total Program Budget After Request:

\$0

**CURRENTLY APPROVED:****19. BUDGET ITEMS:**

Item #	Amount	Description	Comments
103698	\$180	.	State 100pct

**CHANGE / REQUEST:****19A. BUDGET ITEMS:**

Item #	Amount	Description	Comments
79924	(\$180)	.	.

**CURRENT SCHEDULE:**

21. CURRENT FISCAL YEAR:

22. CURRENT BID READY:

23. CURRENT ADV DATE:

**CHANGE REQUEST NEW SCHEDULE:**

21A. REQUEST FISCAL YEAR:

22A. REQUEST BID READY:

23A. REQUEST ADV DATE:

20. JPA #'s: SIGNED: NO ADV: NO

CHANGE IN: 24a. PROJECT NAME: NO 24b. TYPE OF WORK: NO 24c. SCOPE: NO 24d. CURRENT STAGE: NOT APPLICABLE

24e. ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE: NO

24g. U&amp;RR CLEARANCE: NO

24i. R/W CLEARANCE: NO

24k. SCOPING DOCUMENT: NO

24f. MATERIALS MEMO COMP: NO

24h. C&amp;S CLEARANCE: NO

24j. CUSTOMIZED SCHEDULE: NO

**25. DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST**

Delete Project

**26. JUSTIFICATION OF REQUEST**

Funding will be used for higher priority needs.

**27. CONCERNS OF REQUEST****28. OTHER ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED****REQUESTED ACTIONS:**

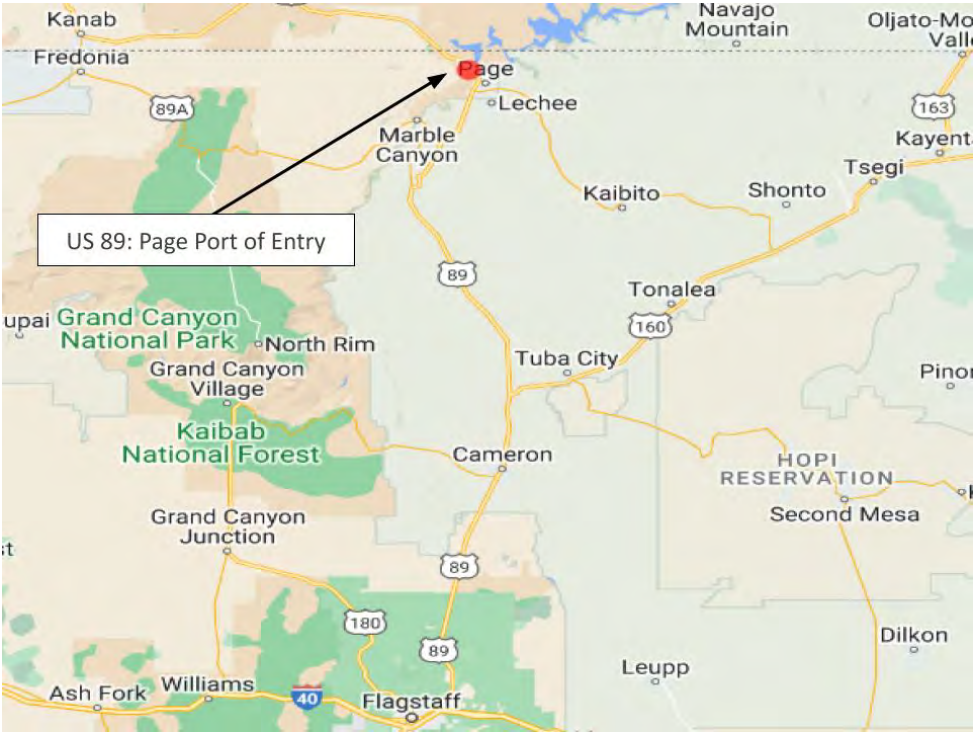
DELETE PROJECT

**APPROVED / RECOMMENDED ACTIONS:**REQUEST APPROVED  
SUBJECT TO PPAC APPROVAL - 10/31/2023**PRB APPROVED**

PPAC - PROJECT MODIFICATIONS - DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

*ITEM 6b.	Route & MP:	US 89 @ MP 551.2
	Project Name:	PAGE PORT OF ENTRY
	Type of Work:	SCALE REMOVAL
	County:	Coconino
	District:	Northcentral
	Schedule:	FY 2023
	Project:	F060901X TIP#: 103752
	Project Manager:	Chris Moore
	Program Amount:	\$230,000
	New Program Amount:	\$0
	Requested Action:	Delete project.

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## Project Review Board (PRB) Request Form - Version 4.0

1. PRB Meeting Date: 10/24/2023

2. Teleconference: No

3. Form Date / 5. Form By:

10/27/2023

Chris Moore

4. Project Manager / Presenter:

Chris Moore @ (757) 469-6679

205 S 17th Ave, , - 4983 PROJECT MANAGEMENT

6. Project Name:

PAGE PORT OF ENTRY

7. Type of Work:

SCALE REMOVAL

8. CPSID: 9. District: 10. Route: 11. County: 12. Beg MP: 13. TRACS #: 14. Len (Mi.): 15. Fed Id #:

EE1Q Northcentral 89 Coconino 551.2 F060901X 0.0 089-E(210)T

16. Program Budget: \$230

17. Program Item #: 103752

18. Current Approved Program Budget:

\$230

18a. (+/-) Program Budget Request:

(\$230)

18b Total Program Budget After Request:

\$0

**CURRENTLY APPROVED:****19. BUDGET ITEMS:**

Item #	Amount	Description	Comments
74323	\$230	PORT OF ENTRY	

**CURRENT SCHEDULE:**

21. CURRENT FISCAL YEAR: 23

22. CURRENT BID READY:

23. CURRENT ADV DATE:

**CHANGE / REQUEST:****19A. BUDGET ITEMS:**

Item #	Amount	Description	Comments
74324	(\$230)	PORT OF ENTRY	100pct State Funds

**CHANGE REQUEST/NEW SCHEDULE:**

21A. REQUEST FISCAL YEAR:

22A. REQUEST BID READY:

23A. REQUEST ADV DATE:

20. JPA #'s:

SIGNED:

NO

ADV:

NO

**CHANGE IN:**

24a. PROJECT NAME:

NO

24b. TYPE OF WORK:

NO

24c. SCOPE:

NO

24d. CURRENT STAGE:

NOT APPLICABLE

24e. ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE:

NOT APPLICABLE

24f. MATERIALS MEMO COMP:

NOT APPLICABLE

24g. U&amp;RR CLEARANCE:

NOT APPLICABLE

24h. C&amp;S CLEARANCE:

NOT APPLICABLE

24i. R/W CLEARANCE:

NOT APPLICABLE

24j. CUSTOMIZED SCHEDULE:

NOT APPLICABLE

24k. SCOPING DOCUMENT:

NOT APPLICABLE

**25. DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST**

Delete project.

**26. JUSTIFICATION OF REQUEST**

Project scope was to remove the damaged scale and backfill the scale pit to provide a drivable surface in the inspection lane. The scale removal will be included in a future project that will install a new scale and construct drainage improvements at the Page Port of Entry.

**27. CONCERNS OF REQUEST****28. OTHER ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED****REQUESTED ACTIONS:**

DELETE PROJECT

**APPROVED / RECOMMENDED ACTIONS:**

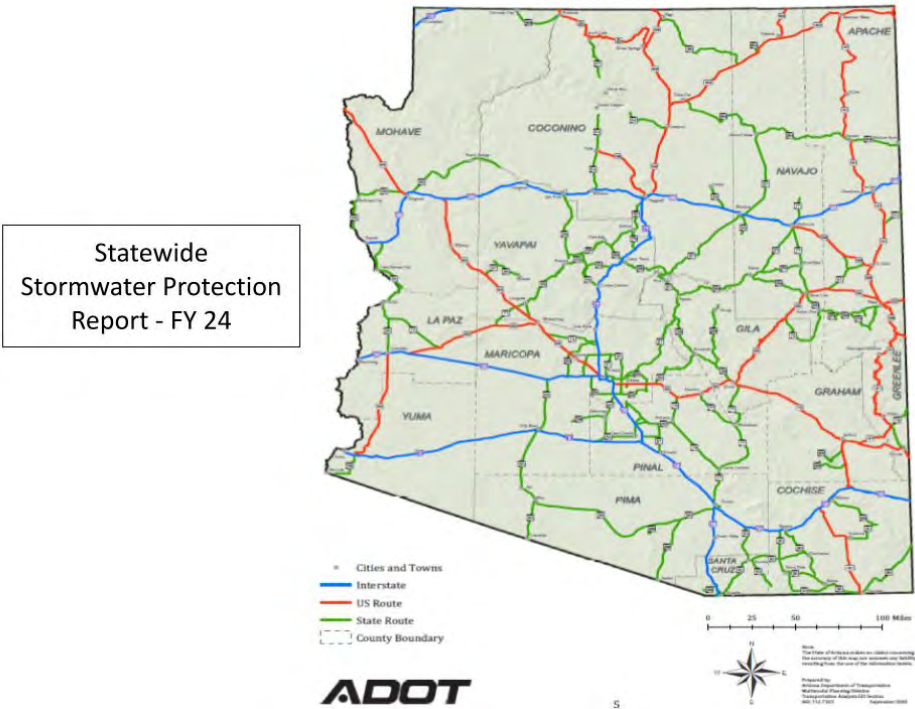
REQUEST APPROVED

SUBJECT TO PPAC APPROVAL - 10/31/2023



PPAC - NEW PROJECTS - DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

*ITEM 6c.	Route & MP	Statewide
	Project Name	Statewide Stormwater Protection Report - FY24
	Type of Work	Regulatory compliance
	County	Statewide
	District	Statewide
	Schedule	
	Project	M723601, TIP: 104191
	Project Manager	Eileen Dunn
	Program Amount	\$0
	New Program Amount	\$486,000
	Requested Action	Establish a new project.



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1. PRB Meeting Date: 10/17/2023

2. Teleconference: No

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Eileen Dunn

4. Project Manager / Presenter:

Eileen Dunn @

,, - 4977 ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING GROUP

6. Project Name:

Statewide Stormwater Protection Report - FY24

7. Type of Work:

Regulatory compliance

8. CPSID: 9. District: 10. Route: 11. County: 12. Beg MP: 13. TRACS #: 14. Len (Mi.): 15. Fed Id #:

- 999 Statewide M723601X ?

16. Program Budget: \$0

17. Program Item #: 104191

18. Current Approved Program Budget:

\$0

18a. (+/-) Program Budget Request:

\$486

18b Total Program Budget After Request:

\$486

**CURRENTLY APPROVED:****19. BUDGET ITEMS:****CHANGE / REQUEST:****19A. BUDGET ITEMS:**

Item #	Amount	Description	Comments
79524	\$486	REGULATORY COMPLIANCE PLAN	Environmental Planning Statewide Stormwater Compliance

**CURRENT SCHEDULE:**

21. CURRENT FISCAL YEAR:

22. CURRENT BID READY:

23. CURRENT ADV DATE:

**CHANGE REQUEST NEW SCHEDULE:**

21A. REQUEST FISCAL YEAR:

22A. REQUEST BID READY:

23A. REQUEST ADV DATE:

20. JPA #'s:

SIGNED:

NO

ADV:

NO

CHANGE IN: 24a. PROJECT NAME: NO 24b. TYPE OF WORK: NO 24c. SCOPE: NO 24d. CURRENT STAGE: NOT APPLICABLE

24e. ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE:

NO

24f. MATERIALS MEMO COMP:

NO

24g. U&amp;RR CLEARANCE:

NO

24h. C&amp;S CLEARANCE:

NO

24i. R/W CLEARANCE:

NO

24j. CUSTOMIZED SCHEDULE:

NO

24k. SCOPING DOCUMENT:

NO

**25. DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST**

Establish a new project.

**26. JUSTIFICATION OF REQUEST**

This project establishes the means to monitor compliance with the ADOT Statewide Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System Permit (MS4) and other water quality regulations. Tasks to be conducted include statewide system water quality monitoring, mapping, guidance document drafting and updates, and public outreach.

**27. CONCERNS OF REQUEST****28. OTHER ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED****REQUESTED ACTIONS:**

ESTABLISH A NEW PROJECT

**APPROVED / RECOMMENDED ACTIONS:**

REQUEST APPROVED

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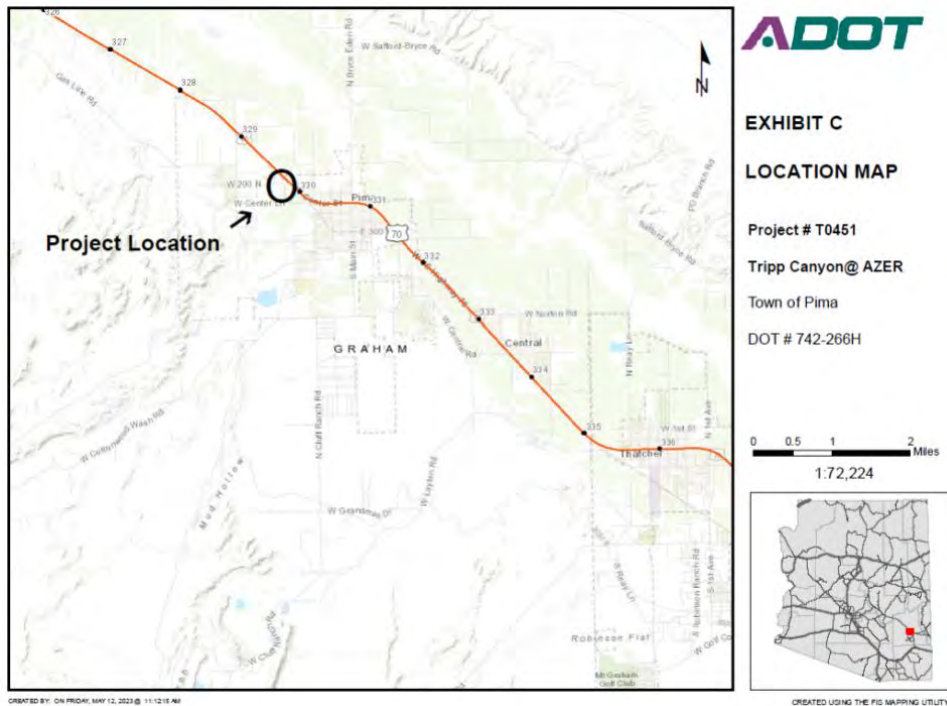


## PPAC - NEW PROJECTS - DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

\*ITEM 6d.

<b>Route &amp; MP:</b>	Local
<b>Project Name:</b>	TRIPP CANYON RD @ AZER, TOWN OF PIMA
<b>Type of Work:</b>	RAIL-HIGHWAY SAFETY UPGRADES
<b>County:</b>	Graham
<b>District:</b>	Southeast
<b>Schedule:</b>	
<b>Project:</b>	T045101D, TIP#: 104190
<b>Project Manager:</b>	Jane Gauger
<b>Program Amount:</b>	\$0
<b>New Program Amount:</b>	\$30,000
<b>Requested Action:</b>	Establish a new project.

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1. PRB Meeting Date: 10/17/2023

2. Teleconference: No

3. Form Date / 5. Form By:

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Jane Gauger

4. Project Manager / Presenter:

Jane Gauger @ (602) 712-4052

205 S 17th Ave, RM 357, MD618E - 4981 UTILITIES AND RAILROADS

6. Project Name:

TRIPP CANYON RD @ AZER, TOWN OF PIMA

7. Type of Work:

RAIL-HIGHWAY SAFETY UPGRADES

8. CPSID:

LC1Q

9. District:

Southeast

10. Route:

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11. County:

Graham

12. Beg MP:

PIM

13. TRACS #:

T045101D ?

14. Len (Mi.):

0.1

15. Fed Id #:

PIM-0(201)T

16. Program Budget: \$0

17. Program Item #: 104190

18. Current Approved Program Budget:

\$0

18a. (+/-) Program Budget Request:

\$30

18b Total Program Budget After Request:

\$30

**CURRENTLY APPROVED:****19. BUDGET ITEMS:****CHANGE / REQUEST:****19A. BUDGET ITEMS:**

Item #	Amount	Description	Comments
72624	\$30	RAILWAY HIGHWAY CROSSING	Section 130 FHWA 100 percent participation.

**CURRENT SCHEDULE:**

21. CURRENT FISCAL YEAR:

22. CURRENT BID READY:

23. CURRENT ADV DATE:

**CHANGE REQUEST/NEW SCHEDULE:**

21A. REQUEST FISCAL YEAR:

22A. REQUEST BID READY:

23A. REQUEST ADV DATE:

20. JPA #'s: 23-0009242-I

SIGNED: YES

ADV: NO

**CHANGE IN:** 24a. PROJECT NAME: NO 24b. TYPE OF WORK: NO 24c. SCOPE: NO 24d. CURRENT STAGE: NOT APPLICABLE

24e. ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE: NO

24f. MATERIALS MEMO COMP: NOT APPLICABLE

24g. U&amp;RR CLEARANCE: NO

24h. C&amp;S CLEARANCE: NOT APPLICABLE

24i. R/W CLEARANCE: NO

24j. CUSTOMIZED SCHEDULE: NOT APPLICABLE

24k. SCOPING DOCUMENT: NOT APPLICABLE

**25. DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST**

Establish a new project.

**26. JUSTIFICATION OF REQUEST**

This project will improve safety of this rail-highway crossing by installing railroad safety upgrades at the existing Arizona Eastern Railway (AZER) crossing (DOT 742-266H) at Tripp Canyon Road in the Town of Pima, in Graham County. Railroad upgrades include replacing the existing old asphalt surface with concrete panels, and installing gates and flashing lights. AZER will complete the construction work. ADOT staff will perform oversight, coordination, and clearances.

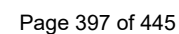
Staff \$30k.

**27. CONCERNS OF REQUEST****28. OTHER ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED****REQUESTED ACTIONS:**

ESTABLISH A NEW PROJECT

**APPROVED / RECOMMENDED ACTIONS:**
 REQUEST APPROVED  
 SUBJECT TO PPAC APPROVAL - 10/31/2023
**PRB APPROVED**

*ITEM 6e.	<b>Route &amp; MP:</b>	Local
	<b>Project Name:</b>	TRIPP CANYON RD @ AZER, TOWN OF PIMA
	<b>Type of Work:</b>	RAIL-HIGHWAY SAFETY UPGRADES
	<b>County:</b>	Graham
	<b>District:</b>	Southeast
	<b>Schedule:</b>	
	<b>Project:</b>	T045101X, TIP# 104190
	<b>Project Manager:</b>	Jane Gauger
	<b>Program Amount:</b>	\$0
	<b>New Program Amount:</b>	\$970,000
	<b>Requested Action:</b>	Establish a new project.



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1. PRB Meeting Date: 10/17/2023

2. Teleconference: No

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Jane Gauger

4. Project Manager / Presenter:

Jane Gauger @ (602) 712-4052

205 S. 17th Ave, Rm 357, MD 618E - 4981 UTILITIES AND RAILROADS

6. Project Name:

TRIPP CANYON RD @ AZER, TOWN OF PIMA

7. Type of Work:

RAIL-HIGHWAY SAFETY UPGRADES

8. CPSID:	9. District:	10. Route:	11. County:	12. Beg MP:	13. TRACS #:	14. Len (Mi.):	15. Fed Id #:
LC1Q	Southeast	0000	Graham	PIM	T045101X ?	0.1	PIM-0(201)T

16. Program Budget: \$0

17. Program Item #: 104190

18. Current Approved Program Budget:

\$0

18a. (+/-) Program Budget Request:

\$970

18b Total Program Budget After Request:

\$970

**CURRENTLY APPROVED:****19. BUDGET ITEMS:****CHANGE / REQUEST:****19A. BUDGET ITEMS:**

Item #	Amount	Description	Comments
72624	\$970	RAILWAY HIGHWAY CROSSING	Section 130 FHWA 100 percent participation.

**CURRENT SCHEDULE:**

21. CURRENT FISCAL YEAR:

22. CURRENT BID READY:

23. CURRENT ADV DATE:

**CHANGE REQUEST/NEW SCHEDULE:**

21A. REQUEST FISCAL YEAR: 24

22A. REQUEST BID READY:

23A. REQUEST ADV DATE:

20. JPA #'s: 23-0009242-I

SIGNED: YES

ADV: NO

<b>CHANGE IN:</b>	24a. PROJECT NAME:	NO	24b. TYPE OF WORK:	NO	24c. SCOPE:	NO	24d. CURRENT STAGE:	NOT APPLICABLE
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24e. ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE: NO

24f. MATERIALS MEMO COMP: NOT APPLICABLE

24g. U&amp;RR CLEARANCE: NO

24h. C&amp;S CLEARANCE: NOT APPLICABLE

24i. R/W CLEARANCE: NO

24j. CUSTOMIZED SCHEDULE: NOT APPLICABLE

24k. SCOPING DOCUMENT: NOT APPLICABLE

**25. DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST**

Establish a new project.

**26. JUSTIFICATION OF REQUEST**

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01X is railroad construction.

**27. CONCERNS OF REQUEST****28. OTHER ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED****REQUESTED ACTIONS:**

ESTABLISH A NEW PROJECT

**APPROVED / RECOMMENDED ACTIONS:**

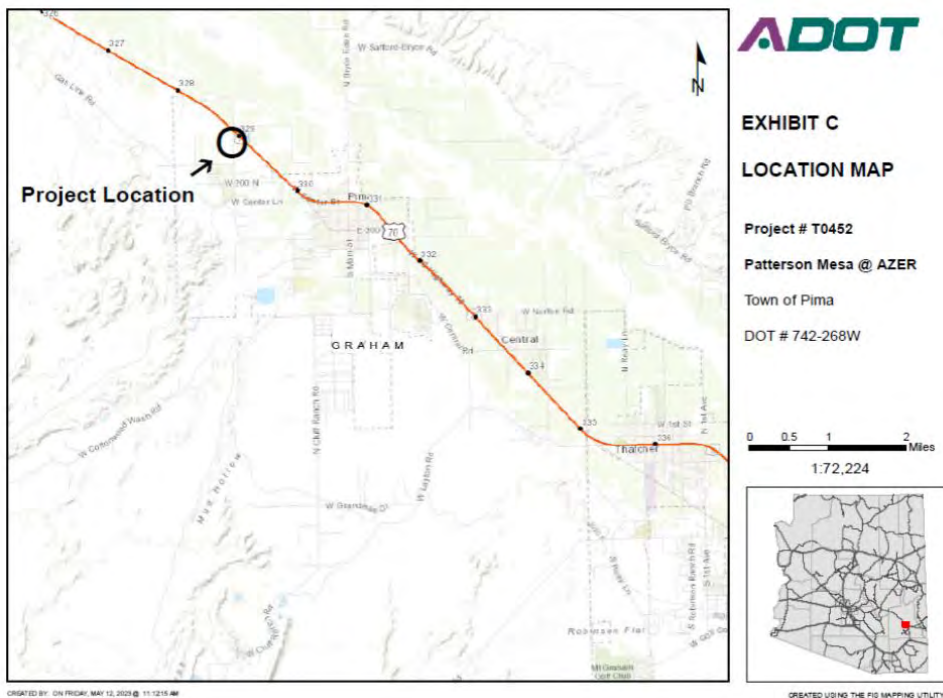
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## PPAC - NEW PROJECTS - DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

\*ITEM 6f.

<b>Route &amp; MP:</b>	Local
<b>Project Name:</b>	PATTERSON MESA RD @ AZER, TOWN OF PIMA
<b>Type of Work:</b>	RAIL-HIGHWAY SAFETY UPGRADES
<b>County:</b>	Graham
<b>District:</b>	Southeast
<b>Schedule:</b>	
<b>Project:</b>	T045201D TIP#: 104193
<b>Project Manager:</b>	Jane Gauger
<b>Program Amount:</b>	\$0
<b>New Program Amount:</b>	\$30,000
<b>Requested Action:</b>	Establish a new project.



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1. PRB Meeting Date: 10/17/2023

2. Teleconference: No

3. Form Date / 5. Form By:

4. Project Manager / Presenter:

10/18/2023

Jane Gauger @ (602) 712-4052

Jane Gauger

205 S. 17th Ave, Rm 357, MD 618E - 4981 UTILITIES AND RAILROADS

6. Project Name:

7. Type of Work:

PATTERSON MESA RD @ AZER, TOWN OF PIMA

RAIL-HIGHWAY SAFETY UPGRADES

8. CPSID: 9. District: 10. Route: 11. County: 12. Beg MP: 13. TRACS #: 14. Len (Mi.): 15. Fed Id #:

LB1Q Southeast 0000 Graham PIM T045201D ? 0.1 PIM-0(202)T

16. Program Budget: \$0

17. Program Item #: 104193

18. Current Approved Program Budget:

18a. (+/-) Program Budget Request:

18b Total Program Budget After Request:

\$0

\$30

\$30

**CURRENTLY APPROVED:****19. BUDGET ITEMS:****CHANGE / REQUEST:****19A. BUDGET ITEMS:**

Item #	Amount	Description	Comments
72624	\$30	RAILWAY HIGHWAY CROSSING	Section 130 FHWA 100 percent participation.

**CURRENT SCHEDULE:**

21. CURRENT FISCAL YEAR:

22. CURRENT BID READY:

23. CURRENT ADV DATE:

**CHANGE REQUEST/NEW SCHEDULE:**

21A. REQUEST FISCAL YEAR:

22A. REQUEST BID READY:

23A. REQUEST ADV DATE:

20. JPA #'s: 23-0009244-I

SIGNED: YES

ADV: NO

**CHANGE IN:** 24a. PROJECT NAME: NO 24b. TYPE OF WORK: NO 24c. SCOPE: NO 24d. CURRENT STAGE: NOT APPLICABLE

24e. ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE: NO

24f. MATERIALS MEMO COMP: NOT APPLICABLE

24g. U&amp;RR CLEARANCE: NO

24h. C&amp;S CLEARANCE: NOT APPLICABLE

24i. R/W CLEARANCE: NO

24j. CUSTOMIZED SCHEDULE: NOT APPLICABLE

24k. SCOPING DOCUMENT: NOT APPLICABLE

**25. DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST**

Establish a new project.

**26. JUSTIFICATION OF REQUEST**

This project will improve safety of this rail-highway crossing by installing railroad safety upgrades at the existing Arizona Eastern Railway (AZER) crossing (DOT 742-268W) at Patterson Mesa Road in the Town of Pima, in Graham County. Railroad upgrades consist of replacing the old asphalt surface with concrete panels. AZER will complete the construction work. ADOT staff will perform oversight, coordination, and clearances.

Staff \$30k.

**27. CONCERNS OF REQUEST****28. OTHER ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED****REQUESTED ACTIONS:**

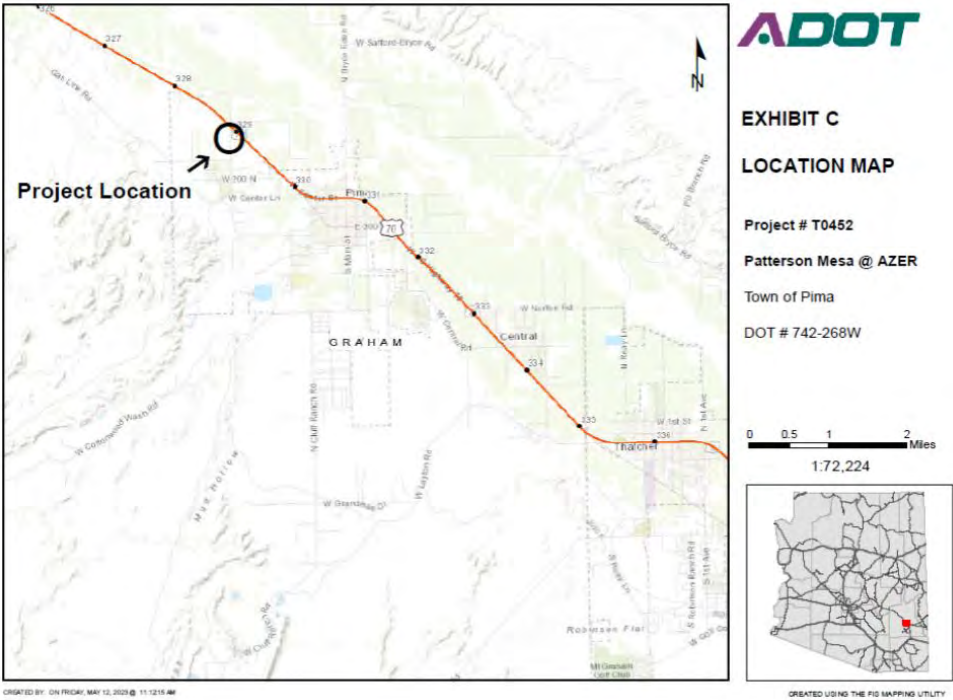
ESTABLISH A NEW PROJECT

**APPROVED / RECOMMENDED ACTIONS:**
 REQUEST APPROVED  
 SUBJECT TO PPAC APPROVAL - 10/31/2023



PPAC - NEW PROJECTS - DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

*ITEM 6g.	Route & MP:	Local
	Project Name:	PATTERSON MESA RD @ AZER, TOWN OF PIMA
	Type of Work:	RAIL-HIGHWAY SAFETY UPGRADES
	County:	Graham
	District:	Southeast
	Schedule:	
	Project:	T045201X TIP#: 104193
	Project Manager:	Jane Gauger
	Program Amount:	\$0
	New Program Amount:	\$270,000
	Requested Action:	Establish new project.





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1. PRB Meeting Date: 10/17/2023

2. Teleconference: No

3. Form Date / 5. Form By:

10/18/2023

Jane Gauger

4. Project Manager / Presenter:

Jane Gauger @ (602) 712-4052

205 S. 17th Ave, Rm 357, MD 618E - 4981 UTILITIES AND RAILROADS

6. Project Name:

PATTERSON MESA RD @ AZER, TOWN OF PIMA

7. Type of Work:

RAIL-HIGHWAY SAFETY UPGRADES

8. CPSID:

LB1Q

9. District:

Southeast

10. Route:

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11. County:

Graham

12. Beg MP:

PIM

13. TRACS #:

T045201X ?

14. Len (Mi.):

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15. Fed Id #:

PIM-0(202)T

16. Program Budget: \$0

17. Program Item #: 104193

18. Current Approved Program Budget:

\$0

18a. (+/-) Program Budget Request:

\$270

18b Total Program Budget After Request:

\$270

**CURRENTLY APPROVED:****19. BUDGET ITEMS:****CHANGE / REQUEST:****19A. BUDGET ITEMS:**

Item #	Amount	Description	Comments
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**CURRENT SCHEDULE:**

21. CURRENT FISCAL YEAR:

22. CURRENT BID READY:

23. CURRENT ADV DATE:

**CHANGE REQUEST/NEW SCHEDULE:**

21A. REQUEST FISCAL YEAR: 24

22A. REQUEST BID READY:

23A. REQUEST ADV DATE:

20. JPA #'s: 23-0009244-I

SIGNED: YES

ADV: NO

**CHANGE IN:** 24a. PROJECT NAME: NO 24b. TYPE OF WORK: NO 24c. SCOPE: NO 24d. CURRENT STAGE: NOT APPLICABLE

24e. ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE: NO

24f. MATERIALS MEMO COMP: NOT APPLICABLE

24g. U&amp;RR CLEARANCE: NO

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01X is railroad construction.

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ESTABLISH A NEW PROJECT

**APPROVED / RECOMMENDED ACTIONS:**
 REQUEST APPROVED  
 SUBJECT TO PPAC APPROVAL - 10/31/2023



November 7, 2023

Elaine Mariolle  
Transportation Alternatives Program Manager  
Arizona Department of Transportation  
1611 W. Jackson Street  
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Ms. Mariolle:

I am writing on behalf of the ADOT Greater Arizona Transportation Alternatives (TA) Program Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) to transmit our recommendation for funding the first slate of TA projects.

These projects are distributed throughout the state and consist of a variety of project types including: sidewalk, ADA and bike lane improvements; multi-use paths; historic preservation; scenic and recreational trails, and Safe Routes to School studies and programs.

The TAC arrived at our recommendation through a competitive process of independent scoring using a new and innovative web-based platform. Scores were based on five weighted criteria: 1) Technical Quality of Scope; 2) Project Schedule; 3) Community Support; 4) Plan Alignment; and 5) Equity. We met on Wednesday, October 25, 2023 to review the results of our scoring and to make our recommendation to ADOT. Our list of recommended projects is attached.

The TAC consisted of voting members from all of the Greater Arizona COGs and MPOs and the Inter-Tribal Council of Arizona, with non-voting advisory members from Arizona State Parks & Trails, Federal Highway Administration, Pinnacle Prevention (representing non-profits), the Maricopa Association of Governments and the Pima Association of Governments.

Funding these Transportation Alternatives projects will encourage safer and more enjoyable active transportation options for Arizonans throughout the state. Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted,



Irene Higgs, Chair, Transportation Alternatives Technical Advisory Committee  
Executive Director, Sun Corridor Metropolitan Planning Organization  
211 N. Florene St., Ste 103  
Casa Grande, AZ. 85122

Enclosures: 1



**\*ITEM 6h: Transportation Alternatives (Subprogram 716)**  
**Recommended Awards for FY 2024 and FY 2025**

Project Sponsor	Project Title	Phase Recommended for Award	FY 2024 TA Award	Applicant Match	Project Total	FY 2025 TA Award*	Applicant Match	Project Total
TOWN OF THATCHER	1st Avenue Widening - Quail Ridge Drive to Eagle Drive	Study & Design	\$625,652	\$35,662	\$661,314			
City of Yuma	1st Street Shared-Use Pathways	Study & Design	\$419,635	\$23,919	\$443,554			
City of Yuma	32nd Street Shared-Use Pathway	Design	\$315,905	\$18,007	\$333,912			
City of Eloy	Battaglia Road Sidewalk Project	Design	\$279,895	\$15,954	\$295,849			
City of Bisbee	Bisbee Community Connections Feasibility Study	Study	\$603,520	\$34,401	\$637,921			
City of Sedona	Brewer Road Shared-Use Path	Design	\$122,590	\$6,988	\$129,578			
City of Flagstaff	Butler Avenue Protected Intersections	Design	\$394,174	\$22,468	\$416,642			
Town of Chino Valley	Chino Valley Peavine Trail South Connection; planning/scoping study	Scoping	\$103,730	\$5,913	\$109,643			
Sun Corridor MPO	City of Casa Grande Safe Routes to School Study	Study	\$410,000	\$23,370	\$433,370			
Sun Corridor MPO	City of Coolidge Safe Routes to School Study	Study	\$185,000	\$10,545	\$195,545			
Town of Clarkdale	Clarkdale Parkway Sidewalk and Bike Lane Project	Design	\$141,450	\$8,063	\$149,513			
Hualapai Tribe	Design work for the renovation of the Osterman Gas Station in Peach Springs, AZ.	Scoping	\$75,440	\$4,300	\$79,740			
Graham County	Gila River Linear Park and Trail	Design	\$499,790	\$28,488	\$528,278			
City of Globe	Globe Broad Street Sidewalk Replacement	Design	\$193,315	\$11,019	\$204,334			
Gila County	Golden Hill Road Sidewalk - Final Phase	Design (2024) and Construction (2025)	\$113,160	\$6,450	\$119,610	\$468,600	\$26,710	\$495,310
Town of Snowflake	Highway 77 - Rodeo Rd to Taylor Sidewalk	Construction	\$1,636,468	\$93,279	\$1,729,747			
Town of Payson	Houston Mesa Road - Sidewalk and Bicycle Lane Improvements	Design	\$146,165	\$8,331	\$154,496			

Crane Elementary School District #13	Increasing Transportation Safety for Gary A. Knox Elementary Students	Design	\$144,751	\$8,251	\$153,002			
Navajo County	Joseph City Sidewalk Improvements	Design	\$838,940	\$47,820	\$886,760			
Lake Havasu MPO	Lake Havasu MPO Safe Routes to School Scoping Project	Scoping	\$410,000	\$23,370	\$433,370			
City of Coonwood	Main Street Pedestrian Improvements	Design (2024) and Construction (2025)	\$223,963	\$12,766	\$236,729	\$1,117,758	\$341,699	\$1,459,457
MetroPlan of Greater Flagstaff	MetroPlan Safe Routes to School Program	Study & Design	\$1,037,300	\$59,126	\$1,096,426			
Town of Miami	Miami Trail system Located From Miami Unified School District to West of Bullion Plaza	Study	\$146,165	\$8,331	\$154,496			
Mohave County Public Works	Northern Avenue Sidewalks and ADA Ramps	Construction	\$4,024,877	\$229,418	\$4,254,295			
Town of Superior	Panther Dr. Sidewalk connection	Design	\$274,244	\$15,632	\$289,876			
Town of Prescott Valley	Prescott Valley Shared Use Path Network	Scoping	\$358,340	\$20,425	\$378,765			
San Carlos Apache Tribes Forest Resources Program	Seneca Lake scenic trail and recreational site improvements	Design	\$260,630	\$14,856	\$275,486			
City of Show Low	Show Low SR260 Multi Use Path	Construction	\$1,000,121	\$57,007	\$1,057,128			
City of Prescott	State Route 89/Deep Well Ranch Road Multi Use Path	Scoping	\$198,030	\$11,288	\$209,318			
TOWN OF THATCHER	UNION CANAL MULTI-USE PATH	Design	\$149,937	\$8,546	\$158,483			
		<b>Proposed TA Awards</b>	<b>\$15,333,187</b>	<b>\$873,992</b>	<b>\$16,207,179</b>	<b>\$1,586,358</b>	<b>\$368,409</b>	<b>\$1,954,767</b>
		Available TA subprogram Funding	\$16,974,000			\$16,974,000		
		<b>Remaining in TA Subprogram</b>	<b>\$1,640,813</b>			<b>\$15,387,642</b>		
* A further competitive round may be conducted in FY 2025.								

## STATE ENGINEER'S REPORT

### October 2023

The Status of Projects Under Construction report for **October 2023** shows **94** projects under construction valued at **\$2,074,692,904.00**. The transportation board awarded **4** projects during **October** valued at approximately **\$16.4** million.

During **October**, the Department finalized **3** projects valued at **\$16,609,001.35**. Projects where the final cost exceeded the contractors bid amount by more than 5% are detailed in your board package.

Fiscal Year to date we have finalized **23** projects. The total cost of these **23** projects has exceeded the contractors bid amount by **4.8%**. Deducting incentive/bonus payments, revisions, omissions and additional work paid for by others, fiscal year to date reduces this percentage to **3.0%**.

## MONTHLY CONSTRUCTION REPORT

October 2023

PROJECTS UNDER CONSTRUCTION	94
MONETARY VALUE OF CONTRACTS	\$2,074,692,904.00
PAYMENTS MADE TO DATE	\$1,263,191,068.46
STATE PROJECTS	77
LOCAL GOVERNMENT	17
OTHER	
CONTRACTS EXECUTED IN OCTOBER 2023	6
MONETARY AMOUNT OF CONTRACTS EXECUTED	\$22,853,813.61

### FIELD REPORTS SECTION

EXT. 7301

Accumulation to Date (FiscalYear 2024 ONLY)

No. of Contracts	Accumulative State Estimate	Bid Amount	Final Cost	Monetary	Percent
23	\$54,746,307.51	\$57,667,417.88	\$60,444,968.36	\$2,777,550.48	4.8%

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IRENE DEL CASTILLO, FR Manager  
Field Reports, X7321

**Arizona Department of Transportation**  
**Field Reports Section**  
**Completed Contracts Fiscal Year 2024**  
October, 2023

Project Number	Location District	State Estimate	Contractor	Bid Amount	Final Cost	Monetary	Percent
040-E(224)T H821401C	METEOR CRATER AND PAINTED CLIF NorthEast District						
Working Days: 528 = 0	+ 108 + 10 + 410						
Days Used: 880							
			FANN CONTRACTING, INC	Low Bid =	\$1,432,307.30 or 32.08% over State Estimate		
		4,464,303.00		\$5,896,610.30	\$11,826,621.25	\$5,930,010.95	100.6 %
040-B-(230)T F025401C	I 40 at MP 109 NorthWest District						
Working Days: 155							
Days Used: 154							
			FNF CONSTRUCTION, INC.	Low Bid =	\$599,776.40 or 28.86% over State Estimate		
		2,077,917.00		\$2,677,693.40	\$2,626,637.77	(\$51,055.63)	-1.9 %
260-C-(214)T F041601C	HON-DAH TO MCNARY NorthEast District						
Working Days: 70							
Days Used: 66							
			SUNLAND ASPHALT & CONSTRUCTION LLC	Low Bid =	\$234,574.50 or 12.47% over State Estimate		
		1,880,975.50		\$2,115,550.00	\$2,155,742.33	\$40,192.33	1.9 %

## FINAL COST VS BID ADJUSTED

**FISCAL YEAR 2024**

<u>LESS ADJUSTMENTS FOR</u>								
<u>MONTH</u>	<u>CUMULATIVE FINAL COST</u>	<u>REVISIONS/ OMISSIONS #4 &amp; #5</u>	<u>INCENTIVE/ BONUS #7</u>	<u>ADD'L WORK PD OTHERS #3</u>	<u>CUMULATIVE ADJ</u>	<u>CUMULATIVE BID AMOUNT</u>	<u>ADJUSTED FINAL COST</u>	<u>ADJ CUM</u>
Jul-23	\$ 13,395,066	\$ 506,929	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 506,929	\$ 16,548,940	\$ 12,888,137	-22.1%
Aug-23	\$ 26,439,742	\$ 141,023	\$ 7,685	\$ -	\$ 655,637	\$ 29,251,431	\$ 25,784,105	-11.9%
Sep-23	\$ 43,835,967	\$ 163,553	\$ 56,494	\$ -	\$ 875,684	\$ 46,977,564	\$ 42,960,283	-8.6%
Oct-23	\$ 60,444,968	\$ 201,322	\$ (4,647)	\$ -	\$ 1,072,359	\$ 57,667,418	\$ 59,372,609	3.0%
Nov-23					\$ 1,072,359		\$ (1,072,359)	
Dec-23					\$ 1,072,359		\$ (1,072,359)	
Jan-24					\$ 1,072,359		\$ (1,072,359)	
Feb-24					\$ 1,072,359		\$ (1,072,359)	
Mar-24					\$ 1,072,359		\$ (1,072,359)	
Apr-24					\$ 1,072,359		\$ (1,072,359)	
May-24					\$ 1,072,359		\$ (1,072,359)	
Jun-24					\$ 1,072,359		\$ (1,072,359)	
		\$ 1,012,828	\$ 59,531	\$ -	\$ 1,072,359			

Completed Contracts (Fiscal Year 2024)

October, 2023

<u>Totals</u>	<u>No. of Contracts</u>	<u>State Estimate</u>	<u>Bid Amount</u>	<u>Final Cost</u>
# of Projects: 3	3	\$8,423,195.50	\$10,689,853.70	\$16,609,001.35
		<u>Monetary</u>		<u>Monetary</u>
		\$2,266,658.20		\$5,919,147.65



## Contracts: (Action as Noted)

Federal-Aid ("A" "B" "T" "D") projects do not need FHWA concurrence, but must comply with DBE regulations; other projects are subject to FHWA and/or local government concurrence and compliance with DBE regulations.

\*ITEM 8a: BOARD DISTRICT NO.: 6

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BIDS OPENED: OCTOBER 27, 2023

HIGHWAY: KINGMAN – ASHFORK HIGHWAY (I-40)

SECTION: FORT ROCK – MARKHAM WASH EB

COUNTY: MOHAVE

ROUTE NO.: I-40

PROJECT : TRACS: 040-B(231)T; 040 MO 092 F034301C

FUNDING: 94.34% FED 5.66% STATE

LOW BIDDER: FNF CONSTRUCTION, INC.

LOW BID AMOUNT: \$ 20,764,637.30

STATE ESTIMATE: \$ 24,578,487.80

\$ UNDER ESTIMATE: \$ 3,813,850.50

% UNDER ESTIMATE: 15.5%

PROJECT DBE GOAL: 5.77%

BIDDER DBE PLEDGE: 8.45

NO. BIDDERS: 2

RECOMMENDATION: AWARD



\*ITEM 8b: BOARD DISTRICT NO.: 4

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BIDS OPENED: OCTOBER 20, 2023

HIGHWAY: CITY OF GLOBE

SECTION: PINAL CREEK BRIDGE

COUNTY: GILA

ROUTE NO.: LOCAL

PROJECT : TRACS: GLB-0(209)T; 0000 GI GLB T028101C

FUNDING: 100% FED

LOW BIDDER: COMBS CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INC.

LOW BID AMOUNT: \$ 2,263,406.15

STATE ESTIMATE: \$ 1,380,275.00

\$ OVER ESTIMATE: \$ 883,131.15

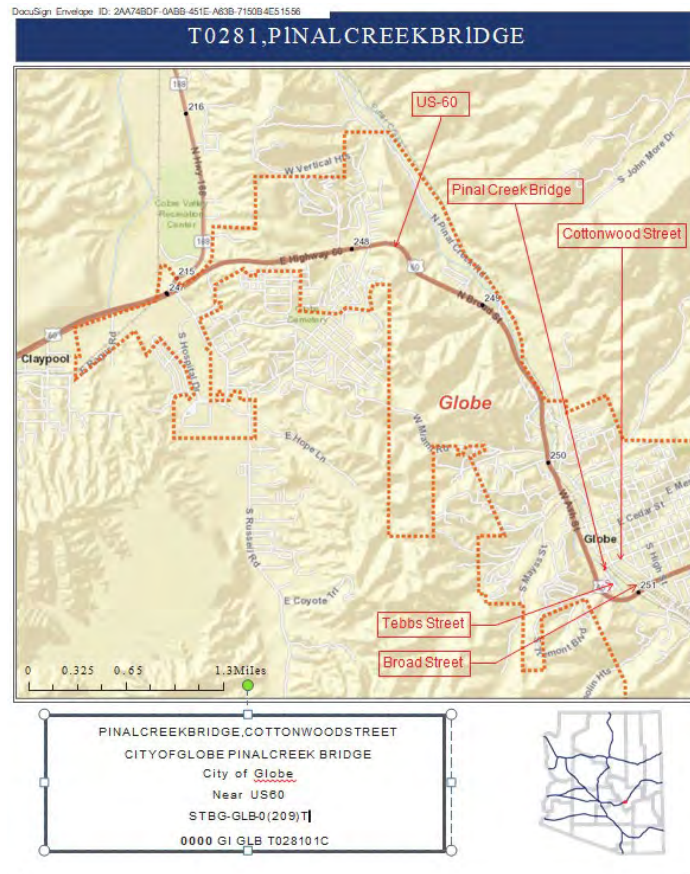
% OVER ESTIMATE: 64.0%

PROJECT DBE GOAL: 6.22%

BIDDER DBE PLEDGE: 8.22%

NO. BIDDERS: 4

RECOMMENDATION: AWARD



5/23/2023

\*ITEM 8c: BOARD DISTRICT NO.: 1

BIDS OPENED: OCTOBER 20, 2023

HIGHWAY: TOWN OF QUEEN CREEK

SECTION: QUEEN CREEK WASH TRAIL EXTENSION, PHASE I

COUNTY: MARICOPA

ROUTE NO.: LOCAL

PROJECT : TRACS: QCR-0(219)T; 0000 MA QCR T030801C

FUNDING: 94.3% FEDS 5.7% LOCAL

LOW BIDDER: HAYDON COMPANIES, LLC

LOW BID AMOUNT: \$ 2,379,482.90

STATE ESTIMATE: \$ 1,641,013.00

\$ OVER ESTIMATE: \$ 738,469.90

% OVER ESTIMATE: 45.0%

PROJECT DBE GOAL: 11.00%

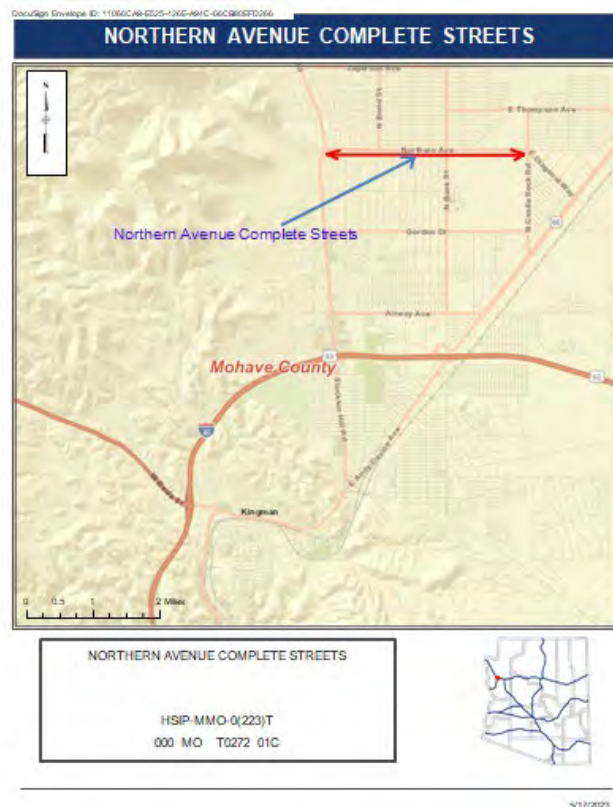
BIDDER DBE PLEDGE: 11.83%

NO. BIDDERS: 3

RECOMMENDATION: AWARD



\*ITEM 8d: BOARD DISTRICT NO.: 6  
BIDS OPENED: OCTOBER 20, 2023  
HIGHWAY: MOHAVE COUNTY  
SECTION: NORTHERN AVENUE FROM STOCKTON HILL ROAD TO CASTLE  
ROCK ROAD  
COUNTY: MOHAVE  
ROUTE NO.: LOCAL  
PROJECT : TRACS: MMO-0(223)T; 0000 MO MMO T027201C  
FUNDING: 88.00% FED 12.00% LOCAL  
LOW BIDDER: COMBS CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INC.  
LOW BID AMOUNT: \$ 1,764,314.45  
STATE ESTIMATE: \$ 930,164.40  
\$ OVER ESTIMATE: \$ 834,150.05  
% OVER ESTIMATE: 89.7%  
PROJECT DBE GOAL: 9.58%  
BIDDER DBE PLEDGE: 9.84%  
NO. BIDDERS: 1  
RECOMMENDATION: REJECT ALL BIDS



**ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
INFRASTRUCTURE DELIVERY AND OPERATIONS DIVISION  
CONTRACTS AND SPECIFICATIONS SECTION**

## BID RESULTS

**Completion Date:**

670 Working Days

The proposed work is located in Pinal County, on US 60 between mileposts 227.51 and 229.57, just east of the Town of Superior. The work consists of removing existing bridge and constructing a new four span steel girder bridge on a new alignment. The work also includes reconstructing roadway approaches, constructing retaining walls, rehabilitating a tunnel, replacing guardrail, and other related work.

- Bid Opening Date : 10/13/2023, Prequalification Required, Engineer Specialist : Patwary Mohammed

Project No.	Highway Termini	Location	Item
060 PN 229 F031501C 060-D-(221)T	PHOENIX – GLOBE HWY (US 60)	WATERFALL CANYON BRIDGE SouthEast District	100204
060 PN 227 H856601C 060-D-(216)S	PHOENIX – GLOBE HWY (US 60)	QUEEN CREEK BRIDGE SouthEast District	100975

Rank	Bid Amount	Contractor Name	Address of Contractor
1	\$44,699,573.38	AMES CONSTRUCTION, INC.	8333 E. HARTFORD DRIVE SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85255-
	\$51,074,625.00	DEPARTMENT	
2	\$53,850,000.00	FISHER SAND & GRAVEL CO.	1302 W. DRIVERS WAY TEMPE, AZ 85284-
3	\$66,421,759.00	SUNDT CONSTRUCTION, INC.	2620 S. 55TH STREET TEMPE, AZ 85282-
4	\$66,449,217.20	FNF CONSTRUCTION, INC.	115 S. 48TH STREET TEMPE, AZ 85281-8504
5	\$97,039,736.88	PULICE CONSTRUCTION, INC.	8660 E. HARTFORD DRIVE, SUITE 305 SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85255-

- Apparent Low Bidder is 12.5% Under Department Estimate (Difference = (\$6,375,051.62))

## ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

BID OPENING: FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2023, AT 11:00 A.M. (M.S.T.)

TRACS NO 060 PN 227 H856601C  
PROJECT NO 060-D(216)S  
TERMINI PHOENIX – GLOBE HWY (US 60)  
LOCATION QUEEN CREEK BRIDGE

TRACS NO 060 PN 229 F031501C  
PROJECT NO 060-D(221)T  
TERMINI PHOENIX – GLOBE HWY (US 60)  
LOCATION WATERFALL CANYON BRIDGE

ROUTE NO.	MILEPOST	DISTRICT	ITEM NO.
060	227.51 to 229.57	SOUTHEAST	100975

ROUTE NO.	MILEPOST	DISTRICT	ITEM NO.
060	229.35 to 229.57	SOUTHEAST	100204

The amount programmed for this contract is \$64,610,000. The location and description of the proposed work are as follows:

The proposed work is located in Pinal County, on US 60 between mileposts 227.51 and 229.57, just east of the Town of Superior. The work consists of removing existing bridge and constructing a new four span steel girder bridge on a new alignment. The work also includes reconstructing roadway approaches, constructing retaining walls, rehabilitating a tunnel, replacing guardrail, and other related work.

The proposed work is located in Pinal County, on US 60 between mileposts 229.35 and 229.79, just east of the Town of Superior. The work consists of removing existing bridge and replacing with two single cell box culverts. The work also includes reconstructing roadway approaches, replacing guardrail, and other related work.

The time allowed for the completion of the work included in this contract will be 670 working days.

The Arizona Department of Transportation, in accordance with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (78 Stat. 252.42 U.S.C. §§ 2000d-4) and the Regulations, hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, Disadvantaged Business Enterprises will be afforded full and fair opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in consideration for an award.



The minimum contract-specified goal for participation by Disadvantaged Business Enterprises in the work, as a percentage of the total amount bid, shall be 4.92.

Contract documents and other project documents are available as electronic files, at no charge, from the Contracts and Specifications website, pursuant to Subsection 102.02 of the specifications. The Contracts and Specifications Current Advertisements website is located at:  
<http://www.azdot.gov/business/ContractsandSpecifications/CurrentAdvertisements>.

Documents should be available within one week following the advertisement for bids.

To submit a valid bid, the bidder must (1) have prequalification from the Department as necessary for the project, and (2) be included on the project Plansholder List as a Prime.

The Application for Contractor Prequalification may be obtained from the Contracts and Specifications website.

This project requires electronic bidding. If a request for approval to bid as a Prime Contractor is received less than 48 hours prior to bid opening, the Department cannot guarantee the request will be acted on.

This contract is subject to the provisions of Arizona Revised Statutes Section 42-5075 -- Prime contracting classification; exemptions; definitions.

No award will be made to any contractor who is not a duly licensed contractor in accordance with Arizona Revised Statutes 32-1101 through 32-1170.03.

All labor employed on this project shall be paid in accordance with the minimum wage rates shown in the General Wage Decision. These rates have been determined in accordance with the requirements of the law and issued by the Secretary of Labor for this project. The wage scale is on file in Contracts and Specifications Section and copies may be obtained at all reasonable times.

Persons that require a reasonable accommodation based on language or disability should contact ADOT's Contracts and Specifications Office by phone (602) 712-7221. Requests should be made as early as possible to ensure the State has an opportunity to address the accommodation.

Las personas que requieran asistencia (dentro de lo razonable) ya sea por el idioma o discapacidad deben ponerse en contacto con ADOT (602) 712-7221.

A proposal guaranty in the form of either a certified or a cashier's check made payable to the State Treasurer of Arizona for not less than 10 percent of the amount of the bid or in the form of a surety (bid) bond for 10 percent of the amount of the bid shall accompany the proposal.

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Iqbal Hossain, P.E.  
Group Manager  
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PROJECT ADVERTISED ON: 05/31/2023.



ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
INFRASTRUCTURE DELIVERY AND OPERATIONS DIVISION  
CONTRACTS AND SPECIFICATIONS SECTION

## BID RESULTS

**Completion Date:**

375 Working Days

The proposed 090 CH 320 F045301C project is located in Cochise County on SR 90 between milepost 320.90 and 325.95 within the City of Sierra Vista. The work consists of pavement rehabilitation. The work includes milling and replacing existing asphalt concrete, fog coat application, install new concrete curb and gutter, sidewalk and sidewalk ramps, guardrail replacement, pavement marking and other related work.

The proposed 090 CH 304 F059301C project is located in Cochise County on SR 90 between milepost 304.40 and 320.90. The project begins north of the community of Whetstone, through the town of Huachuca City and ends in the City of Sierra Vista. The work consists of pavement rehabilitation. The work includes milling and replacing existing asphalt concrete, fog coat application, shoulder buildup, guardrail replacement, drainage improvement, bridge deck repair, hydro demolition of existing Babocomari wash bridge concrete deck and overlay with Silica Fume Concrete, install new concrete curb and gutter, sidewalk and sidewalk ramps, replace push button assembly, signing, pavement marking and other related work.

Bid Opening Date : 10/27/2023, Prequalification Required, Engineer Specialist : Vian Rashid

Project No.	Highway Termini	Location	Item
090 CH 320 F045301C 090-A-NFA	WHETSTONE TI-JCT SR 80 HWY (SR 90)	Campus Dr - Moson Rd SouthCent District	102797
090 CH 304 F059301C 090-A-NFA	WHETSTONE TI-JCT SR 80 HWY (SR 90)	Border Patrol Sta-Campus Dr SouthCent District	103431

Rank	Bid Amount	Contractor Name	Address of Contractor
1	\$27,742,906.40	FNF CONSTRUCTION, INC.	115 S. 48TH STREET TEMPE, AZ 85281-8504
2	\$28,729,568.00	GRANITE CONSTRUCTION COMPANY	4115 E ILLINOIS ST TUCSON, AZ 85714-
	\$29,996,503.75	DEPARTMENT	

**Apparent Low Bidder is 7.5% Under Department Estimate (Difference = (\$2,253,597.35))**

## ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

BID OPENING: FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2023, AT 11:00 A.M. (M.S.T.)

TRACS NO 090 CH 320 F045301C  
PROJECT NO 090-A-NFA  
TERMINI WHETSTONE TI-JCT SR 80 HWY (SR 90)  
LOCATION CAMPUS DR - MOSON RD

TRACS NO 090 CH 304 F059301C  
PROJECT NO 090-A-NFA  
TERMINI WHETSTONE TI-JCT SR 80 HWY (SR 90)  
LOCATION BORDER PATROL STATION - CAMPUS DR

ROUTE NO.	MILEPOST	DISTRICT	ITEM NO.
SR 90	320.90 to 325.95	SOUTHCENTRAL	102797
SR 90	304.40 to 320.90	SOUTHCENTRAL	103431

The amount programmed for this contract is \$40,000,000. The location and description of the proposed work are as follows:

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The time allowed for the completion of the work included in this contract will be 375 working days.

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The Application for Contractor Prequalification may be obtained from the Contracts and Specifications website.

This project requires electronic bidding. If a request for approval to bid as a Prime Contractor is received less than 48 hours prior to bid opening, the Department cannot guarantee the request will be acted on.

This contract is subject to the provisions of Arizona Revised Statutes Section 42-5075 -- Prime contracting classification; exemptions; definitions.

No proposal will be accepted from any contractor who is not a duly licensed contractor in accordance with Arizona Revised Statutes 32-1101 through 32-1170.03.

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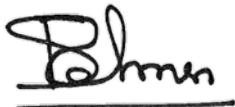
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For Iqbal Hossain, P.E.  
Group Manager  
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PROJECT ADVERTISED ON: 9/27/2023

**ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
INFRASTRUCTURE DELIVERY AND OPERATIONS DIVISION  
CONTRACTS AND SPECIFICATIONS SECTION**

## BID RESULTS

**Completion Date:**

700 Calendar Days

The proposed SR 101L project is located in Maricopa County within the city of Scottsdale from Princess Driver to Shea Blvd between Milepost 36.5 and Milepost 41.0. The work consists of widening the existing freeway to add general purpose lanes. The work includes removing existing pavement, asphalt friction course, roadway edge treatments, and walls required to construct new roadway widening. Roadway widening work includes excavation, embankment, concrete and asphaltic concrete paving, concrete bridge widening, retaining walls, sound walls, storm drain, catch basins, a reinforced concrete box culvert extension, landscaping, erosion control, pavement markings, signing, traffic signals, lighting, FMS, potable water, utility manhole and valve adjustments, and other related work.

Bid Opening Date : 10/13/2023, Prequalification Required, Engineer Specialist : Mahfuz Anwar

Project No.	Highway Termini	Location	Item
101 MA 036 F012301C 101-B-(210)T	PIMA FREEWAY (SR101L)	101 Pima Princess Dr-Shea Blvd Central District	7789

Rank	Bid Amount	Contractor Name	Address of Contractor
1	\$108,141,707.00	FNF CONSTRUCTION, INC.	115 S. 48TH STREET TEMPE, AZ 85281-8504
	\$117,397,457.40	DEPARTMENT	
2	\$117,865,000.00	COFFMAN SPECIALTIES, INC.	9685 VIA EXCELENCIA, SUITE 200 SAN DIEGO, CA 92126-
3	\$145,742,513.90	ARCHER WESTERN CONSTRUCTION, LLC	4710 E. ELWOOD ST., SUITE 6 Phoenix, AZ 85040-
4	\$147,067,988.07	PULICE CONSTRUCTION, INC.	8660 E. HARTFORD DRIVE, SUITE 305 SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85255-

**Apparent Low Bidder is 7.9% Under Department Estimate (Difference = (\$9,255,750.40))**

## ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

BID OPENING: FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2023, AT 11:00 A.M. (M.S.T.)

TRACS NO	101 MA 036 F012301C
PROJECT NO	101-B(210)T
TERMINI	PIMA FREEWAY (SR101L)
LOCATION	PRINCESS DRIVE TO SHEA BOULEVARD

ROUTE NO.	MILEPOST	DISTRICT	ITEM NO.
101L	36.5 to 41.1	CENTRAL	7789

The amount programmed for this contract is \$160,000,000. The location and description of the proposed work are as follows:

The proposed SR 101L project is located in Maricopa County within the city of Scottsdale from Princess Driver to Shea Blvd between Milepost 36.5 and Milepost 41.0. The work consists of widening the existing freeway to add general purpose lanes. The work includes removing existing pavement, asphalt friction course, roadway edge treatments, and walls required to construct new roadway widening. Roadway widening work includes excavation, embankment, concrete and asphaltic concrete paving, concrete bridge widening, retaining walls, sound walls, storm drain, catch basins, a reinforced concrete box culvert extension, landscaping, erosion control, pavement markings, signing, traffic signals, lighting, FMS, potable water, utility manhole and valve adjustments, and other related work.

The time allowed for the completion of the work included in the Construction Phase of the contract will be **784** calendar days.

The time allowed for the completion of the work included in the Landscape Establishment Phase of the contract will be **365** calendar days.

The Arizona Department of Transportation, in accordance with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (78 Stat. 252, 42 U.S.C. §§ 2000d to §§ 2000d-4) and the Regulations, hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, Disadvantaged Business Enterprises will be afforded full and fair opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in consideration for an award.

The minimum contract-specified goal for participation by Disadvantaged Business Enterprises in the work, as a percentage of the total amount bid, shall be 11.48.

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The Application for Contractor Prequalification may be obtained from the Contracts and Specifications website.

This project requires electronic bidding. If a request for approval to bid as a Prime Contractor is received less than 48 hours prior to bid opening, the Department cannot guarantee the request will be acted on.

This contract is subject to the provisions of Arizona Revised Statutes Section 42-5075 -- Prime contracting classification; exemptions; definitions.

No award will be made to any contractor who is not a duly licensed contractor in accordance with Arizona Revised Statutes 32-1101 through 32-1170.03.

All labor employed on this project shall be paid in accordance with the minimum wage rates shown in the General Wage Decision. These rates have been determined in accordance with the requirements of the law and issued by the Secretary of Labor for this project. The wage scale is on file in Contracts and Specifications Section and copies may be obtained at all reasonable times.

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PROJECT ADVERTISED ON: 8/16/23



**ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
INFRASTRUCTURE DELIVERY AND OPERATIONS DIVISION  
CONTRACTS AND SPECIFICATIONS SECTION**

## BID RESULTS

**Completion Date:**

195 Working Days

The proposed work is located in the City of Glendale in Maricopa County on 67th Avenue beginning at Missouri Avenue and ending at Cholla Street. The total length of the project is approximately 5 miles. The work consists of the installation of bicycle facilities along 67th Avenue. The work includes signing & striping improvements; curb, gutter, median, and sidewalk modifications; signal modifications; and other related work

Bid Opening Date : 10/13/2023, Prequalification Required, Engineer Specialist : Mahdi Ghalib

Project No.	Highway Termini	Location	Item
0000 MA GLN T031801C GLN-0-(265)T	CITY OF GLENDALE	67th Ave-Missouri Ave to Choll Central District	LOCAL

Rank	Bid Amount	Contractor Name	Address of Contractor
	\$4,232,474.00	DEPARTMENT	
1	\$4,375,110.00	COMBS CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INC.	1903 WEST PARKSIDE LANE, SUITE #100 GLENDALE, AZ 85027-
2	\$5,312,227.00	GRANITE CONSTRUCTION COMPANY	4115 E ILLINOIS ST TUCSON, AZ 85714-
3	\$5,599,824.00	ACHEN-GARDNER CONSTRUCTION, LLC	2195 W. CHANDLER BOULEVARD, SUITE 200 CHANDLER, AZ 85224-

**Apparent Low Bidder is 3.4% Over Department Estimate (Difference = \$142,636.00)**



## ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

BID OPENING: FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2023, AT 11:00 A.M. (M.S.T.)

TRACS NO            0000 MA GLN T031801C  
PROJECT NO        GLN-0(265)T  
TERMINI            CITY OF GLENDALE  
LOCATION            67TH AVENUE, MISSOURI AVENUE - CHOLLA STREET

ROUTE NO.	MILEPOST	DISTRICT	ITEM NO.
N/A	N/A	CENTRAL	LOCAL

The amount programmed for this contract is \$ 5,100,000. The location and description of the proposed work are as follows:

The proposed work is located in the City of Glendale in Maricopa County on 67th Avenue beginning at Missouri Avenue and ending at Cholla Street. The total length of the project is approximately 5 miles. The work consists of the installation of bicycle facilities along 67th Avenue. The work includes signing & striping improvements; curb, gutter, median, and sidewalk modifications; signal modifications; and other related work.

The time allowed for the completion of the work included in the Construction Phase of the contract will be 195 working days.

The time allowed for the completion of the work included in the Landscape Establishment Phase of the contract will be 90 calendar days.

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This project requires electronic bidding. If a request for approval to bid as a Prime Contractor is received less than 48 hours prior to bid opening, the Department cannot guarantee the request will be acted on.

This contract is subject to the provisions of Arizona Revised Statutes Section 42-5075 -- Prime contracting classification; exemptions; definitions.

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PROJECT ADVERTISED ON: (06/13/2023)

ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
INFRASTRUCTURE DELIVERY AND OPERATIONS DIVISION  
CONTRACTS AND SPECIFICATIONS SECTION

## BID RESULTS

**Completion Date:**

220 Working Days

The proposed project is located in Mohave and Yavapai Counties on eastbound Interstate 40 between mileposts 92.00 and 107.70, approximately 20 miles east of the junction with US 93. The work consists of removing the existing asphaltic concrete surface course by milling and replacing it with new asphaltic concrete. The work also includes placing polyester polymer concrete overlay on the existing bridge decks, replacing guardrail and guardrail end terminals, constructing pipe end sections and headwalls, replacing pavement markings, and other related work.

Bid Opening Date : 10/27/2023, Prequalification Required, Engineer Specialist : Zarghami Ata

Project No.	Highway Termini	Location	Item
040 YV 092 F034301C 040-B-(231)T	KINGMAN – ASHFORK HIGHWAY (I-40)	Fort Rock - Markham Wash EB NorthWest District	101681

Rank	Bid Amount	Contractor Name	Address of Contractor
1	\$20,764,637.30	FNF CONSTRUCTION, INC.	115 S. 48TH STREET TEMPE, AZ 85281-8504
	\$24,578,487.80	DEPARTMENT	
2	\$24,865,000.00	FANN CONTRACTING, INC	PO BOX 4356 PRESCOTT, AZ 86302-

**Apparent Low Bidder is 15.5% Under Department Estimate (Difference = (\$3,813,850.50))**

## ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

BID OPENING: FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2023, AT 11:00 A.M. (M.S.T.)

TRACS NO	040 MO 092 F034301C
PROJECT NO	040-B(231)T
TERMINI	KINGMAN – ASHFORK HIGHWAY (I-40)
LOCATION	Fort Rock - Markham Wash EB

ROUTE NO.	MILEPOST	DISTRICT	ITEM NO.
I-40	92.00 to 107.70	NORTHWEST	101681

The amount programmed for this contract is \$32,500,000. The location and description of the proposed work are as follows:

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The time allowed for the completion of the work included in this contract will be 220 working days.

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PROJECT ADVERTISED ON: SEPTEMBER 15, 2023

**ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
INFRASTRUCTURE DELIVERY AND OPERATIONS DIVISION  
CONTRACTS AND SPECIFICATIONS SECTION**

## BID RESULTS

**Completion Date:**

185 Working Days

The proposed work is located at the Pinal Creek Bridge, Cottonwood Street, adjacent to US Route 60 within Globe, in Gila County, Arizona. The project begins 1200 feet northwest of milepost 251, at the bridge crossing of West Cottonwood Street over Pinal Creek. The work consists of replacing the existing five-span, reinforced concrete slab bridge with a four-span cast-in-place reinforced concrete closed frame structure. The work also includes the reconstruction of the immediate Cottonwood approaches to match the new bridge section. The work also includes site restoration, and other related work.

Bid Opening Date : 10/20/2023, Prequalification Required, Engineer Specialist : Sunder Shiva

Project No.	Highway Termini	Location	Item
COTTO GI GLB T028101C GLB-0-(209)T	CITY OF GLOBE	Pinal Creek Bridge-Cottonwood SouthEast District	101870

Rank	Bid Amount	Contractor Name	Address of Contractor
	\$1,380,275.00	DEPARTMENT	
1	\$2,263,406.15	COMBS CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INC.	1903 WEST PARKSIDE LANE, SUITE #100 GLENDALE, AZ 85027-
2	\$2,367,371.50	MERIDIAN ENGINEERING COMPANY	3855 NORTH BUSINESS CENTER DRIVE TUCSON , AZ 85705-
3	\$2,385,918.00	J. BANICKI CONSTRUCTION, INC.	4720 E. Cotton Gin Loop, Suite 240 Phoenix, AZ 85040-
4	\$2,451,564.50	FNF CONSTRUCTION, INC.	115 S. 48TH STREET TEMPE, AZ 85281-8504

**Apparent Low Bidder is 64.0% Over Department Estimate (Difference = \$883,131.15)**



**ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

**ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS**

BID OPENING: FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2023, AT 11:00 A.M. (M.S.T.)

TRACS NO	0000 GI GLB T028101C
PROJECT NO	GLB-0(209)T
TERMINI	CITY OF GLOBE
LOCATION	PINAL CREEK BRIDGE

ROUTE NO.	MILEPOST	DISTRICT	ITEM NO.
N/A	N/A	SOUTHEAST	101870

The amount programmed for this contract is \$1,710,000. The location and description of the proposed work are as follows:

The proposed work is located at the Pinal Creek Bridge, Cottonwood Street, adjacent to US Route 60 within Globe, in Gila County, Arizona. The project begins 1200 feet northwest of milepost 251, at the bridge crossing of West Cottonwood Street over Pinal Creek. The work consists of replacing the existing five-span, reinforced concrete slab bridge with a four-span cast-in-place reinforced concrete closed frame structure. The work also includes the reconstruction of the immediate Cottonwood approaches to match the new bridge section. The work also includes site restoration, and other related work.

The time allowed for the completion of the work included in this contract will be 170 working days.

The Arizona Department of Transportation, in accordance with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (78 Stat. 252, 42 U.S.C. §§ 2000d to §§ 2000d-4) and the Regulations, hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, Disadvantaged Business Enterprises will be afforded full and fair opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in consideration for an award.

The minimum contract-specified goal for participation by Disadvantaged Business Enterprises in the work, as a percentage of the total amount bid, shall be 6.22.

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Documents will be available within one week following the advertisement for bids.

To submit a valid bid, the bidder must (1) have prequalification from the Department as necessary for the project, and (2) be included on the project Plansholder List as a Prime.

The Application for Contractor Prequalification may be obtained from the Contracts and Specifications website.

This project requires electronic bidding. If a request for approval to bid as a Prime Contractor is received less than 48 hours prior to bid opening, the Department cannot guarantee the request will be acted on.

This contract is subject to the provisions of Arizona Revised Statutes Section 42-5075 -- Prime contracting classification; exemptions; definitions.

No award will be made to any contractor who is not a duly licensed contractor in accordance with Arizona Revised Statutes 32-1101 through 32-1170.03.

All labor employed on this project shall be paid in accordance with the minimum wage rates shown in the General Wage Decision. These rates have been determined in accordance with the requirements of the law and issued by the Secretary of Labor for this project. The wage scale is on file in Contracts and Specifications Section and copies may be obtained at all reasonable times.

Persons that require a reasonable accommodation based on language or disability should contact ADOT's Contracts and Specifications Office by phone (602) 712-7221. Requests should be made as early as possible to ensure the State has an opportunity to address the accommodation.

*Las personas que requieran asistencia (dentro de lo razonable) ya sea por el idioma o discapacidad deben ponerse en contacto con ADOT (602) 712-7221.*

A proposal guaranty in the form of either a certified or a cashier's check made payable to the State Treasurer of Arizona for not less than 10 percent of the amount of the bid or in the form of a surety (bid) bond for 10 percent of the amount of the bid shall accompany the proposal.

Surety (bid) bonds will be accepted only on the form provided by the Department and only from corporate sureties authorized to do business in Arizona.

Bids will be received until the hour indicated and then publicly opened and read. No bids will be received after the time specified.

Prior to the bid opening date, any questions pertaining to the plans, specifications, and bid schedule for this project shall be submitted to the Department in a written format through the Bid Express (Bidx) website at <https://www.bidx.com/az/lettings>. Questions can be submitted through the Questions and Answers link located within the corresponding letting date and project proposal number links. The Department will post answers exclusively to the Bidx website. Questions will not be answered verbally. The Department may not answer all questions, and any decision on whether a question is answered will be within the sole discretion of the Department. Any questions received less than three working days prior to the bid opening date may not be answered.

Iqbal Hossain, P.E.  
Group Manager  
Contracts & Specifications

PROJECT ADVERTISED ON: 06/02/23

ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
INFRASTRUCTURE DELIVERY AND OPERATIONS DIVISION  
CONTRACTS AND SPECIFICATIONS SECTION

## BID RESULTS

**Completion Date:**

120 Working Days

The proposed project is located in Maricopa County within the Town of Queen Creek, near the Crismon Road alignment, extending east along the wash to Rittenhouse Road, and south from the wash path along the east side of the S. Signal Butte alignment to E. Merlot Street. The work consists of constructing an asphaltic multi-use path system. The work includes excavation with placing AB and AC, installing sidewalks and sidewalk ramps, signage, pavement marking, landscaping, and other related work.

Bid Opening Date : 10/20/2023, Prequalification Required, Engineer Specialist : Jesmin Farhana

Project No.	Highway Termini	Location	Item
0000 MA QCR T030801C QCR-0-(219)T	TOWN OF QUEEN CREEK	QUEEN CREEK WASH TRAIL EXTENSI Central District	LOCAL

Rank	Bid Amount	Contractor Name	Address of Contractor
	\$1,641,013.00	DEPARTMENT	
-1	\$2,379,482.90	HAYDON COMPANIES LLC	4640 E. COTTON GIN LOOP PHOENIX, AZ 85040-
2	\$3,122,898.00	J. BANICKI CONSTRUCTION, INC.	4720 E. Cotton Gin Loop, Suite 240 Phoenix, AZ 85040-
3	\$3,609,592.60	COMBS CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INC.	1903 WEST PARKSIDE LANE, SUITE #100 GLENDALE, AZ 85027-

**Apparent Low Bidder is 45.0% Over Department Estimate (Difference = \$738,469.90)**

## ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

BID OPENING: FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2023, AT 11:00 A.M. (M.S.T.)

TRACS NO	0000 MA QCR T0308 01C
PROJECT NO	QCR-0(219)T
TERMINI	TOWN OF QUEEN CREEK
LOCATION	QUEEN CREEK WASH TRAIL EXTENSION, PHASE I

ROUTE NO.	MILEPOST	DISTRICT	ITEM NO.
N/A	N/A	CENTRAL	LOCAL

The amount programmed for this contract is \$1,989,000. The location and description of the proposed work are as follows:

The proposed project is located in Maricopa County within the Town of Queen Creek, near the Crismon Road alignment, extending east along the wash to Rittenhouse Road, and south from the wash path along the east side of the S. Signal Butte alignment to E. Merlot Street. The work consists of constructing an asphaltic multi-use path system. The work includes excavation with placing AB and AC, installing sidewalks and sidewalk ramps, signage, pavement marking, landscaping, and other related work.

The time allowed for the completion of the work included in the Construction Phase of the contract will be 120 working days.

The time allowed for the completion of the work included in the Landscape Establishment Phase of the contract will be 120 calendar days.

The Arizona Department of Transportation, in accordance with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (78 Stat. 252, 42 U.S.C. §§ 2000d to §§ 2000d-4) and the Regulations, hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, Disadvantaged Business Enterprises will be afforded full and fair opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in consideration for an award.

The minimum contract-specified goal for participation by Disadvantaged Business Enterprises in the work, as a percentage of the total amount bid, shall be 11.00.

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Documents will be available within one week following the advertisement for bids.

To submit a valid bid, the bidder must (1) have prequalification from the Department as necessary for the project, and (2) be included on the project Plansholder List as a Prime.

The Application for Contractor Prequalification may be obtained from the Contracts and Specifications website.

This project requires electronic bidding. If a request for approval to bid as a Prime Contractor is received less than 48 hours prior to bid opening, the Department cannot guarantee the request will be acted on.

This contract is subject to the provisions of Arizona Revised Statutes Section 42-5075 -- Prime contracting classification; exemptions; definitions.

No award will be made to any contractor who is not a duly licensed contractor in accordance with Arizona Revised Statutes 32-1101 through 32-1170.03.

All labor employed on this project shall be paid in accordance with the minimum wage rates shown in the General Wage Decision. These rates have been determined in accordance with the requirements of the law and issued by the Secretary of Labor for this project. The wage scale is on file in Contracts and Specifications Section and copies may be obtained at all reasonable times.

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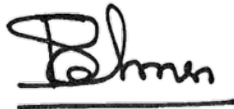
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For Iqbal Hossain, P.E.  
Group Manager  
Contracts & Specifications

PROJECT ADVERTISED ON: 9/13/2023

ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
INFRASTRUCTURE DELIVERY AND OPERATIONS DIVISION  
CONTRACTS AND SPECIFICATIONS SECTION

## BID RESULTS

**Completion Date:**

140 Working Days

The proposed project is located in Mohave County, at the north boundary of the City of Kingman within the Mohave County jurisdiction. The project is located along Northern Avenue between Stockton Hill Road and Castle Rock Road. The work includes constructing concrete sidewalks and driveways, replacing pavement markings, installing a new traffic signal video detection camera, and other related work.

Bid Opening Date : 10/20/2023,    Prequalification Required,    Engineer Specialist : Zarghami Ata

Project No.	Highway Termini	Location	Item
0000 MO MM0 T027201C MM0-0-(223)T	MOHAVE COUNTY	Northern Ave- Stockton Hill Rd NorthWest District	100499

Rank	Bid Amount	Contractor Name	Address of Contractor
	\$930,164.40	DEPARTMENT	
1	\$1,764,314.45	COMBS CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INC.	1903 WEST PARKSIDE LANE, SUITE #100 GLENDALE, AZ 85027-

**Apparent Low Bidder is 89.7% Over Department Estimate (Difference = \$834,150.05)**

## ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

BID OPENING: FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2023, AT 11:00 A.M. (M.S.T.)

TRACS NO	0000 MO MMO T027201C
PROJECT NO	MMO-0(223)T
TERMINI	MOHAVE COUNTY
LOCATION	Northern Avenue from Stockton Hill Road to Castle Rock Road

ROUTE NO.	MILEPOST	DISTRICT	ITEM NO.
N/A	N/A	Northwest	100499

This project is being re-advertised. Firms that already obtained contract documents are instructed to destroy them as the contract documents have been revised. All bidders and subcontractors may download the revised project documents from the Contracts and Specifications Website. Contractors that previously registered for the project are advised to register for the re-advertised project.

The amount programmed for this contract is \$1,124,000. The location and description of the proposed work are as follows:

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The time allowed for the completion of the work included in this contract will be 140 working days.

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PROJECT ADVERTISED ON: August 28, 2023