

Arizona State Transportation Board Meeting

Tribal Transportation Updates October 17, 2025

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FY 2025 ADOT Tribal Consultation Annual Report

- October 1st - ADOT submitted its annual tribal consultation report to the Governor's Office on Tribal Affairs.
- This report covers consultation actions ADOT has undertaken and completed during the state fiscal year and is distributed to the State legislature and Tribal leaders of the 22 tribes in Arizona.
- The report ensures ADOT's compliance with A.R.S. § 41-2051(C)(1-5) Responsibilities of State Agencies.

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ADOT Next Move Arizona Statewide Listening Tour - Tribal Outreach

ADOT's Statewide Listening Tour is an initiative to listen, learn and build strong relationships with communities toward a shared vision for the future of transportation in Arizona. Tribal outreach goals include:

- Implement an Engagement Plan with guidance for Tribal outreach.
- Conduct community organization outreach from October 2025 to April 2026 to include Tribal Governments.
- Provide notification on initiative start-up and invitation for consultation to elected tribal leaders and lead transportation officials from the 22 tribes in Arizona and tribal related agencies.
- Integrate economic development strategies with potential growth scenarios in preparation for Arizona's future transportation needs.

The ADOT Tribal Relations Team will also be involved in the regional Tribal forums.

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Arizona Transportation Policy Summit - Tribal Transportation Session & Tribal Leadership Address

- The ADOT Tribal Relations Team convened a Tribal Transportation Session prior to the start of the Transportation Policy Summit on October 15th. Discussion topics included:
 - ADOT Project Archaeological Specification Update
 - Arizona Strategic Highway Safety Plan Tribal Lands Emphasis Area Update
 - Arizona Safety Circuit Rider Program
- The Summit also included a Tribal Leadership Address during the general session which focused on Tribal transportation priorities.
- In addition the ADOT Tribal Relations Team hosted an exhibit booth providing information on current ADOT-Tribal coordination activities and AZ Strategic Highway Safety Plan - Tribal Lands Emphasis Area implementation progress.

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SR 264 Corridor Planning Study Project - In coordination with the Hopi Tribe

The ADOT SR 264 Corridor Planning Study in collaboration with the Hopi Tribe examines the corridor for improvements from Moenkopi, AZ to the Navajo-Apache County Line.

- Technical Working Group Meeting #3 was held on August 25th to review *Working Paper 2: Identification of Deficiencies and Establishment of Evaluation Criteria* and to review the final prioritization framework and draft recommended alternatives.
- Technical Working Group Meeting #4 is tentatively scheduled for October 28th to review *Working Paper 3: Plan for Improvements*.
- Round 2 of the Study Public Involvement Meetings are tentatively scheduled for November 12th and 13th.
- For more information see:
<https://azdot.gov/projects/northeast-district-projects/sr-264-corridor-planning-study-in-partnership-with-the-hopi-tribe>

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SR 187 Improvement Project from SR 387 to SR 87 - Gila River Indian Community

- This project is located within the Gila River Indian Community and will include pavement rehabilitation, right turn lane widening, shoulder widening, pipe and box culvert extension, traffic signal modifications, bridge deck repair, guardrail and guardrail end terminals replacement, pavement markings and signage.
- An ADOT Project Team start up meeting was held on October 1st and the project is scheduled to be completed in Spring 2026. For more information see:
<https://azdot.gov/projects/southcentral-district-projects/sr-187-sr-387-to-sr-87-improvement-project>