



Appendix DCR-D.1 – Public Involvement Plan



El Mirage Road: Loop 303 to Jomax Road Design Concept Report and Environmental Assessment

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PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT PLAN

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Purpose of the Public Involvement Plan

This project Public Involvement Plan (PIP) has been developed to guide how the City of Peoria, Arizona, and the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) will interact with the public and key stakeholders throughout the El Mirage Road: Loop 303 to Jomax Road Design Concept Report (DCR) and Environmental Assessment (EA) and Environmental Assessment (EA) project. This PIP addresses public involvement during the environmental study phase and development of the DCR up to 15-percent plans. This is a living document that will be updated as needed in response to changes in the project schedule, public input received or other new information.

Project Overview

The Arizona Department of Transportation and the City of Peoria are evaluating improvements to El Mirage Road between Loop 303 and Jomax Road to accommodate current and projected future traffic demands as the surrounding area continues to grow. This project includes preparing an EA and DCR.

- » This is a Local Public Agency (City of Peoria) project that is being administered by ADOT because of its federal-funding component.
- » Most of the study area is within unincorporated Maricopa County, but in the City of Peoria's planning area. The northernmost section of the study area is within the City of Peoria.

Two agencies are involved in public involvement and outreach cooperatively and in compliance with this PIP and the ADOT agency PIP. The public involvement hierarchy for this project is:

- » **City of Peoria:** Lead PI efforts.
- » **ADOT:** Review, approve, support and amplify PI efforts.

This PIP refers to the two aforementioned agencies collectively as "The PI Team" unless a specific agency distinction is required.

Project Elements

Major study elements include preparing an EA in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and a DCR to evaluate:

1. The two-mile extension of El Mirage Road to connect Loop 303 and Jomax Road with bridge crossings over McMicken Wash and the Beardsley Canal, and
2. The addition of a signalized traffic intersection at Happy Valley Road.

Project Purpose and Need

The formal Purpose and Need statements for the EA are being developed. Currently, the purpose of this project is to prepare an EA and a DCR to evaluate the extension of El Mirage Road between Loop 303 and Jomax Road and select a Preferred Alternative for further action. The need is to meet current and projected traffic demands and provide regional connectivity to Loop 303.

Project Maps

Figure 1: EA Study Area



As Figure 1 illustrates, the study area is a half-mile wide, beginning at Loop 303 to the south and extending north of Jomax Road for about one-third of a mile. Although the study area includes some residential areas, impacts to these areas are not anticipated.

 Study Area Boundary

Figure 2: General Outreach Area



Figure 2 illustrates the *general* outreach area, which includes the communities of Coldwater Ranch, Corte Bella, Crossriver, Dos Rios, Rancho Cabrillo, Sun City West, Vistancia, and other residences in Maricopa County. Outreach is not limited to this boundary and will extend beyond it via electronic communications, newspaper advertising, news media outreach, social media, and virtual public involvement. This area represents a two-mile radius from the intersection of Happy Valley and El Mirage roads and is larger than a one-mile radius around the four EA Study Area boundaries.

○ General Outreach Area

History/Background

With ongoing residential, commercial, and other growth in the vicinity of the Loop 303 and El Mirage Road Traffic Interchange (TI) and in communities in western Maricopa County, improvements to the roadway network are necessary to meet current and projected traffic demands. The Maricopa Association of Governments' (MAG) regional traffic demand models identify the continuous extension of El Mirage Road between Loop 303 and Jomax Road by 2040. According to MAG, previous studies recommended a six-lane urban principal arterial roadway for El Mirage Road with a conceptual layout; also, the City of Peoria General Plan 2040 identifies El Mirage Road as a future arterial between Loop 303 and Jomax Road. In June 2022, MAG completed the *El Mirage Road: SR303L to Jomax Road Feasibility Study*, which evaluated current traffic conditions, projected traffic conditions through 2040, traffic safety conditions, and other key data. The study team developed three design concepts for an alignment of El Mirage Road that would connect Loop 303 and Jomax Road. This EA and DCR will build upon the MAG study and select a Preferred Alternative for further action (or the No-Build Alternative).

Level of Public Involvement/Public Involvement Goals

ADOT follows the [International Association for Public Participation IAP2 Spectrum for Public Participation](#) to identify the anticipated level of public involvement for each phase of a project.

The PI Team's overall public participation goal for this project is to **inform** and **consult** the public and key stakeholders during the EA and DCR process, while striving to reflect their input in the Preferred Alternative. Specific objectives for these goals are:

INFORM

- » Use proactive outreach tools to keep the public and key stakeholders informed.
- » Listen to and acknowledge questions, comments, and concerns from the public and key stakeholders and maintain a record of all interactions.
- » Provide multiple methods for the public to learn about the study, ask questions, and provide their input.
- » Respond to inquiries in a timely manner.
- » Share the study purpose and need, potential improvements, and anticipated study timeline.
- » Provide advance notice of all online, virtual, and in-person public involvement activities, and how to participate and provide input.
- » Share all public involvement materials and information.

CONSULT

- » Welcome public input throughout the study phase.
- » Solicit input during scoping and identify issues that ADOT, Peoria, and their partners should consider throughout the study phase and during development of the DCR.
- » Identify and share with the team specific issues and concerns from community members affected by the project.
- » Determine the community's preferences for widening and bridge crossing alternatives, while openly and transparently communicating that the number of proposed build alternatives might be limited because of pre-existing underground and overhead utilities; the canal system; terrain; and other factors in the study area.
- » If an ADOT Noise Study is warranted, provide information about how the study is done; the ADOT and Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) noise abatement criteria; and the location of new noise abatement measures (such as walls or berms) to determine if there is substantial community opposition.
- » Provide feedback on how public and stakeholder input influenced the project.
- » Host public meetings to share comprehensive information about the EA, the DCR, and potential next steps in project development/implementation, allowing the public to ask questions and voice their concerns and aspirations.

THIS PIP WILL ADHERE TO THE FOLLOWING GUIDING PRINCIPLES:

- » All public information and involvement activities will occur in alignment with Title VI of the 1964 Civil Rights Act (Title VI), the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), Executive Order 13166 on Limited English Proficiency (LEP), Executive Order 12898 on Environmental Justice (EJ), and the ADOT Public Involvement Plan (ADOT PIP).
- » Reasonable access to technical and policy information will be available to the public throughout the project.
- » Demonstration of explicit consideration and response to public input obtained whenever possible. When substantive project-related concerns are submitted, an analysis and report will be created.
- » Solicitation and consideration of the needs of traditionally underserved populations to ensure meaningful opportunities for their involvement in decision making, and to prevent disproportionately high and adverse impacts upon these populations. Traditionally underserved populations include, but are not limited to, low-income and minority populations, LEP persons, and individuals with disabilities.
- » Periodic reviews of the effectiveness of the community relations and public involvement program to ensure that full and open access is being provided to all who are interested or who could be interested in the project. For Title VI, EJ, and LEP purposes, demographic data must be collected to determine the effectiveness and evidence of outreach, specifically outreach to those traditionally underserved communities.
- » Coordination with local and regional government agencies and other stakeholders. The PI Team recognizes the importance of collaborating with community leaders to assist with public involvement efforts.
- » Provision of timely information to agencies and/or individuals, including those representing other local jurisdiction concerns.

Community and Stakeholder Assessment

A community and stakeholder assessment was conducted in May 2024 to determine the unique makeup of the community, inform the overall public outreach strategy, and determine if translation and interpretation services are needed.

Community Description

The community in and around north Peoria and Maricopa County is growing quickly and transitioning from a somewhat secluded and primarily residential area to an economic-development hub. Although currently surrounded by undeveloped desert, changes to the landscape are on the near horizon. In the northern part of Peoria, efforts to rezone and develop more than 8,300 acres of state-owned land along Loop 303 are underway. Future plans propose more homes, businesses, a municipal airport, and advanced manufacturing and technology firms.



Loop 303 to Happy Valley Road

The area between Loop 303 and Happy Valley Road is undeveloped desert land. Overhead and underground utilities and an electrical substation are present. Just south of Happy Valley Road are the communities of Corte Bella, Camino Crossing, Crossriver and Dos Rios, which are likely to be interested in this project. The communities of Rancho Cabrillo and Sun City West are also in the project vicinity and those residents are likely to be interested.

Happy Valley Road to Jomax Road

This is primarily a residential area with large parcels of desert where future development will occur. The Beardsley Canal and service road traverse the area just south of Jomax Road. A section of El Mirage Road currently exists between Happy Valley Road and the Beardsley Canal, adjacent to the Coldwater Ranch neighborhood within unincorporated Maricopa County. The potential extension of El Mirage Road between Loop 303 and Jomax Road would primarily impact two residential communities: Coldwater Ranch and the south end of Trilogy at Vistancia, a 55+ master planned community in Peoria that offers resort style living and golf amenities. Both areas are located in ZIP code 85383 where, in the past 12 months, the median household income was \$131,156 and the mean household income was \$160,427, per US Census Data (2022 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates). Home prices range from approximately \$500,000 to more than \$1 million. Coldwater Ranch and Vistancia are best described as middle/upper middle class to affluent. As noted later in this PIP, these areas are not Limited English Proficient (LEP) or Environmental Justice (EJ) communities.

Planned Development in the Area

Two major developments are anticipated in north Peoria in the vicinity of the proposed El Mirage Road extension project:

- » **Amkor Technology** has committed to develop its largest outsourced semiconductor packaging and test facility in the United States in Peoria at Five North at Vistancia, a 320-acre mixed-use lifestyle and employment core bounded by Lone Mountain Parkway, Loop 303, Vistancia Boulevard and El Mirage Road. The Amkor facility would bring about 2,000 jobs to the area.
- » **The North Peoria Gateway** is proposed on 1,600 acres along Loop 303 north of Happy Valley Road. The city is working with the Arizona State Land Department, which owns the land, to zone it for a mix of commercial and residential uses.

Project Team and Partners

The names and affiliations of Project Team Members and Partners, and their emails, are noted below. This table will be updated, if needed.

Table 1: Project and PI Team

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Stakeholders

Any person or group who could be affected by this project, or who perceive that their interests could be affected, is a stakeholder. Stakeholders are both external and internal. The list of external stakeholders that follows will be updated as the project and public involvement activities progress.

- » **Residents of the project area:** Ninety-two (92) homes are located adjacent to the existing El Mirage Road alignment (see Figure 3, area highlighted in blue). The PI Team will reach out to the residents of these homes, and also extend outreach throughout Vistancia and other residential areas in the vicinity of the proposed future project, including neighborhoods in Maricopa County and Sun City West south of Loop 303 (see Figure 4, areas identified in yellow).

Figure 3

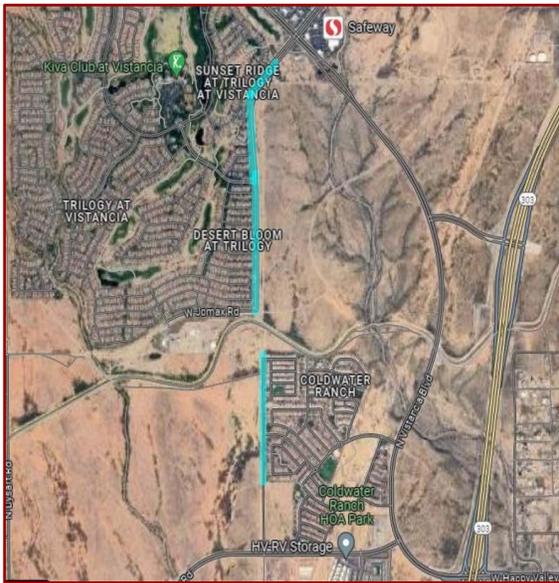


Figure 4



In Trilogy at Vistancia, a landscaped area and wall separate the homes and the existing roadway (see Figure 5). In Coldwater Ranch open desert, fences, and walls buffer homes from the existing roadway (see Figure 6).

Figure 5: Vistancia



Figure 6: Coldwater Ranch



- » **HOAs:** Coldwater Ranch, CorteBella, Crossriver, Dos Rios, Property Owner and Residents Association (PORA) of Sun City West, Rancho Cabrillo, Trilogy at Vistancia.
- » **Businesses/Large employers:** APS WestWing Electrical Substation, Sun City 85373; HV-RV Storage, 12029 W. Happy Valley Road, Peoria, 85383.
- » **Large Event Venues:** N/A
- » **Large Retail Centers:** N/A
- » **Hospitals/Large Medical Facilities:** N/A
- » **Chamber of Commerce:** Peoria Chamber of Commerce, 8715 W Union Hills Dr #115, Peoria, 85382
- » **Large Places of Worship:** The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 11922 W. Happy Valley Road, Peoria, 85383; Prince of Peace Roman Catholic Parish, 14818 W. Deer Valley Drive, Sun City West, 85375; Christ Church of the Valley, 23601 N. 163rd Avenue, Surprise, 85387.
- » **Museums/Cultural Centers:** N/A
- » **Community Centers:** N/A

- » **Schools and Colleges:** Vistancia Elementary School (Peoria Unified School District), 30009 N. Sunrise Point, Peoria, 85383
- » **Hotels/Resorts:** N/A
- » **Local Municipalities:** City of Peoria, Maricopa County, City of Surprise
- » **Transportation organizations:** N/A
- » **Advocacy and environmental groups:** Trilogy Bicycle Club, Benevilla
- » **Public Safety:** Arizona Fire & Medical Authority (AFMA) and North County Fire and Medical District Station # 104, 24930 N. 119th Ave., Sun City, 85373; the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office - District III Substation, 13063 W. Bell Road, Surprise, 85378; the Peoria Police Department Pinnacle Peak Public Safety Facility, 23100 N. Lake Pleasant Parkway, Peoria, 85383; Peoria Fire Department Station 196, 28251 N. El Mirage Road, Peoria 85383.
- » **Tribal:** N/A
- » **Senior Centers:** Avista Sun City West Memory Care, 12828 W. Beardsley Road, Sun City West, 85375; Brookdale Trail Ridge, 21739 N. 151st Ave., Sun City West, 85375

Known or Anticipated Community Issues/Concerns

(Based upon preliminary project team discussions; this list will be updated as necessary if new issues or concerns are identified.)

Resident/driver concerns:

- » Currently, the limited access to Loop 303 from areas in north Peoria and the surrounding area creates congestion and delays on existing local roads.
- » With ongoing economic, residential, and commercial development in north Peoria, Maricopa County, and Surprise, there is growing regional support to provide more access to Loop 303.
- » If the roadway is built:
 - Additional traffic traveling through neighborhoods.
 - Traffic noise impacts on nearby homes and plans for noise abatement.
 - The roadway's classification and speed limit.
 - Proximity of the roadway to homes.
 - Pedestrian and bicycle accommodations.
 - Impact to desert trails.

Local jurisdiction concerns

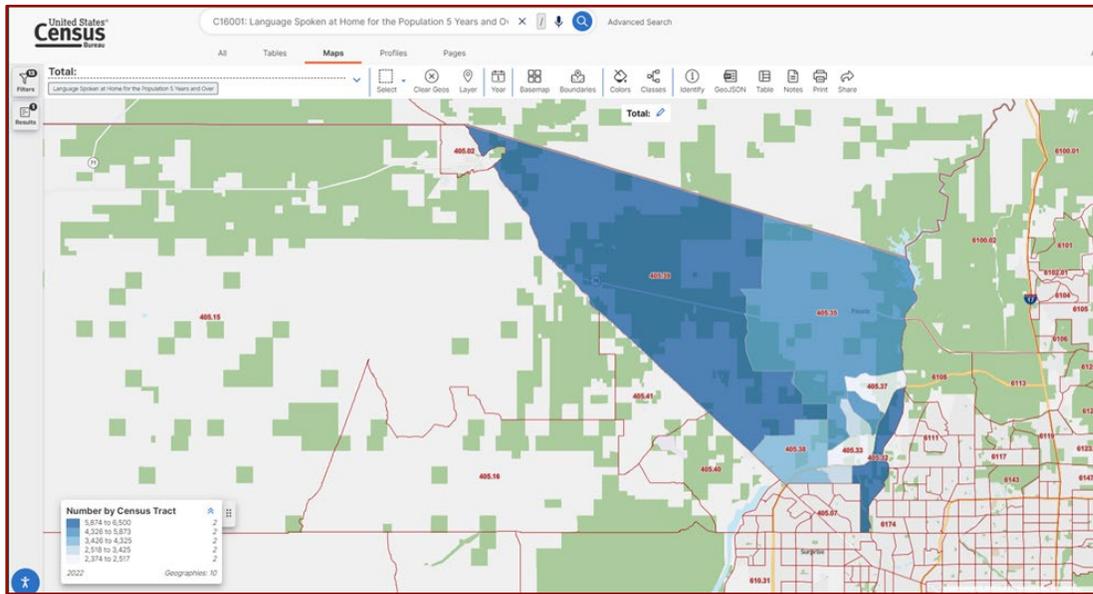
- » The City of Peoria and Maricopa County want to ensure their residents are well informed and have opportunities to provide input throughout the study process.



Title VI, Environmental Justice and Limited English Proficiency Evaluation

Demographics of the affected project area were assessed using the US Census, 2022 American Community Survey (ACS) 5-Year Estimates Detailed Tables. The Census tracts to be evaluated were determined using a two-mile radius around the existing intersection of Happy Valley and El Mirage roads; this area is larger than a one-mile radius around the four boundaries of the defined study area and yielded 10 Census tracts in Peoria and Maricopa County that extend well beyond the EA study area (see Figure 7). The total population is estimated between 43,841 and 46,136 (estimates provided by US Census data differ). For purposes of the LEP evaluation, based on US Census Table C16001, the population is 43,841 people.

Figure 7: Census Tracts*



*For consistency, these Census tracts were used for all other categories of the Stakeholder Assessment.

LEP Four Factor Analysis

LEP stands for Limited English Proficiency. An LEP person is defined as being over the age of five years with a limited ability to speak, read, or write in English.

An LEP Four-Factor Analysis was completed to measure and document LEP needs of the project area using the US Census, 2022 ACS 5-Year Estimates Detailed Tables. Data for 10 Census Tracts in Peoria and Maricopa County was evaluated and the results yielded the following:

Table 2: LEP Analysis Data

Total Population:	43,841
Number of People Who Speak English "Less Than Very Well":	805
Percentage of Total Population Who Speaks English Less Than Very Well:	Less than 2%

The analysis indicated that 805 people, or less than 2 percent of the population in the analysis area, speak English Less Than Very Well. None of the LEP languages meet the Safe Harbor Threshold for translation of project documents (exceeding 1,000 people or 5 percent of the eligible affected population). Based on this data, project-related materials do not require translation into non-English languages, and interpretation for non-English languages is not required at public meetings. The PI Team will include ADOT's Notice of Availability of Reasonable Accommodations on study materials and accommodate reasonable requests for language assistance.

Minority Populations

Minority Population refers to any readily identifiable groups of minority persons who live in geographic proximity, and if circumstances warrant, geographically dispersed/transient persons (such as migrant workers or Native Americans) who will be similarly affected by a proposed program, policy or activity.

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) defines the five minority groups as:

- » **Black** (a person having origins in any of the Black racial groups of Africa).
- » **Hispanic or Latino** (a person of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race).
- » **Asian American** (a person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, the Indian subcontinent).
- » **American Indian and Alaskan Native** (a person having origins in any of the original people of North America, South America, including Central America, and who maintains cultural identification through tribal affiliation or community recognition).
- » **Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander** (people having origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific Islands).

For purposes of the Minority Population analysis, based on Census on Table B03002, the population is 46,136 people. The total minority population of the analysis area (see Figure 7) is 9,048 people, or approximately 20 percent of the population. The population by race (see Table 3) indicates a higher-

than-average White alone population and a lower-than-average minority population compared to the rest of the state.

Table 3: Minority Population Data

RACE	TOTAL	%	STATE%
White alone	37,088	80%	53%
Hispanic/Latino	4,280	10%	30%
Black	1,627	4%	4.5%
Native American	27	> 1%	3.75%
Asian	1,231	3%	3.5%
Pacific Islander	0	0	0.2%
Some other race	541	> 2%	.45%
Population reporting two or more races	1,342	2%	3.75%
Total	46,136	100%	100%

Age

For purposes of the Age analysis, based on Census Table S0101, the population is 46,136 people. The median age of the analysis area (see Figure 7) is 52 years. Table 4 provides the age breakdown:

Table 4: Age Data

Age in Years	Total	Age in Years	Total
Under 5	2,295	45 to 49	2,801
5 to 9	2,723	50 to 54	2,279
10 to 14	2,153	55 to 59	2,631
15 to 19	2,380	60 to 64	3,226
20 to 24	1,470	65 to 69	4,760
25 to 29	1,636	70 to 74	3,912
30 to 34	2,379	75 to 79	3,338
35 to 39	2,923	80 to 84	1,426
40 to 44	2,379	85 and older	1,426

This data indicates that although the population includes children and young families, it skews older and includes retirees. This is to be expected given the presence of 55+ communities (Trilogy at Vistancia, Sun City West).

Household Income

Low income refers to a person whose median household income is at or below the US Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) poverty guidelines as noted in Table 5:

Table 5: Poverty Guidelines per the US Department of Health and Human Services (2024)

2024 Poverty Guidelines for the 48 Contiguous States and District of Columbia	
Persons in family or household	Poverty guideline
1	\$15,060
2	\$20,440
3	\$25,820
4	\$31,200
5	\$36,580
6	\$41,960
7	\$47,340
8	\$52,720
<i>For families/households with more than eight people, add \$5,380 for each additional person.</i>	

The Household Income analysis is based on Census Table B19013. The median household income is \$97,677, which is above the median household income of \$68,649 for Maricopa County. None of the block groups in the analysis area (see Figure 7) have median incomes at or below the US Department of Health and Human Services 2024 Poverty Guidelines and/or qualify as low income.

Disability

The Disability analysis is based on Census Table DP02. The analysis area (see Figure 7) report shows 6,036 individuals with a disability, or 13.1 percent of the population. This is slightly higher than the county average of 11.7 percent based on ACS Five-Year Census Data. Two assisted-living centers (Brookdale Senior Living and Avista Sun City West Memory Care) are located within the analysis area. Both provide care for individuals with Alzheimer's and other forms of dementia. Contact information for these facilities will be added to the stakeholder database. Several proactive measures to facilitate involvement by people with disabilities are already being taken, such as:

- » The website will comply with Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act.

- » Two public meetings will be virtual.
- » Information is available by email and by standard mail, and the study team will answer questions and track comments received by email and mail.
- » The in-person public meeting facility will be ADA compliant.
- » The PI Team will proactively communicate with senior centers in the area, as well as with HOAs and community groups that cater to older populations and those with disabilities. This will include, but not be limited to, Benvilla, a nonprofit family services agency in Sun City West that assists West Valley residents by providing care services for older adults, adults with disabilities, children, and families.
- » ADOT's Notice of Availability of Reasonable Accommodations will be included on materials shared with the public, and the PI Team will accommodate reasonable requests.

Public Involvement Plan During the Study Phase

The PI Team will inform the community—including those who would be directly impacted and others in Peoria, Surprise, and Maricopa County—about the study; the proposed project's formal Purpose and Need (once developed); planned design elements; noise abatement (if relevant); the study schedule; and the potential next steps for construction based on available funding (pending completion of the EA with a Finding of No Significant Impact [FONSI]). Outreach efforts will also focus on informing the public about how to be involved and have their voices heard, such as by participating in the scoping process, public meetings, the public hearing, or otherwise providing input and asking questions.

Public Involvement Tools and Tactics

The PI Team will take a multi-channel, multi-agency approach using traditional and digital tactics and targeted outreach when appropriate and feasible to ensure the maximum number of stakeholders and members of the public know about the EA and DCR process and the ways to provide input, ask questions, or otherwise engage in public involvement opportunities generally and during formal comment periods. The Public Involvement Tools and Tactics outlined in this PIP comply with Section 6.5 of the ADOT PIP, *Public Involvement Requirements for an Environmental Assessment*, and reflect industry and IAP2 best practices for the public and stakeholders to be aware, educated, and engaged in the decision-making process.

Outreach Summary: A Mix of Methodologies to Expand and Amplify Reach and Participation

- » According to the US Census Bureau (2018-2022) 96.3 percent of households in Maricopa County have a computer and 91.1 percent have a broadband Internet subscription; the statistics for Peoria are slightly higher at 96.7 percent and 93 percent, respectively. According to the Pew Research Center, 90 percent of adults in the U.S. own a smartphone. As such, the PI Team agrees that a project website, email alerts, and social media are highly efficient, effective ways to share information about the EA and DCR and public engagement opportunities with large numbers of people. Also, given the large number of community members who have access to

and already use technology and the internet, the PI Team will use some elements of Virtual Public Involvement (VPI) to share information and gather input.

- » The PI Team will optimize opportunities for grassroots outreach, such as engaging homeowners' associations (HOAs) in Peoria and Maricopa County such as Coldwater Ranch, Cortebella, Crossriver, Vistancia, and residents of Sun City West. The PI Team also will communicate with The Sun City West Property Owners and Residents Association (PORA) and other identified community groups, such as the Trilogy Bicycle Club and Benvilla, as well as local senior centers and recreation facilities, and request they share information with their members.
- » The PI Team will use traditional methods, such as direct mail and paid advertising in local newspapers of general circulation in Peoria and Sun City West, to create awareness about the scoping process, public meetings, and the public hearing.
- » While the PI Team will encourage the public and stakeholders to provide input and ask questions at *any* time, ADOT and the City of Peoria agreed on the following more formal engagement opportunities: a web-based scoping process; two public meetings—one virtual and one in-person—to review the Build and No-Build alternatives; and one virtual public hearing. Given the low risk of a digital divide in this project area, one virtual meeting and a virtual public hearing are favored because of the many benefits as cited in Section 13.2 of the ADOT PIP, *Benefits of VPI*: increased and convenient engagement; efficiency and low cost; enhanced public understanding; improved civil discourse; and better input data.

The PI Team will use the tools and tactics that follow to inform and engage the public and stakeholders throughout the EA and DCR process. Any additional public involvement efforts made as a result of feedback received from the public will be documented and updated in this PIP. The PI Team will seek to identify and address barriers to public participation in the transportation planning process and to better understand community-specific issues.

Advertising

At least 15 days prior to the in-person and virtual public alternatives meetings, and the virtual public hearing, the PI Team will place one half-page print newspaper ad in the *Peoria Times* and one half-page print newspaper ad in the *Sun City Independent*. Each ad will include the content noted in Section 12.6.11 of the ADOT PIP, *Public Meeting Advertisements and Notices*. All newspaper ads will include ADOT's Notice of Availability of Reasonable Accommodations.

Amplification and Information Sharing

The City of Peoria is the PI lead and will collaborate with ADOT, Maricopa County, and the City of Surprise to amplify information and reach larger, more diverse audiences. Efforts will begin at least 30 days prior to scoping (projected for fall 2024) and continue for the life of the project. Email alerts and social media messages (including targeted Nextdoor posts) are examples of information that can be amplified through this type of multi-agency partnership, as the number of people who receive the messaging grows exponentially the more that messages are shared.



Branding

PI materials will reflect the approved study logo (pictured at right) and brand standards. The logo effectively identifies the City of Peoria as the lead agency, while conveying its partnership with ADOT, MAG, and Maricopa County. It also succinctly identifies what action is being studied, and where. The design also lends itself to longevity; that is, it could be used for potential future stages of the project (such as completion of design and construction) allowing for continuity throughout project delivery. To ensure consistency of the brand by all users, the following standards for colors and fonts are in place:



Generally, branding creates a familiar “look and feel,” establishes an identity and builds trust. Branding also conveys professionalism, which boosts credibility. For this study, consistent use of branding throughout the life of the project is important to increase recognition of project-related emails, mailers, advertisements, and other outreach materials. The unique design of the study logo and consistent use of colors and fonts stand out. As such, target audiences are less likely to overlook information shared with them (such as public meeting invitations sent via direct mail and newspaper ads).

Channel 11

Peoria Channel 11 is the city’s official public access television station. It broadcasts city news and events daily. Peoria residents can watch Channel 11 on Cox Cable. Those who do not have Cox Cable can watch on YouTube or through online streaming. The City of Peoria can utilize Channel 11 and to provide study-related information as it deems appropriate at any time during the study.

Community Events

The City of Peoria may participate in local events during the life of this project to share study-related information with the public and others in attendance. If feasible, city representatives who are knowledgeable about the study might also attend events hosted by other project partners.

Community/Stakeholder Database

Developing and maintaining a database that includes up-to-date names and contact information is critical so the PI Team can proactively share information with residents and key stakeholders in the region. The PI Team will collaborate to create the database with key contacts, HOAs, individuals known to be active in the community and/or involved in transportation issues, community groups, and residents and send information directly to them. The City of Peoria and ADOT will promote sign-ups for the database through Nextdoor and their other social media channels and email lists. Examples of when emails would be sent to stakeholders in the database include but are not limited to the start of the scoping process; prior to the public and virtual alternatives meetings; prior to the public hearing; and when the draft and final EA and DCR are available for review. In accordance with Section 12.6.10 of the ADOT PIP, *Public Meeting Notification*, emails about public meetings will be sent at least 14 days in advance and will include ADOT's Notice of Availability of Reasonable Accommodations.

Direct Mail

The PI Team will use direct mail via Every Door Direct Mail (EDDM) to notify approximately 6,100 residents/other addresses in the outreach area about the Alternatives Public Meetings and virtual public hearing. The PI Team will schedule the mailers to arrive in recipients' mailboxes at least seven to 14 days before the Public Alternatives Meetings and at least 15 days, but no more than 30 days, before the virtual public hearing. Mailers will include the contents noted in Section 12.6.11 of the ADOT PIP, *Public Meeting Advertisements and Notices* and ADOT's Notice of Availability of Reasonable Accommodations.

Email Address

The PI Team created and will widely promote an email address (Info@ElMirageRoadExtension.com) so residents, businesses, stakeholders, and others can submit questions or comments at any time, and request to be added to the aforementioned Community/Stakeholder Database. Avenue Consultants will check the email inbox Monday through Friday (except holidays) at least once daily, with the frequency increasing when significant activity is scheduled to or has occurred (including but not limited to the week and days before a public meeting or the days after a public meeting).

Email Alerts

The PI Team will share important information including but not limited to the start of the scoping process, public and virtual meetings, the public hearing, availability of the draft and final EA and DCR, and other study milestones via study-branded email alerts. Avenue Consultants will send email alerts to individuals in the Community/Stakeholder Database previously noted; the City of Peoria and ADOT will extend the reach of these alerts by sharing them with individuals in their respective email databases. Per Section 12.6.10 of the ADOT PIP, *Public Meeting Notification*, emails will be sent at least 14 days in advance when they are used to promote public meetings and will include ADOT's Notice of Availability of Reasonable Accommodations. The PI Team will share email alerts with representatives from Maricopa County and encourage distribution to individuals in their appropriate email databases.



Informational Flier

The PI Team will develop an informational flier to hand out at the in-person Public Alternatives meeting and post it on the project website prior to the virtual Public Alternatives meeting to share information about the Build and No-Build alternatives. Such information may include the proposed project alignment, preliminary design features, and information about how to provide input, participate in a survey, ask questions, and stay informed throughout the study process. The flier will be written in Plain Language for ease of readability and use maps and graphics to convey information. The PI Team will translate the flier into Spanish (or other non-English languages) upon receipt of a reasonable request.

Interpretation/Translation Services

The PI Team will accommodate reasonable requests for interpretation and translation of project-related information into Spanish or other non-English languages and American Sign Language.

Mailing Address

The PI Team understands that some people might prefer to communicate by mail and will therefore accept and respond in a timely manner to such correspondence. The mailing address will be included on the project website and other public-facing materials when outreach begins. The address is: **Avenue Consultants/El Mirage Road Extension, 5353 N. 16th Street, Suite 380, Phoenix, AZ 85016**. Upon receipt of a reasonable request, the PI Team will accommodate languages other than English when corresponding by mail. If sharing information about opportunities for public involvement by mail, the correspondence will include ADOT's Notice of Availability of Reasonable Accommodations.

News Media

The PI Team will engage news media by sending press releases at least seven days in advance to announce the start of the scoping period; the dates, times, and locations of the virtual and in-person public meetings/public hearing; and other project milestones. The city of Peoria will lead news media outreach and provide a subject matter expert to serve as a spokesperson. If required, the ADOT Office of Public Information will supplement these efforts; and the ADOT Public Information will accommodate requests for interviews or other information from Spanish language news media.

Public Inquiry Database/Comment Log

The public will be able to comment on the study in the following ways:

- » By email at: Info@ElMirageRoadExtension.com
- » By sending mail to: Avenue Consultants/El Mirage Road Extension, 5353 N. 16th Street, Suite 380, Phoenix, AZ 85016.
- » Through an online survey shared in conjunction with the public alternatives meetings.
- » Before, during, and after the in-person and virtual Public Alternatives Meetings.
- » Before, during, and after the virtual public hearing.

Avenue Consultants will respond to comments received through various methods noted above and will maintain the public inquiry database/comment log. The PI and study teams will collaborate to develop a

document with Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) and approved responses to facilitate timely, accurate, and consistent replies to questions and comments. Avenue Consultants will acknowledge the receipt of an inquiry and respond, such as by referring the individual to the website and/or FAQ document. If comments or questions are received through social media, a representative from the City of Peoria or ADOT (depending on which agency's social media account receives the question or comment) will address it as quickly as possible using information approved by the study team and/or the aforementioned FAQ document. The database will be included in the Public Involvement summary report(s). Any personally identifiable information (PII) will be removed from publicly shared documents.

Public Alternatives Meeting (in-person and virtual)

The PI Team will host one virtual and one in-person public meeting to share the Build and No-Build Alternatives and design concept(s) with the public and stakeholders and provide an opportunity for them to make comments and ask questions. These meetings will be planned and implemented in alignment with Section 12.6 of the ADOT PIP, *Public Meetings* and Section 12.6.3, *Virtual Public Meetings*. The Public Alternatives meetings are tentatively set to occur in winter or spring 2025, with the specific times and dates to be determined as the project progresses. The PI Team will make every effort not to schedule either of the meetings in conflict with religious observations; holidays; large and regionally significant special events; or other city, county, state or Peoria Unified School District meetings or events. The in-person and virtual meetings will not be concurrent. They will provide the same information and opportunities for questions and comments. Both meetings will include a brief presentation by subject-matter expert(s) from the study team; graphics and other visual displays to acquaint the public and stakeholders with the design concept(s) and potential future actions; and opportunities for attendees to ask questions and make comments verbally, via comment forms, or through an online survey that will be available on the project website for 30 days.

The location of the in-person meeting is yet to be determined, but it will be in the study area and in a facility that is compatible with the Americans with Disabilities Act. ADOT Civil Rights Office Self-ID cards will be available for meeting participants to fill out and return at the meeting. Signage will provide information about meeting participants' rights in compliance with Title VI and the ADA.

The format for the virtual meeting is yet to be determined, but will be Webex, Zoom, or something similar, with language-interpretation capabilities via captioning. The meeting moderator will invite meeting participants to complete and submit ADOT Civil Rights Office Self-ID surveys electronically and will verbally share information about their rights under Title VI and the ADA. Avenue Consultants will post the meeting recording to the project website within 24 hours of the meeting conclusion.

Those who may have difficulty participating in the virtual or in-person meeting may request reasonable accommodations by contacting the City of Peoria. A telephone number will be provided in meeting notifications and on the project website. Accommodations may include mailing printed public meeting materials to include in alternative languages to stakeholders, mailing or providing a thumb-drive with public meeting documents, or offering a location for stakeholders to view study documents.

Public Hearing (virtual)

The PI Team will plan and implement one virtual Public Hearing in alignment with section 12.6.3 of the ADOT PIP, *Virtual Public Meetings*. The purpose of the public hearing is to provide the public and stakeholders with an opportunity to review and comment on the draft EA and DCR, both of which will be posted to the website before the public hearing. The comment period will last 30 days. Those who cannot or choose not to provide questions or comments at the public hearing can still do so via email or by mail. The virtual public hearing is tentatively set to occur in summer 2025, with the specific time and date to be determined as the project progresses. The PI Team will make every effort not to schedule the public hearing in conflict with religious observations; holidays; large and regionally significant special events; or other city, county, state, or Peoria Unified School District meetings or events. The format for the virtual public hearing is yet to be determined, but will be Webex, Zoom, or something similar, with language-interpretation capabilities via captioning. The meeting moderator will invite meeting participants to complete and submit ADOT Civil Rights Office Self-ID surveys electronically and will verbally share information about their rights under Title VI and the ADA. Avenue Consultants will post the public hearing recording to the project website within 24 hours of its conclusion. Comments on the draft EA and DCR will be recorded and substantive comments will be addressed in the final EA document, either individually or collectively as a group of similar comments. All PII will be redacted from publicly shared documents. After the public hearing and in the event of a FONSI, the Avenue Consultants will post the final EA and DCR on the website. The PI Team will use email alerts, news and social media, and other outreach tools identified in this PIP to notify the public and stakeholders of the availability of the final documents. Those who may have difficulty participating in the virtual public hearing may request reasonable accommodations by contacting the City of Peoria. A telephone number will be provided in meeting notifications and on the project website. Accommodations may include mailing printed public hearing materials (in a non-English language, if required) to stakeholders, mailing or providing a thumb-drive with public hearing documents, or offering a location for stakeholders to view the public hearing documents.

Scoping

Through public scoping, the PI Team will seek the public's input on current issues and conditions in the study area that the team should be aware of as work on the EA and DCR gets underway. The scoping process is expected to occur in fall 2024 [specific dates to be determined]. Scoping-related materials will be posted on the project website for review and public comment. The comment period will begin when the materials are posted on the website and last for 30 days. The PI Team will create awareness about the scoping process through various outreach tactics. The City of Peoria will notify news media by sending a press release. The City and ADOT will post messages on social media. The City, ADOT, and Avenue Consultants will send email alerts; and ask community groups and HOAs to share information with their members/residents. Avenue Consultants will post information on the project website.

Social Media

The City of Peoria will implement social media outreach efforts, which ADOT will amplify to reach target audiences. Platforms may include Facebook, Instagram, YouTube, Nextdoor, and X. Social media is a highly effective way to share content with thousands of people in and around the proposed project area; in some instances—such as Nextdoor—it can target specific neighborhoods where the greatest impacts could occur and/or there is a higher level of interest or concern. As noted, if comments or questions are received through social media, a representative from the City of Peoria or ADOT (depending on which agency’s social media account receives the question or comment) will address it as quickly as possible using information approved by the study team and/or the aforementioned FAQ document. Following are the social mediums that the PI Team will use for the duration of the project:

ADOT Social Media	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Nextdoor ● Twitter/X (twitter.com/ArizonaDOT) ● Facebook (facebook.com/AZDOT) ● Blog (azdot.gov/blog) ● YouTube (youtube.com/ArizonaDOT)
Peoria Social Media	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Twitter/X: @PeoriaAZ ● Facebook: @CityofPeoriaAZ ● You Tube: @DigitalPeoria ● Instagram: @peoriaazcam

Survey

The PI Team will develop an online survey in conjunction with the Public Alternatives meetings. In addition to being posted on the website 14 days prior to the first public meeting, the PI Team will use email alerts, social media, and news media to share it with the public and stakeholders. The purpose of the survey is to ascertain how community members feel about the proposed Build and No-Build Alternatives and design concepts and gather their feedback for review and consideration prior to development of the draft DCR and associated EA.

Website

The study website is ElMirageRoadExtension.com. It will go live at least 30 days prior to the start of the scoping process and be the primary information hub throughout the study process. The site will comply with Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act so individuals with disabilities have equal access to electronic information and data comparable to those who do not have disabilities and will provide a link to accommodate languages other than English via online translation. Website content will include information about the EA and DCR; FAQs; dates/times/locations of public meetings and other opportunities for public involvement; and ways to submit questions or comments to the study team. It will house the project visualization, photos, maps, and other graphics to convey the size, scope, and location of the study area and proposed project. It also will house public meeting materials so they are accessible to anyone at any time, as well as the draft and final EA and DCR and other study-related

materials deemed necessary. The PI Team will update the site daily or as necessary throughout the life of the study to ensure information is accurate and up to date.

Visualization

The visualization will convey the proposed Build Alternative and initial phase of the proposed project, including project features, proposed right-of-way, and 360-degree views from any point, as well as a “bird’s eye view” flythrough of the area. The visualization will be used to educate the public about the size and scope of the proposed El Mirage Road extension project and preliminary design concepts. It will be housed on the website so it is available for viewing at any time.

Outreach to Minority, Low Income, Disabled and Other Underserved Populations

The following will be used to ensure all interested and affected members of the public have an opportunity to learn about and provide input on the project:

- » Information will be accessible for persons with vision, hearing, or other disabilities. In addition to providing ADA accommodations upon request, the following will be provided: project materials in digital and accessible formats; posting project materials including the presentation in PDF and video format on the website and alt text for graphics, maps and photos; using simple/clear visuals, closed captioning (with instructions provided), and having speakers leave their cameras on when presenting/speaking.
- » The website will comply with Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act.
- » Accommodations for materials and interpretation in languages other than English, and ADA accommodations, will be provided upon reasonable request.
- » The meeting venue for the in-person public meeting will be ADA accessible.
- » The public will have an opportunity to provide comments via multiple methods, including by mail, email, and in person at public meetings.
- » ADOT’s Notice of Reasonable Accommodations will be included on all digital or printed material created for public dissemination.

Project/Public Involvement Timeline

The initial timeline follows and is subject to change. Updates will be made accordingly.

Table 6: Estimated PI Timeline and Milestones

Milestones	Dates
Study logo and branding approved (Team)	May 2024
Email address and website URL purchased (Consultant)	May 2024
Public Involvement Plan approved (Team)	August 5, 2024
Website approved and live (Consultant and Team)	August 2024
Complete initial stakeholder database (Consultant and Team)	August 2024
Begin planning for scoping and create a workback schedule; prepare the notifications and materials (Consultant)	August 2024
Visualization completed and posted to the website	September 2024
Scoping materials finalized/approved/posted on the website (Consultant)	September 2024
Scoping notifications (news release; social media; email alerts; targeted emails to HOAs, churches, community groups, businesses) (Consultant, Team)	September 2024
Gather, acknowledge, respond to comments received during scoping. (Consultant)	September/ October 2024
Comment log finalized (Consultant)	October 2024
Begin planning for public alternatives meetings and develop workback schedule; prepare the notifications (Consultant)	Winter/Spring 2025
Public meeting materials and survey finalized/approved/posted on the website (Consultant)	Winter/Spring 2025
Public meeting notifications (newspaper ads; direct mail; news release; social media; email alerts; targeted emails to HOAs, churches, community groups, businesses) (Consultant, Team)	Winter/Spring 2025
Public alternatives meeting (in person, virtual) (Consultant)	Winter/Spring 2025

Milestones	Dates
Submit Civil Rights Meeting Summary (Consultant)	Winter/Spring 2025
Gather, acknowledge, respond to comments received. (Consultant)	Winter/Spring 2025
Collect and analyze survey data and share with PI and technical teams (Consultant)	Winter/Spring 2025
Public Meeting Summary finalized and posted to website, provided to technical PMs, emailed to attendees (Consultant)	Winter/Spring 2025
Begin planning for virtual public hearing and develop workback schedule; prepare the notifications (Consultant)	Spring/Summer 2025
Public hearing materials finalized/approved/posted on the website (Consultant)	Summer 2025
Public hearing notifications (newspaper ads; direct mail; news release; social media; email alerts; targeted emails to HOAs, churches, community groups, businesses) (Consultant, Team)	Summer 2025
Draft EA and DCR uploaded to website (Consultant)	Summer 2025
Draft EA and DCR distributed to public review areas (TBD)	Summer 2025
Virtual Public Hearing (Consultant)	Summer 2025
Submit Civil Rights Meeting Summary (Consultant)	Summer 2025 (within 2 weeks post meeting)
Gather, acknowledge, respond to comments received. (Consultant)	Summer 2025
Public Meeting Summary finalized and posted to website, provided to technical PMs, emailed to attendees (Consultant)	Summer 2025
Pick up draft EAs from public review areas (TBD)	Summer 2025
Post final EA and DCR to website	Summer 2025
Notifications about availability of final EA and DCR	Summer 2025
Website deactivation	30 days after the last comment period

Public Involvement Measures of Success



The public involvement/outreach goal is to achieve a high level of public engagement during the EA and DCR phase of this proposed project. The PI Team will use the following metrics to determine if public involvement was successful:

Measure	Target Goal
Number of people who sign up to receive study updates by email	50
Number of people who complete the scoping survey	50
Number of people who attend the in-person and virtual alternatives meetings	75
Number of people who attend the virtual public hearing	50

Appendix A: Responsibilities Matrix

Key:

- » **Lead:** Prepares document/information for review and input from the project team.
- » **Participate:** Has direct participation in activities and assists with the preparation of documents/information for review and input from the study team.
- » **Review:** Reviews information for technical accuracy, readability, grammar, punctuation, etc.
- » **Approve:** Approves final documents/information.

Table 6: PI Responsibilities Matrix

TASK	Consultant PM David Lenzer	Consultant PI Lead Kim Noetzel	Peoria PM Craig Bolze	ADOT PM Tricia Brown	ADOT Comm Rel PM Gael Luna	ADOT Civil Rights Office
Meet as needed	P	L	P	P	P	P
Stakeholder Assessment/ LEP Analysis	R	L	R,A	R,A	R,A	R,A
Create database of community contacts		L	P, R, A	R,A	P, R	
Send email alerts		L	R, A, P		R, A, P	
Send GovDelivery alerts					L	
Presentations (community, HOAs, key stakeholders)			L	P	P	
Public Inquiry and Comment Log	R	L	R	R	R	
Develop FAQs and Approved Responses	R	L	R,A	R,A	R	
Respond to questions/comments		L	R,P,A	R,P,A	R,P,A	
Spanish Translation		L				
Other Non-English Translations			L			
Secure URL	R	L	A	A	A	

TASK	Consultant PM David Lenzer	Consultant PI Lead Kim Noetzel	Peoria PM Craig Bolze	ADOT PM Tricia Brown	ADOT Comm Rel PM Gael Luna	ADOT Civil Rights Office
Create and maintain approved content	R	L	R,A	R,A	R,A	
Secure email address		L	R,P,A		R,P,A	
Check email inbox		L				
Spanish Translations		L				
Other Non-English Translations			L			
American Sign Language Accommodations			L			
Direct Mail	R	L	R,A	R,A	R	
Newspaper Ads	R	L	R,A	R,A	R	
Identify Locations/Set up/Tear down	R	L	R,A	R,A	R	
Identify Virtual Public Meeting date, time, platform; host; moderate	R	L	R,A	R,A	R	
Meeting Presentation	R	L	R,A	R,A	R	
FAQs/Messaging	R	L	R,A	R,A	R	
Develop Notices and Materials	R	L	R,A	R,A	R	
Distribute Meeting Notices		L				
Upload content to website		L				
Graphics/cross sections/roll plots	L		R,A	R,A		



TASK	Consultant PM David Lenzer	Consultant PI Lead Kim Noetzel	Peoria PM Craig Bolze	ADOT PM Tricia Brown	ADOT Comm Rel PM Gael Luna	ADOT Civil Rights Office
Social Media Content & Monitoring			L		P	
Comment Forms	R	L	R,A	R,A	R	R
Self-ID Forms		L				R
Civil Rights Report	R	L	R	R	R	R,A
Outreach Summary Report	R	L	R,A	R,A	R	R
Write press releases and route for approval	R	L	R,A	R,A	R	
Send press releases and serve as spokesperson		P	L		P	

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The Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) hereby gives public notice that it is the Agency's policy to assure full compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA), and other related authorities in all of its programs and activities. ADOT's Title VI and ADA Programs require that no person shall, on the grounds of race, color, national origin, or disability, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity. Any person who believes his/her Title VI or ADA rights have been violated, may file a complaint. Any such complaint must be in writing and filed with the ADOT Civil Rights Office within one hundred eighty (180) days following the date of the alleged discriminatory occurrence. For additional information about ADOT's Civil Rights programs and the procedures to file a complaint contact ADOT Civil Rights Office via the information listed below:

Danielle Valentine, Title VI Program Coordinator, dvalentine@azdot.gov
ADOT Civil Rights Office, 206 S. 17th Avenue, Mail Drop 155-A Phoenix, AZ 85007
602.712.8946
civilrightsoffice@azdot.gov

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El Departamento de Transporte del Estado de Arizona (ADOT) informa al público que esta agencia tiene como regla asegurar el cumplimiento total del Título VI de la Ley de los Derechos Civiles de 1964, del Título II de la Ley de ciudadanos Americanos con Discapacidades de 1990 (ADA) y otras normas relacionadas con todos sus programas y actividades. Los programas del Título VI y ADA de ADOT exigen que a ninguna persona se le excluya de participar, se le nieguen beneficios o de ninguna otra manera sea sujeta a discriminación en ningún programa o actividad de ADOT por motivo de raza, color, país de origen, o discapacidad. Cualquier persona que crea que se han violado sus derechos bajo el Título VI o el ADA, puede presentar una queja. Esta queja debe presentarse por escrito a la Oficina de Derechos Civiles de ADOT dentro de ciento ochenta (180) días a partir de la fecha en que se alega que ocurrió la discriminación. Para recibir más información sobre los programas de Derechos Civiles de ADOT y los procedimientos para presentar una queja, por favor póngase en contacto con la Oficina de Derechos Civiles de ADOT a través la información que aparece abajo:

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Appendix B: LEP Four Factor Analysis Worksheet

Project Name: El Mirage Road: Loop 303 to Jomax Road DCR and EA

Project TRACS Number: T0428 03D

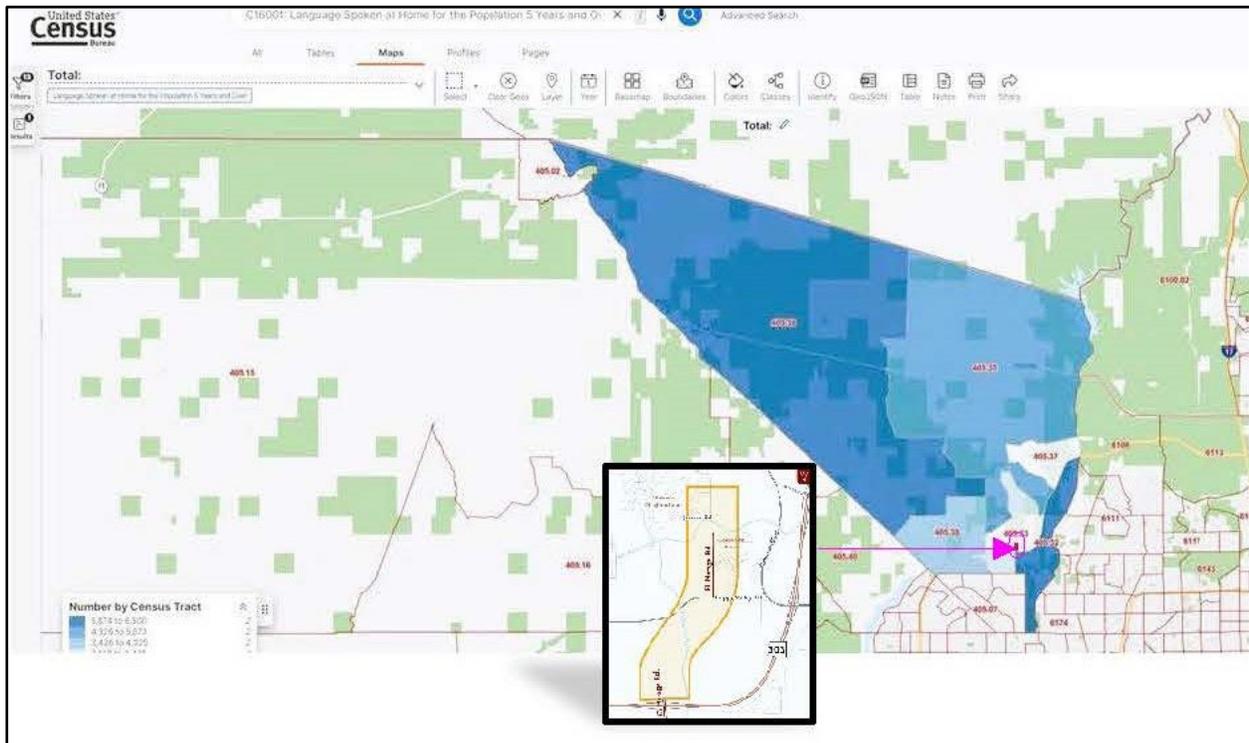
Date: May 28, 2024

Boundaries of the project/study area used for the LEP analysis (attach map).

EA/DCR Study Area:



Census Tracts Reviewed for LEP Analysis:



Factor 1: The number or proportion of LEP persons eligible to be served or likely to be impacted by the project, activity or service.

1A - Prior Experiences: *Have other languages been previously identified in the area that have met the threshold?*

- Yes
- No. The consultant requested this information from ADOT and was advised that no such information was available.

If Yes, list languages previously identified, along with the corresponding project. Note: If an LEP analysis has been completed for the project area within the past five years and used current Census data it does not need to be updated.

Language	Project
N/A	

1B - Identify languages spoken in the program/project area and number/# of LEP individuals.

Directions: Use the U.S. Census data tool at data.census.gov to gather LEP demographic data. Use tables C16001 (by census tract) or B16001 (for statewide data ONLY) for Language Spoken at Home by LEP persons 5 years old and over. Use the [instructions here](#) for collecting and reporting data. After the spreadsheet is exported, list the languages that meet the thresholds in the chart below. If more than three languages meet the threshold, please add additional rows.

LEP Language(s) in project/study area that meet the threshold	Number of LEP persons that speak this language (threshold: 1,000 people)	Percent of LEP persons that speak this language (threshold: 5%)
None	N/A	N/A

1C - Interviews: *Interviews and review of local materials are not a requirement. They should be conducted to determine if other languages that don't meet the threshold should be translated. Review the standard work document for examples of when to consider conducting interviews. Consult with organizations that serve and work with LEP populations to get an accurate assessment of the existing and emerging LEP communities in the area. Collect and review available data from federal, state and local government agencies, and community and faith-based organizations.*

Date	Name	Organization	Language Needs Identified	Notes
April 18, 2024	Jennifer Doan	City of Peoria	None	Advised that languages other than English likely would not be encountered during this EA/DCR.

1D - Local Material Reviewed:

Website	Description	Language	Other
https://www.peoriaunified.org/vistancia	Website for Vistancia Elementary School/Peoria Unified School District	Spanish	The website provides a Translate Language tab at the top that links to Google Translate.
https://www.peoriaunified.org/domain/1592	Website for Lake Pleasant Elementary School/Peoria Unified School District	Spanish	The website provides a Translate Language tab at the top that links to Google Translate.
https://www.mytrilogylife.com/vistancia/golf/#	Website for Trilogy Golf Club	None	The website provides an Accessibility Link at the bottom right that provides an Accessibility Menu; one of the menu options allows users to search for/select a non-English language.
https://www.peoriaaz.gov/home	Website for the City of Peoria	None	The website provides an Accessibility link at the bottom of the page. It links to a page that provides resources regarding the ADA. The website does not have a link for language translation. Peoria's Channel 11 provides online content (videos) in English. Viewers can select English subtitles. The city's DEI page provides contact information for the DEI Inclusion Chair, the ADA coordinator, and the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender liaison. Public Notices are posted in English only (as of the most recent dated March 31-April 6, 2024).
https://www.afmaz.gov/	Website for the Arizona Fire and Medical Authority, the Buckeye Valley Fire District, the North County Fire and Medical District, and the South County Fire and Medical District	None	There is not a link for language translation. There is an online option to request ADA accommodations in advance of public meetings.
https://www.maricopa.gov/	Website for Maricopa County	None	The website provides a Translate Language tab at the bottom that links to Google Translate. It also provides an Accessibility link which provides information about website accessibility. Public meeting notices on this website are in English only.

Factor 2: The frequency with which LEP Individuals come into contact with the project.

Likelihood of contact: Select likelihood of contact with LEP individuals for this project:

- Very unlikely
- Unlikely
- Likely
- Highly Likely

List the types of interactions and activities LEP persons have in the project area:

An LEP person might want to participate in scoping, one or all of the public meetings, otherwise ask a question or make a comment, or review study-related information. If so, the PI Team would accommodate a reasonable request for language translation and/or interpretation services and/or otherwise ensure that meeting materials and information were readily available in the appropriate language to meet this person’s needs.

Factor 3: The nature/importance of the study/project provided by ADOT to LEP person's lives.

<i>Impacts: Check box if impacts of any level are expected.</i>	<i>Please elaborate on the checked impact(s):</i>
Mode of transportation	This project is currently in the study phase. Based on the findings of the prior feasibility study completed by the Maricopa Association of Governments, it is anticipated that members of the cycling community would be consulted during the development of the design concept and that sidewalks or bike paths would be included in the design.
Community property (i.e., Places of Worship, Parks, Recreation Centers, or Cemeteries)	This project is currently in the study phase. If a new roadway is constructed in the future it would not impact community property. Conversely, it would improve access to community property by providing another, more direct travel route and a connection to Loop 303.
Hospitals or Access to Medical Services	This project is currently in the study phase. If the new roadway is constructed in the future it would not impact hospitals or access to medical services. Conversely, it would

<i>(i.e., Hospitals, pharmacies)</i>	improve access to such services by providing another, more direct travel route and a connection to Loop 303.
<i>Bus Routes or airports</i>	There are no transit routes or an airport in the study area.
<i>Private residential or commercial properties</i>	This project is currently in the study phase. If the new roadway is constructed in the future it would increase traffic in an area where some residential development has occurred between Jomax and Happy Valley roads. The new roadway would also improve transportation for those who live and/or work in the area by providing another, more direct route and a connection to Loop 303. It would reduce traffic congestion they currently experience in their community.
<i>Access to services (i.e., Grocery Stores, Retail Stores, Pharmacies, Restaurants)</i>	This project is currently in the study phase. If the new roadway is constructed in the future it would not impact access to services; conversely, it would improve access to services by providing another, more direct travel route and a connection to the Loop 303.

Factor 4: Resources available to ADOT and associated costs

- ADOT’s standard practice is to provide written translation of materials and oral interpretation when an LEP language meets the Safe Harbor Threshold (1,000 persons or 5% of the affected project population, whichever is less), when specific needs have been identified for other LEP languages that don’t meet the threshold through other factors above, or upon request.
- Project teams should carefully explore the most cost-effective means of delivering accurate language services before limiting services due to project budget financial constraints. Be advised the total amount of federal financial aid to ADOT as an agency is considered and not only the federal financial aid of a specific project.
- **No individual will be denied participation in ADOT-sponsored activities due to their Limited English Proficiency.**
- Contact the Civil Rights Office at 602.712.8946 or civilrightsoffice@azdot.gov for LEP guidance.



RECOMMENDATIONS

Based on the data contained on this LEP Four Factor Analysis Worksheet and the [ADOT LEP Plan](#), the following language services will be provided for this project (check all that apply):

LEP languages to be served:

Note: If services vary by language please note languages for each service provided.

- Written Translation
 - » Consultant is scoped to provide Spanish-language translation of materials, if needed. The City of Peoria would provide translation of materials into other languages if needed.
 - » ADOT Bilingual Staff*
 - » Community Volunteers*
- Oral Translation
 - » Consultant is scoped to provide Spanish-language interpretation, if needed, and will provide captioning during virtual public meetings. The City of Peoria would provide interpretation of other languages if needed.
 - » ADOT Bilingual Staff*
 - » Community Volunteers*
- Web Tools
 - » Translation widget.
 - » Written translation upon request.
 - » Oral interpretation upon request.
 - » Alternative text for photos or other graphics.
- Title VI LEP language on materials only Language(s): [English](#)

*Verified able and available

Civil Rights Office Review

Date submitted to Civil Rights Office:

- This document has been reviewed by the Civil Rights Office.

July 3, 2024

Joanna Lucero

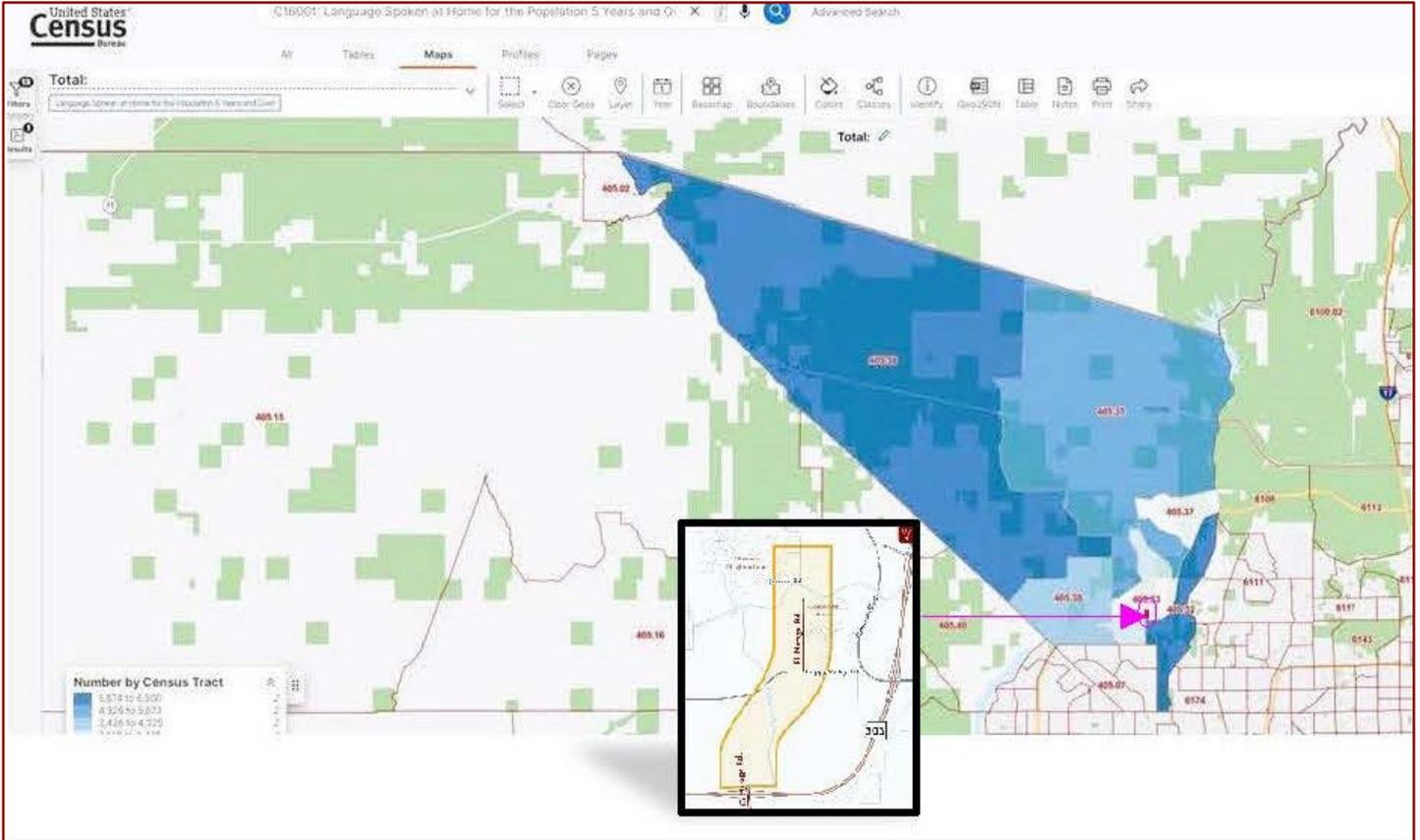
Date of review

Staff who reviewed

LEP recommendations approved by the Civil Rights Office. If approved with modifications list below:



Demographic Analysis Area Map



Appendix C: Applicable Federal Regulations

This section describes the federal statutes and regulations for public involvement. Approaches to the degree of public involvement will vary with the complexity and impact of each study. The Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) will implement public involvement efforts in response to federal guidelines under Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Environmental Justice (EJ) Executive Order 12898, Limited English Proficiency (LEP) Executive Order 13166, the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA).

1. **Title VI of the 1964 Civil Rights Act (Title VI):** Title VI is a federal law that protects individuals and groups from discrimination on the basis of their race, color, and national origin in programs and activities that receive federal financial assistance.
2. **Environmental Justice (EJ):** Executive Order (EO) 12898 on Environmental justice requires “the fair treatment and meaningful involvement of all people, particularly minority and low-income populations, in the environmental decision-making process.” All of ADOT’s projects that include Federal funding follow the NEPA process, which is an environmental decision-making process. The United States Department of Transportation (USDOT) Order 5610.2(a) and Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Order 6640.23A require compliance with Executive Order 12898. This includes the full and fair participation by all potentially affected communities in the transportation decision-making process.
3. **Limited English Proficiency (LEP):** Executive Order 13166 for Limited English Proficiency is a requirement of recipients of Federal financial assistance to provide language services (oral or written) to ensure meaningful access for all persons. Identification of LEP persons is informative for the purpose of devising appropriate strategies for meaningful public involvement and ensuring access pursuant to this Executive Order.
4. **Americans with Disabilities (ADA):** The Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA) stipulates that people with disabilities be involved in developing and improving public services. In highway planning, collaboration with persons with disabilities is essential for developing access points beyond those that are required. All events held for programs or projects with federal-aid funds and open to the public must be made accessible to everyone, including persons with disabilities. Special efforts are required to comply with the statutory requirements of MAP-21 and the ADA.
5. **National Environmental Policy Act of 1969:** The NEPA process requires environmental analysis of proposed actions prior to making decisions, including constructing highways and other publicly owned facilities. Agencies must evaluate the environmental and related social and economic effects of their proposed actions and also provide opportunities for public review and comment on those evaluations. ADOT has assumed the Federal Highway Administration’s responsibility for carrying out the National Environmental Policy Act environmental reviews and approvals per the executed agreement dated April 16, 2019, between the Federal Highway Administration and ADOT. As part of this project ADOT serves as the lead agency and has the authority to approve this project. ADOT Environmental Planning (EP) will work closely with ADOT Communications to provide for NEPA compliance for meaningful public involvement when assessing the environmental effects of the proposed actions.
6. **NEPA Assignment:** The environmental review, consultation and other actions required by applicable Federal environmental laws for this project are being or have been carried out by ADOT pursuant to 23 USC 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated 04/16/2019 and executed by FHWA and ADOT.



Appendix D: Census and Other Data

[2024 Poverty Guidelines \(US Department of Health and Human Services\)](#)

[Age Data](#)

[Disability Data](#)

[Household Income Data \(ZIP Code 85383 - Peoria and Maricopa County\)](#)

[Limited English Proficiency Data](#)

[Median Household Income Data](#)

[Race and Minority Data \(Arizona\)](#)

[Race and Minority Data \(Assessment area\)](#)

[ZIP Code Tabulation Area 85383](#)





Appendix DCR-D.2 – Public Meeting Materials



Welcome to the Open House!

February 26, 2025

During tonight's open house we encourage you to visit each station in the order you prefer, ask questions, and provide your input.

VISIT THE OPEN HOUSE STATIONS

- ☑ **Presentation:** Watch the presentation, which will run several times throughout the evening. You can also watch this presentation on the project website at www.ElMirageRoadExtension.com under the Resources tab.
- ☑ **Roadway Design:** See the conceptual roadway alignment and learn more about the initial and ultimate design concepts.
- ☑ **Environmental:** Learn more about the Environmental Assessment being prepared in conjunction with this project.
- ☑ **Surveys:** If you have not already taken the survey online, complete it here tonight.

PROJECT OVERVIEW

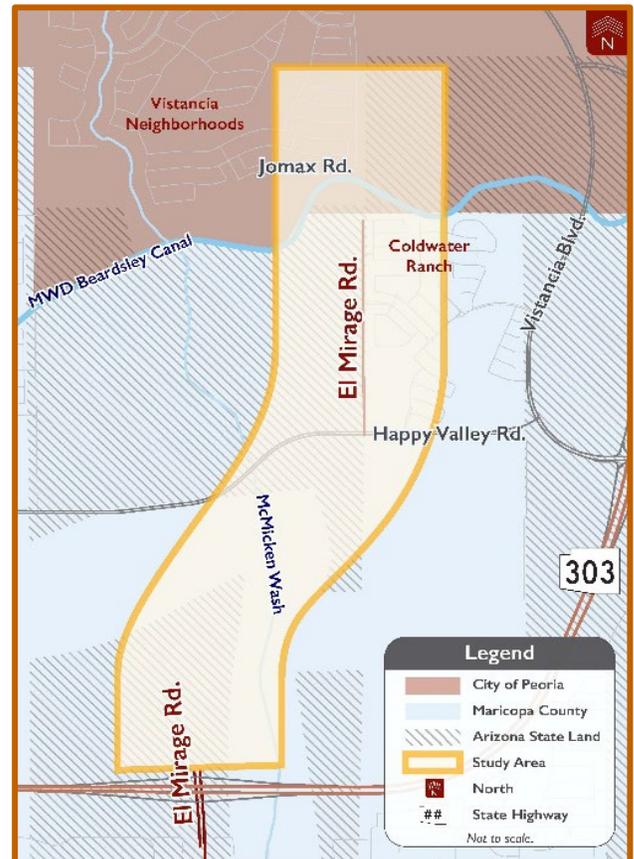
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DESIGN CONCEPT REPORT (DCR) AND ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT (EA)

This project includes preparing a DCR and an EA in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The draft EA will be the focus of a virtual public hearing, currently anticipated for summer 2025. You will have an opportunity to review the draft EA in advance of or at the public hearing and provide input at the public hearing or during the draft EA comment period. If the EA results in a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI), the project could move forward with final design and construction when funding is available. If significant impacts are identified, the project would require an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

Study Area



TIMELINE



HOW TO COMMENT

The comment period for this phase of the project continues through **March 28, 2025**. You can provide input in these ways:

- » **Survey:** Take the survey online at www.ElMirageRoadExtension.com or complete it here tonight.
- » **By Email:** Info@ElMirageRoadExtension.com
- » **By Mail:** El Mirage Road Extension c/o Avenue Consultants, 5353 N. 16th Street, Suite 380, Phoenix AZ 85016

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You can also contact the project team in either of these ways:

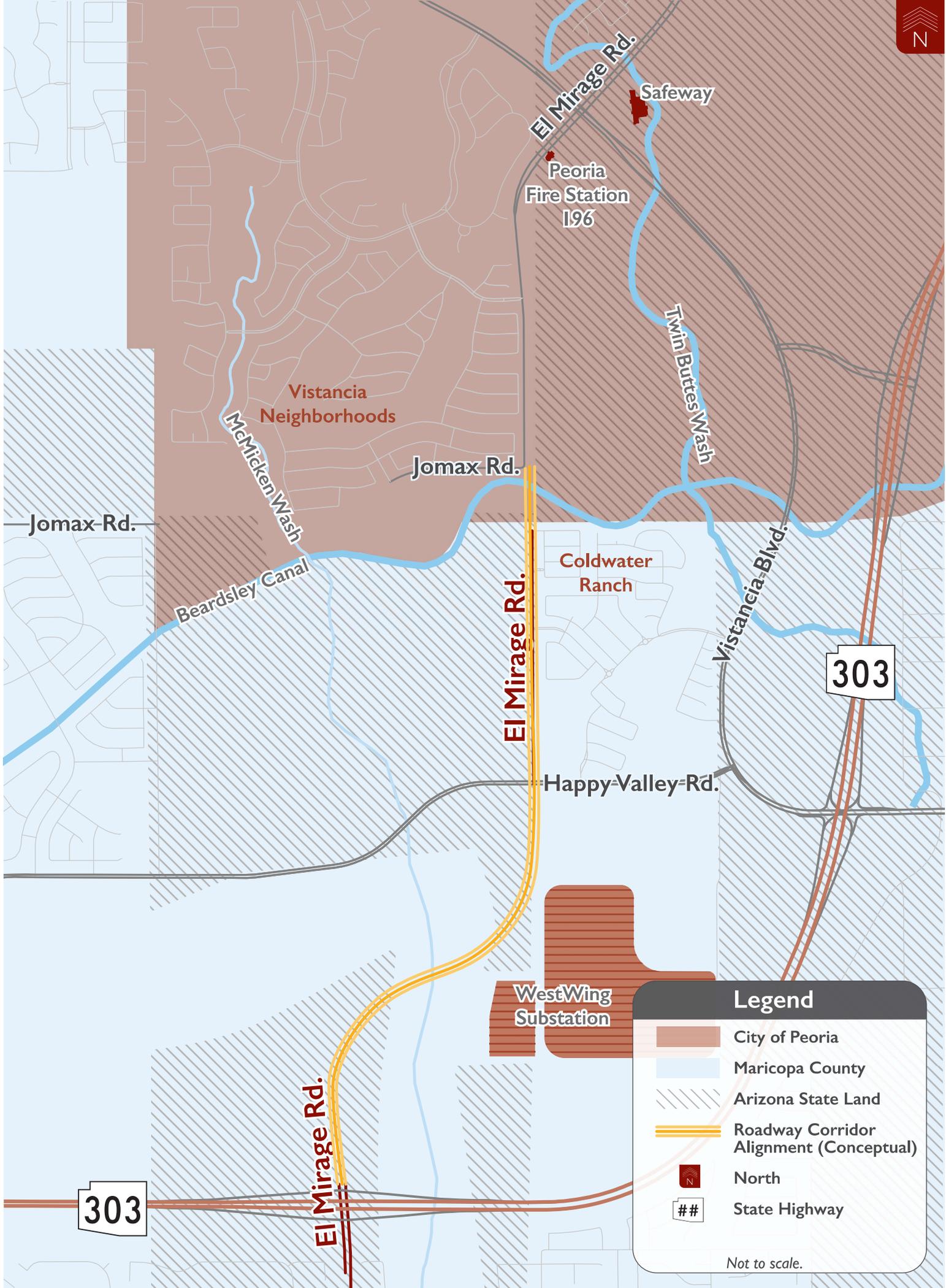
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THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION!

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De acuerdo con el Título VI de la Ley de Derechos Civiles de 1964, la Ley de Estadounidenses con Discapacidades (ADA por sus siglas en inglés) y otras normas y leyes antidiscriminatorias, el Departamento de Transporte de Arizona (ADOT) no discrimina por motivos de raza, color, origen nacional, sexo, edad o discapacidad. Las personas que requieran asistencia (dentro de lo razonable) ya sea por el idioma o discapacidad deben ponerse en contacto con City of Peoria a (623) 670-5800. Las solicitudes deben hacerse lo más antes posible para asegurar que el Estado tenga la oportunidad de hacer los arreglos necesarios.

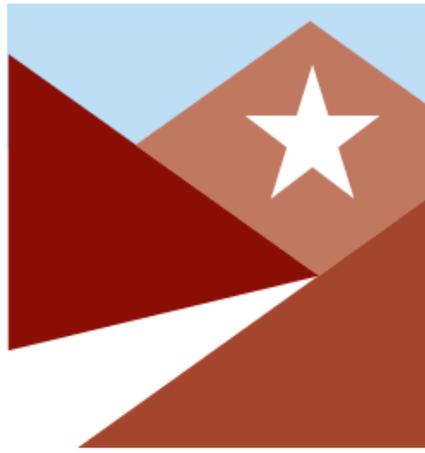
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Legend

- City of Peoria
- Maricopa County
- Arizona State Land
- Roadway Corridor Alignment (Conceptual)
- North
- State Highway

Not to scale.



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From Loop 303 To Jomax Rd



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February 26, 2025

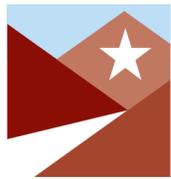
ABOUT THIS PRESENTATION:

- Explain the current project: Prepare a Design Concept Report (DCR) and Environmental Assessment (EA).
- Provide project background: How did we get here?
- Share the design concepts for the **4-lane (initial configuration)** which could be built in the short-term, and the **6-lane (ultimate configuration)** which could be built in the future.
 - Alignment
 - Roadway features
 - Intersections
 - Structural crossings

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Overview Timeline Study Area Public Meetings & Hearings Frequently Asked Questions **Resources** Provide Input Stay Informed

English



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Design Concept Report and Environmental Assessment

[Submit your email address to receive study updates.](#)





- The city of Peoria
- Arizona Department of Transportation
- Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG)
- Maricopa County Department of Transportation
- Flood Control District of Maricopa County
- Maricopa County Parks and Recreation Department



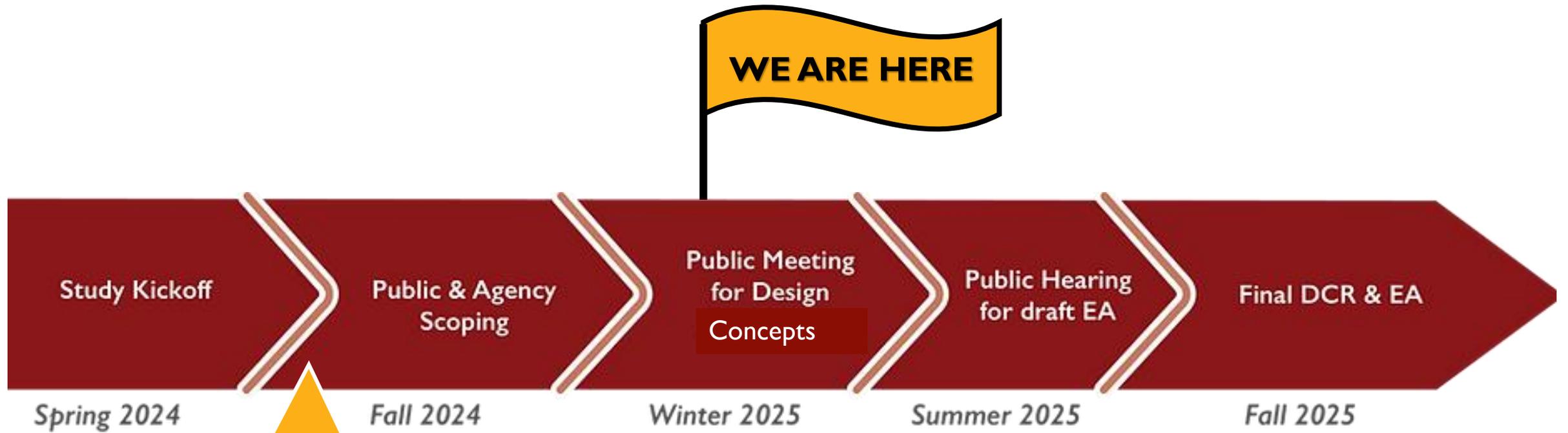
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**Environmental
Assessment (EA)
Study Area**



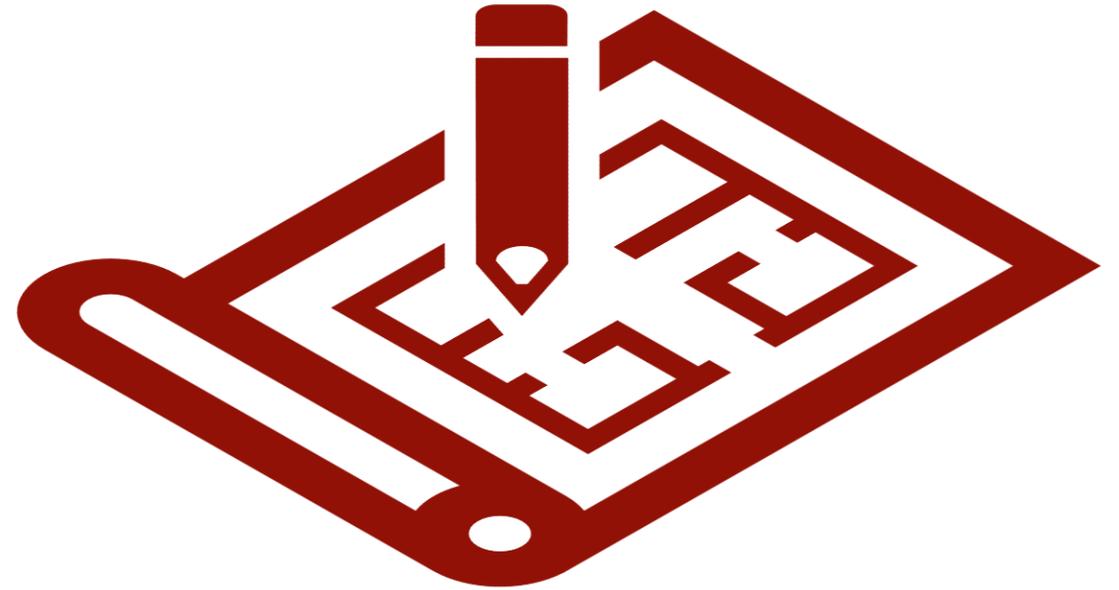


Read the scoping report at
ElMirageRoadExtension.com/Resources

Design Concept Report (DCR):

15%

project plans



Final Design Would Occur in a Future Phase

EA Affected Environments

Air Quality

Section 4(f) Resources

Biological Resources

Socioeconomics

Cultural Resources

Utilities

Hazardous Materials

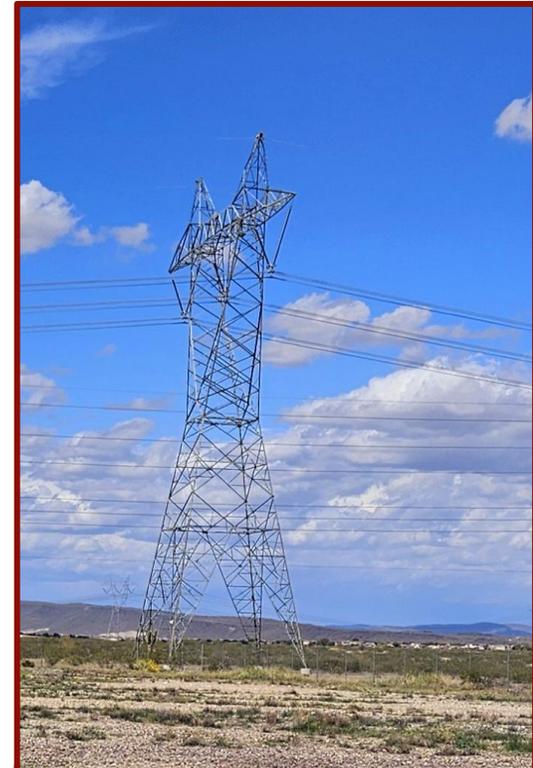
Visual Resources

Land Use/Ownership

Water Resources

Noise

Temporary Construction Impacts
if Project is Built



Environmental Assessment (EA)

**Environmental
Assessment
(NEPA)**

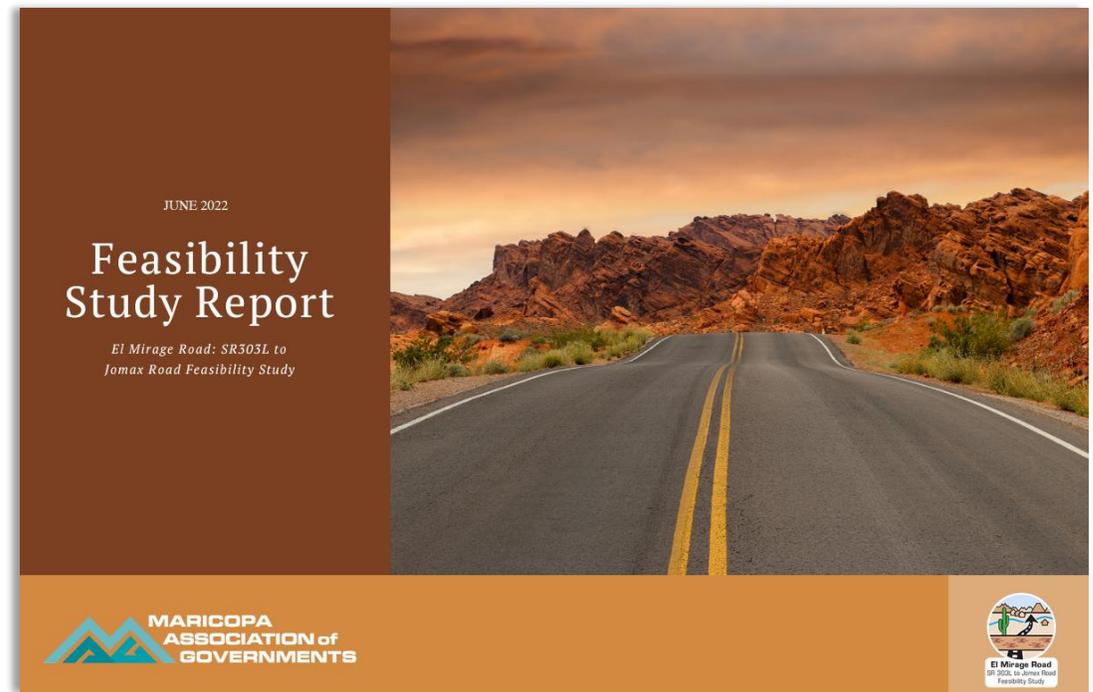
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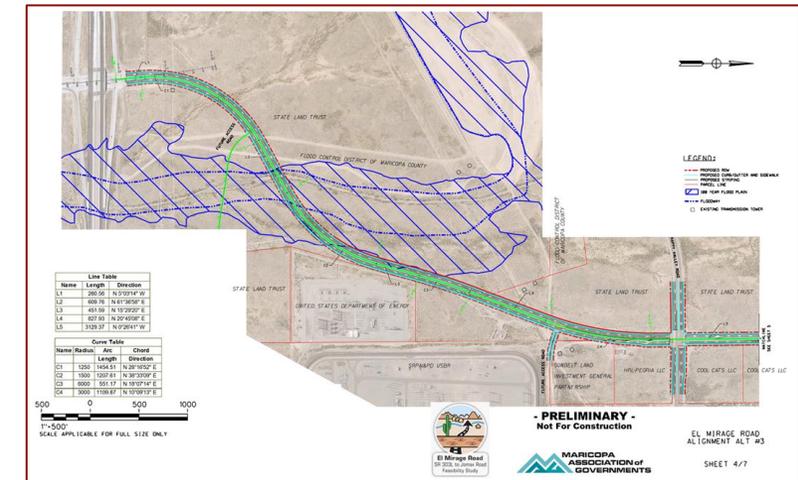
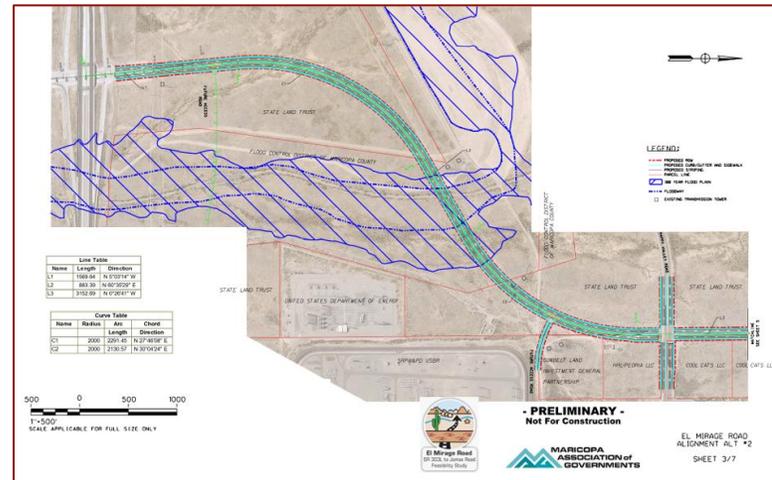
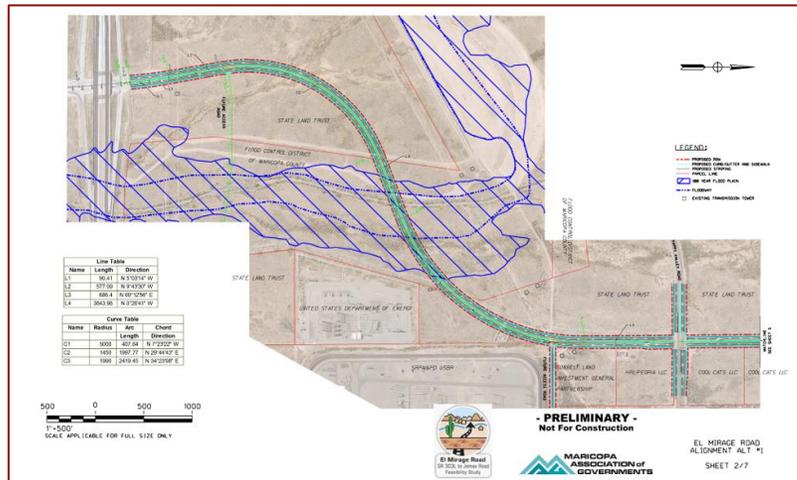
How did we get here



- June 2022 - *El Mirage Road: SR303L to Jomax Road Feasibility Study.*
- “There is a growing need for a continuous connection between SR 303L and Jomax Road to provide better access and relieve some of the congestion within the study area.” - *MAG Feasibility Study*

Read the MAG Study: ElMirageRoadExtension.com/Resources

MAG study developed and screened three roadway alternatives:



Alternative 1

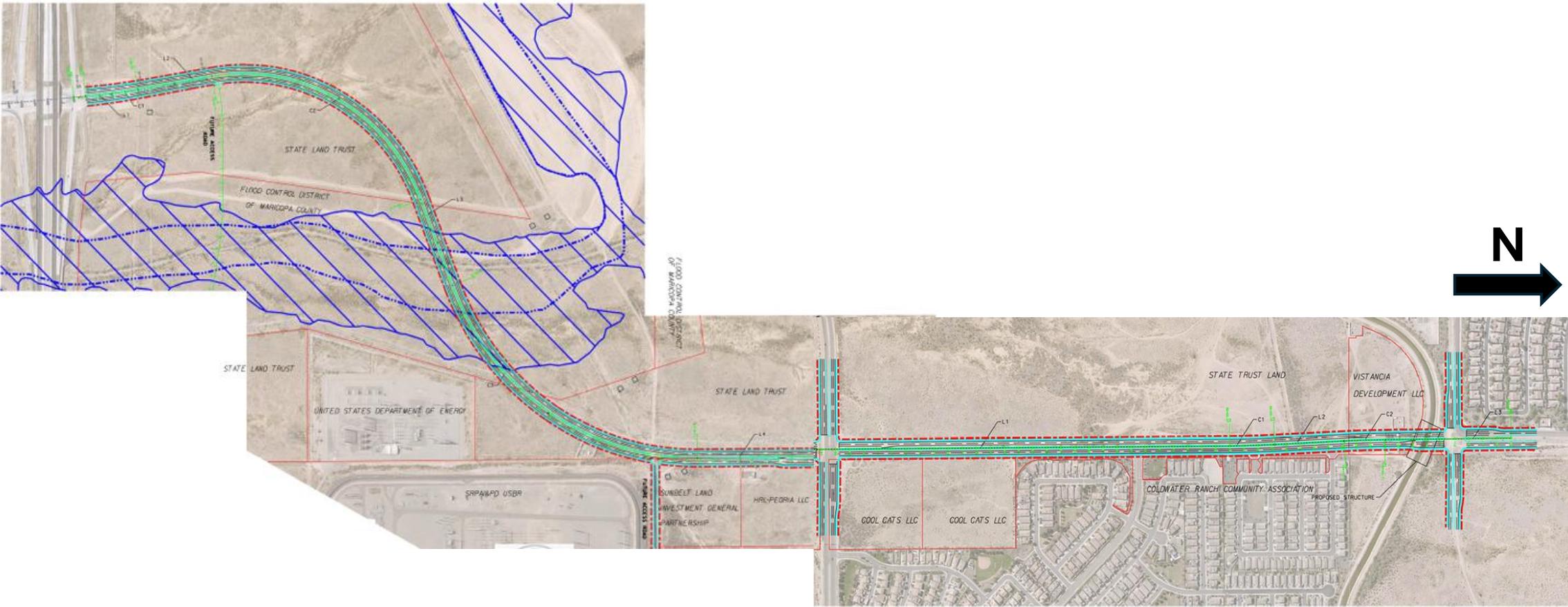
- Performance
- Impacts
- Intersection options at Happy Valley and Jomax roads
- Broad-based planning-level costs

Alternative 2

Alternative 3

Read the **MAG Study**: ElMirageRoadExtension.com/Resources

MAG study recommended **Alternative No. I** for future study:



Read the **MAG Study**: ElMirageRoadExtension.com/Resources

Current project builds on the 2022 MAG study and the recommended Alternative I.

4-Lane (Initial Configuration): Roadway corridor that could be designed and constructed in the **short-term** as funding becomes available.

- **Accommodate traffic through 2035.**

6-Lane (Ultimate Configuration): Roadway corridor that could be designed and constructed in the **future** as funding becomes available.

- **Accommodate traffic through 2050.**

Conceptual Alignment

Loop 303



Eastern Curb Line

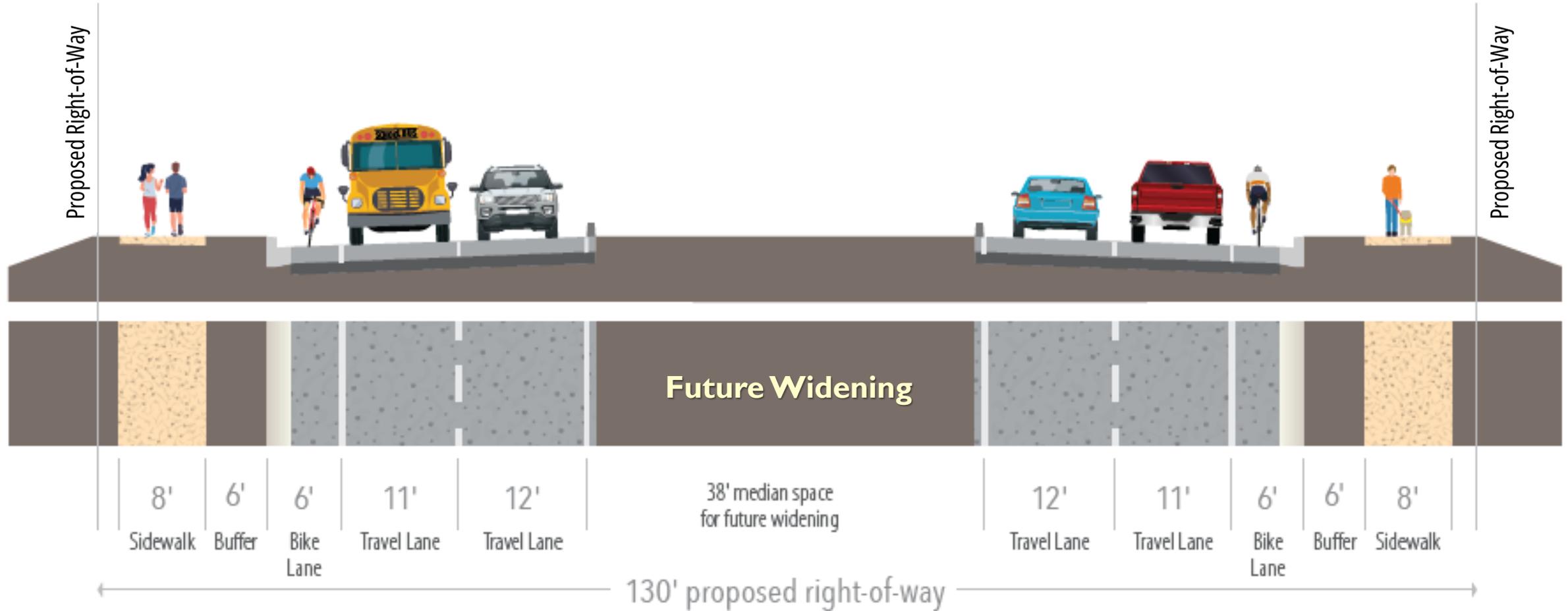
Jomax Road

Vistancia Neighborhood

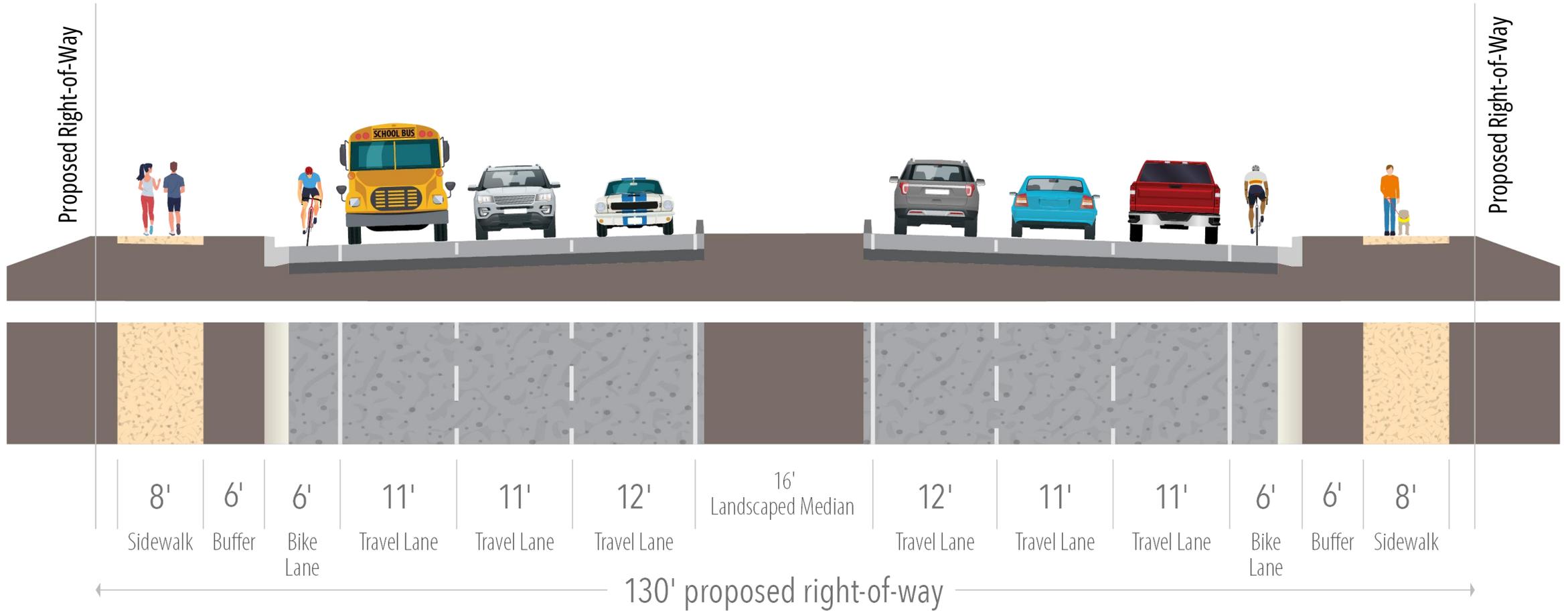
Happy Valley Road

Coldwater Ranch Neighborhood

4-LANE (INITIAL CONFIGURATION)



6-LANE (ULTIMATE CONFIGURATION)



CONCEPTUAL INTERSECTIONS ON EL MIRAGE ROAD

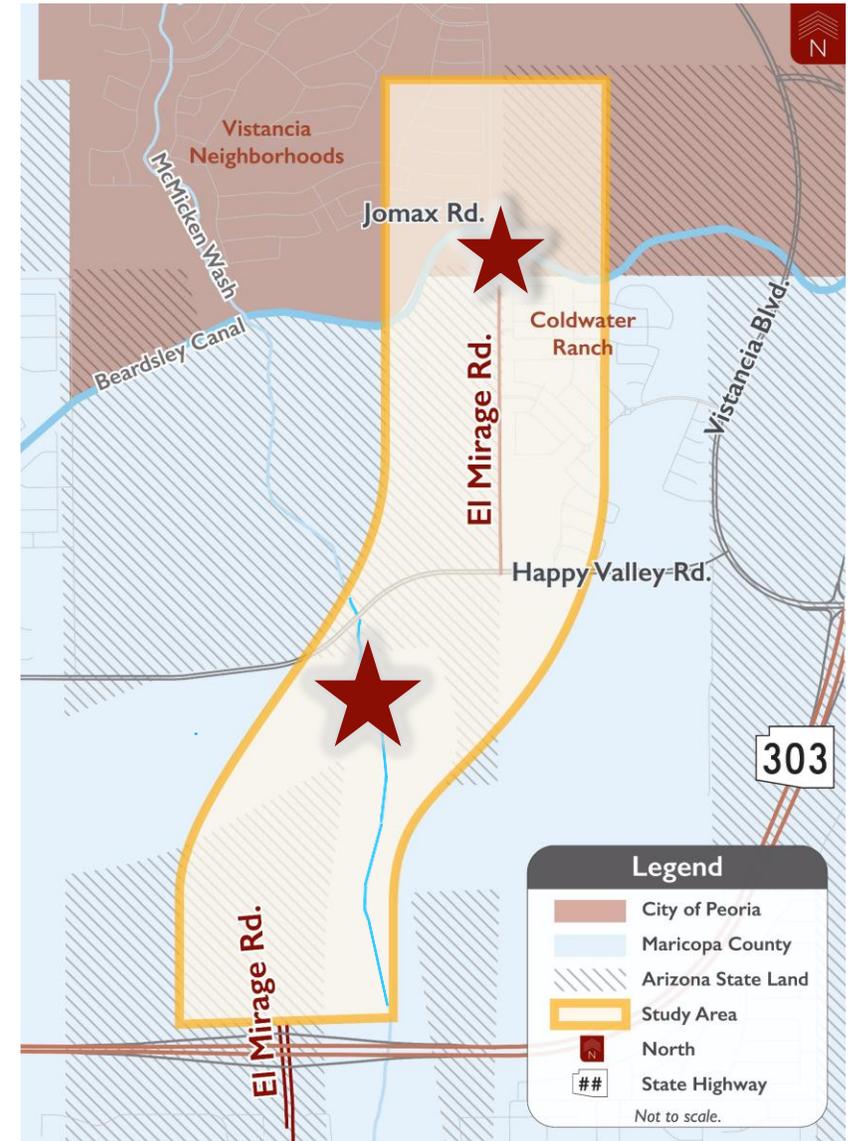
Cross Street	4-Lane (Initial Configuration)	6-Lane (Ultimate Configuration)
At Happy Valley Road	Traffic Signal	Traffic Signal
At Coldwater Ranch Drive	Left Turn In, Left Turn Out (LILO)	LILO <i>or</i> Traffic Signal
At Tether Trail	Roundabout <i>or</i> LILLO	Right Turn In, Right Turn Out (RIRO), <i>or</i> 3/4 Access
At Desert Sun Lane	Right Turn Out	Right Turn Out
At Jomax Road	Stop Sign, Traffic Signal, <i>or</i> Roundabout	Traffic Signal

STRUCTURAL CROSSINGS

Structural crossings over McMicken Wash and Beardsley Canal for vehicles, bicyclists, and pedestrians.



Approximate locations



STRUCTURAL CROSSINGS

McMicken Wash: 100-year storm floodway.

- Reinforced concrete box culvert
- 10 “boxes” - 12 feet by 12 feet

Example Only: Reinforced concrete box culvert over a wash crossing in Mesa



STRUCTURAL CROSSINGS

Beardsley Canal:

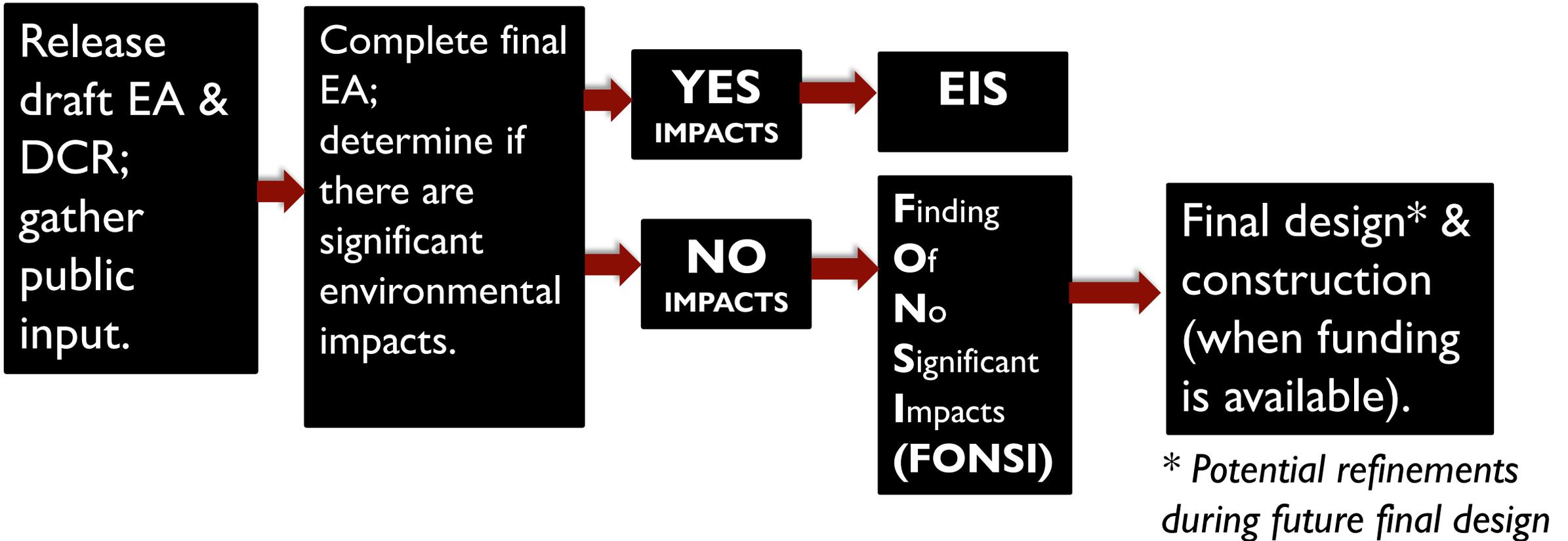
- Single-Span Bridge
- 67 feet long (approximately)
- 125 feet wide (approximately)



Example Only: Single-span bridge over the Beardsley Canal at 147th Avenue in Surprise



WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?



Your Input Helps Inform Next Steps!

COMMENT PERIOD AND SURVEY

Ask questions, submit comments, and complete the online survey about the design concepts through March 28, 2025

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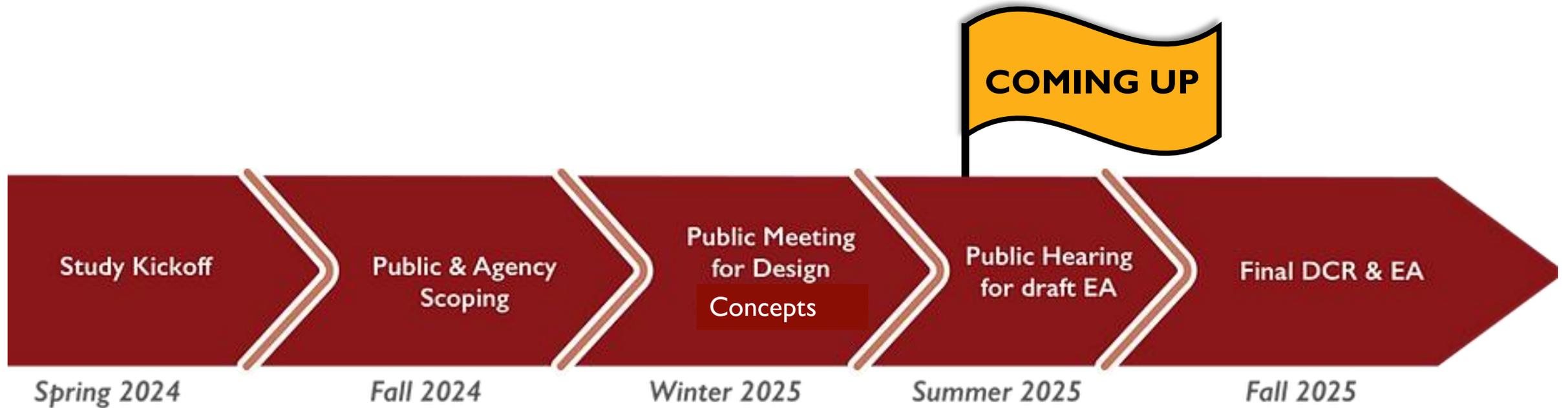
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Online Survey:

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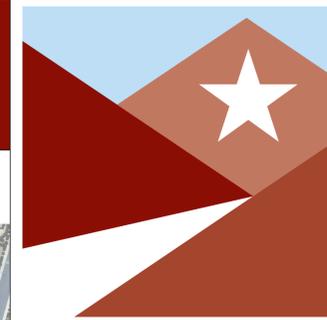
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Thank you!

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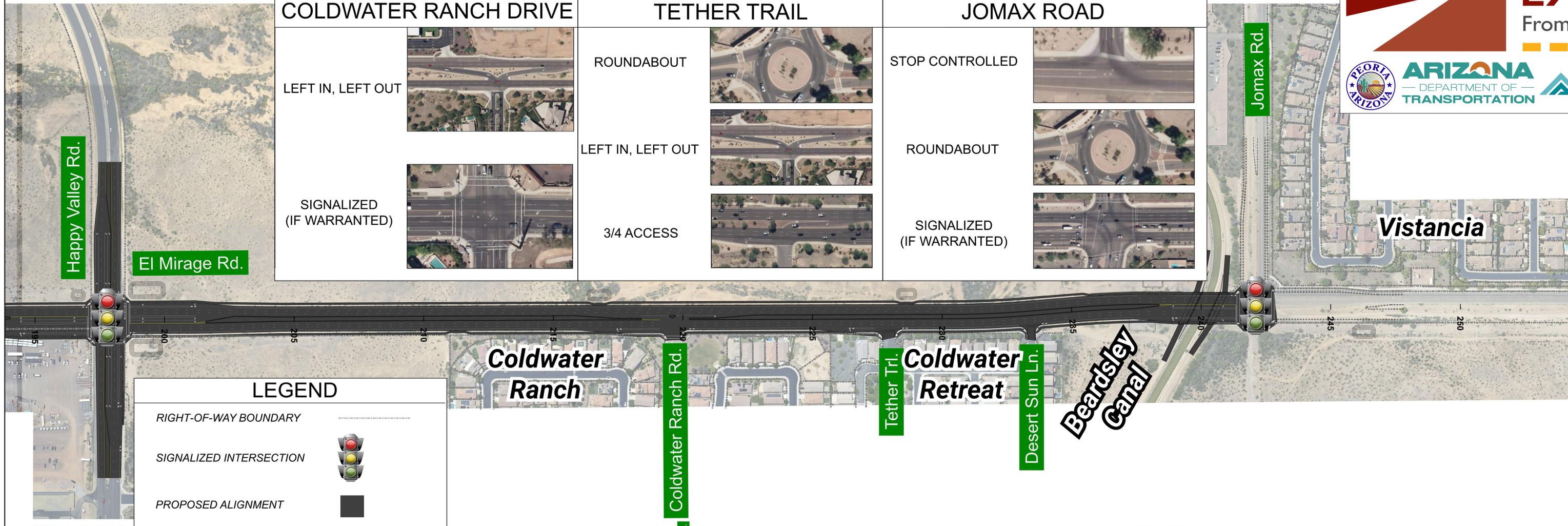
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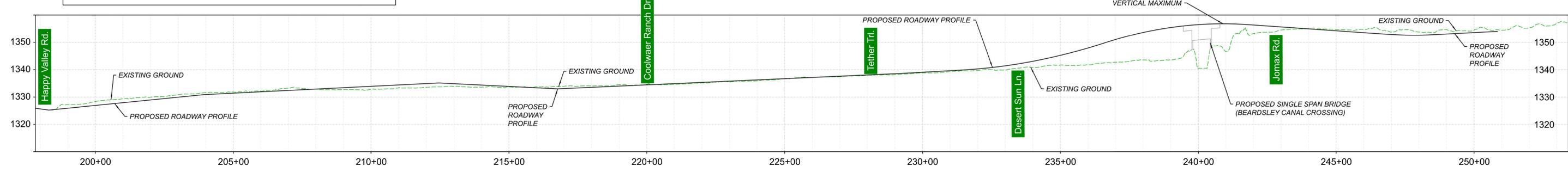
INTERSECTION TREATMENT OPTIONS (IMAGES FOR REFERENCE ONLY)	
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LEFT IN, LEFT OUT 	ROUNDBOUT
SIGNALIZED (IF WARRANTED) 	LEFT IN, LEFT OUT
	3/4 ACCESS

JOMAX ROAD
STOP CONTROLLED
ROUNDBOUT
SIGNALIZED (IF WARRANTED)

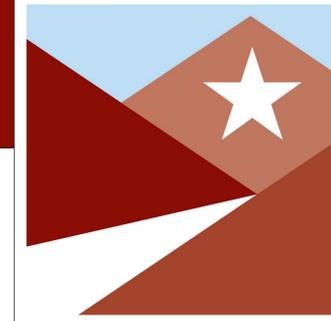


LEGEND

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- SIGNALIZED INTERSECTION: Traffic light icon
- PROPOSED ALIGNMENT: Solid black line



EL MIRAGE ROAD: LOOP 303 TO HAPPY VALLEY ROAD



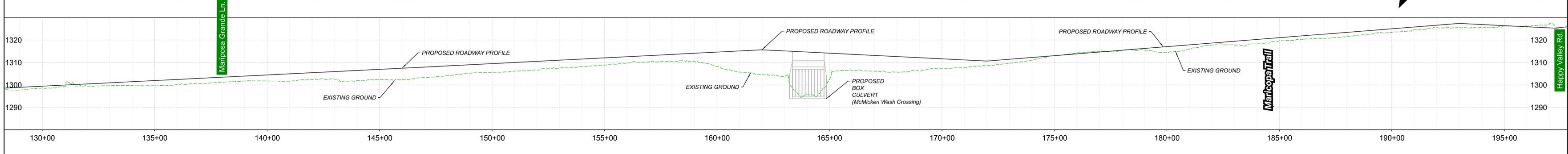
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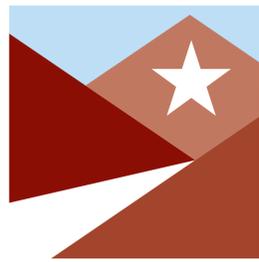
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- MARICOPA TRAIL
- RIGHT-OF-WAY BOUNDARY
- SIGNALIZED INTERSECTION
- MAG STUDY
- PROPOSED ALIGNMENT





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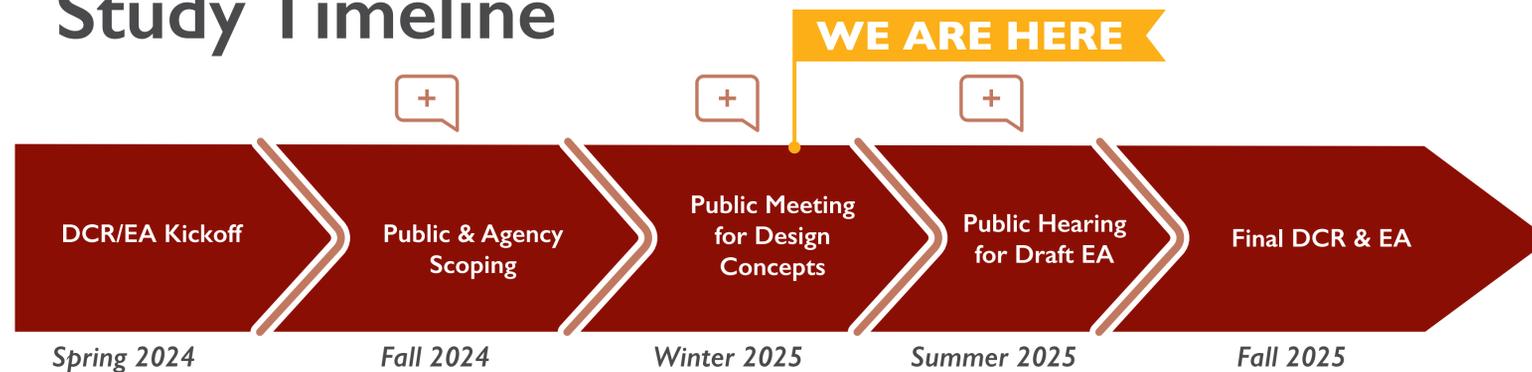
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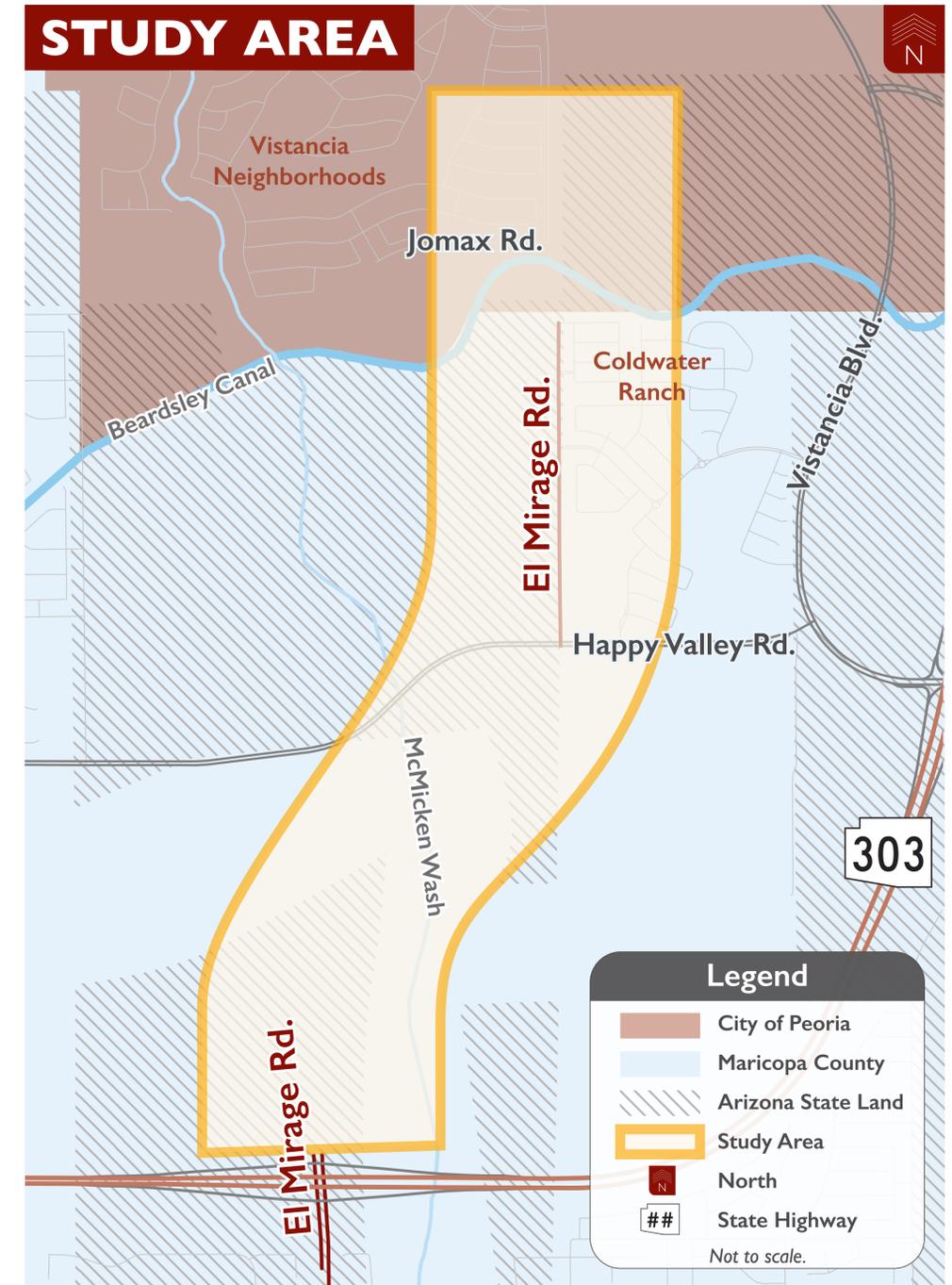
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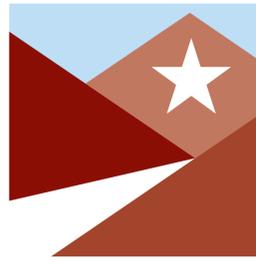
Formal public meeting or other opportunity to provide input

Schedule is subject to change

STUDY AREA



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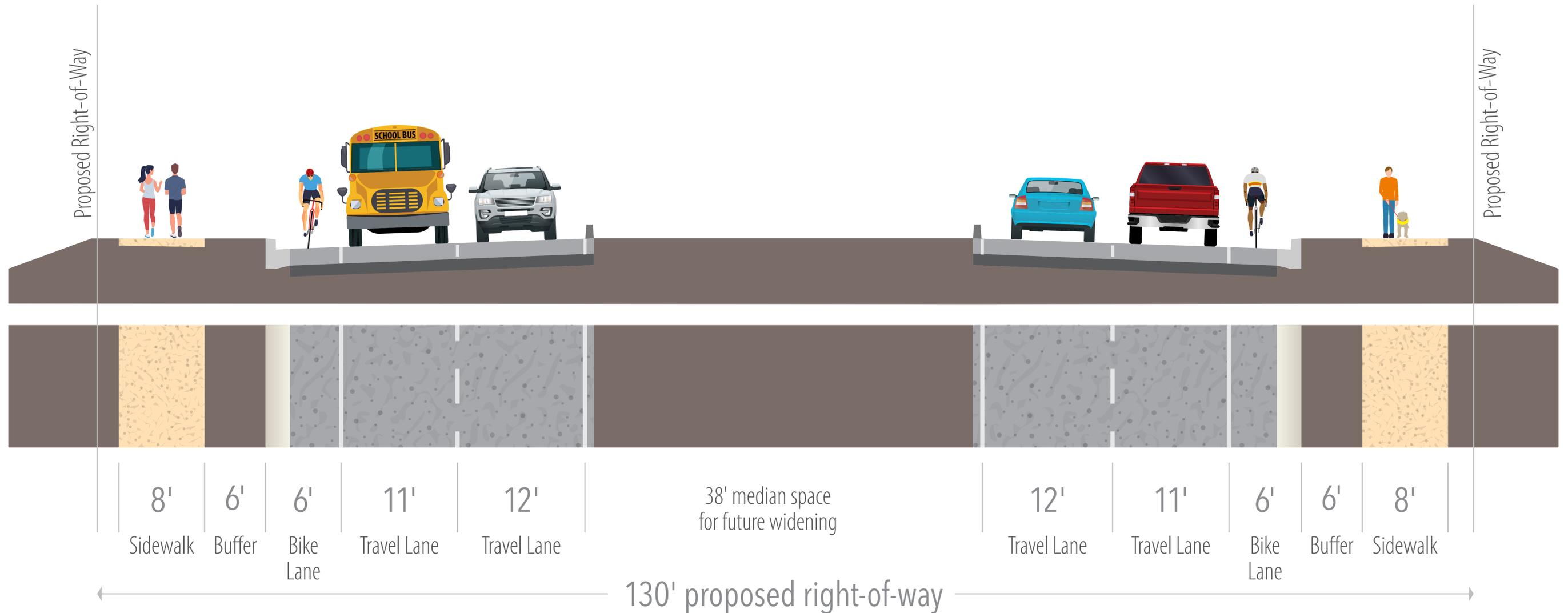
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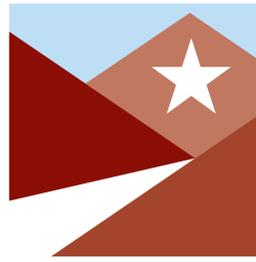
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FOUR-LANE (INITIAL CONFIGURATION) CROSS SECTION



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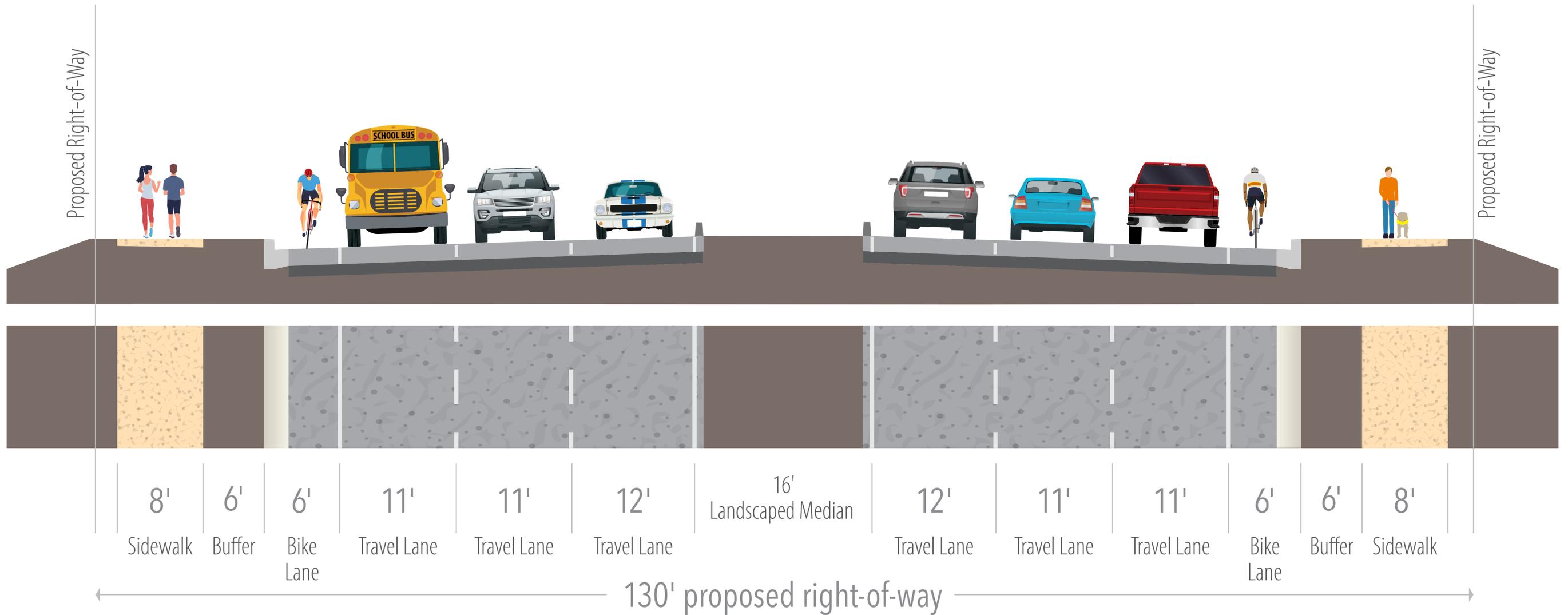
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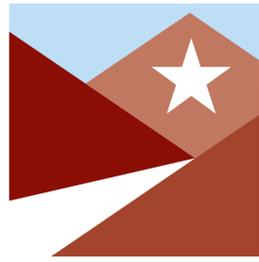
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SIX-LANE (ULTIMATE CONFIGURATION) CROSS SECTION



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This project includes preparing an Environmental Assessment (EA), which is analyzing the following elements in the study area:

- **Land Use/Ownership**
- **Biological Resources**
 - Endangered Species
 - Native Plants
- **Water Resources**
 - Clean Water Act Permitting
 - Floodplains
 - Erosion Control
- **Cultural Resources**
- **Air Quality**
- **Noise**
- **Hazardous Materials**
- **Socioeconomics**
- **Section 4(f) Resources**
- **Visual Resources**
- **Utilities**
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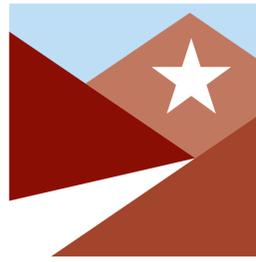
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If the EA results in a FONSI, the next steps would be final design and construction of the recommended improvements, pending the availability of funding.

The environmental review, consultation and other actions required by applicable Federal environmental laws for this project are being or have been carried out by ADOT pursuant to 23 USC 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated 06/25/2024 and executed by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and ADOT.



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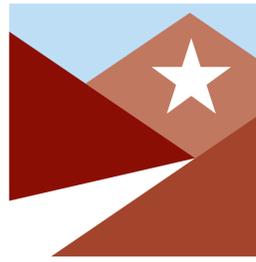
OTHER NORTHWEST VALLEY PROJECTS

This map provides the locations of and information about other projects near **but not related to** the El Mirage Road: Loop 303 to Jomax Road project.

- 1 **Westwing Business Park:** This project is extending El Mirage Road north of Loop 303 to provide access to the proposed subdivision. Work is being done under a permit with the Maricopa County Department of Transportation and includes paving, pavement markings, and signage.
- 2 **Mariposa Grande Paving Project:** This private access road is being improved and will eventually connect the Westwing Business Park to the future El Mirage Road north of Loop 303.
- 3 **Happy Valley Road and Vistancia Road Intersection:** The city of Peoria is developing a Design Concept Report for the future realignment of the Happy Valley and Vistancia roads intersection. This DCR is currently anticipated for completion later this year.
- 4 **McMicken Dam Outlet Channel Improvements:** The Maricopa County Flood Control District has completed reconstruction of the Outlet Channel to meet flood protection requirements. The channel stretches from approximately Dysart Road to 155th Avenue.
- 5 **North Peoria Gateway Development Project:** The city of Peoria is currently rezoning land along Loop 303 near Happy Valley Parkway for this 1,620-acre mixed-use development, which is expected to include residential, commercial, and employment-center uses.



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This project would include constructing structural crossings for vehicles, pedestrians, and cyclists over McMicken Wash and the Beardsley Canal. Each crossing would include vehicle travel lanes, sidewalks, bicycle lanes, and safety railing.

MCMICKEN WASH: REINFORCED CONCRETE BOX CULVERT



(Representative Image Only: Reinforced concrete box culvert at Ellsworth Road and Williams Field Road/Gateway Boulevard in Mesa)

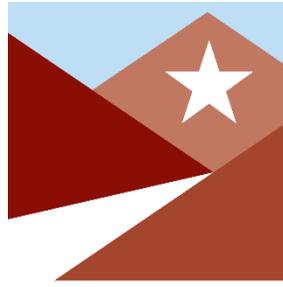
BEARDSLEY CANAL: SINGLE-SPAN BRIDGE



(Representative Image Only: Single-span bridge over the Beardsley Canal at 147th Avenue in Surprise)



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El Mirage Road: Loop 303 to Jomax Road Design Concept Report and Environmental Assessment

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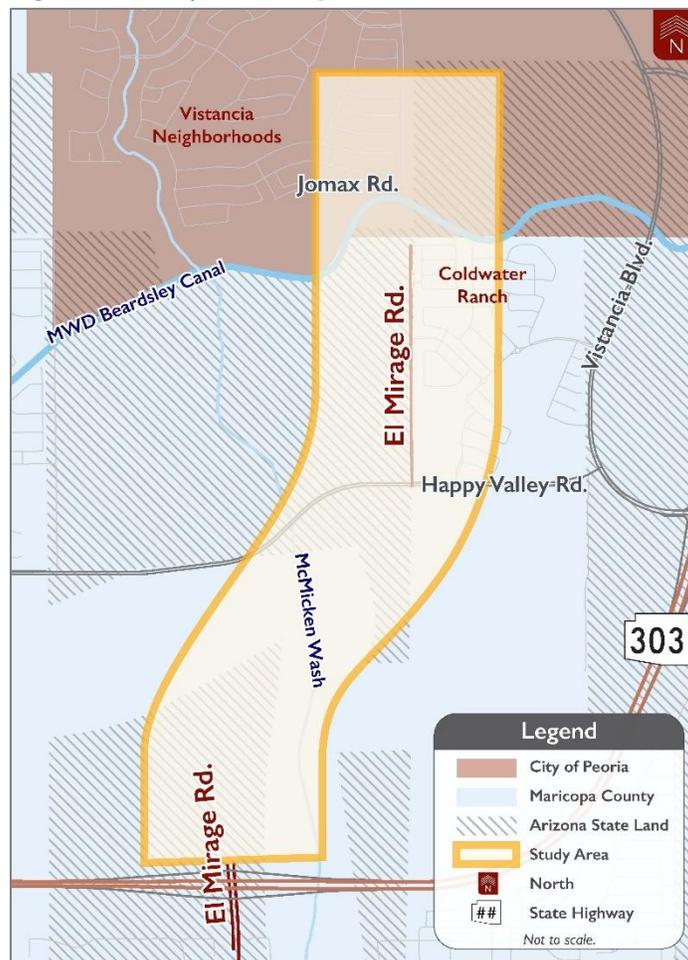
I.1 Overview

The Arizona Department of Transportation, in cooperation with the city of Peoria, the Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG), and Maricopa County, is evaluating improvements to El Mirage Road to meet current and projected traffic needs and improve regional connectivity to Loop 303. Potential improvements include:

- » Extending El Mirage Road about two miles, between Loop 303 and Jomax Road.
- » Constructing structural crossings over McMicken Wash and the Beardsley Canal.
- » Adding intersection treatments on El Mirage Road at Happy Valley and Jomax roads.

This project includes preparing a Design Concept Report (DCR) and Environmental Assessment (EA) in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). As shown in Figure I, the half-mile study area stretches from Loop 303 on the south to about one-third of a mile north of Jomax Road. Most of the study area is in Maricopa County, although the top portion is within the city of Peoria.

Figure 1: Study Area Map



2 IN-PERSON PUBLIC MEETING

ADOT and the city of Peoria hosted an in-person, open-house-style meeting from 5 to 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 26, 2025, at Lake Pleasant Elementary School, 31501 N. Westland Road, Peoria, AZ 85383. The purpose of the meeting was to share general information—including project background, the project timeline, and next steps—and provide the public with the opportunity to:

- » Review the design concepts for the initial and ultimate configurations of El Mirage Road between Loop 303 and Jomax Road.
- » Ask questions of and share input with the project team and local governmental representatives.
- » Complete a survey seeking input about the potential project; if or how the public would interact with it; and the design concepts for the initial and ultimate configurations.

ADOT also shared information about the affected environments being analyzed by the NEPA EA and the overall NEPA process.

Ninety-three people signed in at the meeting. Personnel from ADOT, the city of Peoria, the city of Surprise, the Maricopa County Department of Transportation, and project team consultants also attended, as did Peoria Councilmember Matt Bullock, who represents the Mesquite District where the study area is located.

Figure 2: Members of the public provide input at the roll plots.



2.1 Public Meeting Notification

The public meeting was advertised in multiple ways, beginning on Feb. 5, 2025, and continuing through the meeting date. Information was provided in English based on Limited English Proficiency (LEP) data and the findings of the four-factor analysis. ADOT’s standard nondiscrimination language was included on all notifications where applicable in English and Spanish. The project team was prepared to accommodate non-English language requests as well as requests for accommodations because of a disability. No such requests were made.

2.1.1 Project Website

The project website at <https://www.elmirageroadextension.com/> went live on Sept. 1, 2024, and serves as the hub for project information. The day, date, time, and location of the public meeting—as well as information about the meeting format and comment period—was added to the [Public Meeting & Hearings](#) tab on Feb. 5, 2025. The following meeting materials were uploaded to the [Resources](#) tab of the website in advance of the public meeting to accommodate those who did not attend in person:

- » Presentation Video.
- » Roll Plot – El Mirage Road from Loop 303 to Happy Valley Road.
- » Roll Plot – El Mirage Road from Happy Valley Road to Jomax Road.
- » Presentation Boards.
- » Meeting Flier.
- » Online Survey (with a note that surveys must be completed before the comment period ended on March 28, 2025).

In response to feedback received at the meeting, a graphic of the Conceptual Roadway Corridor Alignment was added to the [Resources](#) tab of the website on March 4, 2025.

Appendix A provides copies of the public meeting materials posted to the website.

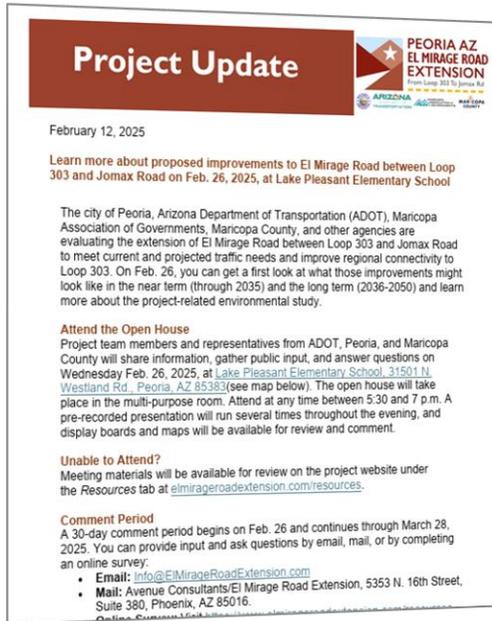
Figure 3: Meeting participants provide feedback.



2.1.2 Email Alerts

The project team created and maintains a database of key stakeholders and members of the public who subscribe to receive project updates by email. As of Feb. 26, 2025, the database included email addresses for 851 subscribers and 59 stakeholders representing study-area homeowners' associations, first-responders, clubs/organizations/community groups, schools, places of worship, senior centers, businesses, development groups, the cities of Peoria and Surprise, the Maricopa County Department of Transportation, the Flood Control District of Maricopa County, and ADOT.

Figure 4: Branded Email Alert Template



The project team has also created a project-branded email alert template featuring the project logo, color palette, and font designated by the project's brand standards. This template is consistently used to share project updates and information by email (see Figure 4). This email template includes ADOT's standard nondiscrimination language (in English and Spanish), ADOT's NEPA Assignment Disclosure Language; and the federal and ADOT project numbers.

Email alerts about the public meeting were sent to all email addresses in the database on Feb. 5, 2025; Feb. 12, 2025; and Feb. 24, 2025. In addition, Councilmember Bullock included information about the public meeting in his weekly email alert to the Mesquite District on Feb. 19, 2025.

Appendix B provides copies of Project Update emails sent to stakeholders in the database by the project team, and the email that Councilmember Bullock sent to the subscribers in the Mesquite District.

2.1.3 Press Release

The city of Peoria sent a press release about the public meeting to its statewide news media database on Feb. 12, 2025, and included the press release in the [Newsroom section](#) of its website with links to the project website, project email address, and online survey.

Appendix C provides a copy of the press release and a screen shot of city's website where it is posted.

2.1.4 Newspaper Ads

Two, four-color newspaper ads ran in publications that serve the study area. The first ad, measuring 4.79 inches by 8.85 inches, ran on Feb. 5, 2025, in the *Sun City Independent*. The second ad, a half-page in size, ran on Feb. 6, 2025, in the *Peoria Times*. Both newspaper ads featured the project logo, and provided general information about the project; the day, date, time, location, and purpose of the public meeting; the meeting format; information about the comment period and ways to provide input before the close of the comment period; the project website; ADOT's standard nondiscrimination language (in English and Spanish); ADOT's NEPA Assignment Disclosure Language; and the federal and ADOT project numbers. Both ads also stated that meeting materials were available on the project website for those who could not attend.

Appendix D provides copies of both ads.

2.1.5 Direct Mailer

An 8.5-inch-by-11-inch, two-sided direct mailer was delivered to 6,800 addresses within two miles of the study area and in adjacent neighborhoods outside the study area during the week of Feb. 10-14, 2025, via Every Door Direct Mail (EDDM). The mailer featured the project logo, a map of the study area, and a map of the meeting location, and provided general information about the project; the day, date, time, location, and purpose of the public meeting; the meeting format; information about the comment period and ways to provide input before it closed; the project website; ADOT's standard nondiscrimination language (in English and Spanish); ADOT's NEPA Assignment Disclosure Language; and the federal and ADOT project numbers. The mailer stated that meeting materials were available on the project website for those who could not attend.

Appendix E provides a copy of the EDDM mailer.

2.1.6 Pulse on Peoria Newsletter

The city of Peoria shared information about the public meeting, including a link to the project website, in its *Pulse on Peoria* newsletter during the weeks of Feb. 17-21 and Feb. 24-28, 2025. The city's Office of Communications distributes the weekly newsletter electronically to residents and shares it on its social media platforms including Instagram, Facebook, YouTube, and X.

Appendix F provides excerpts from the *Pulse on Peoria* newsletters (specifically, the pages that provided information about the public meeting).

3 PUBLIC MEETING

Ninety-three people signed in at the public meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 26, 2025, at Lake Pleasant Elementary School, 31501 N. Westland Road, Peoria, AZ 85383. The public was encouraged to attend at any time between 5 and 7:30 p.m. to review the design concepts for the initial and ultimate configurations of El Mirage Road between Loop 303 and Jomax Road; speak to project team members and local government representatives, and complete a survey about the project. Meeting materials were uploaded to the website before the meeting began so the public could view them in advance and/or to accommodate those who did not attend in person.

The open-house style meeting allowed members of the public to participate as their schedules allowed and speak directly with subject-matter experts about the roadway corridor alignment, intersections, structural crossings, pedestrian and bicycle features, and other project elements. Representatives from ADOT, the city of Peoria, the Maricopa County Department of Transportation, and project team consultants from Burgess and Niple, Jacobs, and Avenue Consultants were on hand to assist meeting attendees, provide information, gather input, and answer questions at various "stations" setup in the meeting room (see Table I). Representatives from ADOT's Environmental Group and Aztec Engineering provided information and answer questions about the NEPA EA being completed, the affected environments the EA is analyzing, and the NEPA process.

In lieu of providing one presentation at a set time, the project team developed a 10-minute video with information about the project purpose, timeline, background, EA and DCR, preliminary roadway corridor alignment and features, initial and ultimate design concepts, structural crossings, and ways to remain involved. The video ran continuously throughout the evening in an area set up behind an audio screen, which provided a quieter viewing and listening environment. Meeting attendees could watch the video at any time during the meeting. The video is available under the [Resources tab](#) of the project website.

Table 1: Open-House-Style Meeting Stations

NO.	STATION	PURPOSE
1	Sign-in and Welcome	Allow participants to sign in, receive a meeting flyer, review ADOT’s Civil Rights and Title VI information, and complete ADOT’s voluntary Self-Identification Survey.
2	About the Project	Share general project information including participating agencies, the project purpose, a study area map, a timeline, and how to stay informed and involved.
3	Roadway Corridor 1	Display and explain the roll plots, answer questions about the conceptual roadway corridor alignment and intersection treatments, and invite participants to add their comments directly on the roll plots.
4	Roadway Corridor 2	Provide images of and information about the conceptual crossings over the Beardsley Canal and McMicken Wash, answer questions, and listen to feedback.
5	Roadway Corridor 3	Provide renderings of and information about the cross sections of the conceptual 4-lane initial and 6-lane ultimate configurations.
6	Other Projects	Share maps that provide information about and the locations of transportation and development projects in the city of Peoria and northwestern Maricopa County.
7	Presentation Viewing	Allow participants to gather in a separated quiet area to watch a 10-minute video presentation about the project with information about the project history, the DCR and EA process, the prior MAG feasibility study, the design concepts (alignment, structural crossings, intersections, and roadway corridor features), next steps in the process, and how to stay informed and involved.
8	Survey	Enable participants to complete a hard copy version of the survey, which was also available on the project website.

Figure 4: Watching the Informational Video at the Public Meeting



4 PUBLIC COMMENTS & SURVEY RESULTS

This section summarizes the comments received during the comment period, which closed on March 28, 2025. The public could submit comments by USPS mail, the project email address, on the roll plots at the public meeting, and through a survey, which was available online beginning Feb. 12, 2025, and via hard copy at the public meeting.

TOTAL COMMENTS

A total of **482** comments were received as noted below:

» USPS Mail:	0
» Public Meeting Roll Plots:	06
» Email:	18
» Survey:	458

SUMMARY OF PUBLIC MEETING COMMENTS

Multiple people who attended the public meeting expressed similar comments about the need to reduce traffic congestion and provide additional access to Loop 303. Generally, meeting participants said they favor the proposed extension of El Mirage Road between Loop 303 and Jomax Road. Comments received on the roll plots primarily addressed intersection treatments along El Mirage Road and lighting.

SUMMARY OF SURVEY COMMENTS

A total of 344 people completed the 10-question survey. Eight of the questions had a drop-down menu of answers from which to select. Two questions were open-ended, allowing respondents to write in their answers. This section summarizes comments provided via the two open-ended questions.

- » The first open-ended question asked respondents how they currently access Loop 303. Of the 344 respondents, 261 answered this question. Respondents identified seven options: 163rd Avenue, US 60/Grand Avenue, El Mirage Road, Happy Valley Road, Jomax Road, Lone Mountain Road, and Vistancia Boulevard. While many respondents said they use a mix of these options, one of them—Happy Valley Road—is by far the most used road for access to and from Loop 303.
- » The second open-ended question allowed respondents to provide the study team with any input regarding the proposed extension of El Mirage Road from Loop 303 to Jomax Road. Of the 344 respondents, 197 answered this question. Slightly more than half of respondents indicated that they favor the proposed project; a small number said they oppose it, while remaining respondents did not specify their stance or provided a comment unrelated to the proposed extension of El Mirage Road between Loop 303 and Jomax Road. Comments related to traffic were most common in the survey; nearly half addressed traffic issues such as congestion, long travel times, and the need for relief. Safety was another common theme, as well as intersection treatments on El Mirage Road and access to and from Coldwater Ranch. Some respondents expressed concern about potential impacts from traffic noise, streetlights, and increased traffic on El Mirage Road adjacent to homes.

SUMMARY OF SURVEY RESULTS

This section summarizes responses to the eight questions that provided answer options in a drop-down menu. Slightly more than half of respondents said they live in Peoria. City of Surprise and Maricopa County residents made up the bulk of remaining respondents. About half of respondents live within one mile or just more than a mile from the proposed project area. A majority of respondents said they do not own/operate a business or work within the vicinity of the proposed project area; of those who do, most said the proposed project would

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benefit their business or customers. Most respondents said they live, work or travel to and from Loop 303 from the north. When asked how they would use the proposed extension of El Mirage Road, the top response was to travel to and from Loop 303. More than half of the respondents said they would use the proposed extension of El Mirage Road daily. Slightly more than half of respondents said they would not use bicycle lanes or sidewalks along El Mirage Road between Loop 303 and Jomax Road; of those who said they would use them, recreational uses such as walking or cycling was the top response.

RESPONSES TO COMMENTS

The project team collaborated to provide responses to the email comments when appropriate and directly addressed comments made at the public meeting. The project team did not respond to comments received on the survey.

Appendix G provides comment logs and survey results.

4.1 Summary of All Public Comments

Comments received by email, on the roll plots at the public meeting, and via the survey were assigned a Topic Code(s) to identify common themes. Table 2 provides the Topic Codes and the number of comments affiliated with each one. Note that some comments addressed multiple topics, while others did not identify any topic(s).

Table 2: Comment Topic Codes and Affiliated Comments

Topic Code	Topic	Question or Comment Generally Refers To:	Number of Related Comments
AQ	Air Quality	Increased air pollution.	0
AT	Active Transportation	Bike lanes, sidewalks, trails.	4
B	Budget	Project cost, funding source(s).	0
C	Construction Timeline	Start and end dates, duration of construction.	1
D/L	Design/Location	Alignment; what the roadway might look like; number of lanes; elevation of bridges; proximity to homes, landscaping, streetlights.	3
E	Environment (other than Noise)	Oppose new roadway in desert; concern for animals, plants, water, climate change, etc.	1
M	Maintenance	Maintenance of roadway once operational.	0
N	Noise	Increased traffic noise, type of noise abatement.	8
O	Other	Other topic not noted here.	32 (Intersection treatments; access for Coldwater Ranch and other neighborhoods)
RC	Roadway Classification	Type of road, speed limit, local traffic only, heavy trucks.	2
ROW	Right of Way	Property acquisition.	0
S	Safety	Crashes involving vehicles and/or active transportation users; speeding.	23
T	Traffic	Needed to alleviate congestion vs. opposed to more traffic by residences; AADT projections.	93

As noted previously, several comments were not related to the extension of El Mirage Road between Loop 303 and Jomax Road; instead, they addressed the local transportation system and/or traffic conditions and roadway or intersection improvements outside of the study area. The project team referred the individual asking the question or making the comment to the appropriate agency, such as the city of Peoria or Maricopa County Department of Transportation, and provided the question or comment to the appropriate agency.

5 TITLE VI REPORTING

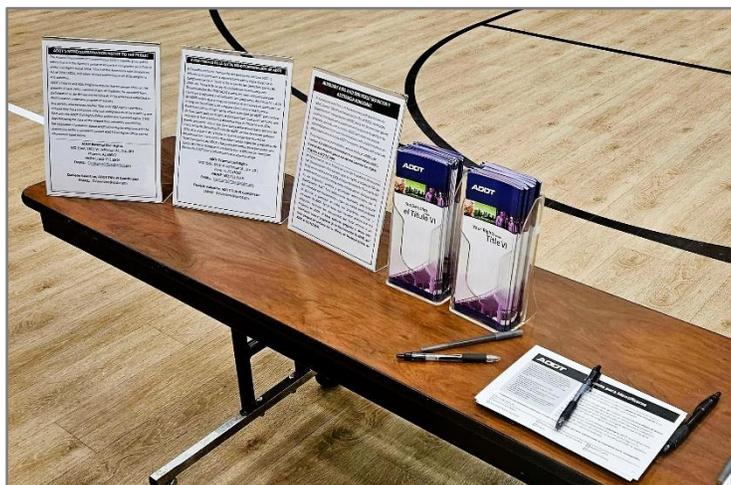
5.1 Voluntary Self-Identification Surveys

Meeting participants were asked to complete ADOT’s voluntary self-identification survey for Title VI reporting purposes. Twenty-five out of 93 meeting attendees (26 percent) completed a survey card. Of the 25 respondents, 23 said they were White, one person said they were Hispanic/Latino, and one person said they were Asian.

5.2 Title VI Meeting Summary Report

The Title VI Public Meeting Summary Report documenting ADOT’s compliance with Title VI and Title II nondiscrimination and accommodations was submitted to the ADOT Civil Rights Office on March 3, 2025. The ADOT Civil Rights Office analyzed the data to confirm that services were provided in a nondiscriminatory manner and commended the project team for “... taking advantage of using various forms of advertising” and “... giving the opportunity to others to receive notice and take part in the public meetings and engage in discussions.”

Figure 5: ADOT Nondiscrimination Information and Self-ID Surveys at the Public Meeting

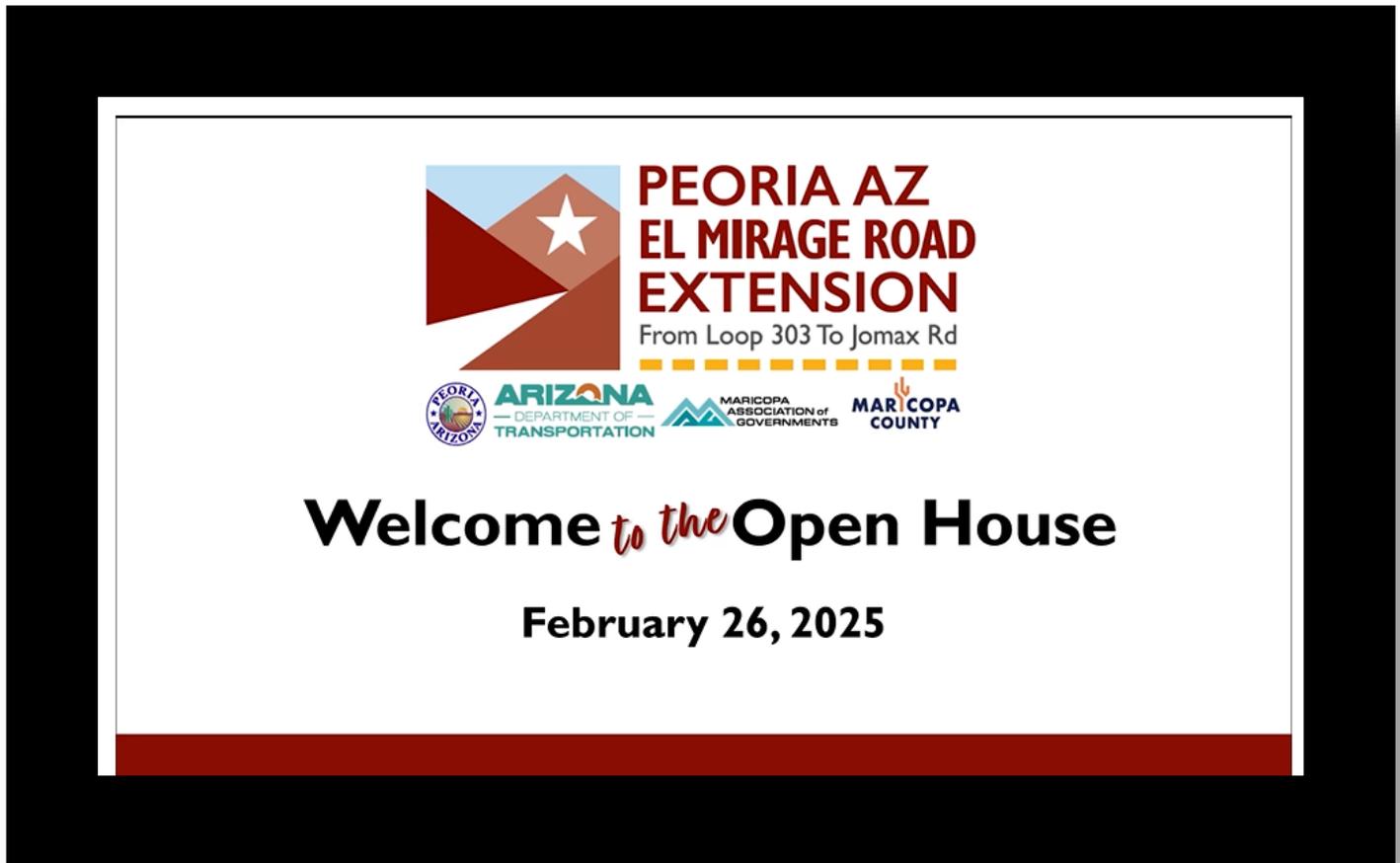


Appendix A includes links to the presentation video and copies of the presentation slides, two roll plots, seven presentation boards, the meeting flyer, and the six-page survey provided at the public meeting, as well as the Conceptual Roadway Corridor Alignment graphic that was uploaded to the website after the meeting in response to meeting input received.

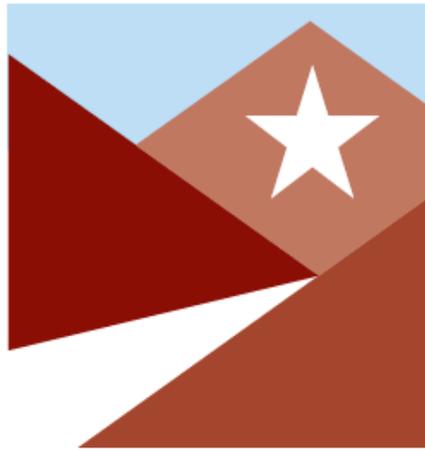
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PRESENTATION VIDEO

The presentation video is available on the project website at <https://www.elmirageroadextension.com/resources> and here: <https://www.elmirageroadextension.com/videos>.



The presentation slides are on the 24 pages that follow.



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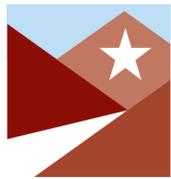
ABOUT THIS PRESENTATION:

- Explain the current project: Prepare a Design Concept Report (DCR) and Environmental Assessment (EA).
- Provide project background: How did we get here?
- Share the design concepts for the **4-lane (initial configuration)** which could be built in the short-term, and the **6-lane (ultimate configuration)** which could be built in the future.
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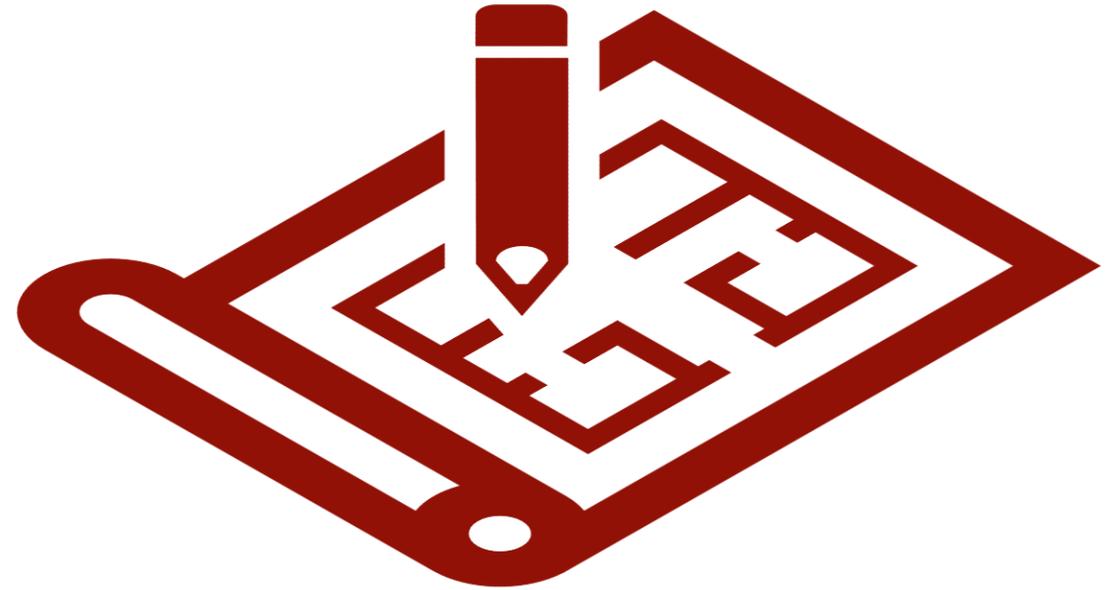


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Design Concept Report (DCR):

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project plans



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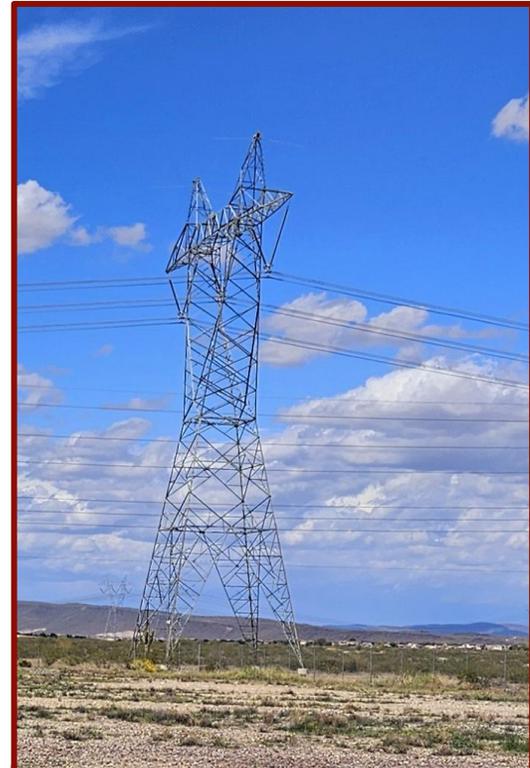
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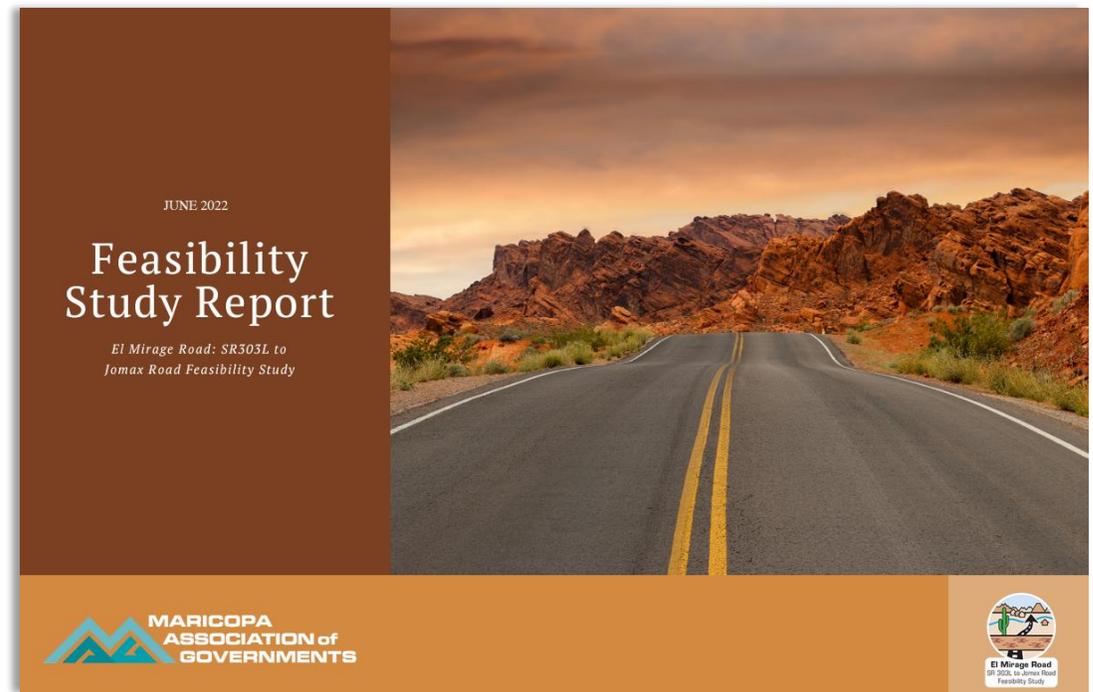
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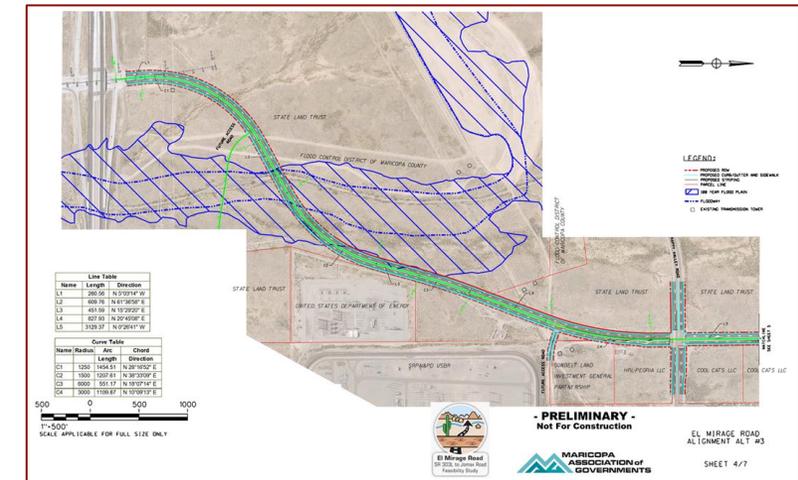
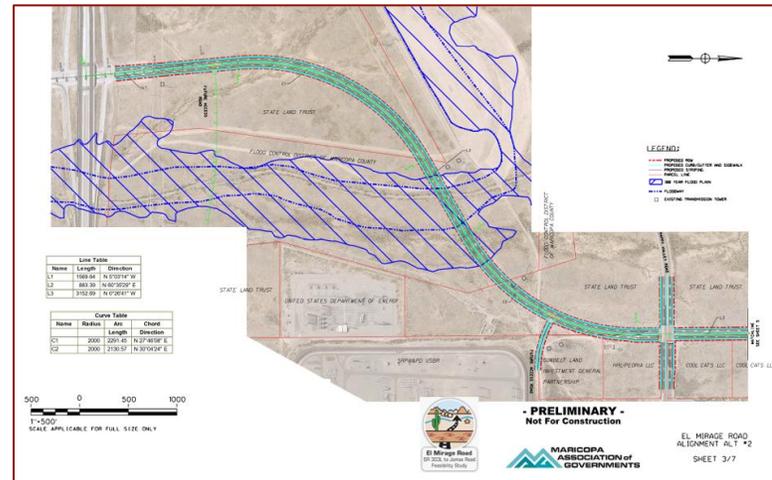
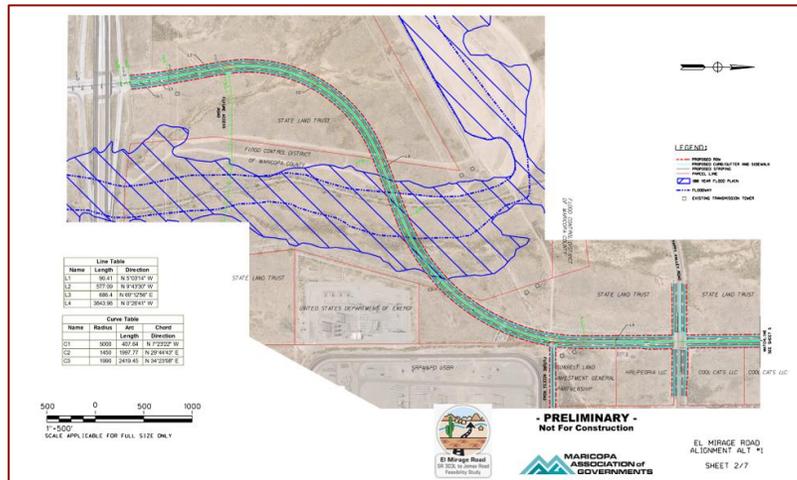
How did we get here



- June 2022 - *El Mirage Road: SR303L to Jomax Road Feasibility Study*.
- “There is a growing need for a continuous connection between SR 303L and Jomax Road to provide better access and relieve some of the congestion within the study area.” - *MAG Feasibility Study*

Read the MAG Study: ElMirageRoadExtension.com/Resources

MAG study developed and screened three roadway alternatives:



Alternative 1

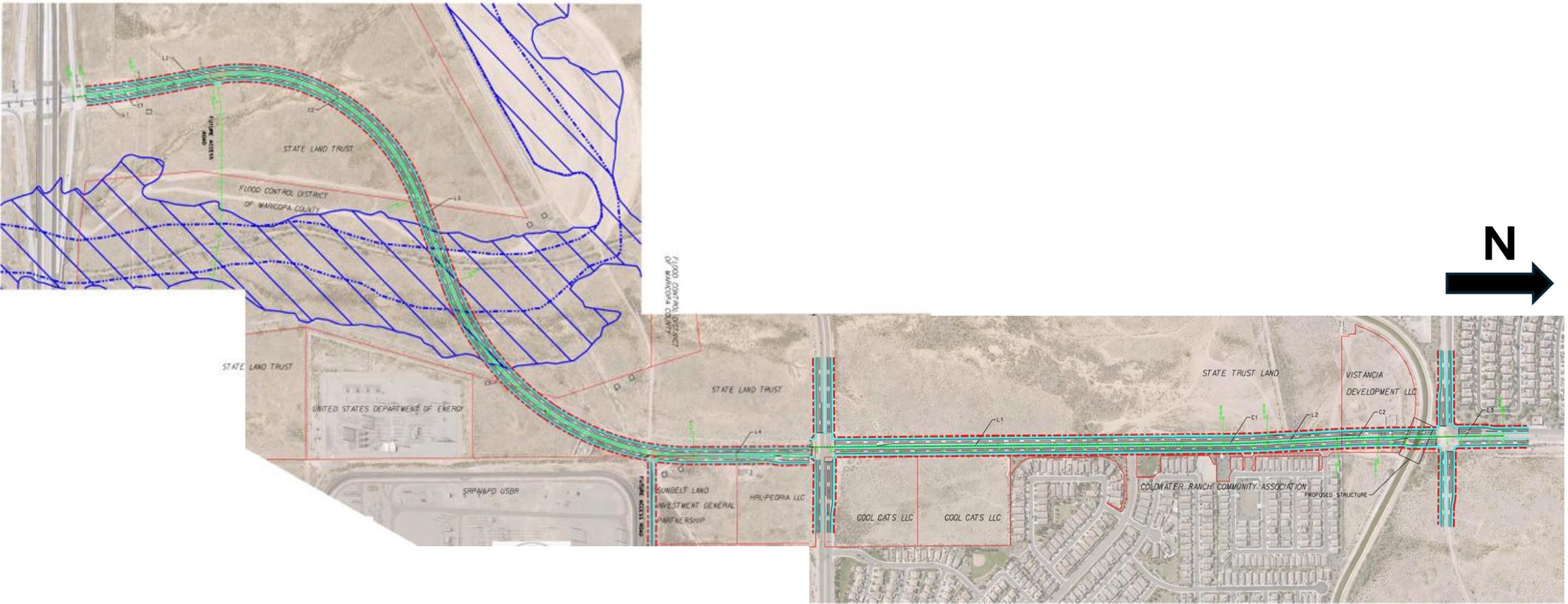
- Performance
- Impacts
- Intersection options at Happy Valley and Jomax roads
- Broad-based planning-level costs

Alternative 2

Alternative 3

Read the **MAG Study**: ElMirageRoadExtension.com/Resources

MAG study recommended **Alternative No. I** for future study:



Read the **MAG Study**: ElMirageRoadExtension.com/Resources

Current project builds on the 2022 MAG study and the recommended Alternative I.

4-Lane (Initial Configuration): Roadway corridor that could be designed and constructed in the **short-term** as funding becomes available.

- **Accommodate traffic through 2035.**

6-Lane (Ultimate Configuration): Roadway corridor that could be designed and constructed in the **future** as funding becomes available.

- **Accommodate traffic through 2050.**

Conceptual Alignment

Loop 303



Eastern Curb Line

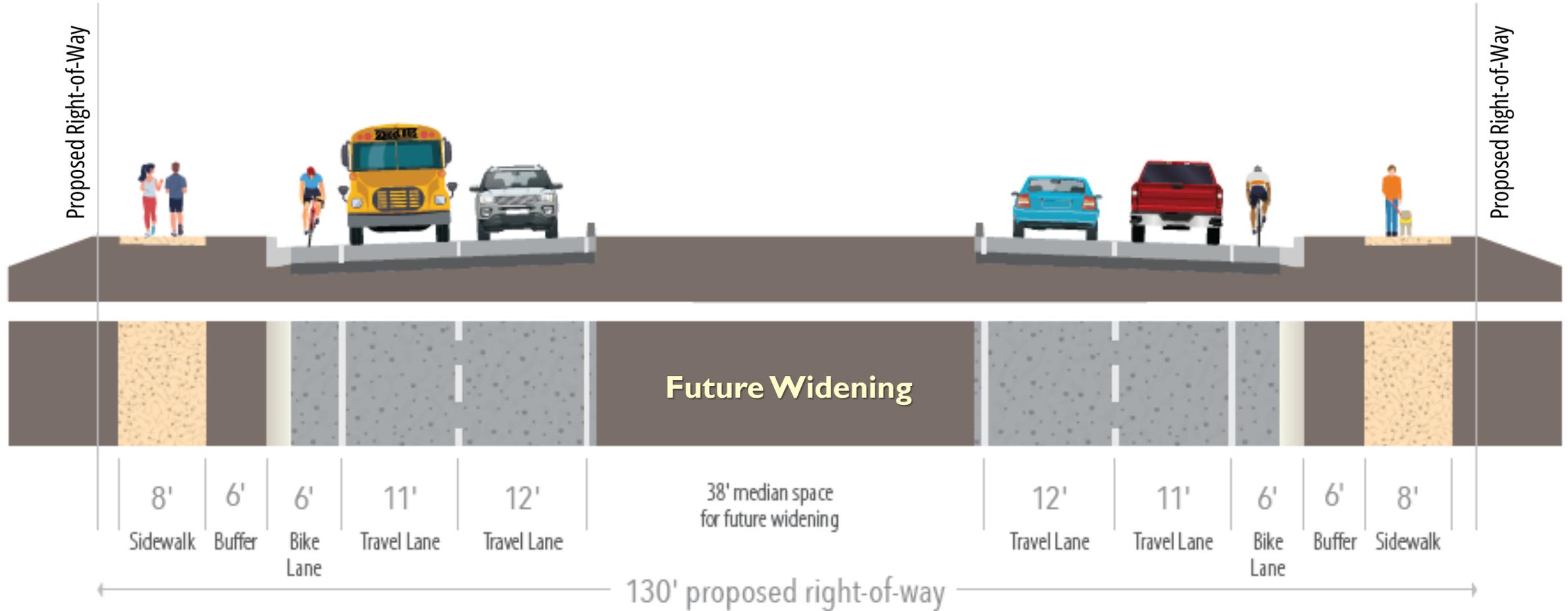
Jomax Road

Vistancia Neighborhood

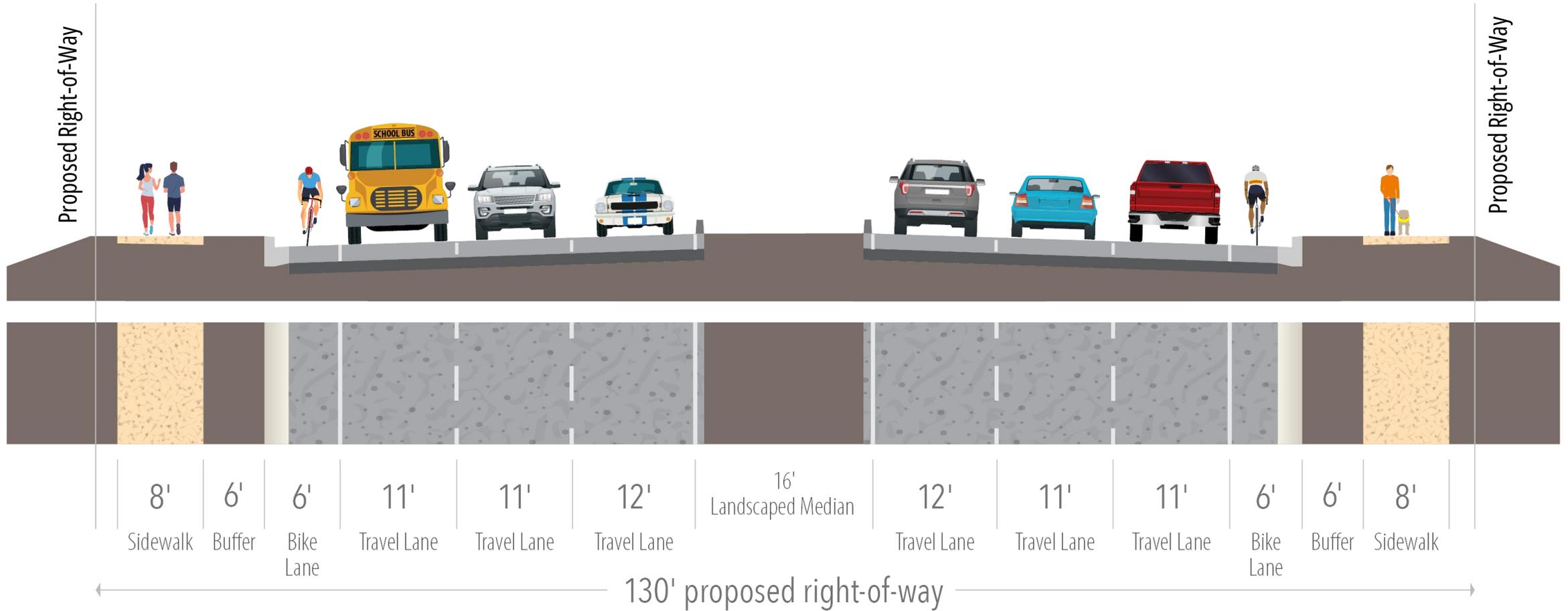
Happy Valley Road

Coldwater Ranch Neighborhood

4-LANE (INITIAL CONFIGURATION)



6-LANE (ULTIMATE CONFIGURATION)



CONCEPTUAL INTERSECTIONS ON EL MIRAGE ROAD

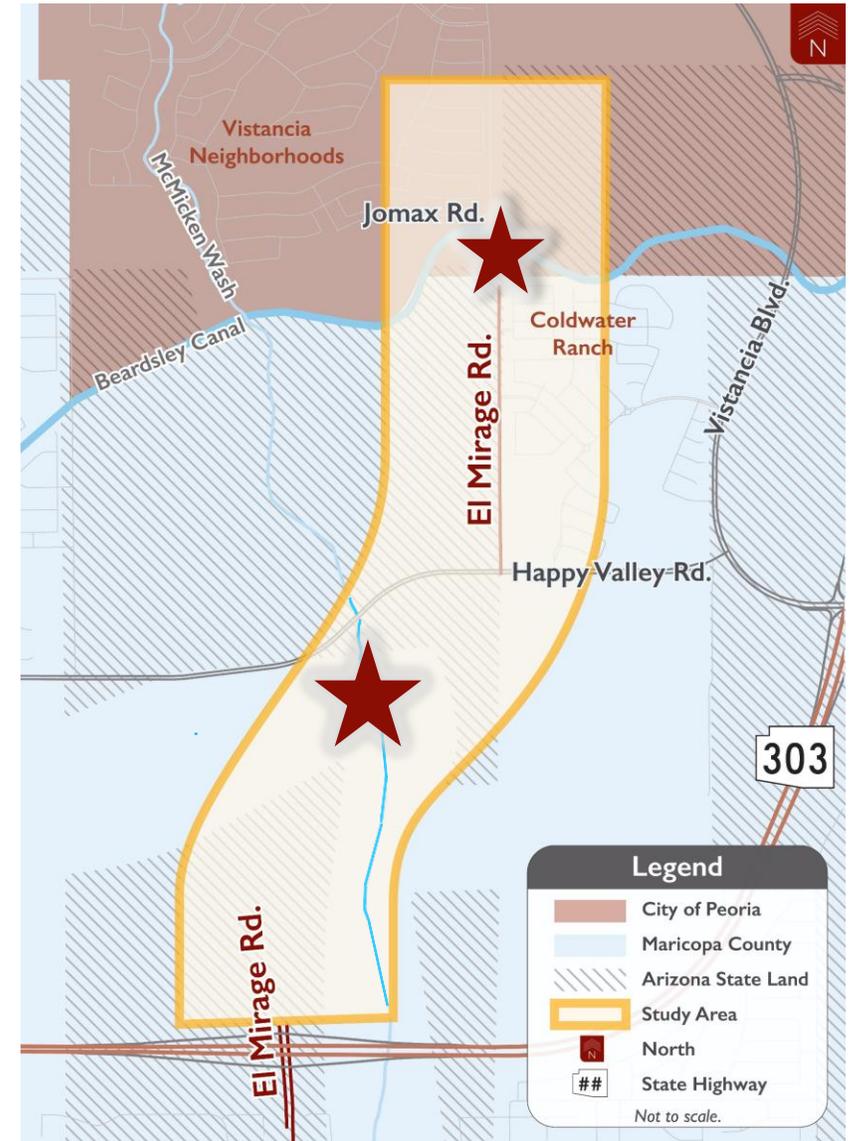
Cross Street	4-Lane (Initial Configuration)	6-Lane (Ultimate Configuration)
At Happy Valley Road	Traffic Signal	Traffic Signal
At Coldwater Ranch Drive	Left Turn In, Left Turn Out (LILO)	LILO or Traffic Signal
At Tether Trail	Roundabout or LILO	Right Turn In, Right Turn Out (RIRO), or 3/4 Access
At Desert Sun Lane	Right Turn Out	Right Turn Out
At Jomax Road	Stop Sign, Traffic Signal, or Roundabout	Traffic Signal

STRUCTURAL CROSSINGS

Structural crossings over McMicken Wash and Beardsley Canal for vehicles, bicyclists, and pedestrians.



Approximate locations



STRUCTURAL CROSSINGS

McMicken Wash: 100-year storm floodway.

- Reinforced concrete box culvert
- 10 “boxes” - 12 feet by 12 feet

Example Only: Reinforced concrete box culvert over a wash crossing in Mesa



STRUCTURAL CROSSINGS

Beardsley Canal:

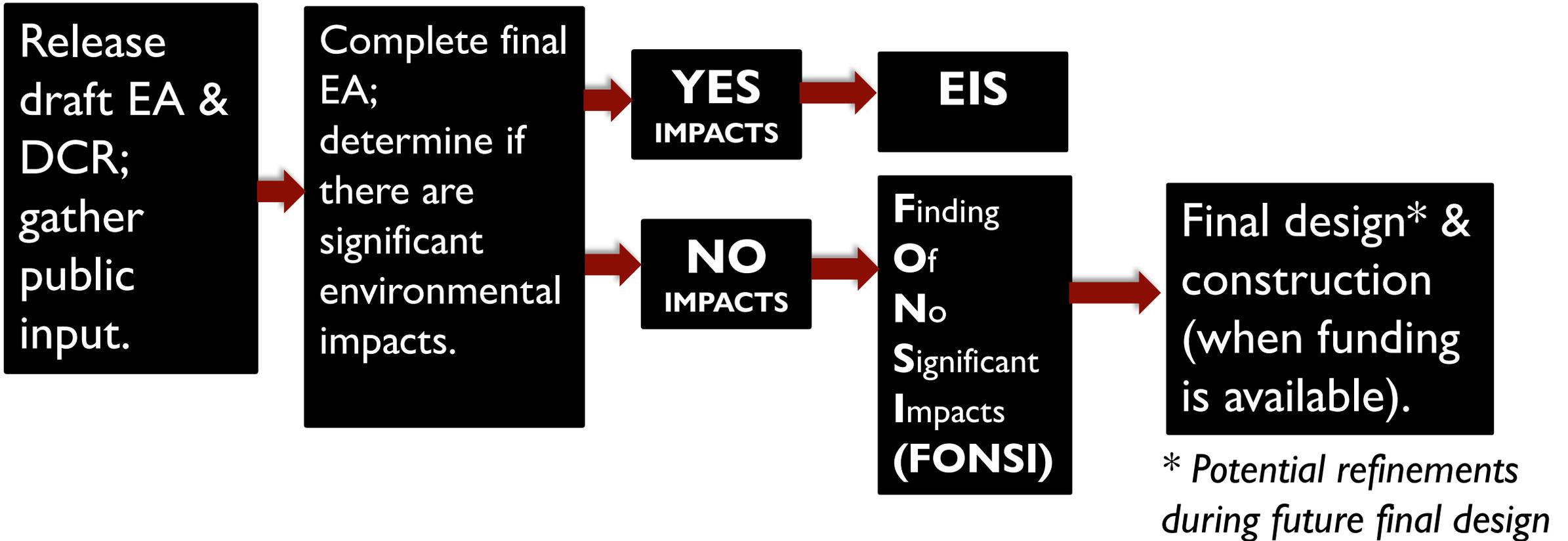
- Single-Span Bridge
- 67 feet long (approximately)
- 125 feet wide (approximately)



Example Only: Single-span bridge over the Beardsley Canal at 147th Avenue in Surprise



WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?



Your Input Helps Inform Next Steps!

COMMENT PERIOD AND SURVEY

Ask questions, submit comments, and complete the online survey about the design concepts through March 28, 2025

Email: Info@ElMirageRoadExtension.com

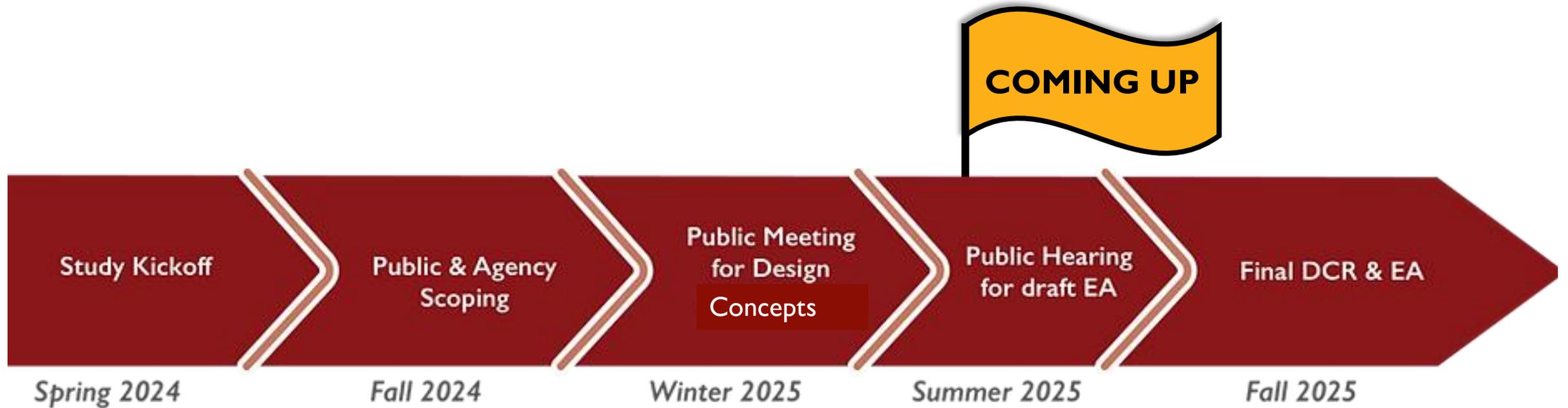
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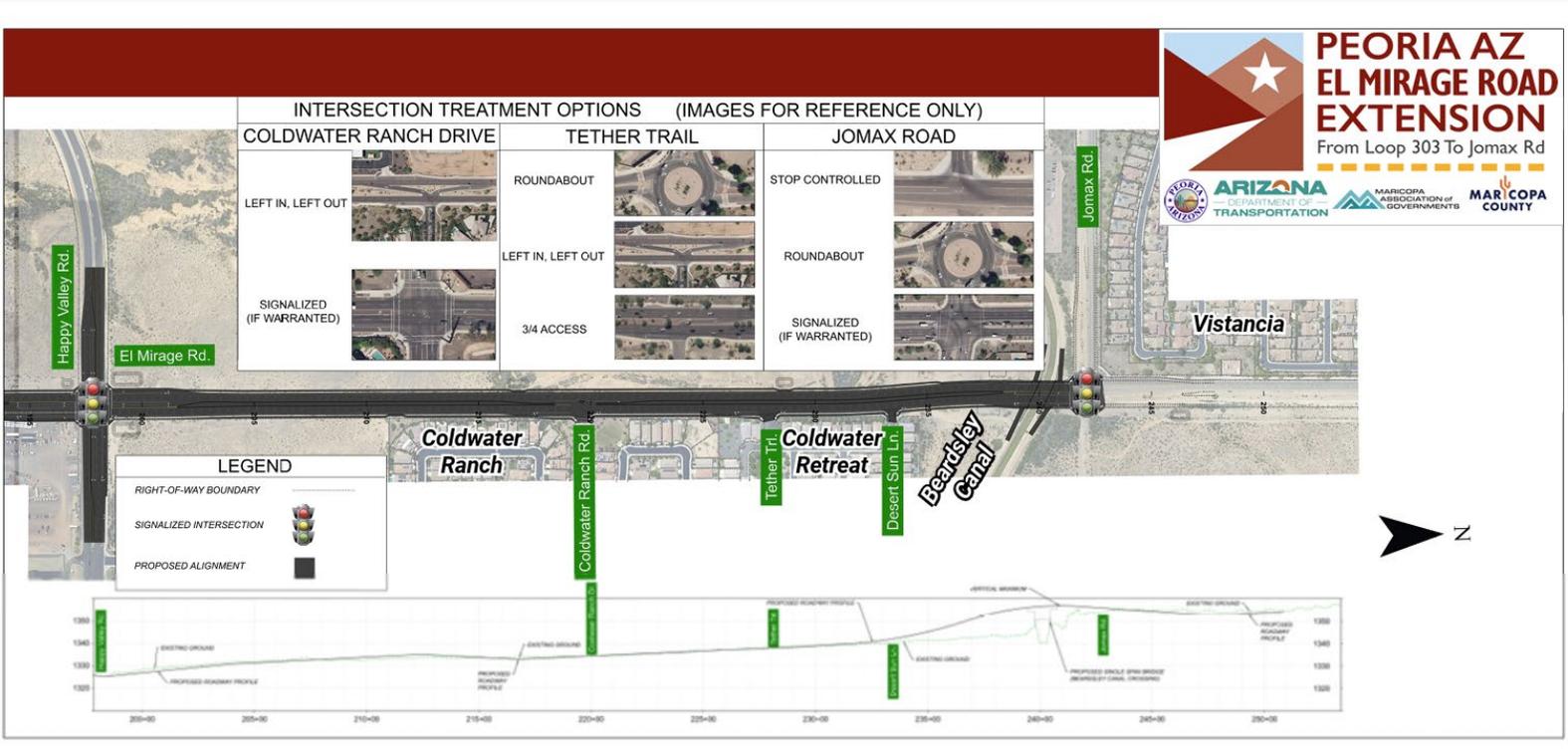
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Thank you!

ROLL PLOT 2: EL MIRAGE ROAD BETWEEN HAPPY VALLEY AND JOMAX ROADS



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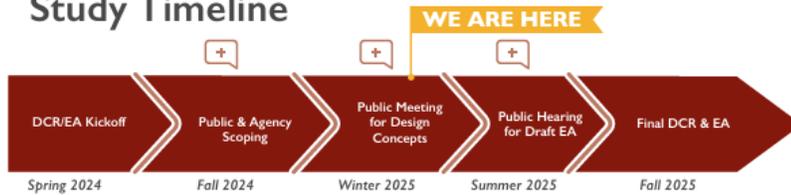
BETWEEN SR 303L & JOMAX ROAD

ABOUT THIS PROJECT

The city of Peoria (City) and Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT)—in cooperation with the Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG), the Maricopa County Department of Transportation (MCDOT), the Flood Control District of Maricopa County (FCDMC), and the Maricopa Water District (MWD)—are evaluating improvements to El Mirage Road between Loop 303 and Jomax Road. This project is an early step in the process of planning, designing, and constructing a new alignment to meet current and future traffic demands and improve regional access to Loop 303. The project includes preparing a Design Concept Report (DCR) and an Environmental Assessment (EA) in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act. The proposed improvements include:

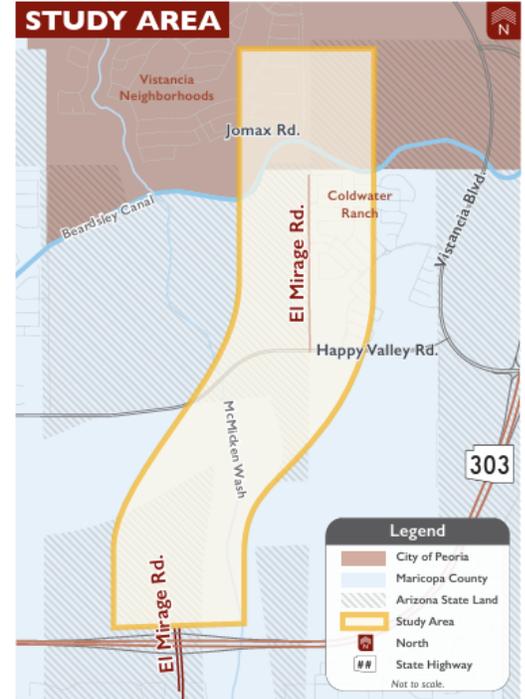
- Extending El Mirage Road approximately two miles from State Route 303L to Jomax Road.
- Constructing crossings over McMicken Wash (FCDMC) and the Beardsley Canal (MWD).
- Adding intersection treatments on El Mirage Road at Happy Valley and Jomax roads.

Study Timeline



Formal public meeting or other opportunity to provide input
 Schedule is subject to change

STUDY AREA



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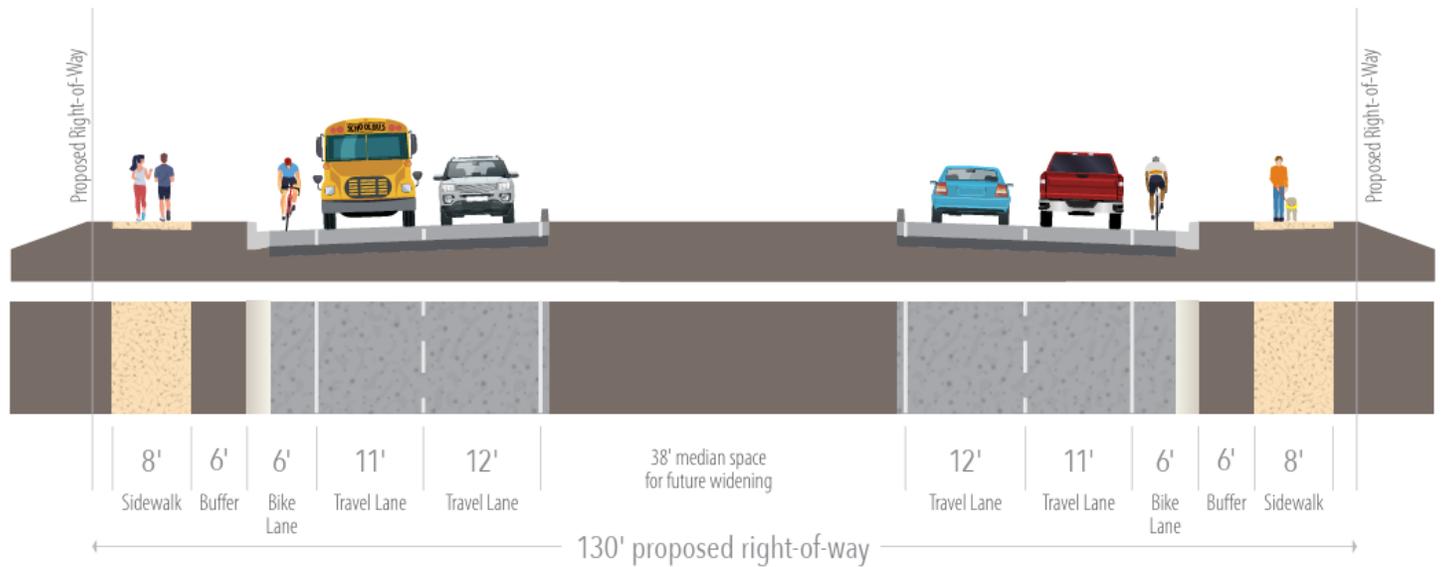


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EL MIRAGE ROAD

BETWEEN SR 303L & JOMAX ROAD

FOUR-LANE (INITIAL CONFIGURATION) CROSS SECTION



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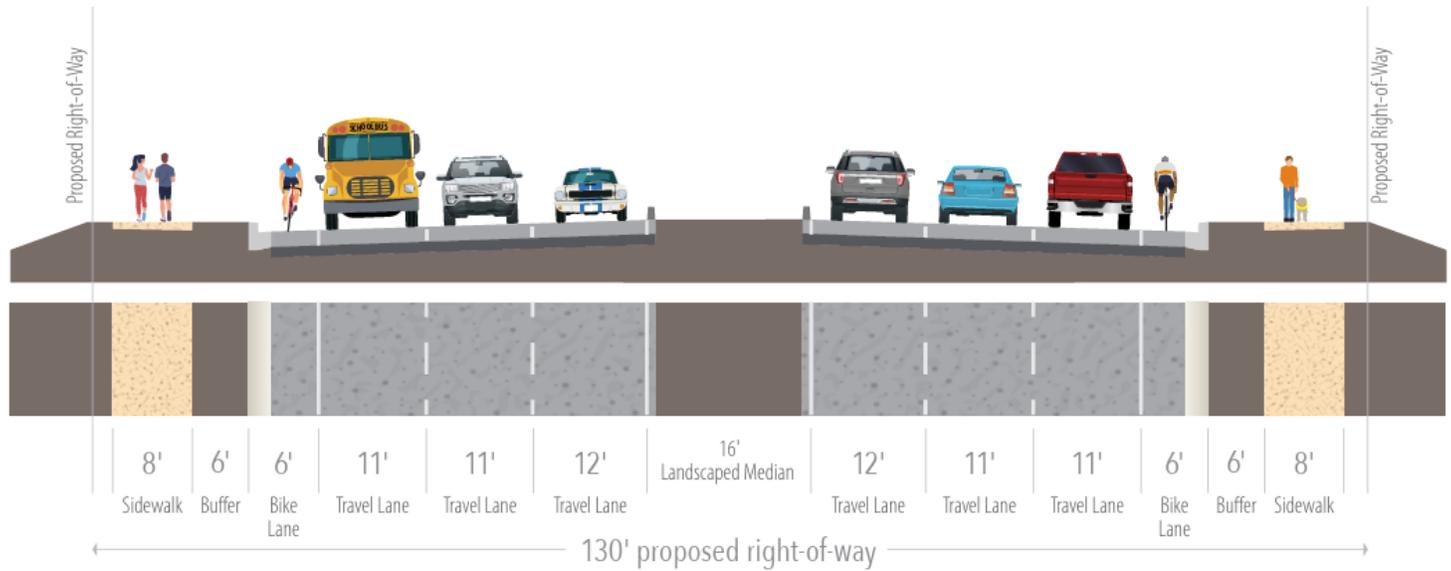
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SIX-LANE (ULTIMATE CONFIGURATION) CROSS SECTION



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LEARN MORE ABOUT PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS TO **EL MIRAGE ROAD**

BETWEEN SR 303L & JOMAX ROAD

This project includes preparing an Environmental Assessment (EA), which is analyzing the following elements in the study area:

- Land Use/Ownership
- Biological Resources
 - Endangered Species
 - Native Plants
- Water Resources
 - Clean Water Act Permitting
 - Floodplains
 - Erosion Control
- Cultural Resources
- Air Quality
- Noise
- Hazardous Materials
- Socioeconomics
- Section 4(f) Resources
- Visual Resources
- Utilities
- Construction-Related Impacts

About the EA:

An EA is a document that briefly provides sufficient evidence and analysis for determining whether to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) or a Finding Of No Significant Impact (FONSI). It determines whether the environmental impacts of a project are significant and if further analysis and documentation are necessary.

If the EA results in a FONSI, the next steps would be final design and construction of the recommended improvements, pending the availability of funding.

The environmental review, consultation and other actions required by applicable Federal environmental laws for this project are being or have been carried out by ADOT pursuant to 23 USC 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated 06/25/2024 and executed by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and ADOT.



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BETWEEN SR 303L & JOMAX ROAD

OTHER NORTHWEST VALLEY PROJECTS

This map provides the locations of and information about other projects near but not related to the El Mirage Road: Loop 303 to Jomax Road project.

- 1 Westwing Business Park:** This project is extending El Mirage Road north of Loop 303 to provide access to the proposed subdivision. Work is being done under a permit with the Maricopa County Department of Transportation and includes paving, pavement markings, and signage.
- 2 Mariposa Grande Paving Project:** This private access road is being improved and will eventually connect the Westwing Business Park to the future El Mirage Road north of Loop 303.
- 3 Happy Valley Road and Vistancia Road Intersection:** The city of Peoria is developing a Design Concept Report for the future realignment of the Happy Valley and Vistancia roads intersection. This DCR is currently anticipated for completion later this year.
- 4 McMicken Dam Outlet Channel Improvements:** The Maricopa County Flood Control District has completed reconstruction of the Outlet Channel to meet flood protection requirements. The channel stretches from approximately Dysart Road to 155th Avenue.
- 5 North Peoria Gateway Development Project:** The city of Peoria is currently rezoning land along Loop 303 near Happy Valley Parkway for this 1,620-acre mixed-use development, which is expected to include residential, commercial, and employment-center uses.



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LEARN MORE ABOUT PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS TO **EL MIRAGE ROAD**

BETWEEN SR 303L & JOMAX ROAD

This project would include constructing structural crossings for vehicles, pedestrians, and cyclists over McMicken Wash and the Beardsley Canal. Each crossing would include vehicle travel lanes, sidewalks, bicycle lanes, and safety railing.

MCMICKEN WASH: REINFORCED CONCRETE BOX CULVERT



(Representative Image Only: Reinforced concrete box culvert at Ellsworth Road and Williams Field Road/Gateway Boulevard in Mesa)

BEARDSLEY CANAL: SINGLE-SPAN BRIDGE



(Representative Image Only: Single-span bridge over the Beardsley Canal at 147th Avenue in Surprise)



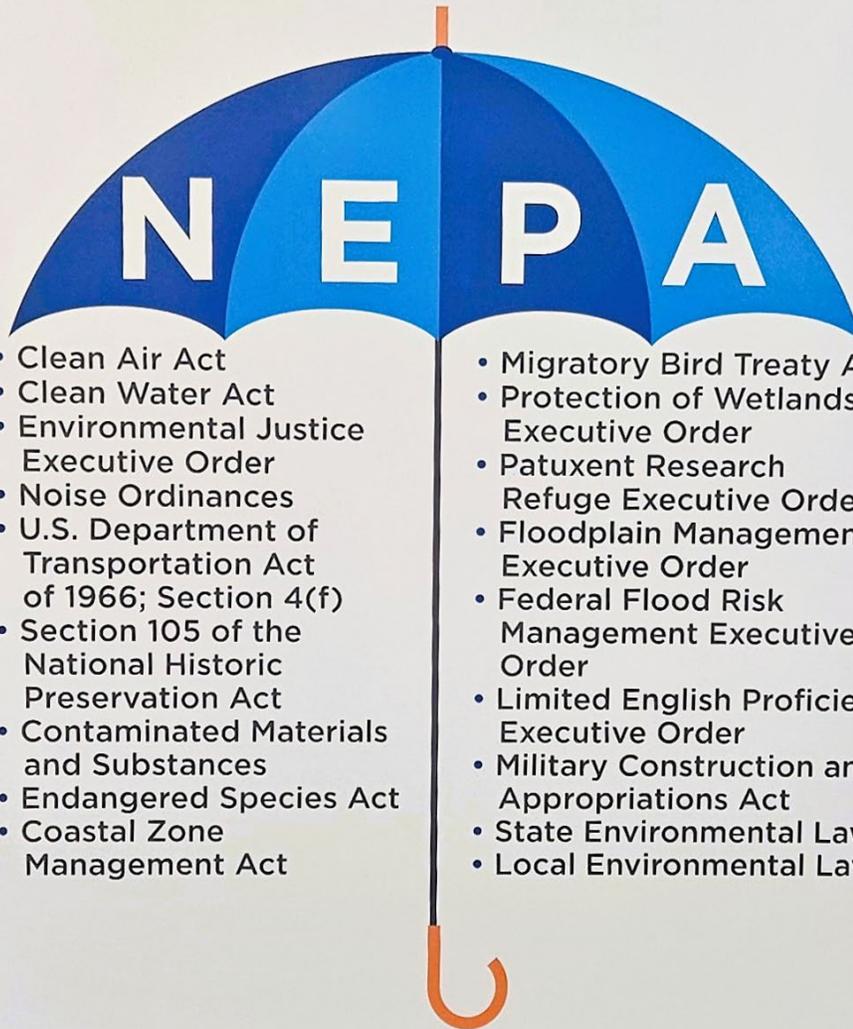
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The National Environmental Policy Act

The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969 provides a comprehensive framework that requires federal agencies to consider the full range of environmental impacts when making decisions. NEPA covers many different laws and regulations, such as those noted below.



- Clean Air Act
- Clean Water Act
- Environmental Justice Executive Order
- Noise Ordinances
- U.S. Department of Transportation Act of 1966; Section 4(f)
- Section 105 of the National Historic Preservation Act
- Contaminated Materials and Substances
- Endangered Species Act
- Coastal Zone Management Act

- Migratory Bird Treaty Act
- Protection of Wetlands Executive Order
- Patuxent Research Refuge Executive Order
- Floodplain Management Executive Order
- Federal Flood Risk Management Executive Order
- Limited English Proficiency Executive Order
- Military Construction and Appropriations Act
- State Environmental Laws
- Local Environmental Laws

Learn more about NEPA: <https://ceq.doe.gov/>

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**PEORIA AZ
EL MIRAGE ROAD
EXTENSION**
From Loop 303 To Jomax Rd

ARIZONA TRANSPORTATION MARICOPA COUNTY

Welcome to the Open House!

February 26, 2025

During tonight's open house we encourage you to visit each station in the order you prefer, ask questions, and provide your input.

VISIT THE OPEN HOUSE STATIONS

- ☑ **Presentation:** Watch the presentation, which will run several times throughout the evening. You can also watch this presentation on the project website at www.ElMirageRoadExtension.com under the Resources tab.
- ☑ **Roadway Design:** See the conceptual roadway alignment and learn more about the initial and ultimate design concepts.
- ☑ **Environmental:** Learn more about the Environmental Assessment being prepared in conjunction with this project.
- ☑ **Surveys:** If you have not already taken the survey online, complete it here tonight.

PROJECT OVERVIEW

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- » Extending El Mirage Road about two miles, between Loop 303 and Jomax Road.
- » Constructing structural crossings over McMicken Wash and the Beardsley Canal.
- » Adding intersection treatments on El Mirage Road at Happy Valley and Jomax roads.

DESIGN CONCEPT REPORT (DCR) AND ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT (EA)

This project includes preparing a DCR and an EA in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The draft EA will be the focus of a virtual public hearing, currently anticipated for summer 2025. You will have an opportunity to review the draft EA in advance of or at the public hearing and provide input at the public hearing or during the draft EA comment period. If the EA results in a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI), the project could move forward with final design and construction when funding is available. If significant impacts are identified, the project would require an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

El Mirage Road Design Concept Report and Environmental Assessment
 Federal ID PEO-0(231)T | ADOT TRACS T0428 01C

Study Area



TIMELINE

WE ARE HERE



HOW TO COMMENT

The comment period for this phase of the project continues through **March 28, 2025**. You can provide input in these ways:

- » **Survey:** Take the survey online at www.ElMirageRoadExtension.com or complete it here tonight.
- » **By Email:** Info@ElMirageRoadExtension.com
- » **By Mail:** El Mirage Road Extension c/o Avenue Consultants, 5353 N. 16th Street, Suite 380, Phoenix AZ 85016

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION!

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SURVEY (CONTINUED)

OPTIONAL DEMOGRAPHIC QUESTIONS

These questions are optional. Answers to the following questions will be used for analytical purposes only. Your individual responses and personal information will not be shared with any third parties. If you wish to bypass the next few questions, simply turn in your survey now.

Thank you!

What is your home ZIP code? _____

What is your age?

- Under 18
- 18-29
- 30-39
- 40-49
- 50-59
- 60 or older
- Prefer not to answer

What is your race?

- White or Caucasian alone
- Black or African American alone
- Asian or Asian American alone
- American Indian, Native American, or Alaska Native alone
- Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone
- Middle Eastern or North African
- Two or more races
- Prefer not to answer
- Other (please specify): _____

What is your annual household income?

- Under \$25,000
- \$25,000 - \$34,999
- \$35,000 - \$49,999
- \$50,000 - \$74,999
- \$75,000 - \$99,999
- \$100,000 - \$149,999
- \$150,000 - \$199,999
- \$200,000 or more
- Prefer not to answer

Do you have/care for someone with a disability?

- Yes
- No
- Prefer not to answer

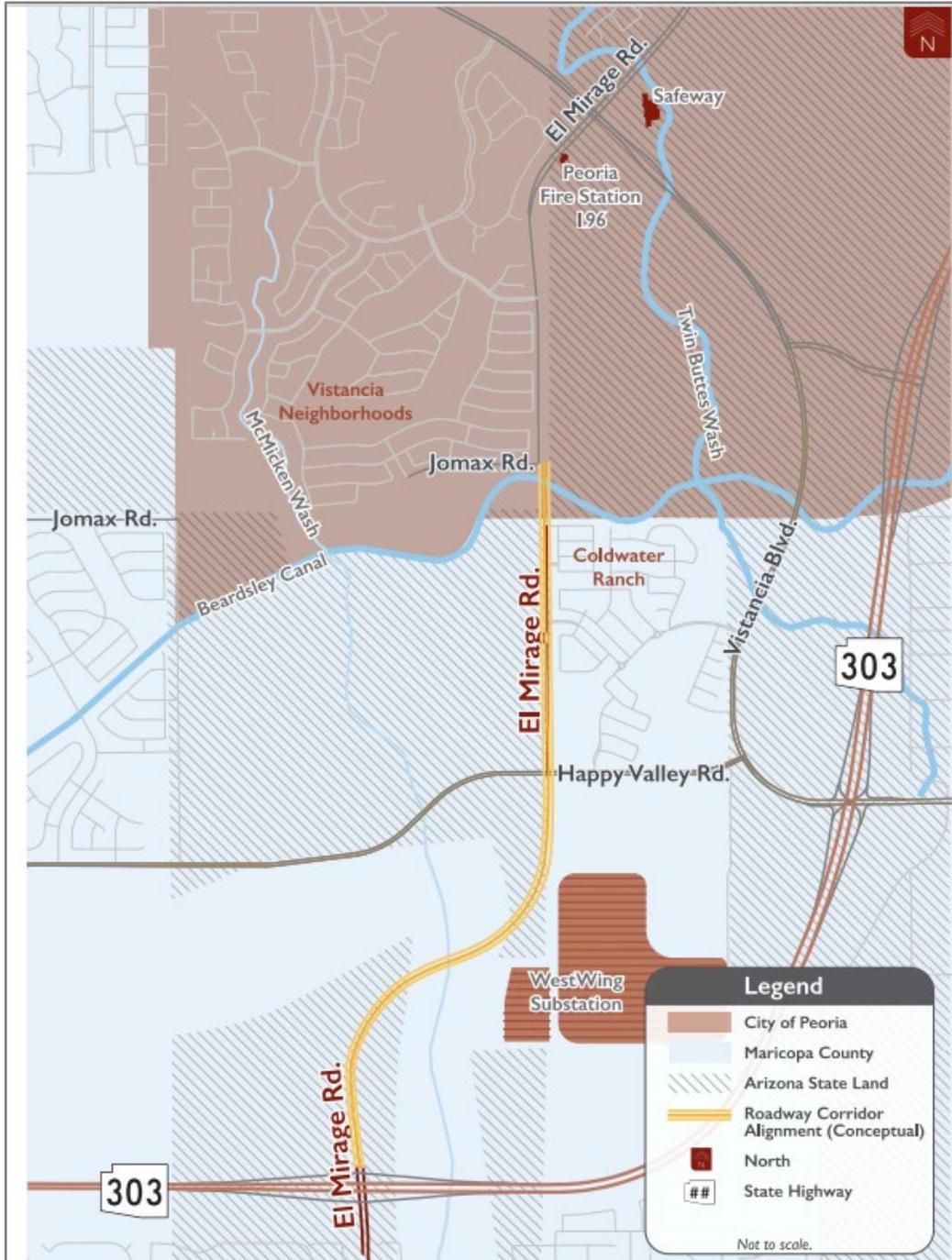
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CONCEPTUAL ROADWAY CORRIDOR ALIGNMENT GRAPHIC



Appendix B includes copies of email alerts sent to project stakeholders by the project team and by a Peoria City Councilmember.

Appendix B

EMAIL ALERT

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Project Update



February 5, 2025

SAVE THE DATE!

February 26, 2025

What:

Public open house to review and comment on design concepts for the proposed extension of El Mirage Road from Loop 303 to Jomax Road.

When:

Between 5:30 and 7 p.m. A pre-recorded presentation will run several times throughout the evening.

Where:

Lake Pleasant Elementary School, 31501 N. Westland Road, Peoria, Arizona 85383 (in the multi-purpose room).

Learn more about this project at ElMirageRoadExtension.com

More details to come!

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Project Update



February 12, 2025

Learn more about proposed improvements to El Mirage Road between Loop 303 and Jomax Road on Feb. 26, 2025, at Lake Pleasant Elementary School

The city of Peoria, Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT), Maricopa Association of Governments, Maricopa County, and other agencies are evaluating the extension of El Mirage Road between Loop 303 and Jomax Road to meet current and projected traffic needs and improve regional connectivity to Loop 303. On Feb. 26, you can get a first look at what those improvements might look like in the near term (through 2035) and the long term (2036-2050) and learn more about the project-related environmental study.

Attend the Open House

Project team members and representatives from ADOT, Peoria, and Maricopa County will share information, gather public input, and answer questions on Wednesday Feb. 26, 2025, at [Lake Pleasant Elementary School, 31501 N. Westland Rd., Peoria, AZ 85383](#) (see map below). The open house will take place in the multi-purpose room. Attend at any time between 5:30 and 7 p.m. A pre-recorded presentation will run several times throughout the evening, and display boards and maps will be available for review and comment.

Unable to Attend?

Meeting materials will be available for review on the project website under the [Resources](#) tab at elmirageroadextension.com/resources.

Comment Period

A 30-day comment period begins on Feb. 26 and continues through March 28, 2025. You can provide input and ask questions by email, mail, or by completing an online survey:

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- **Mail:** Avenue Consultants/El Mirage Road Extension, 5353 N. 16th Street, Suite 380, Phoenix, AZ 85016.
- **Online Survey:** Visit <https://www.elmirageroadextension.com/resources>

All comments will be considered regardless of how they are submitted. Your input helps to inform the Design Concept Report (DCR) and Environmental Assessment (EA) as this project progresses.

Design Concepts

This phase of the project includes preparing a DCR with project plans completed up to 15 percent. The project team will share preliminary information about the proposed roadway corridor design such as the number of travel lanes in each direction, bicycle lanes, sidewalks, and other features; the proposed alignment (i.e., where the roadway corridor would be located); the structural crossings over the Beardsley Canal and McMicken Wash; and the El Mirage Road intersections with Happy Valley Road, Coldwater Ranch Drive, Tether Trail, Desert Sun Lane, and Jomax Road.

Environmental Considerations

The project also includes preparing an EA in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The project team will share information about the evaluations that are being completed and the status of the environmental analysis that will inform the EA.

Questions about the Public Meeting?

Email Info@ElMirageRoadExtension.com

OPEN HOUSE LOCATION:



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Project Update



February 24, 2025

JUST A REMINDER ...

February 26, 2025

What:

Open house to review and comment on the design concepts for the proposed extension of El Mirage Road from Loop 303 to Jomax Road.

When:

Between 5:30 and 7 p.m.

A pre-recorded presentation will run several times.

Where:

[Lake Pleasant Elementary School](#), 31501 N. Westland Road, Peoria, AZ 85383, in the multi-purpose room.

Unable to attend?

Meeting materials and the survey will be available on the [project website](#). The comment period continues through March 28, 2025.

Learn more about this project at [ElMirageRoadExtension.com](#)

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From Councilman Bullock

From: Councilmember Matt Bullock <matt.bullock-peoriaz.gov@shared1.ccsend.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 19, 2025 4:01 PM
To: [Redacted]
Subject: Community Updates



MESQUITE DISTRICT E-NEWS
An update from Councilmember Matt Bullock
623-775-7328

Hello Mesquite District.

I'm testing out a new format for the newsletter! Each community will have its own section, with "New News" right at the top, along with general updates. This way, you can easily scroll to what matters most to you and stay in the loop with relevant info. Let me know what you think!



General Interest



ParkFest!

ParkFest! is coming to the Mesquite District on March 15th, 4:30pm - 8:30pm at Sunset Park. Come join the fun with a movie in the park and free food and treats. I look forward to seeing you all there.

Sunset Park: 29698 N. Sunrise Point
[Read More \(link to City webpage\)](#)

Roadway Projects



One of the many issues I am focused on is roads and transportation. As our district grows, we need more and wider roads to handle the traffic, but also with an eye on vehicle and pedestrian safety. I worked with the transportation staff and came up with a breakout of all construction projects in Vistancia, including the proposed Lone Mountain extension to West Wing in the future (I want to know everything that's planned for the next 10-15 years). There are a lot of images, but they're worth the scroll. I will keep sending more "roads" updates as I get them.

[Full Project Packet \(Downloaded PDF\)](#)

**Public Meeting:
El Mirage Road Extension**



Attend the public open house to review and provide input on the design concepts for the proposed El Mirage Road extension, extending from Loop 303 to Jomax Road.

- Date: Wednesday, February 26
- Time: 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
- Location: Lake Pleasant Elementary School, 31501 N. Westland Road, Peoria, AZ 85383 (Multi-purpose room)

[More Information \(Link to project website\)](#)

**Virtual Public Meeting:
Loop 303 to SR74**



The Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG), in partnership with the cities of Surprise and Peoria, ADOT, and MCDOT, is conducting a study on travel demands along the US 60 (Grand Avenue) corridor between Loop 303 and SR 74 (Carefree Highway). A virtual public meeting will be held on March 3 at 6:30 p.m. to provide a project update and allow for a live Q&A session. Participants can type questions during the meeting, and it will be recorded and posted on the project website.

[More Information \(Link to project website\)](#)

Vistancia

Appendix C includes a copy of the public meeting press release issued by the city of Peoria and a screen shot of the press release on the city's website.

Appendix C

PRESS RELEASE



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News Release

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Study Area

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PRESS RELEASE

(SCREEN SHOT FROM CITY OF PEORIA WEBSITE)

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Appendix D includes copies of the newspaper ads that were published in the Sun City Independent and Peoria Times newspapers.

Appendix D

NEWSPAPER AD – SUN CITY INDEPENDENT (FEB. 5, 2025)

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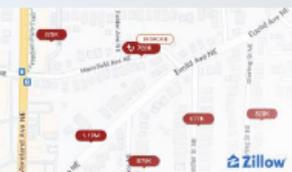
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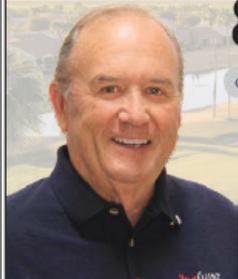


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NEWSPAPER AD – PEORIA TIMES (FEB. 6, 2025)

PEORIA TIMES *Calendar*

The Peoria Times publishes on Thursday. The weekly calendar — a listing of entertainment events such as concerts, theatrical performances, events for schools, churches, county parks and nonprofit groups — runs every issue.

Events must be open to the public to be considered and generally must be held within the Times' coverage area, which is Peoria.

Weekly calendar items print on a space-available basis. The only way to guarantee that an item will print is to purchase an advertisement.

Submissions must reach our office by 4 p.m. Thursday to be considered for the following Thursday publication. Submissions must be in writing and may be emailed to Christina Fuoco-Karasinski, christina@timeslocalmedia.com.

Granada Estates Serve Day Saturday, Feb. 8

Faith Bible Church is hosting its annual Granada Estates Serve Day on Saturday, Feb. 8, during which an expected hundreds of volunteers will pull weeds, spread rocks, perform yard maintenance, litter patrol and whatever else is needed to improve the park. The

Glendale-based church is asking people to sign up online as well as indicate a volunteer task preference for improving the Peoria park and community.

Greenway Granada Park, 7217 W. Sherri Jean Lane, Peoria, 7:30 a.m. to noon, free, [jotform.com/form/243656124186156](https://www.jotform.com/form/243656124186156)



This month's "2nd Saturdays" music and art festival is Feb. 8, showcasing the work of dozens of local artists to the community for free. (Micah Bentley/Submitted)

Peoria's 2nd Saturdays Saturday, Feb. 8

Peoria's 2nd Saturdays is a monthly

music and art festival that takes place on the second Saturday of each month, October through April. Held in historic Downtown Peoria at Jefferson Street and 83rd Avenue, the event is organized by local artists in partnership with the city. This month, a replica of Lightning McQueen from Disney's "Cars" is making an appearance at the event. Austin B. Sweeney, a Pacific-Northwest-born artist that combines the acoustic and electric west coast sounds, and the Bailey Zick Trio, an ASU-graduate with a folk sound, are among this month's performances.

Downtown Peoria, Jefferson Street and 83rd Avenue, Peoria, 4 to 8 p.m., free, [peoriaaz.gov/specialevents](https://www.peoriaaz.gov/specialevents)

Coffee with a Cop Wednesday, Feb. 12

A lot of people's interactions with

SEE CALENDAR PAGE 19



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Appendix E includes a copy of the direct mail piece distributed to approximately 6,800 addresses in and around the study area during the week of Feb. 10-14, 2025, using Every Door Direct Mail (EDDM).

Appendix E

DIRECT MAIL PIECE DELIVERED THE WEEK OF FEB. 10-14, 2025

PEORIA AZ EL MIRAGE ROAD EXTENSION

From Loop 303 To Jomax Rd



The city of Peoria—in cooperation with the Arizona Department of Transportation, Maricopa Association of Governments, Maricopa County, and other agencies—is evaluating the extension of El Mirage Road between Loop 303 and Jomax Road to accommodate current and projected traffic needs. This project includes preparing a Design Concept Report and Environmental Assessment in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act.

ATTEND THE OPEN HOUSE ON FEB. 26, 2025

Participate in an open house to review design concepts at any time between 5:30 and 7:00 p.m., Wednesday Feb. 26, 2025 at Lake Pleasant Elementary School, 31501 N. Westland Rd., Peoria, AZ 85383.

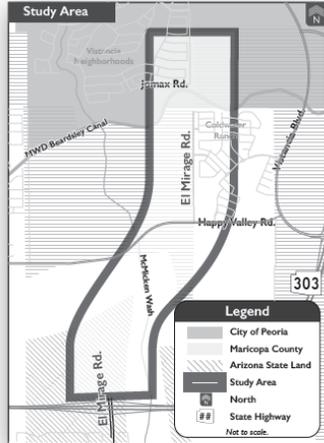
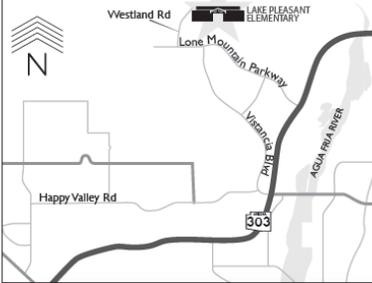
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Open House Location



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El Mirage Road: Loop 303 to Jomax Road

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Appendix F includes excerpts from the city of Peoria's Pulse on Peoria newsletters, which promoted the public meeting during the weeks of Feb. 17-21 and Feb. 24-28, 2025.

Appendix F

PULSE ON PEORIA - WEEK OF FEB.17-21, 2025

pulse on peoria

El Mirage Road Extension Public Meeting Feb 26

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PULSE ON PEORIA - WEEK OF FEB.24-28, 2025

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Appendix G includes public comment logs and survey results.

Appendix G

Public Comment Log I: Received by Email and on Roll Plots (does not include survey comments)				
#	Date Received	Format	Question/Comment	Response
1.	2/12/25	Email	We would love to be able to get to Safeway and stay off Vistancia raceway. 3 votes in our house for yes.	Thank you for contacting the El Mirage Road Extension study team. We have received your email. If you submitted a question or comment, a team member will follow up with you shortly. We appreciate your interest in this study.
2.	2/13/25	Email	Will there be a traffic control system at the intersection of Happy Valley and El Mirage, such as a traffic light or roundabout? Will there be bicycle lanes (I'm in favor of it)? If there will be bicycle lanes for the new construction, will bicycle lanes connect with the existing lanes on El Mirage from Jomax to Vistancia?	Thank you for your email, and please see the responses to your questions below: At this stage in the project, a traffic signal is anticipated at Happy Valley and El Mirage roads. The current design concept includes six-foot-wide bicycle lanes in both directions on El Mirage Road between Loop 303 and Jomax Roads, including on the structural crossings over McMicken Dam and the Beardsley Canal. The current design concept has continuous bike lanes over the Beardsley Canal bridge that would tie into the existing bike lanes on El Mirage Road north of Jomax Road. We appreciate your interest in this project.
3.	2/22/25	Email	Hello, I am just advising I think your timeline dates may need correction. It dates from Spring 2024 to Fall 2024 to Winter "2025" back to Spring 2025 then to Fall 2025. Was the Winter "2025" supposed to read Winter "2024?"	Thank you for your email. The timeline is tricky because winter spans two calendar years. Technically we are currently in Winter 2025 because--although the Winter Equinox was on December 21, 2024--Spring does not begin until March 21, 2025. To your point, it will be Winter 2025 again as of December 21, 2025. Hope that makes sense, and thank you again for your input.
4.	2/22/25	Email	Thank you for sending the information about the El Mirage Road Project. My input is please build a road from the 303 at the El Mirage exit directly to Happy Valley and do it as quickly as possible. There have been some great improvements at the 303 and Grand intersection and 303 and 161st intersection but they are still so congested. Creating an additional exit that goes directly to Happy Valley would be incredible and could prevent accidents due to less congestion which could lead to saving	Thank you for contacting the El Mirage Road Extension study team. We have received your email. If you submitted a question or comment, a team member will follow up with you shortly. We appreciate your interest in this study.

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			people's lives. Please just build the road.	
5.	2/26/25 – at Public Meeting	Sticky note on roll plot	I wanted to ask if lighting will be added to the underpass of the 303 where El Mirage Road intersects it.	Comment captured
6.	2/26/25 – at Public Meeting	Sticky note on roll plot	Lights from Vistancia to new lights; too congested.	Comment captured
7.	2/26/25 – at Public Meeting	Sticky note on roll plot	Please connect Jomax to Dysart.	Comment captured
8.	2/26/25 – at Public Meeting	Sticky note on roll plot	Roundabouts will slow traffic at Tether and Coldwater Ranch.	Comment captured
9.	2/26/25 – at Public Meeting	Sticky note on roll plot	Roundabout would be beneficial instead of lights (El Mirage and Happy Valley roads).	Comment captured
10.	2/26/25 – at Public Meeting	Sticky note on roll plot	Roundabout at intersection (El Mirage and Happy Valley roads).	Comment captured
11.	2/27/25	Email	Ladies and Gentlemen, The proposed extension of El Mirage from the 303 to Jomax Road is long overdue, and will be welcomed by thousands of motorists who will find that this new route from their homes north of the 303 to their destinations south of 303 cuts many minutes off their daily commute. Unfortunately for the elderly residents of Sun City West, many of these motorists will soon make their commute to "all points south" right through the heart of Sun City West - especially those motorists going to Surprise - and the traffic accident rate in Sun City West is going to skyrocket. In anticipation of this, every effort should be made to improve the roads in Sun City West - on	Thank you for your email. I am confirming that we have received it and that your input has been added to the comment log for this phase of the El Mirage Road: Loop 303 to Jomax Road DCR and EA project.

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			<p>those "collector" routes - before the new extension of El Mirage is opened. Specifically, there is a stretch of Deer Valley Road between the Deer Valley Cut Off and the north entrance to Sun City West that needs a major upgrade. This is the section of Deer Valley Road that runs between Corte Bella and Sun City West. This is an old 2 lane road that should be upgraded to 4 lanes with a turn lane in the middle - to match the configuration of this road as it lies in Sun City West. This is the road that the fire department uses when making runs to the north from Sun City West Station 3. I ask that you consider building this much needed roadway upgrade at the same time as the El Mirage Extension project, as it will most likely save the lives of several grandmas. Let's bring this stretch of road into the 21 Century! Thanks for your consideration - and please email me with the date and time of the next public hearing on this matter.</p>	
12.	3/17/25	Email	<p>To whom it may concern, I am submitting a design concept for Jomax Road that I believe would significantly improve traffic congestion along the Loop 303/ El Mirage Rd, as well as Happy Valley Road and Vistancia Boulevard. I kindly ask that you review the attached outline and consider my submission for further consideration. New Traffic Alternatives between US-60 and El Mirage</p>	<p>Thank you for your email and thoughtful input. We are sharing this with the City of Peoria, as this location is within the City's planning area and outside of the study limits for the El Mirage Road: Loop 303 to Jomax Road Design Concept Report and Environmental Assessment. Thank you.</p>

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			<p>interchanges</p> <p>I believe I have a concept that has not been evaluated on your approach to managing traffic flow in and around the same area as Loop 303/El Mirage. Specifically, this could help alleviate the well-known congestion at the Happy Valley Blvd & Vistancia Blvd intersection near the Loop 303 Fwy. During rush hour, traffic often backs up as drivers try to make the northbound left- hand turn at the Vistancia Blvd light onto westbound Happy Valley Blvd. To address this, I've identified a potential alternative route through a newly accessible road on the Loop 303, called Jomax Parkway. This road connects directly to Vistancia Blvd just a short distance north of Happy Valley Blvd. Adding this route would provide drivers with an additional option, helping to reduce the strain on the congested intersection, especially since traffic often backs up all the way to the Loop 303. Furthermore, this route could serve as an alternative exit for traffic coming from the I-17 freeway. If Jomax Parkway were extended to W Jomax Rd, it would provide another viable route for drivers heading to homes in this area, as well as a direct connection to W Jomax Rd and further access to 163rd Ave.</p> <p>The enclosed map highlights the current streetlight congestion at the Happy Valley Blvd & Vistancia Blvd intersection (marked in red), as well as the proposed Jomax</p>	

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			<p>Parkway to W Jomax Rd route (highlighted in yellow). Additionally, I've pointed out the potential El Mirage extension from the Loop 303, which could intersect with these routes.</p>	
13.	2/28/25	Email	<p>Do you have a schedule and road route on el mirage extension?</p>	<p>Thank you for your email and your patience. The current project includes preparing an Environmental Assessment (EA) and Design Concept Report (DCR) with plans up to 15 percent. The current project timeline anticipates a public hearing in summer 2025 for the draft EA, followed by completion of the EA and DCR in the fall. If the EA results in a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) the project could move forward with final design and construction when funding is identified. However, if it does not conclude with a FONSI, an Environmental Impact Statement would be required. Following completion of this project -- and depending on the EA determination -- the City of Peoria would like to begin final design in early 2026. Right-of-Way acquisition would occur during the final design process and, pending funding, construction would follow.</p> <p>To see the conceptual roadway route, please view the roll plot maps, presentation, and other materials that were shared at our Feb. 26, 2025, public meeting. You can find them on the project website here:https://www.elmirageroadextension.com/resources. Because these files are quite large, we cannot email them to you directly. We anticipate posting an updated graphic that illustrates the conceptual roadway corridor alignment to the website later this week.</p>
14.	3/21/25	Email	<p>I have no issue with the interchange at El Mirage Rd & 303 as long as there are measures for safety for residents already using El Mirage Rd to the 303, traffic lights or complete stop signs.</p>	<p>Thank you for contacting the El Mirage Road Extension study team. We have received your email. If you submitted a question or comment, a team member will follow up with you shortly. We appreciate your interest in this study.</p>

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15.	3/21/25	Email	<p>Hopefully 303 and el mirage can connect to Happy Valley as soon as possible! Then we are also looking forward to el mirage connecting through Jomax. Will alleviate a lot of the current and new residents only having access at Vistancia blvd and 163rd ave.</p> <p>Thank you!</p>	<p>Thank you for contacting the El Mirage Road Extension study team. We have received your email. If you submitted a question or comment, a team member will follow up with you shortly. We appreciate your interest in this study.</p>
16.	3/21/25	Email	<p>Good afternoon this is not necessarily a complaint about the project. It's just more of a concern. With the recently opened bridge that expands across the river bottom on deer Valley Road from 107th Ave. to 115th Ave. there has been a very large increase in vehicular traffic of people traveling down deer Valley/Williams road between 115th Ave. and El Mirage Road in both directions. It is already very difficult for side street traffic in the neighborhoods to exit during normal busy traffic hours as there is no traffic control at any of these intersections or roundabouts specifically 119th Ave.</p> <p>With the incredible huge numbers of people that are moving into the north west Surprise area and vistancia, the amount of vehicular traffic that will be coming and going north of the 303 freeway on El Mirage will most likely utilize deer Valley/Williams road. It already appears that the amount of traffic without the upgrade has increased so much that additional traffic engineering surveys need to be conducted on</p>	<p>Thank you for your input regarding traffic conditions on Deer Valley/Williams Road. This area is outside of the study area for the El Mirage Road: Loop 303 to Jomax Road project. Because it is in Maricopa County, we are passing your comments along to the Maricopa County Department of Transportation. Thank you.</p>

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			<p>deer Valley WILLIAMS to look at how fast people travel up and down that road, it's a speedway and the amount of vehicular traffic and the need for traffic control devices at the intersecting roadways to deer Valley Williams. The one traffic control intersection crosswalk light that is currently installed at 119rh Ave creates more problems simply because people are not obeying the rules of stopping, and this creates an incredibly dangerous situation considering this crosswalk is connected to a very large park. It is just a matter of time before we have a fatality or significant traffic accident between El Mirage Road and 115th Ave. due to the poor planning between the county and the cities at this project encompasses.</p> <p>I do welcome your response and consideration about the serious safety concern. Feel free to reach out to me anytime if you have questions or comments</p>	
17.	3/21/25	Email	<p>Thank you. I've been wanting this since moving to Trilogy in June 2016. It will save me a lot of time and miles in my trips to Grand Ave or Bell Rd where I have doctors to visit and to Waddell Rd. for Costco and eateries. I also hope to see Jomax Rd extended north from Loop 303 over to the existing Jomax so I can get to Four Corners from the north and not wade my way through traffic on Happy Valley. My primary doctor is in the Abrazo Emergency Hospital on</p>	<p>Thank you for contacting the El Mirage Road Extension study team. We have received your email. If you submitted a question or comment, a team member will follow up with you shortly. We appreciate your interest in this study.</p>

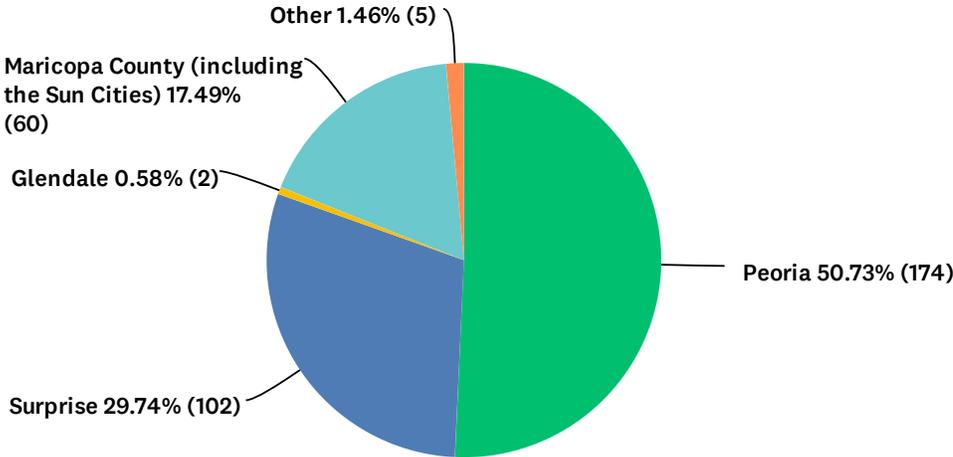
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			<p>Lake Pleasant Rd at Jomax. A lot of what I need at Four Corners I can reach easier from the north. I lived 30 years in Fairfax County VA where they overbuilt the area but built few roads; a nightmare, legendary gridlock. Please don't Fairfax us. Put the mobility in with the growth, or ideally prior to heavy growth, so we don't have to retrofit roads. Saw that in Fairfax at Rt 50 and the Fairfax County Parkway where they built a grade crossing with traffic signals for 3 lanes each way plus turn lanes. They came back 24 months later and paid through the nose to rebuild the whole thing with overpasses to ease monumental backups. Saw it in Colorado Springs where the "cut my taxes" crowd assured some of the most antiquated and overloaded roads. We can spend now and build it right the first time or we will spend 2-3 times as much later on to retrofit. The roads here are awesome compared to most of the nation that I've seen, please keep up the good work.</p>	
18.	3/21/25	Email	<p>To whom it may concern: I have been a resident of Trilogy at Vistancia for many years and have watched the traffic get worse and worse. Connecting El Mirage to the 303 would be a tremendous Improvement to the traffic issues. The sooner this gets completed the better!</p>	<p>Thank you for contacting the El Mirage Road Extension study team. We have received your email. If you submitted a question or comment, a team member will follow up with you shortly. We appreciate your interest in this study.</p>

Survey results are on the pages that follow. They include:

- » General Survey Data (8 questions)
- » Supplemental Survey Data_Access (1 open-ended question)
- » Supplemental Survey Data_Comments (1 open-ended question)

Q1 Where do you live?

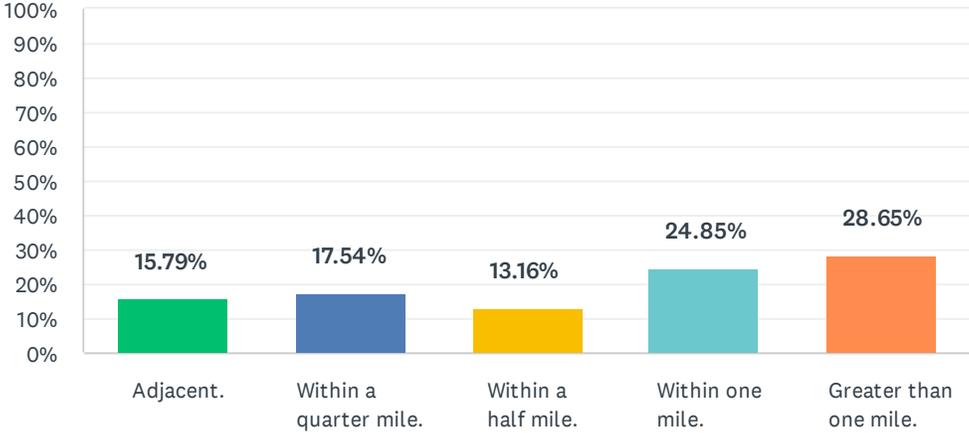
Answered: 343 Skipped: 0



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Peoria	50.73%	174
Surprise	29.74%	102
Glendale	0.58%	2
Maricopa County (including the Sun Cities)	17.49%	60
Other	1.46%	5
TOTAL		343

Q2 What is your residence’s proximity to the proposed project area between Loop 303 and Jomax Road? See map below.

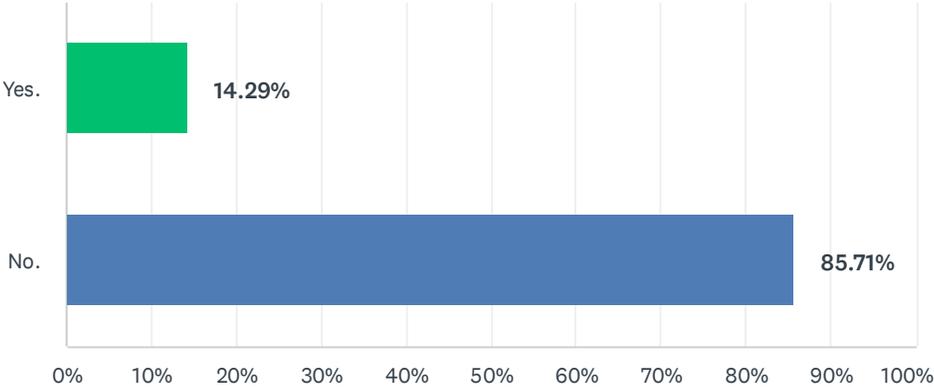
Answered: 342 Skipped: 1



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Adjacent.	15.79%	54
Within a quarter mile.	17.54%	60
Within a half mile.	13.16%	45
Within one mile.	24.85%	85
Greater than one mile.	28.65%	98
TOTAL		342

Q3 Do you own/operate a business or work within the vicinity of the proposed project area between Loop 303 and Jomax Road?

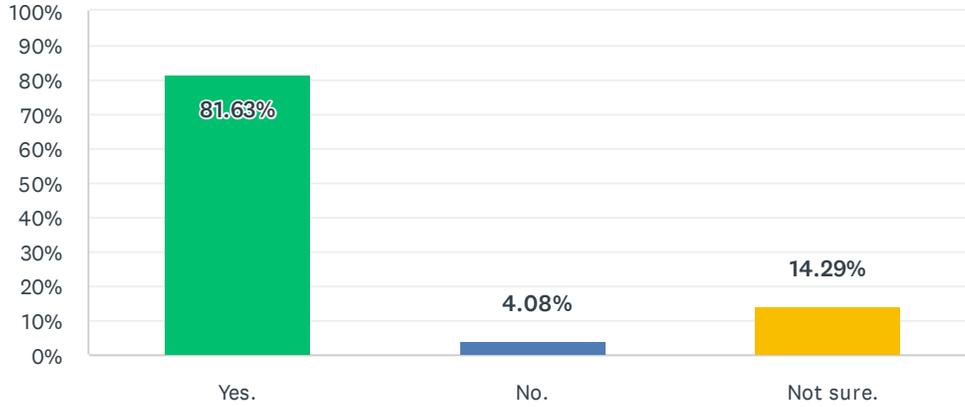
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes.	14.29%	49
No.	85.71%	294
TOTAL		343

Q4 Would the proposed project be beneficial for your business or customers?

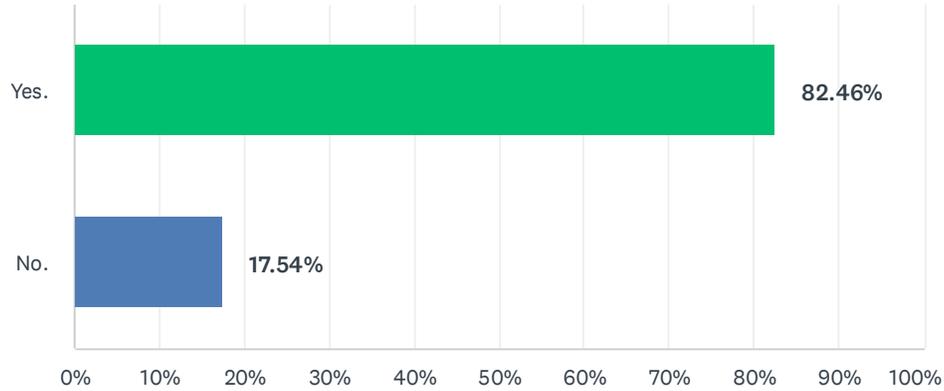
Answered: 49 Skipped: 294



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes.	81.63%	40
No.	4.08%	2
Not sure.	14.29%	7
TOTAL		49

Q5 Do you live, work, or otherwise travel to and from Loop 303 from the north?

Answered: 342 Skipped: 1



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes.	82.46%	282
No.	17.54%	60
TOTAL		342

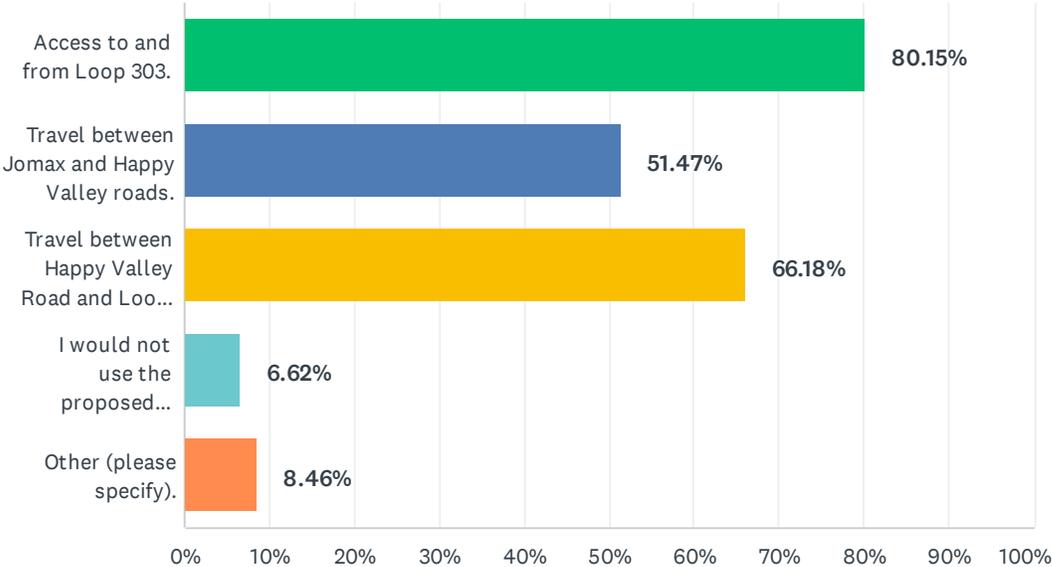
Q6 Tell us how you currently access Loop 303 (for example, which roads you use to travel to and from Loop 303):

Answered: 261 Skipped: 82

See: *Supplemental Survey Data_Access* in this appendices.

Q7 Tell us how you would use the proposed extension of El Mirage Road between Loop 303 and Jomax Road:

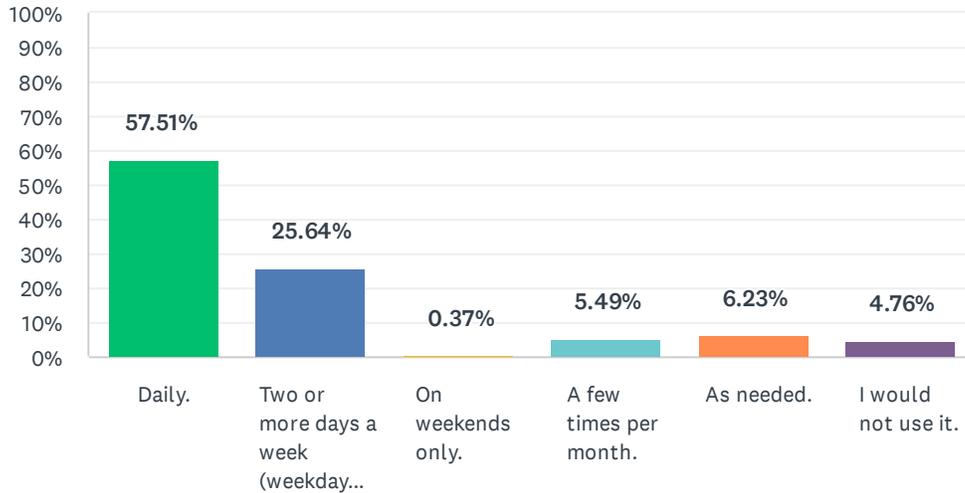
Answered: 272 Skipped: 71



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Access to and from Loop 303.	80.15%	218
Travel between Jomax and Happy Valley roads.	51.47%	140
Travel between Happy Valley Road and Loop 303.	66.18%	180
I would not use the proposed extension of El Mirage Road.	6.62%	18
Other (please specify).	8.46%	23
Total Respondents: 272		

Q8 How often would you use the proposed extension of El Mirage Road between Loop 303 and Jomax Road?

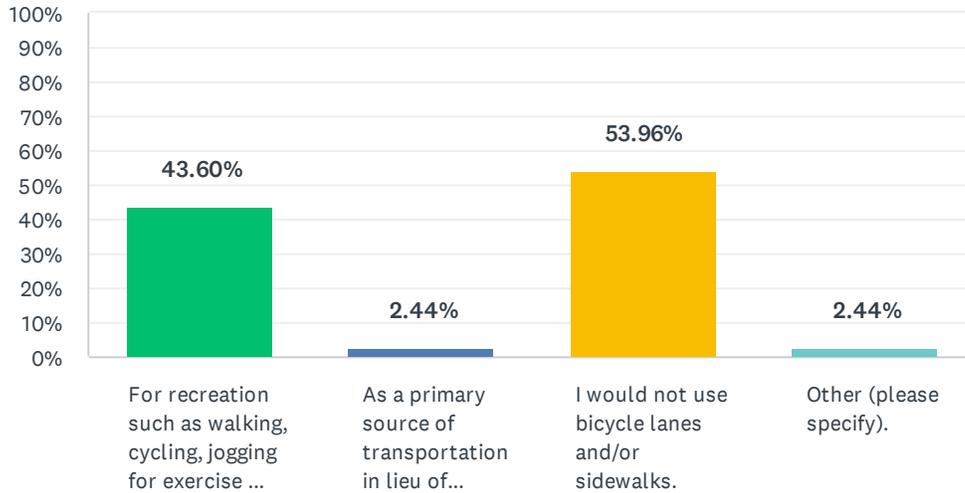
Answered: 273 Skipped: 70



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Daily.	57.51%	157
Two or more days a week (weekdays and weekends).	25.64%	70
On weekends only.	0.37%	1
A few times per month.	5.49%	15
As needed.	6.23%	17
I would not use it.	4.76%	13
TOTAL		273

Q9 How, if at all, would you use bicycle lanes and/or sidewalks along El Mirage Road between Loop 303 and Jomax Road?

Answered: 328 Skipped: 15



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
For recreation such as walking, cycling, jogging for exercise or fun.	43.60%	143
As a primary source of transportation in lieu of driving a vehicle.	2.44%	8
I would not use bicycle lanes and/or sidewalks.	53.96%	177
Other (please specify).	2.44%	8
Total Respondents: 328		

Q10 Is there anything else you would like to share with the project team about the proposed extension of El Mirage Road between Loop 303 and Jomax Road?

Answered: 198 Skipped: 145

See *Supplemental Survey Data_Comments* in this appendices.

Supplemental Survey Data_Access

El Mirage Road Extension | Loop 303 to Jomax Road Design Concept Report and Environmental Assessment
 Tell us how you currently access Loop 303 (for example, which roads you use to travel to and from Loop 303):

Answered
 Skipped

261
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Response Date	Responses	Tags
Mar 23 2025 06:20 PM	We access loop 303 at Happy Valley Rd and Grand Ave quite frequently.	Grand Ave., Happy Valley
Mar 22 2025 03:51 PM	Grand or Vistancia	Grand Ave., Vistancia
Mar 21 2025 09:32 PM	Either from the US 60 (to go south) which is an absolute nightmare, or Happy Valley (to go north)	US 60, Happy Valley
Mar 21 2025 06:59 PM	Via Jomax off Vistancia Blvd. And at Lone Mountain. 163rd / grand	Vistancia, Lone Mountain, Jomax Rd.
Mar 21 2025 04:53 PM	163rd / happy valley	Grand Ave., 163rd, Happy Valley
Mar 21 2025 04:50 PM	Grand and El Mirage	Grand Ave., El Mirage Rd.
Mar 21 2025 04:31 PM	Vistancia dr	Vistancia
Mar 21 2025 03:38 PM	El Mirage Road/ Grand Avenue	Grand Ave., El Mirage Rd.
Mar 21 2025 02:40 PM	Lone Mountain and Jomax	Lone Mountain, Jomax Rd.
Mar 21 2025 01:43 PM	Jomax when open. Lone Mountain if Jomax is closed. I stay away from Happy Valley entrance/exit if at all possible as far as congested.	Lone Mountain, Jomax Rd., Happy Valley
Mar 21 2025 01:39 PM	on El mirage Road	El Mirage Rd.
Mar 21 2025 01:11 PM	I have 2 choices. Happy Valley or Grand. Which both are undeserving Peoria and Surprise. Happy valley	Grand Ave., Happy Valley
Mar 21 2025 11:44 AM	And	
Mar 21 2025 11:44 AM	El Mirage	El Mirage Rd., Happy Valley
Mar 21 2025 11:13 AM	Grande	Grand Ave.
Mar 21 2025 11:06 AM	Loop 303 & Happy Valley	Happy Valley
Mar 21 2025 10:35 AM	happy valley to jomax	Jomax Rd., Happy Valley
Mar 17 2025 12:20 AM	Vistancia Blvd to Happy Valley.	Vistancia, Happy Valley
Mar 14 2025 04:18 PM	From the frontage road off El Mirage	El Mirage Rd.
Mar 07 2025 08:44 PM	Vistancia, Jomax Pkway, alone Mountain	Vistancia, Jomax Rd.
Mar 07 2025 03:49 PM	El Mirage	El Mirage Rd.
Mar 04 2025 04:33 PM	El Mirage Road to 303 to Happy Valley Parkway to Vistancia Blvd.	El Mirage Rd., Vistancia, Happy Valley
Mar 04 2025 03:55 PM	Vistancia to Jomax	Vistancia, Jomax Rd.
Mar 04 2025 03:53 PM	El Granada to Happy Valley Road to Loop 303	Happy Valley
Mar 04 2025 03:49 PM	Happy Valley and Granada need lite system at TAAT site.	Happy Valley
Mar 04 2025 03:47 PM	From Rancho Cobrillo, La Granada, Easton, Happy Calley to the entrance of the 303.	Happy Valley
Mar 04 2025 03:44 PM	Happy Valley to 303	Happy Valley
Mar 04 2025 03:43 PM	El Granada to W. Happy Valley Rd.	Happy Valley
Mar 04 2025 03:41 PM	El Mirage	El Mirage Rd.
Mar 04 2025 03:37 PM	Vistancia BLVD	Vistancia
Mar 04 2025 03:29 PM	Either Lone Mountain to S 303/N 303 or Vistancia to Jomax to S 303/N 303	Vistancia, Lone Mountain, Jomax Rd.
Mar 04 2025 03:25 PM	Happy Valley and 303 Jomax and 303	Jomax Rd., Happy Valley
Mar 04 2025 03:23 PM	Use Lone Mountain exit if traveling north.	Lone Mountain, Jomax Rd.
Mar 04 2025 03:19 PM	Use Jomax exit if traveling south. Happy Valley Vistancia to 303 via H.V in Tomax	Vistancia, Happy Valley
Mar 04 2025 03:18 PM	From 13833 W. Briles Rd to 138th Ave to Yearling to El Grande to Happy Valley to Vistancia to 303. Vistancia to Jomax	Grand Ave., Vistancia, Happy Valley
Mar 04 2025 01:24 PM	Jomax to 303	Vistancia, Jomax Rd.
Mar 04 2025 01:21 PM	E on Jomax, N on El Mirage, Vistancia BLVD to Jomax PKWY to N or S onto the 303	El Mirage Rd., Vistancia, Jomax Rd.
Mar 04 2025 01:12 PM	Lone Mountain Parkway to 303.	Lone Mountain
Mar 04 2025 12:59 PM	Happy Valley to 303 We are always using teh 303 at Jomax now to go to I-17 or more often to Sun City West and South to Surprise Businesses. When 303 at Jomax is busy/blocked, we use 303 at Lone Mountain. We avoid 303/Happy Balley as much as possible due to heavy congestion.	Happy Valley
Mar 04 2025 12:18 PM	north on el mirage to 303 up to jomax	Lone Mountain, Jomax Rd., Happy Valley
Mar 04 2025 07:45 AM	Grand or Happy Valley Rd depending on which direction I am traveling on the 303 and how bad the back up is northbound on 303 and Grand exit.	El Mirage Rd., Jomax Rd.
Mar 03 2025 05:50 PM	Either take Happy Valley or Grand.	Grand Ave., Happy Valley
Mar 03 2025 12:37 PM	Either Grand Avenue or El Mirage Road depending on my destination.	Grand Ave., Happy Valley
Mar 02 2025 12:53 PM	El Granada to Happy Valley to Vistancia parkway or to 163rd Avenue	Grand Ave., El Mirage Rd.
Mar 02 2025 07:02 AM	El Mirage	163rd, Vistancia, Happy Valley
Mar 01 2025 07:06 PM	Lone Mountain, Vistancia Blvd, Jomax on ramp	El Mirage Rd.
Feb 28 2025 12:56 PM	out of the back gate of Corte Bella and turn either left or right onto El Mirage. If I turn left, it is to take advantage of the left turn arrow on the traffic signal. However, if i turn right to access Williams Ave and the new bridge over thecAguia Frua, there isn't a turn arrow and you have to wait for a break in the traffic.	Vistancia, Lone Mountain, Jomax Rd.
Feb 28 2025 12:50 PM	East on Happy valley. Northon lake pleasant to jomax. Jomax to 303	El Mirage Rd.
Feb 27 2025 08:58 PM	If I'm driving north to go onto the 303 from my neighborhood, I take El Mirage to Coldwater Ranch Rd, out to Vistancia, to Jomax. If I am going south on the 303, I have to risk my safety and try and make a left turn from El Mirage onto Happy Valley or take El Mirage Rd to Coldwater Ranch Rd to Vistancia where I would make a right hand turn down to the 303.	Jomax Rd., Happy Valley
Feb 27 2025 05:46 PM	Jomax exit off 303	El Mirage Rd., Vistancia, Jomax Rd., Happy Valley
Feb 27 2025 05:04 PM	El Mirage, to happy Valley, happy valley to the 303	Jomax Rd.
Feb 27 2025 04:13 PM	Happy Valley to Vistancia	El Mirage Rd., Happy Valley
Feb 27 2025 03:44 PM	El mirage to Happy Valley to 303	Vistancia, Happy Valley
Feb 27 2025 02:56 PM	Lone mountain, jomax, happy valley	El Mirage Rd., Happy Valley
Feb 27 2025 12:52 PM	Use it almost everyday to commute to appts and other parts of the valley for dining and entertainment.	Lone Mountain, Jomax Rd., Happy Valley
Feb 27 2025 12:49 PM	Vistancia to happy valley access from happy valley	Vistancia, Happy Valley
Feb 27 2025 11:50 AM	Vistancia Blvd mainly	Vistancia
Feb 27 2025 10:25 AM	El mirage to happy valley to 303 from Coldwater retreat	El Mirage Rd., Happy Valley
Feb 27 2025 09:40 AM	Vistancia to Jomax Rd 303 entrance or Vistancia/Happy Valley entrance to 303	Vistancia, Jomax Rd., Happy Valley
Feb 27 2025 09:39 AM	El mirage to Vistancia blvd to the 303 north or south	El Mirage Rd., Vistancia
Feb 27 2025 08:24 AM	I live at the current dead end of El mirage road. I have to drive south bound on El Mirage and wait for the high volume of Happy Valley traffic to permit me to travel east on Happy Valley in order to gain 303 access. Otherwise my safest alternative is to drive through Coldwater Ranch and exit to Vistancia and head north to Jomax and allow safer connection to the 303.	El Mirage Rd., Vistancia, Jomax Rd., Happy Valley
Feb 27 2025 07:52 AM	I drive down Vistancia Blvd to Jomax and get on the 303.	Vistancia, Jomax Rd.
Feb 26 2025 08:10 PM	Jomax	Jomax Rd.
Feb 26 2025 06:39 PM	Happy Valley Rd to Vistancia Blvd then 303	Vistancia, Happy Valley
Feb 26 2025 04:37 PM	Happy Valley to 303 on ramp Happy Valley to vistancia to jomax 303 on ramp El mirage on ramp to 303 Grand 303 on ramp	Vistancia, Happy Valley
Feb 26 2025 03:52 PM		El Mirage Rd., Vistancia, Jomax Rd., Happy Valley, Grand Ave.

Feb 26 2025 02:17 PM	Traveling East on HappyValley to Vistancia Blvd intersection.	Vistancia
Feb 25 2025 01:06 PM	El Mirage Road-North, Happy Valley Road	El Mirage Rd., Happy Valley
Feb 25 2025 11:25 AM	Happy Valley Road	Happy Valley
Feb 24 2025 11:00 PM	Happy valley. It is very busy these days. We are trapped.	Happy Valley
Feb 24 2025 07:22 PM	Happy valley to 163rd to Grand to 303	Grand Ave., 163rd, Happy Valley
Feb 24 2025 05:04 PM	Heading north on 303 we use happy valley, heading south on 303, we use grand	Grand Ave., Happy Valley
Feb 24 2025 02:47 PM	Happy valley	Happy Valley
Feb 24 2025 02:47 PM	Happy valley	Happy Valley
Feb 24 2025 10:10 AM	Either Grand Ave or Happy Valley Rd. Depending on the traffic congestion I will either get to the 303 via Happy Valley or via Vistancia to Jomax	Grand Ave., Happy Valley
Feb 24 2025 08:42 AM	Jomax	Vistancia, Jomax Rd., Happy Valley
Feb 24 2025 06:38 AM	El Granada to Happy Valley to Vistancia Blvd	Vistancia, Happy Valley
Feb 23 2025 06:45 PM	El mirage and happy valley road 5 days a week.	El Mirage Rd., Happy Valley
Feb 23 2025 02:57 PM	Bell rd to the 303 to US 60 to 163rd to happy valley. Bell to el Mirage to 303. Coming from the north I have to use happy valley to the vistanica intersection then head to the 303	163rd, US 60, Happy Valley
Feb 23 2025 12:24 PM	I am right in the middle of the only 2 exits to 303. Vistancia or 163rd right now the Vistancia exit is less painful to get to the 303 and 7 miles further north than Grand since I work south of Grand .	El Mirage Rd., Happy Valley
Feb 23 2025 08:23 AM	From grand Ave onto the 303	163rd, Vistancia
Feb 23 2025 07:12 AM	Happy Valley Parkway or Jomax Rd ramps	Grand Ave.
Feb 23 2025 06:41 AM	Happy Valley to Jomax to Loop 303 Ramps, or Happy Valley to Loop 303 Ramps	Jomax Rd., Happy Valley
Feb 22 2025 11:38 PM	Grand ave & happy Valley rd	Jomax Rd., Happy Valley
Feb 22 2025 05:13 PM	El mirage	Grand Ave.
Feb 22 2025 04:49 PM	Happy valley/303 or Grand/303	El Mirage Rd.
Feb 22 2025 03:07 PM	Jomax, Lone Mountain, El Mirage, I 17, Happy Valley	Grand Ave.
Feb 22 2025 01:21 PM	Live north of Jomax travel south to happy valley to 303loop.	El Mirage Rd., Lone Mountain, Jomax Rd.
Feb 22 2025 10:54 AM	I exit the 303 at Jomax. I access the 303 from the interstate 17	Jomax Rd.
Feb 22 2025 10:48 AM	We utilize happy valley to get to the 303.	Jomax Rd.
Feb 22 2025 10:40 AM	We take Happy Valley east to the 303 if we are heading to work or to visit family on the east side. We take Happy Valley west to 163rd then south to get on the 303 there to go to our son's allergy doctor for weekly shots.	Happy Valley
Feb 22 2025 10:14 AM	Vistancia Blvd	163rd, Happy Valley
Feb 22 2025 09:19 AM	Happy valley or grand	Vistancia
Feb 22 2025 09:17 AM	happy valley and jomax	Grand Ave., Happy Valley
Feb 22 2025 08:55 AM	Via Jomax, Lone Mountain, Happy Valley, Rte 17, El Mirage, Bell Rd., Grant Ave.	Jomax Rd., Happy Valley
Feb 22 2025 08:54 AM	Happy valley rd	El Mirage Rd., Lone Mountain, Jomax Rd., Happy Valley
Feb 22 2025 08:36 AM	Jomax to happy valley to the 303	Happy Valley
Feb 22 2025 08:35 AM	Yearling to El Grenada to Happy Valley to 303	Jomax Rd., Happy Valley
Feb 22 2025 08:28 AM	El Granada to happy valley (needs a traffic light really bad) then on the 303	Happy Valley
Feb 22 2025 08:21 AM	Happy Valley Road.	Happy Valley
Feb 22 2025 08:18 AM	South on N. Dysart Rd. to W. Happy Valley Rd. Then east on W. Happy Valley Rd. to the 303	Happy Valley
Feb 22 2025 06:48 AM	El mirage rd to 303	Happy Valley
Feb 22 2025 06:40 AM	Happy valley to 303. 163rd is too congested in the mornings to use even though it would shorten my commute.	El Mirage Rd.
Feb 22 2025 06:31 AM	Dysart to Happy Valley. Happy Valley to Lake Pleasant Parkway then to Loop 303 to get off at El Mirage Road.	163rd, Happy Valley
Feb 22 2025 06:17 AM	1st choice is Lone Mt. to 303 to 17 to DPS Headquarters 2222 W Encanto, Phoenix 2nd choice is Vistancia to 303 to Happy Valley to 107th to Del Webb to 60 to DPS Headquarters 2222 W Encanto, Phoenix	El Mirage Rd., Happy Valley
Feb 22 2025 05:53 AM	173rd to jomax then 163rd to happy valley. Then happy valley to the 303 both north and south bound on 303.	Vistancia, Lone Mountain
Feb 22 2025 05:38 AM	Happy valley to vistancia Blvd. Absolute mess in the morning and in the afternoons.	163rd, Jomax Rd., Happy Valley
Feb 22 2025 05:26 AM	The 60	Vistancia
Feb 22 2025 03:25 AM	Lone Mountain □	US 60
Feb 22 2025 12:36 AM	JoMax	Lone Mountain, Jomax Rd.
Feb 21 2025 10:15 PM	Happy Valley road to Happy Valley Blvd to 303.	Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 10:02 PM	Happy Valley to the 303 or Happy Valley to Jomax to the 303.	Jomax Rd., Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 09:31 PM	Vistancia to happy valley	Vistancia, Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 08:51 PM	Granada to Happy Valley then head East. Depending on traffic I will take a left on Vistancia to Jomax 303 exit, or continue southeast (right turn) on Happy Valley to the 303 turn off	Vistancia, Jomax Rd., Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 08:48 PM	Happy Valley to Vistancia to 303	Vistancia
Feb 21 2025 08:23 PM	I drive all over the west valley going from home to home fixing appliances so I access the 303 from just about every where	Multiple Locations
Feb 21 2025 06:50 PM	Happy valley to 303 or 163rd ave to grand ave to 303.	Grand Ave., 163rd, Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 06:41 PM	McMicken to Happy Valley to Vistancia to 303 North.	Vistancia, Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 06:31 PM	Happy Valley, I-17, Jomax, Grand Avenue	Grand Ave., Jomax Rd., Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 05:45 PM	Happy Valley to 303 or 163rd to grand	Grand Ave., 163rd, Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 04:52 PM	Happy Valley to the 303	Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 04:35 PM	To get to work I travel on dysart to happy valley road. I then take that to the 303 south. This project would greatly help my morning commute	Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 04:32 PM	Happy valley	Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 04:15 PM	Dysart to Happy Valley to the 303	Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 04:14 PM	Taking happy valley to the loop	Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 04:08 PM	Dysart and happy valley	Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 03:50 PM	Happy valley	Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 03:22 PM	Happy valley to 163rd to the 60 to the 303	163rd, US 60, Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 03:15 PM	Happy Valley	Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 03:10 PM	Happy Valley To vistancia to 303	Vistancia, Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 03:05 PM	Happy Valley	Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 03:00 PM	Through Happy Valley to 303 and then I go down to the I-10	Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 02:42 PM	Happy valley to Vistancia Blvd to 303	Vistancia, Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 02:36 PM	Happy valley to the 303 or happy valley to 163rd ave to grand to the 303	Grand Ave., 163rd, Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 02:31 PM	Either west on Happy Valley, south on 163rd or east on Happy Valley, south on Vistancia. It depends on time of day, traffic congestion and direction of travel or destination.	163rd, Vistancia, Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 02:25 PM	South on Dysart, east on happy valley south on the 303	Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 02:24 PM	Happy Valley, either westbound to 303 or eastbound to Grand	Grand Ave., Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 02:14 PM	El granada to happy valley and turn back on to happy valley. To then get to the 303 this should help with all people that live in surprise that use happy valley to access the 303 traffic makes it difficult to get around in the morning and evening we have been begging for relief. This will help ease the pain.	Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 02:12 PM	Happy valley, sometimes I go west to access it directly. Other times I go east to 163rd, to Grand Ave, then to the 303	Grand Ave., 163rd, Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 02:06 PM	Travel from Happy Valley Rd to 303	Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 02:05 PM	Happy Valley Rd and El Mirage are the main ones we use	El Mirage Rd., Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 01:58 PM	Happy valley from Dysart to 303	Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 01:54 PM	Happy valley road to vistancia	Vistancia, Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 01:54 PM	Happy Valley/ Vistancia exit	Vistancia, Happy Valley

Feb 21 2025 01:50 PM	Down 163rd to grand to 303. NIGHTMARE	Grand Ave., 163rd
Feb 21 2025 01:28 PM	Happy Valley to Vistancia Blvd to the 303.	Vistancia, Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 01:24 PM	El Granada south to happy valley east then vistancia blvd to jomax	Vistancia, Jomax Rd., Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 01:22 PM	Happy valley east to 303	Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 01:09 PM	Either Jomax or Happy Valley. I live on dysart and jomax. I have to turn left from dysart onto happy valley. Turn left onto Vistancia and turn right to jomax then turn left on jomax to the 303. I take the 303 to the i17	Jomax Rd., Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 12:54 PM	Happy valley or Jomax exits/ramps	Vistancia, Jomax Rd., Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 12:24 PM	Happy valley or Jomax exits/ramps	Jomax Rd., Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 12:20 PM	Either take happy valley east from 163rd to 303 or 163rd to US 60 to 303.	163rd, US 60, Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 12:18 PM	Happy valley to happy valley/vistancia then to 303	Vistancia, Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 12:14 PM	Happy Valley to 303	Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 12:14 PM	El Mirage	El Mirage Rd.
Feb 21 2025 12:12 PM	Drive East on Happy Valley then turn right to get onto 303.	Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 12:08 PM	Typically access 303 via happy valley on a daily basis	Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 12:07 PM	Happy Valley to 303 is my only current option unless I take vistancia to jomax. For work I take head north on happy valley and dysart and merge on the 303 south heading towards the 10 freeway. Having access to el mirage would help with just heading south bound instead of heading north to merge onto the 303 and then south.	Vistancia, Jomax Rd., Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 11:59 AM	El Granada to Happy Valley to 303	El Mirage Rd., Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 11:50 AM	El Granada to Happy Valley, east on Happy Valley to Vistanvia Blvd then 303 south	Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 11:49 AM	Right now we leave our home which is located Happy Valley and El Granada and travel on Happy Valley to the Vistancia Happy Valley bend and access the 303 that way. It would be much more convenient and less back tracking if we could take Happy Valley to El Mirage to the 303.	Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 11:47 AM	happy valley and jomax □ both used to get on and off 303	El Mirage Rd., Vistancia, Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 11:44 AM	Happy Valley east, enter on Happy valley	Jomax Rd., Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 11:42 AM	Happy Valley east, enter on Happy valley	Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 11:40 AM	Sometimes I access from happy Valley and sometimes I access from Jomax	Jomax Rd., Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 11:39 AM	Vistancia/Happy Valley or Jomax.	Vistancia, Jomax Rd., Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 11:38 AM	Happy Valley Road From making right off happy valley into vistancia to get on 303 OR, make left off happy valley into.vistancia to get on jomax entrance to 3o3	Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 11:37 AM	Happy Valley Road to Happy Valley Parkway to 303	Vistancia, Jomax Rd., Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 11:36 AM	Happy Valley Road to Happy Valley Parkway to 303	Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 11:35 AM	Jomax Parkway, Lone Mountain Parkway, Happy Valley Parkway	Lone Mountain, Jomax Rd., Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 11:33 AM	I take happy valley and turn right on vistancia.	Vistancia, Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 11:30 AM	Happy Valley and than take 303 .	Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 11:30 AM	Happy Valley	Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 11:22 AM	Happy Valley, Vistancia Blvd, Jonas, Lone Mountain	Lone Mountain, Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 11:21 AM	Happy Valley to Vistancia blvd From jomax head south on Dysart, head east on happy valley, head north on vistancia Blvd to jomax, jomax to the 303	Vistancia, Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 11:19 AM	i access either from Hwy 60, or Happy Valley Rd.	Jomax Rd., Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 11:18 AM	Happy valley road	US 60, Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 11:17 AM	Happy valley road	Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 11:10 AM	El Granada to Happy Valley East, to Happy Valley SE to 303.	Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 11:09 AM	El Granada Blvd to Happy Valley Rd to 303	Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 11:04 AM	Happy valley/Vistancia Rd to 3 03	Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 10:58 AM	Happy Valley Pkwy From El Granada then west on Happy Valley, then left on Vistancia to Jomax, then access to 303. Or, west on Happy Valley, then right on Vistancia/Happy Valley to 303 access on Happy Valley.	Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 10:36 AM	Happy Valley to the 303 or Happy Valley to 163rd Ave to Grand to the 303	Jomax Rd., Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 10:32 AM	We take 163rd to grand to the 303 or we take happy valley to n vistancia to the 303	Grand Ave., 163rd, Happy Valley
Feb 21 2025 04:47 AM	El Mirage, 60/ Grand	Grand Ave., 163rd, Happy Valley
Feb 20 2025 07:51 PM	I take McMicken Way to Happy Valley Road. I then take Happy Valley Road to Vistancia Blvd and Enter the 303. Going home I use Vistancia Rd to Happy Valley but there is so much congestion to turn left I sometimes go straight and then just turn around to turn right	El Mirage Rd., US 60, Grand Ave.
Feb 20 2025 02:18 PM	US-60 Grand Ave	Happy Valley
Feb 20 2025 01:12 PM	Happy valley east to the 303. Happy valley west to 163rd to grand and to the 303	Grand Ave., US 60
Feb 20 2025 10:23 AM	Happy valley rd	Grand Ave., 163rd, Happy Valley
Feb 20 2025 09:18 AM	Happy valley rd	Grand Ave., 163rd, Happy Valley
Feb 20 2025 06:34 AM	Highway 60	Happy Valley
Feb 20 2025 05:14 AM	Grand ave	US 60
Feb 20 2025 05:02 AM	Lone Mountain, Jomax, Happy Valley	Grand Ave.
Feb 19 2025 11:28 PM	Happy Valley or Jomax	Lone Mountain, Jomax Rd., Happy Valley
Feb 19 2025 03:43 PM	I currently access the 303 loop to and from the 60 (grand). This area is often backed up and over trafficked. An alternate route would greatly improve the experience.	Jomax Rd., Happy Valley
Feb 19 2025 03:35 PM	Jomax or lone mountain	Grand Ave., US 60
Feb 19 2025 03:25 PM	Everyday i take happy valley past the loop 303 to get to my office in peoria	Lone Mountain, Jomax Rd.
Feb 19 2025 03:14 PM	163rd/grand or happy valley rd	Happy Valley
Feb 19 2025 03:06 PM	Dysart to happy valley to Vistancia pkwy. Right to north 303. To I-17 north to carefree hwy.	Grand Ave., 163rd, Happy Valley
Feb 19 2025 11:31 AM	Happy Valley Rd	Happy Valley
Feb 19 2025 09:34 AM	Grand Ave if little traffic, otherwise distancing, el mirage	Happy Valley
Feb 18 2025 11:24 PM	Happy Valley Rd or Grand Ave	Grand Ave., El Mirage Rd.
Feb 18 2025 09:16 PM	163rd to Grand or happy valley	Grand Ave., Happy Valley
Feb 18 2025 09:08 PM	Vistancia Blvd, Jonas and Lone Mountain	Grand Ave., 163rd, Happy Valley
Feb 18 2025 08:33 PM	Lone Mtn Road or N Vistancia Blvd	Vistancia, Lone Mountain
Feb 18 2025 07:26 PM	Vistancia Blvd	Vistancia, Lone Mountain
Feb 18 2025 07:24 PM	Jomax or happy valley	Vistancia
Feb 18 2025 07:14 PM	Jomax to Happy Valley to 303	Jomax Rd., Happy Valley
Feb 18 2025 06:47 PM	I use the only road available which is 163rd ave.	Jomax Rd., Happy Valley
Feb 18 2025 06:31 PM	At Grand Ave and or Happy Valley Rd	163rd
Feb 18 2025 06:30 PM	I would take 163rd ave to Grand ave or happy valley to vistancia then to the 303.	Grand Ave., Happy Valley
Feb 18 2025 05:55 PM	Happy Valley to the 303 or Happy Valley to 163rd to Grand to 303	Grand Ave., 163rd, Happy Valley
Feb 18 2025 12:38 PM	Lone mountain or Vistancia boulevard	Grand Ave., 163rd, Happy Valley
Feb 18 2025 11:46 AM	163rd/grand or 163rd/Happy Valley	Vistancia, Lone Mountain
Feb 18 2025 10:42 AM	I have to use 163rd to the 60 to catch the 3030	Grand Ave., 163rd, Happy Valley
Feb 18 2025 09:56 AM	Grand or happy valley	163rd, US 60
Feb 18 2025 08:51 AM	Happy valley to loop 303	Grand Ave., Happy Valley
Feb 18 2025 08:17 AM	Lone Mountain to 303 or Happy Valley to 303 or Jomax to 303	Happy Valley
Feb 18 2025 08:16 AM	Grand ave	Lone Mountain, Happy Valley
Feb 18 2025 07:53 AM	243rd Ave and Jomax Rd to Patton rd to Grand Ave to 303.	Grand Ave.
Feb 18 2025 07:29 AM	Happy Valley	Grand Ave.
Feb 18 2025 07:28 AM	Happy Valley to Vistancia to 303	Happy Valley
Feb 18 2025 06:24 AM	163rd to Grand Ave or 163rd to Happy Valley	Happy Valley
Feb 18 2025 04:42 AM	Happy valley, 163rd, then 60	Happy Valley
Feb 18 2025 03:23 AM	Happy Valley to the 303 north or south and Grand Ave to the 303 south	Grand Ave., 163rd, Happy Valley
Feb 17 2025 10:16 PM	163rd to 60. 303 to El Mirage. Happy Valley to 303	163rd, US 60, Happy Valley
Feb 17 2025 09:43 PM	Either use happy valley exit or grande exit	Grand Ave., Happy Valley

Feb 17 2025 08:17 PM	Take happy valley to 163rd, 163rd to the 60, the 60 to the 303	163rd, US 60, Happy Valley
Feb 17 2025 08:14 PM	Asante to 163rd ave to grand to 303	Grand Ave., 163rd
Feb 17 2025 07:58 PM	Grand Ave	Grand Ave.
Feb 17 2025 07:54 PM	Happy Valley	Happy Valley
Feb 17 2025 07:27 PM	I take Happy Valley to Vistancia Blvd to access Loop 303	Happy Valley
Feb 17 2025 07:21 PM	Happy Valley and Loop 303 or Grand and Loop 303	Happy Valley
Feb 17 2025 07:04 PM	Jomax, 163rd and grand	163rd, Jomax Rd.
Feb 17 2025 06:19 PM	Happy Valley or Grand Ave	Happy Valley
Feb 17 2025 06:15 PM	Primarily 303 to happy valley or 303 to Grand Ave. sometimes, when traffic is bad enough, I will get off	Happy Valley
Feb 17 2025 05:32 PM	on Jomax and take that south to happy valley.	Happy Valley
Feb 17 2025 12:03 PM	Happy valley rd and grand ave	Vistancia, Jomax Rd.
Feb 16 2025 05:28 PM	Off of Vistancia Blvd or Jomax Rd	Lone Mountain, Jomax Rd., Happy Valley
Feb 16 2025 04:02 PM	Jomax, Lone Mountain, or Happy Valley Road	Jomax Rd.
Feb 16 2025 06:56 AM	Jomax	Happy Valley
Feb 15 2025 01:15 PM	Happy Valley Rd	Lone Mountain, Happy Valley
Feb 15 2025 09:53 AM	At Happy Valley/Vistancia or Lone Mountain.	Jomax Rd.
Feb 15 2025 08:25 AM	Jonax rd	Happy Valley
Feb 15 2025 06:33 AM	Happy Valley	Lone Mountain, Jomax Rd., Happy Valley
Feb 14 2025 06:50 PM	Lone MTN, Jomax and Happy Valley	Vistancia, Jomax Rd.
Feb 14 2025 01:51 PM	Vistancia Blvd, Jomax rd, us60	Lone Mountain
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	We travel Happy Valley Road to 303, then have to backtrack on southbound 303 to access El Mirage Road. Also, when 303 to Grand to 163rd is congested we travel 303 past El Mirage to Happy Valley to 163rd. The new extension would be most helpful as would completing Jomax Road from 303 to Grand Ave(Hwy 60).	163rd, El Mirage Rd., Happy Valley
Feb 14 2025 11:57 AM		Happy Valley
Feb 14 2025 09:32 AM	We live in Coldwater Ranch and use the Happy Valley entrance/exit to the 303	El Mirage Rd.
Feb 14 2025 09:29 AM	El Mirage, I-17	El Mirage Rd., Vistancia
Feb 14 2025 06:24 AM	126 Drive south to Jomax east to El Mirage north to Vistancia south to Jomax east to 303	Vistancia, Lone Mountain
Feb 13 2025 05:43 PM	Vistancia, Jomax, and Lone Mountain	
	Live on 137th ave	
Feb 13 2025 04:17 PM	use Happy Valley, take a right at Vistancia, get on the 303	Vistancia, Happy Valley
Feb 13 2025 02:09 PM	El image or Happy Valley	Happy Valley
	We use Happy Valley Road/Vistancia - Loop 303 exist ramp 75% of the time and the Grand Avenue - Loop 303 exit ramps 25% of the time.	Vistancia, Happy Valley
Feb 13 2025 11:12 AM	Grand ave	Grand Ave.
Feb 13 2025 08:12 AM	Happy Valley Road	Happy Valley
Feb 12 2025 06:42 PM	Vistancia Blvd to Jomax to 303	Vistancia
Feb 12 2025 05:35 PM	vistancia blvd to happy valley	Vistancia, Happy Valley
Feb 12 2025 04:55 PM	Happy Valley Rd to i17 and back daily.	Happy Valley
Feb 12 2025 03:38 PM	It depends on traffic.	Multiple Locations
Feb 12 2025 02:51 PM		

Supplemental Survey Data_Comments

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Is there anything else you would like to share with the project team about the proposed extension of El Mirage Road between Loop 303 and Jomax Road?

Answered 198
Skipped 145

RESPONSE DATE	RESPONSES	PRO	CON	NEUTRAL	UNCLEAR	NOT RELATED*	TOPICS
Mar 23 2025 06:20 PM	Please build all 6 lanes at one time. Why go back later and add more, build it correctly to begin with. There also needs to be another access point to all those homes between the proposed El Mirage and the existing Grand Ave exit.	1					T
Mar 23 2025 06:02 PM	I think it would significantly improve traffic congestion along route 60 at the 303.	1					T
Mar 23 2025 09:09 AM	I do travel frequently on Happy Valley west to my daughter's home, hence my interest in the project. This project would relieve traffic congestion and the left hand turning danger at Happy Valley and Vistancia. Please expedite this project.	1					T, S
Mar 22 2025 03:51 PM	Don not build exit on 147. I live off 147 and don't want the traffic.				1	1	
Mar 22 2025 02:08 PM	If constructed, sufficient barrier walls or sound proofing will need to be built to buffet the noise.			1			N
Mar 22 2025 09:26 AM	PLEASE do not put in signals it needs to be a free flow to the 303 with ease of entrance onto the 303 ramps. At least north bound on Jomax needs a merge lane to the 303 interchange with NO signal to keep the flow of vehicles getting to 303. Thank You				1		O - INTERSECTION TREATMENTS
Mar 22 2025 06:57 AM	A 4 way stop or additional stop signs are needed. Car are speeding sound on El Mirage. A stop sign located tracing north at 303 and El Mirage was recently moved. It at least helped exiting 303 to turn south onto El Mirage. Now with Williams open and trucks the traffic isn't safe.				1		S; O - INTERSECTION TREATMENTS
Mar 21 2025 09:32 PM	It is needed to alleviate the congestion on Happy Valley Road and Vistancia Blvd and Happy Valley Road and 163rd Ave.	1					T
Mar 21 2025 06:59 PM	I am concerned about added traffic and the ability to exit safely from the back gates of Trilogy onto El Mirage and Jomax.				1		T; S
Mar 21 2025 04:53 PM	I wish there was a303 exit between el mirage & grand				1	1	
Mar 21 2025 04:50 PM	will there be Access to the Maricopa county trail in that area?				1		AT
Mar 21 2025 01:58 PM	With the Williams road bridge traffic now has increased drastically on el mirage to the 303. Communities like Sunleya should have a stoplight installed since the traffic is already increasingly busy and makes leaving or entering the community dangerous and difficult throughout the day				1	1	
Mar 21 2025 01:43 PM	Roundabouts are horrible ideas. If you put in Traffic Lights, make sure they stay in sync with speed limit to next light so you don't end up idling car multiple time between South on El Mirage Rd through Jomax and staying south to the 303.				1		O - INTERSECTION TREATMENTS
Mar 21 2025 01:38 PM	I am not in favor of anything that encourages future residential development of land north of 303 until water resources are guaranteed for people who currently live here for 100 or more years.		1				E
Mar 21 2025 01:11 PM	Hurry!	1					
Mar 21 2025 11:44 AM	I'd love to see an exit at 147 as well. It would alleviate traffic at 168 and el mirage	1				1	
Mar 21 2025 11:13 AM	This would cut at least 15 minutes off my drive time to and from work/into town. Also it should mean less traffic for both the happy valley and vistancia blvd intersection and also the grande and 303 area	1					T
Mar 21 2025 11:06 AM	Please build this as fast as possible. Also add more intersections along the 303 to gain access to the rapidly growing area to the North.	1					T
Mar 21 2025 10:50 AM	No				1		
Mar 21 2025 10:42 AM	This interchange is needed badly	1					
Mar 21 2025 10:35 AM	this needs to happen and soon to eliminate all the congestion in the mornings and after work...its ridiculous	1					T
Mar 21 2025 09:19 AM	Do not extend El Mirage rd. We at Corte Bella, are already exposed to additional traffic from the 303. Find another solution		1				T
Mar 17 2025 12:20 AM	This is a useless, unnecessary project!		1				
Mar 10 2025 04:00 PM	West Deer Valley Road should also be widened (including the Deer Valley Access Road) from Fire Station #3 in Sun City West, east to the intersection with El Mirage Road. The new traffic from the proposed extension of El Mirage to Jomax Road is going to greatly increase the number of "trips" through Sun City West - a retirement community with drivers of limited skills. As it is now, a great number of drivers who live outside SCW already use this roadway as a backdoor commute from North Peoria to Surprise. This would be a golden opportunity to show the residents of Sun City West and Corte Bella that you have their backs!				1	1	
Mar 10 2025 01:39 PM	Jomax road needs to be completed to connect from Vistancia blvd west to dysart.				1	1	
Mar 08 2025 07:47 AM	I oppose this extension. We st Corte Bella, already have to live with road noise from El Mirage Rd. Now there will be an increased volume of traffic noise. Find another way		1				T
Mar 07 2025 08:44 PM	As traffic continues to grow on Vistancia Happy Valley, bicycle lanes are becoming more important as an alternate way to travel south in this area				1		AT
Mar 07 2025 03:49 PM	I support this project completely.	1					
Mar 07 2025 09:50 AM	Hopefully something can be done when the additional signals at El Mirage and 303 go in to mitigate the impact to the residents. After the additions of signals and Corta Bella Dr. and Williams, the amount of noise from a few private vehicles, has become a great issue for peace and home values. Lowering the speed limit would not be an answer as most ignore the limit as it is.				1		N, T
Mar 07 2025 09:09 AM	I heard that large, noisy trucks would be using this new road, and El Mirage is bad enough. I would NOT have purchased a home that backs up to El Mirage had I known there would be so many hot rods, big, noisy trucks, etc. traveling on El Mirage.		1				N
Mar 04 2025 04:33 PM	I eagerly await the proposed extension! What a time saver it will offer!	1					T
Mar 04 2025 03:49 PM	Tie in Jomax/Dysart to Vistancia				1	1	
Mar 04 2025 03:47 PM	Finish Jomax to tie to the existing Jomax West of this project.				1	1	
Mar 04 2025 03:43 PM	Traffic lights needed, not stop signs.				1		O - INTERSECTION TREATMENTS
Mar 04 2025 03:41 PM	Concerned re impact in adjacent communities.				1		O - IMPACTS TO NEARBY COMMUNITIES (UNSPECIFIED)
Mar 04 2025 03:37 PM	I am concerned about the amount of traffic using El Mirage from Happy Valley to the Vistancia/El Mirage intersection for access to shopping, the schools, and Amcor. Exiting Trilogy at Blue Sky will be a challenge.				1		T
Mar 04 2025 03:29 PM	Probably long overdue based on existing conditions and limited means of getting out of our community.	1					T
Mar 04 2025 03:26 PM	Do a better job than in Surprise at 303/Grand				1	1	
Mar 04 2025 03:25 PM	The left turn from Happy valley onto El Mirage is extra dangerous. A light is a great idea there. Will Jomax be extended from El Mirage to Dysart Rd? This would be a great way to ease up with the flow on H.V.	1					T; O - INTERSECTION TREATMENTS
Mar 04 2025 03:23 PM	We prefer stop lights to roundabouts. Roundabouts can be dangerous if drivers aren't familiar with them /This is more of a risk with a retirement community nearby (Trilogy). Roundabouts can be difficult to access when traffic is very heavy.				1		O - INTERSECTION TREATMENTS
Mar 04 2025 03:09 PM	Keep noise down once extension is complete				1		N
Mar 04 2025 01:24 PM	Keep noise down once extension is complete (design for less noise).				1		N
Mar 04 2025 01:21 PM	This project is so important. In the event of an emergency, it allows emergency vehicles access to so many neighborhoods. And conversly, it allows residents to exit the area in the event of an emergency (like a wildfire).	1					S (EMERGENCY RESPONSE)

*Not in project study area or related to El Mirage Road Design Concepts

Mar 04 2025 01:17 PM	Prefer roundabout at El Mirage and Jomax to slow traffic.				1		O - INTERSECTION TREATMENTS
Mar 04 2025 01:12 PM	Please Hurry!	1					
Mar 04 2025 12:18 PM	Too many traffic lights/roundabouts will defeat the purpose of all loading traffic from Vistancia which is more in Peoria than other neighborhood being serviced by county access west of Coldwater Ranch. Make it flow and sync lights to speed limits for good flow from Vistancia to the 303.				1		O - INTERSECTION TREATMENTS
Mar 03 2025 05:50 PM	It won't help much with the traffic currently using 163rd to access Happy Valley as more housing n is being built on the western end of Happy Valley.				1		
Mar 02 2025 07:02 AM	The traffic light needs to be at El Granada and Happy Valley. Way too many cars driving east from 163rd avenue. Hard to make a left onto Happy Valley from El Granada.			1	1		
Mar 01 2025 07:06 PM	I am not in favor of it. It will Make El Mirage in front of Corte Bella much busier. I feel like Peoria is dumping every thing near us with no benefit to us and Peoria gets the best of everything. The moved the transfer station from Peoria to less than a mile from us. Now the extension ends less than half a mile from our home and it benefits Peoria. We seem to have no representation in unincorporated Maricopa County and Peoria is in charge of everything.		1				O - BENEFITS PEORIA BUT IMPACTS COUNTY RESIDENTS
Feb 28 2025 12:56 PM	Don't cross the canal into Vistancia its not needed or wanted.		1				
Feb 28 2025 12:50 PM	There will be too much traffic on the existing El Mirage Rd south of the 303 because of the El Mirage extension. At a minimum, there should be a new traffic light or stop sign just south 303 on El Mirage. This would be at the location of the recently installed temporary stop sign. Otherwise there will be constant uninterrupted traffic on El Mirage because of the El Mirage extension. This will become a very dangerous road with lots of speeders.				1		T, O - INTERSECTION TREATMENTS
Feb 27 2025 08:10 PM	I use El Mirage Road south of the 303. I am wondering if lighting will be added to the underpass at the intersection of the 303 and El Mirage Rd. It is very dark after the sun goes down.				1		O - LIGHTING
Feb 27 2025 05:46 PM	I live in Coldwater Retreat, the gated community in Coldwater Ranch. It is very difficult to turn left from El Mirage onto Happy Valley without a traffic light. Also coming from 163rd Ave back to my home, it is extremely dangerous to make a left hand turn onto El Mirage without a left hand lane turn out. I also I feel that our little community needs consideration on exiting our neighborhood because currently we have only 2 exits and one is also the entrance. The exit on Desert Lane needs to be able to turn left to Happy Valley				1		O - ACCESS; SAFETY
Feb 27 2025 05:04 PM	As resident of coldwater retreat it would cause daily excess unwanted traffic and continuous danger and safety concerns. Happy valley turning into vistancia road is sufficient enough for traffic to and from the Vistancia area. The congestion of traffic turning left onto happy valley and Vistancia intersection is the main cause of congestion and would benefit from multiple left hand turn lanes. If any developmental money is to be spent it should be spent on that intersection.		1				T
Feb 27 2025 04:13 PM	El Mirage Road exit to Tether tri would need a right turning lane as the gate to the neighborhood would potentially cause a back up on El Mirage.				1		O - ACCESS AT TETHER TRAIL
Feb 27 2025 03:44 PM	Need to open Jomax from dysart to the 303 (new road). Traffic has become insane also Semis are using all roads. The speed limit along Dysart should be reduced to 35 mph. Also a Camara needs to get installed for those who refuse to obey the limits.				1	1	
Feb 27 2025 02:56 PM	I am good with Happy Valley to 303. Not sure if I agree with Happy Valley to Jomax.				1		
Feb 27 2025 12:52 PM	Obviously this is going to happen, please keep the speed limit low. Moved into neighborhood with the understanding el mirage would not be a busy road.			1			T, RC
Feb 27 2025 12:49 PM	I own a home in Coldwater Retreat (the gated portion of Coldwater Ranch) on W Desert Sun Ln, and I wanted to share some concerns regarding the potential traffic flow changes in our community. I If the "Exit Only" gate on W Desert Sun Ln is modified to a right turn only (RTO) due to a new median, I strongly urge you to include a U-turn cutout shortly thereafter to allow residents to safely turn around and head south on El Mirage Rd. The main entrance and exit on Tether Tri is already extremely busy, and making W Desert Sun Ln an RTO without a turnaround option would essentially funnel all traffic through that one exit—creating even more congestion. Given that there is a park at the community entrance on Tether Tri, increased traffic in that area raises significant safety concerns for park patrons including children. Additionally, I'd like to emphasize the importance of landscaping the median as part of the initial improvements, rather than waiting until the eventual expansion to six lanes (which could take decades). The median on Happy Valley Rd is a clear example of how unlandscaped areas can make the community look incomplete and neglected, even after development has occurred on both sides. I understand that county design guidelines are less strict than city standards, but it would be great to see this area maintained at a higher level to reflect the quality of the surrounding communities. I appreciate your time and consideration in keeping Coldwater Retreat a well-planned and attractive neighborhood.				1		O - ACCESS FOR COLDWATER RANCH; LANDSCAPING IN MEDIAN
Feb 27 2025 11:50 AM	No				1		
Feb 27 2025 10:25 AM	Easier left turn from the Coldwater ranch community. Right turn only will not be convenient				1		O - ACCESS FOR COLDWATER RANCH
Feb 27 2025 10:24 AM	NA				1		
Feb 27 2025 09:40 AM	Keeping traffic traveling at a slower speed going near the Coldwater neighborhoods				1		RC - NEAR COLDWATER RANCH
Feb 27 2025 07:52 AM	The safety plan is left in, left out at Tether trail please.				1		O - TETHER TRAIL
Feb 26 2025 08:10 PM	It is crazy that Vistancia Blvd is the only access point from the east to enter Vistancia. This makes traveling Vistancia Blvd extremely difficult. Having another access point would be a tremendous help and hopefully can get completed as quickly as possible.	1					T
Feb 26 2025 06:39 PM	With the connection of El Mirage to the current El Mirage at Jomax, there will be increased traffic between Jomax and Vistancia Blvd. I'm concerned about the intersection of El Mirage and Blue Sky Dr. I hope a four way stop will be added to slow down traffic and for safety turning left out of Trilogy (Blue Sky) and El Mirage.				1	1	T; S
Feb 26 2025 04:37 PM	I will also use El Mirage to go to Bell road and Grand Ave	1					T
Feb 26 2025 03:52 PM	This is a very much needed access to 303. Morning commutes on Happy Valley begin at 6 AM and from the vistancia/happy valley intersection traffic is backed up passed el mirage rd. This causes a major impact in time accessing the freeway and a decrease in quality of life in the west valley. This is a very much needed access.	1					T
Feb 26 2025 02:17 PM	PLEASE DO IT. As a resident of rancho cabrillo, we commute to Vistancia weekly to grocery shop. I also travel south on 303 for work. The traffic in the mornings and afternoons at the Vistancia blvd and happyvalley intersection is out of control and dangerous. This extension would help so much with our daily commutes.	1					T; SAFETY
Feb 25 2025 07:25 PM	Get this done asap. Why does this stuff take forever? Traffic is terrible with all the new houses and infrastructure improvements just drag on at a snail's pace.	1					T
Feb 25 2025 01:06 PM	I am concerned about the amount of traffic from the 303 north bound and exiting on El Mirage Road Southbound and from Jomax to El Mirage Southbound				1		T
Feb 25 2025 11:25 AM	This would clear up congestion at happy valley and Vistancia blvd bc many people who live west in surprise use happy valley to commute	1					T

Feb 21 2025 03:10 PM	Traffic lights/Signals are desperately needed in the Rancho Cabrillo and Coldwater Ranch neighborhoods as it is extremely dangerous to turn left out of these neighborhoods. The additional access to 303 should also alleviate the flow of traffic at the intersection of Happy Valley and Vistancia that is consistently backed up.				1		O - INTERSECTION TREATMENTS; ACCESS FOR COLDWATER RANCH
Feb 21 2025 02:42 PM	We need a light at el Granada and happy valley rd.				1	1	
Feb 21 2025 02:36 PM	Access to and from the 303 especially during rush hours is currently very time consuming.				1		T
Feb 21 2025 02:31 PM	This would greatly reduce congestion at Vistancia Blvd and 163rd Ave as both become congested as the only entries into the area east and west of proposed extension. You have my families full support, the area will only become more populated.	1					T
Feb 21 2025 02:25 PM	This is a much needed extension that will alleviate current traffic problems at the light of happy valley /vistancia blvd	1					T
Feb 21 2025 02:24 PM	This project is so needed. This area of Happy Valley is dangerously congested with high speed traffic.	1					T
Feb 21 2025 02:14 PM	Should complete jomax to the east and left also. But having el mirage complete would give faster time for emergency services and a way to escape the neighborhood in an event of a evacuation emergency.	1					T; S - EMERGENCY RESPONSE
Feb 21 2025 02:12 PM	We already have a lot of traffic on this part of Happy Valley and a stop light or roundabout is greatly needed at El Granada, preferably before this extension is made. It's becoming a great danger.				1	1	
Feb 21 2025 01:58 PM	Do it! So many people need it and will use it	1					
Feb 21 2025 01:57 PM	We really really need the Traffic Signal at Happy Valle and El Granada. It is horrific trying to get on to Happy Valley from El Granada. Also from Dysart. There will be more houses built to the south. Happy Valley and El Granada will become a four way intersection. If that can't be done could temporary Stop signs to stop the traffic along Happy Valley.				1	1	
Feb 21 2025 01:54 PM	Stop signs or lights are really needed for this area dysart el granada and happy valley we wait over 10 mins every morning to make a left hand turn. People drive over 70mph signs or lights will help stopping people from using happy valley as a highway				1	1	
Feb 21 2025 01:50 PM	Please make this happen we need it so bad. It gets backed up on vistancia and happy valley and on 163rd and happy.	1					T
Feb 21 2025 01:28 PM	Don't under estimate the traffic that will immediately use this exit to and from the 303. The increase of traffic on Happy Valley will be large as there is an extreme bottleneck at Vistancia Blvd and Happy Valley as well as at 163rd and Grand. Also account for the additional accidents and deaths by having the garbage facility at El Mirage and the 303. Review the volume of issues at a similiar facility in Gilbert.				1		
Feb 21 2025 01:25 PM	They really need to do something with the traffic. Traffic is horrific in the morning just trying to get on from Dysart to happy Valley is very very dangerous. Traffic is going 65+ miles an hour every single morning and I don't see how they're going to cross over happy Valley on El Mirage at all there's going to have to be another light there or it's gonna be fatality alley.				1		T; S
Feb 21 2025 01:24 PM	We desperately need more safe ways in and out of our community at Rancho cabrillo along with traffic lights	1					T
Feb 21 2025 01:09 PM	It would relieve a lot of congestion due to the increase of homes built along happy valley road and only having grand or happy valley as exits.	1					T
Feb 21 2025 12:54 PM	We need another outlet from dysart and jomax. The back up and traffic coming down from surprise on happy valley is a nightmare.				1	1	
Feb 21 2025 12:08 PM	This area desperately needs this road extension due to the amount of new homes and vehicles that use happy valley on a daily or more basis. This being the only thoroughfare hinders ease of access. This extension is much needed and way overdue! BUILD IT!!!	1					T
Feb 21 2025 11:59 AM	With a growing community this is deeply needed especially after hours when there's traffic exiting 303 north and heading towards happy valley and vistancia.	1					T
Feb 21 2025 11:47 AM	Please discuss the idea of a traffic light at El Granada and Happy Valley. So many accidents!				1	1	
Feb 21 2025 11:42 AM	We need this road development!	1					
Feb 21 2025 11:40 AM	I feel like there are more important projects in the area that are going to save people's lives. There are too many homes being built west of Dysart. There is an urgent need for a signal at Dysart and happy Valley!! It is nearly impossible to turn off of Dysart eastbound onto the happy Valley.				1	1	
Feb 21 2025 11:39 AM	We need a light too. I have lived in the area for 8 years and the traffic is terrible with too many home with not enough roads, we need another way to access the 303 and shopping in the area.	1					T; O - INTERSECTION TREATMENTS
Feb 21 2025 11:30 AM	This would help traffic safety at the Happy Valley Vistancia intersection	1					T; S
Feb 21 2025 11:22 AM	It is much needed due to all the new neighborhoods being developed and traffic safety.	1					T;S
Feb 21 2025 11:18 AM	There is event a LARGER need for an access road between 303 & Happy Valley Rd heading north. For example to have a connector road to get to 147th ave or Dysart ave. Either of those would be a planned use than the proposed El Mirage-Jomax. by having a feeder road at either of those it would ease all the current interactions on hwy 60, Happy Valley with the 303. Ultimately The state of AZ, local communities and developers & AZDOT have completely caused this situation by allowing to much growth to quickly.				1	1	
Feb 21 2025 11:17 AM	Rancho Cabrillo needs this desperately as we have no light signal to get out of our neighborhood onto Happy Valley Road to access the 303	1					T; O - ACCESS FOR RANCHO CABRILLO
Feb 21 2025 11:10 AM	It could help the dangers of driving on Happy Valley Rd between 163rd Ave and Vistancia/Happy Valley.	1					S
Feb 21 2025 11:09 AM	Need stop lights down Happy Valley Rd between Vistancia and 163rd				1	1	
Feb 21 2025 11:04 AM	We desperately need this extension. We also need lights at happy valley and dysart and happy valley and el cortez	1				1	O - INTERSECTION TREATMENTS
Feb 21 2025 10:36 AM	Long overdue! Traffic in the area is horrible; it is getting more dangerous every day to exit our community (Rancho Cabrillo) as Happy Valley is the only way in and out! Extending El Mirage Rd to Jomax on north side would open up another main artery with access to 303. Also important to make sure El Mirage is also accessible from eastbound Jomax (EB Jomax currently ends at Dysart - Jomax needs to go all the way through to El Mirage). Thank you!!	1					T;S
Feb 21 2025 09:57 AM	A forecast of traffic conditions for El Mirage Road south of the 303 as a result of this project and poulation growth.				1		
Feb 20 2025 07:27 PM	The whole area needs more roads.. the new construction is our of control and traffic is so congested	1					T
Feb 20 2025 10:23 AM	There would need to be an another connection from el mirage to happy valley that ties in closer to the 163rd. The connection proposed would not help alleviate enough traffic from grand/163rd.				1	1	
Feb 20 2025 09:18 AM	More access would elevate traffic during morning and evening travel hours. Would hope it would also help with the speeding and amount of accidents on happy valley because of impatient reckless drivers. On the verge of selling my house because of it.	1					T
Feb 20 2025 05:02 AM	It would alleviate heavy traffic associated with quick growth in the areas between Jomax and grand	1					T
Feb 19 2025 11:28 PM	Please extend it to Vistancia Blvd. I would then use this frequently to go south to El Mirage & Bell Rd.	1					T
Feb 19 2025 03:43 PM	People just need more options besides 163rd and happy valley to access the 303 to reduce traffic. Another option with El mirage along with jomax connecting between the 303 and 163rd would give plenty of options to relieve traffic on what seems like only 2 arteries to get anywhere if you live in the northwest corner of the valley	1					T; O - ACCESS
Feb 19 2025 03:35 PM	I currently access the 303 loop to and from the 60 (grand). This area is often backed up and over trafficked. An alternate route would greatly improve the experience.	1					T

Feb 19 2025 03:25 PM	If it's a go please account for timing of lights. Many poorly timed lights along happy valley from el mirage to 67th which is my commute.			1		1	O - INTERSECTION TREATMENTS
Feb 19 2025 04:53 AM	Glad they are finally making another way of your us residence that live out here	1					
Feb 18 2025 09:16 PM	An exit at 147th would make more sense. Oh wait, you want to build more houses first then you'll maybe think about infrastructure. Seriously though, I think the residents out here will take whatever lifeline you all throw at us.				1		
Feb 18 2025 09:08 PM	It is needed to relieve congestion at Vistancia and Happy Valley	1					T
Feb 18 2025 08:33 PM	Looking forward to it!	1					
Feb 18 2025 07:26 PM	This is an amazing idea! So badly needed!	1					
Feb 18 2025 07:14 PM	It would also be great for Jomax to connect all the way to Grand.	1					
Feb 18 2025 06:47 PM	Please don't put a stupid light every 1/8th of a mile. Thank you					1	O - INTERSECTION TREATMENTS
Feb 18 2025 06:30 PM	Adding this access as an option for a strained Happy Valley and 163rd ave would be beneficial to the community.	1					T
Feb 18 2025 05:55 PM	How about a round about on the south side of McMicken for access to Dysart? That would cut traffic further east and help traffic farther west.				1		O - INTERSECTION TREATMENTS, ACCESS
Feb 18 2025 11:46 AM	This area desperately needs additional ingress/egress routes. This project would increase public safety and relieve some of the extreme congestion on surrounding routes.	1					S, T
Feb 18 2025 08:51 AM	I think this is a much needed exit point from Loop 303 to decrease the congestion on the Happy Valley and Grand exit points from the 303.	1					T
Feb 18 2025 08:17 AM	The congestion due to the current lack of roads and the growing number of homes in this area is becoming dangerous. This would alleviate a lot of it.	1					T
Feb 18 2025 08:16 AM	BUILD IT SOONER THAN LATER	1					
Feb 18 2025 07:53 AM	This proposed extension would relieve some congestion around 303 exit and Grand Ave.	1					T
Feb 18 2025 06:24 AM	Finish connecting Jomax Road at the southern border of Vistancia.					1	
Feb 18 2025 06:03 AM	It is greatly needed as an additional access out of the area in case of fire. I have lived in the area for 15 years and the lack of access out and the back up of traffic is a nightmare.	1					T
Feb 18 2025 03:23 AM	Much needed with residential development exploding. Might want to consider putting a rush on this project.	1					
Feb 17 2025 10:16 PM	Traffic is terrible. It's imperative this access is completed soon. 163rd and Happy Valley are the only access to 303. This is not safe for residents.	1					T,S
Feb 17 2025 08:17 PM	This would help the traffic in our area so much, this is for sure needed	1					T
Feb 17 2025 08:14 PM	Current traffic patterns are dangerous and excessive.				1		
Feb 17 2025 07:54 PM	Please do it	1					
Feb 17 2025 07:27 PM	If adding a light at Happy Valley and El Mirage, consider a dedicated right turn lane going from Eastbound Happy Valley onto Southbound El Mirage. This will allow traffic on Happy Valley to continue to flow and reduce backups with people turning South.					1	O - INTERSECTION TREATMENTS
Feb 17 2025 07:21 PM	It would GREATLY help the MASSIVE in flow of people to the area	1					
Feb 17 2025 06:15 PM	This would be an AMAZING addition to our community	1					
Feb 17 2025 05:32 PM	This would be super helpful and create another outlet for traffic and people traveling south.	1					T
Feb 17 2025 12:03 PM	It should have been done years ago.	1					
Feb 16 2025 05:28 PM	I would prefer it was not done at all.		1				
Feb 16 2025 04:02 PM	As someone that lives in coldwater ranch this would be a huge help to alleviate the traffic on happy valley road	1					T
Feb 16 2025 10:41 AM	It would ease congestion on Grand and Happy Valley exits at rush hour	1					T
Feb 15 2025 01:15 PM	Not at this time.		1				
Feb 15 2025 06:33 AM	Would be a great time saver for travel south on 303. Would also take pressure off Jomax and Happy Valley Road	1					T
Feb 14 2025 01:51 PM	There is no need for this extension- will just bring MORE traffic to the area.		1				T
Feb 14 2025 11:57 AM	This extension is LONG PAST DUE. Development needs to be paused until this and other road improvements are completed.	1					
Feb 14 2025 09:32 AM	Please make this happen! It can only benefit!	1					
Feb 14 2025 06:24 AM	concern about traffic noise and congestion on El Mirage between Vistancia and Jomax				1		N, T
Feb 13 2025 04:40 PM	DO NOT ALLOW TRUCKS/VEHICLES to park under the 303 - it blocks traffic and impairs visibility to those on the off ramp heading west.				1	1	
Feb 13 2025 04:17 PM	Please make this happen!!! Traffic in the mornings and afternoons is horrible!!! You can be backed up almost a mile in the morning on Happy Valley, trying to get on to Vistancia to get to the 303	1					T
Feb 13 2025 11:12 AM	Please complete this new connect as soon as possible. Both exits are extremely overloaded. An accident near either cause extreme congestion on Happy Valley Road and all surface streets north of the 303.	1					T
Feb 13 2025 08:12 AM	If you can consider connecting Jomax road west so that it goes all the way through would be helpful					1	
Feb 13 2025 06:02 AM	I ride 3-4 times a week with a Vistancia bike club. The routes out of Vistancia are getting more congested and dangerous for bike traffic, particularly 115th. We need safer bike lines to get from Vistancia to other locations in the west valley.	1					AT
Feb 12 2025 05:35 PM	This extension is going to cause major issues for homeowners in the area trying to exit there neighborhoods. Will traffic lights be added where neighborhood streets currently intersect with El Mirage and Jomax? Will the existing sections of El Mirage be widened to deal with additional traffic. Will noise issues be addressed for neighborhoods that are adjacent?					1	O - ACCESS, INTERSECTION TREATMENTS, RC, N
Feb 12 2025 03:38 PM	This would help alleviate traffic and the intersection of happy Valley Rd substantially and allow a better flow for traffic with less risk of a traffic collision.	1					T
Feb 12 2025 02:51 PM	No thank you.					1	

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Total Responses = 198



Appendix DCR-D.3 – Public Project Notices

El Mirage Road Extension

Loop 303 to Jomax Road



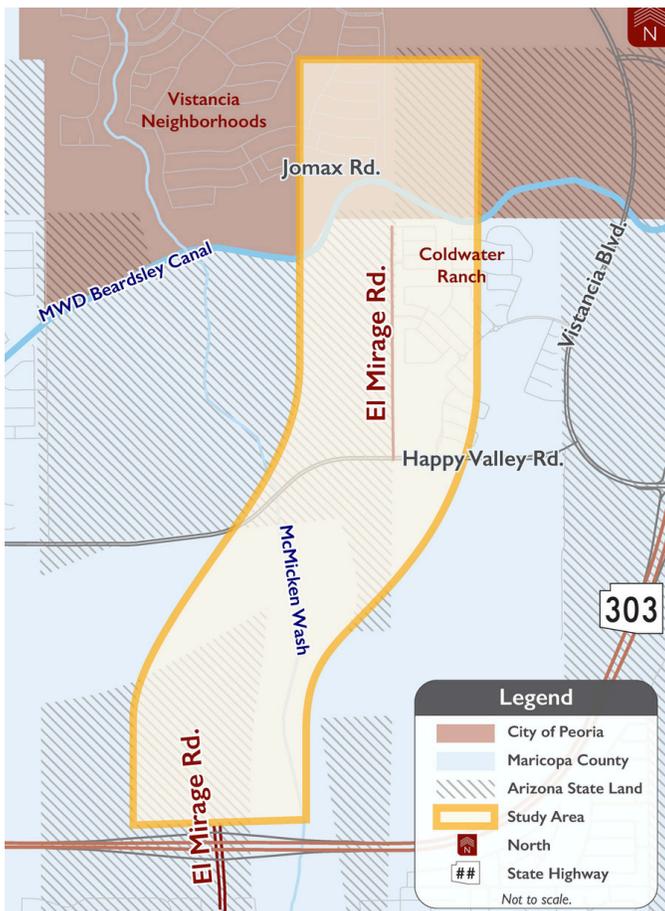
October 1, 2024

Study focusing on improving El Mirage Road from Loop 303 to Jomax Road

Public input sought as “scoping” phase begins on Oct. 1

PEORIA—The potential two-mile extension of El Mirage Road from Loop 303 to Jomax Road is the focus of a Design Concept Report (DCR) and Environmental Assessment (EA) as the City of Peoria, Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT), Maricopa County, and other agencies seek solutions to meet current and projected traffic demands and improve access to Loop 303 in the northwest Valley. Public input is now being sought as the 30-day scoping phase of the study begins.

This scoping phase is the first of several opportunities for the public to provide input about the study area and ask questions about the possible future roadway project. More information is available at <https://www.elmirageroadextension.com/>



Study Area Map

The study area is a half-mile wide, extending from Loop 303 to north of Jomax Road for approximately one-third of a mile. The new El Mirage Road alignment, if constructed, would be within the study area. Currently there is no funding for final design or construction of the project. The DCR and EA will evaluate roadway improvements such as lane configuration, pedestrian and bicycle use, drainage improvements, right of way impacts, traffic impacts, and other considerations. They will also evaluate the potential environmental effects that could result from future implementation of the new roadway segment, as well as potential impacts if no action is taken (that is, no changes are made to El Mirage Road in the study area). Environmental topics to be addressed include but are not limited to biological resources, cultural resources, water resources, hazardous materials, traffic noise, and air quality.

During scoping, the public can submit comments and questions in two ways:

Email: Info@elmirageroadextension.com

Mail: Write to Avenue Consultants/El Mirage Road Extension, 5353 N. 16th Street, Suite 380, Phoenix, AZ 85016.

Emails and written correspondence must be received or postmarked by 5 p.m. Friday, Nov. 1, 2024.

The study is anticipated to last through summer 2025, and public meetings and a public hearing will be scheduled. For information about upcoming public meetings, visit the [study website](#) and visit the [Public Meetings & Hearings](#) tab or subscribe to receive updates by email from the [Stay Informed tab](#).



Formal public meeting or other opportunity to provide input

Schedule is subject to change

Study Timeline

The environmental review, consultation and other actions required by applicable Federal environmental laws for this project are being or have been carried out by ADOT pursuant to 23 USC 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated 06/25/2024 and executed by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and ADOT.

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Loop 303 to Jomax Road

November 14, 2024



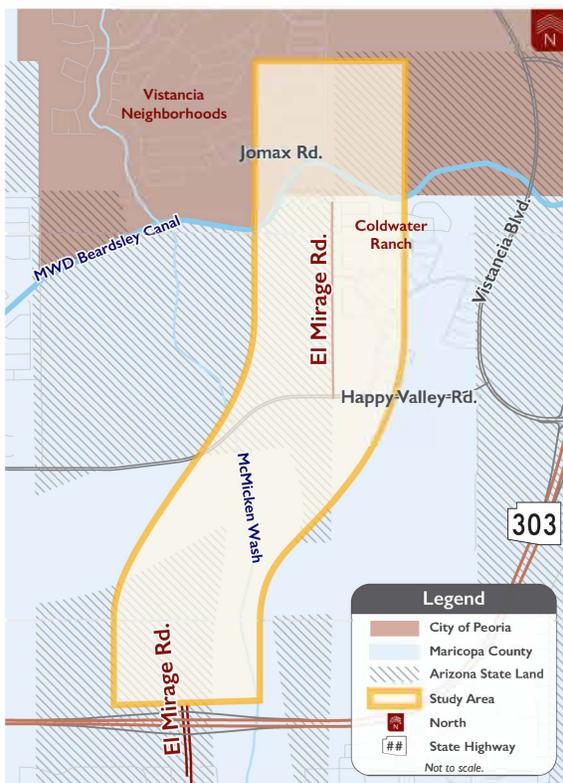
Fieldwork set to begin as part of the El Mirage Road: Loop 303 to Jomax Road study

Some residents might see crews, equipment nearby

Noise studies and geotechnical investigations are among the environmental fieldwork expected to begin later this month as part of the project to prepare a Design Concept Report (DCR) and Environmental Assessment (EA) for proposed improvements to El Mirage Road between Loop 303 and Jomax Road.

Some residents might see field crews and equipment in areas near their homes, but crews will not access individual private properties. All fieldwork will occur during daytime hours.

Noise specialists are expected to begin gathering noise-level readings from multiple locations in and around the study area in mid-to-late November. At the Beardsley Canal and McMicken Wash, crews will temporarily use drilling rigs to collect samples of underground materials for the geotechnical analysis used in the design of the crossings. Specific dates for this work have not been set.



To contact the project team about the fieldwork, email: Info@ElMirageRoadExtension.com.

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Project Update



February 5, 2025

SAVE THE DATE!

February 26, 2025

What:

Public open house to review and comment on design concepts for the proposed extension of El Mirage Road from Loop 303 to Jomax Road.

When:

Between 5:30 and 7 p.m. A pre-recorded presentation will run several times throughout the evening.

Where:

Lake Pleasant Elementary School, 31501 N. Westland Road, Peoria, Arizona 85383 (in the multi-purpose room).

Learn more about this project at ElMirageRoadExtension.com

More details to come!

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Project Update



February 12, 2025

Learn more about proposed improvements to El Mirage Road between Loop 303 and Jomax Road on Feb. 26, 2025, at Lake Pleasant Elementary School

The city of Peoria, Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT), Maricopa Association of Governments, Maricopa County, and other agencies are evaluating the extension of El Mirage Road between Loop 303 and Jomax Road to meet current and projected traffic needs and improve regional connectivity to Loop 303. On Feb. 26, you can get a first look at what those improvements might look like in the near term (through 2035) and the long term (2036-2050) and learn more about the project-related environmental study.

Attend the Open House

Project team members and representatives from ADOT, Peoria, and Maricopa County will share information, gather public input, and answer questions on Wednesday Feb. 26, 2025, at [Lake Pleasant Elementary School, 31501 N. Westland Rd., Peoria, AZ 85383](#) (see map below). The open house will take place in the multi-purpose room. Attend at any time between 5:30 and 7 p.m. A pre-recorded presentation will run several times throughout the evening, and display boards and maps will be available for review and comment.

Unable to Attend?

Meeting materials will be available for review on the project website under the *Resources* tab at elmirageroadextension.com/resources.

Comment Period

A 30-day comment period begins on Feb. 26 and continues through March 28, 2025. You can provide input and ask questions by email, mail, or by completing an online survey:

- **Email:** Info@ElMirageRoadExtension.com
- **Mail:** Avenue Consultants/El Mirage Road Extension, 5353 N. 16th Street, Suite 380, Phoenix, AZ 85016.
- **Online Survey:** Visit <https://www.elmirageroadextension.com/resources>

All comments will be considered regardless of how they are submitted. Your input helps to inform the Design Concept Report (DCR) and Environmental Assessment (EA) as this project progresses.

Design Concepts

This phase of the project includes preparing a DCR with project plans completed up to 15 percent. The project team will share preliminary information about the proposed roadway corridor design such as the number of travel lanes in each direction, bicycle lanes, sidewalks, and other features; the proposed alignment (i.e., where the roadway corridor would be located); the structural crossings over the Beardsley Canal and McMicken Wash; and the El Mirage Road intersections with Happy Valley Road, Coldwater Ranch Drive, Tether Trail, Desert Sun Lane, and Jomax Road.

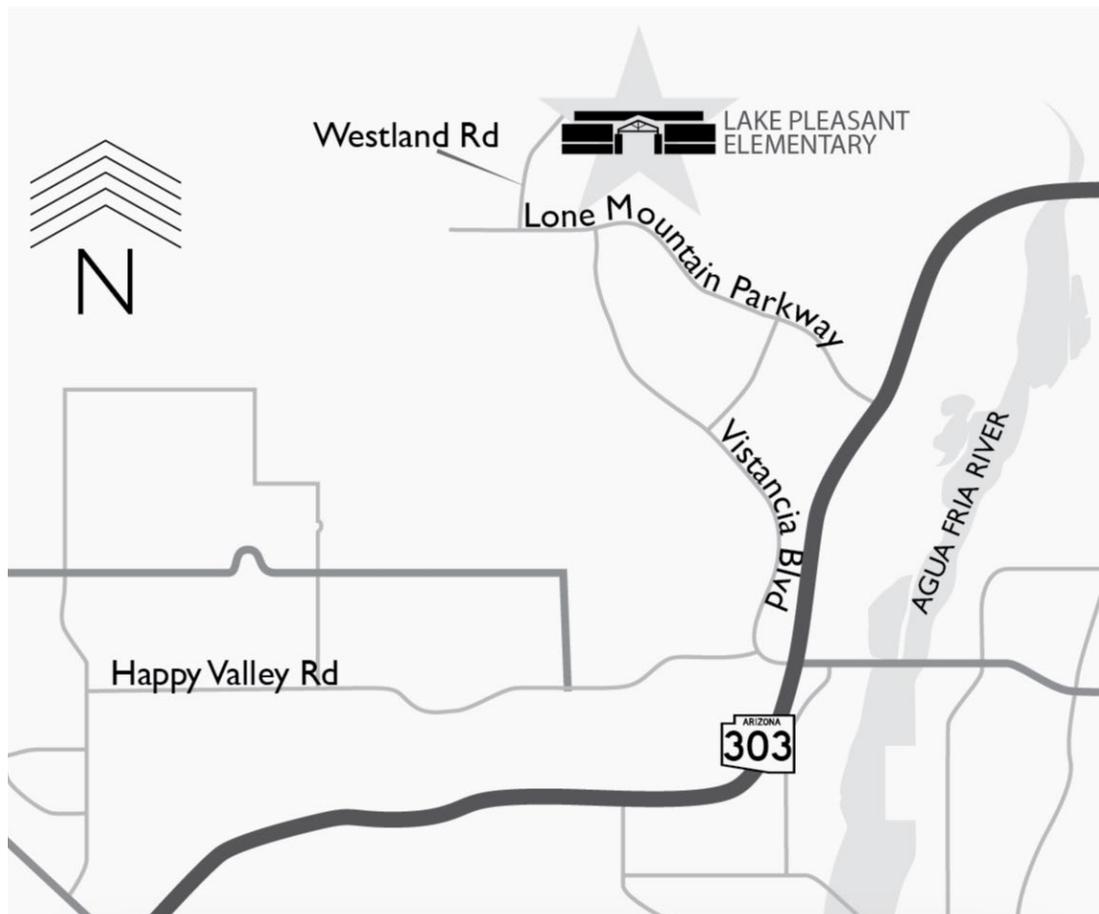
Environmental Considerations

The project also includes preparing an EA in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The project team will share information about the evaluations that are being completed and the status of the environmental analysis that will inform the EA.

Questions about the Public Meeting?

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OPEN HOUSE LOCATION:



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Project Update



February 24, 2025

JUST A REMINDER ...

February 26, 2025

What:

Open house to review and comment on the design concepts for the proposed extension of El Mirage Road from Loop 303 to Jomax Road.

When:

Between 5:30 and 7 p.m.

A pre-recorded presentation will run several times.

Where:

[Lake Pleasant Elementary School](#), 31501 N. Westland Road, Peoria, AZ 85383, in the multi-purpose room.

Unable to attend?

Meeting materials and the survey will be available on the [project website](#). The comment period continues through March 28, 2025.

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Project Update



March 7, 2025

Fieldwork scheduled to begin March 10 at Beardsley Canal, McMicken Wash

Some residents might see crews, equipment nearby

Geotechnical fieldwork is scheduled to begin on **Monday, March 10, 2025**, at the Beardsley Canal and McMicken Wash, meaning some nearby residents could see workers and heavy equipment near their homes on weekdays for the next one to two weeks. The fieldwork is occurring in conjunction with the project to prepare a Design Concept Report (DCR) and Environmental Assessment (EA) for proposed improvements to El Mirage Road between Loop 303 and Jomax Road.

Field crews will not access individual private properties. All fieldwork is scheduled to occur between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Workers will temporarily use large drilling rigs to collect samples of underground materials, such as rocks and soil, for a geotechnical analysis. The results of geotechnical analysis will help inform design and construction of the structural crossings over the Beardsley Canal, located just south of Jomax Road, and McMicken Wash, located south

crossings might look like [here](#) and by watching [this presentation](#).

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Project Update



March 21, 2025

One Week Left to Comment on Proposed Concepts for Extending El Mirage Road from Loop 303 to Jomax Road

There is one more week to provide feedback about the initial and ultimate design concepts for the potential El Mirage Road extension between Loop 303 and Jomax Road. The comment period for this phase of the project ends on Friday, March 28. [Learn more about the project and see the design concepts by watching the video.](#)

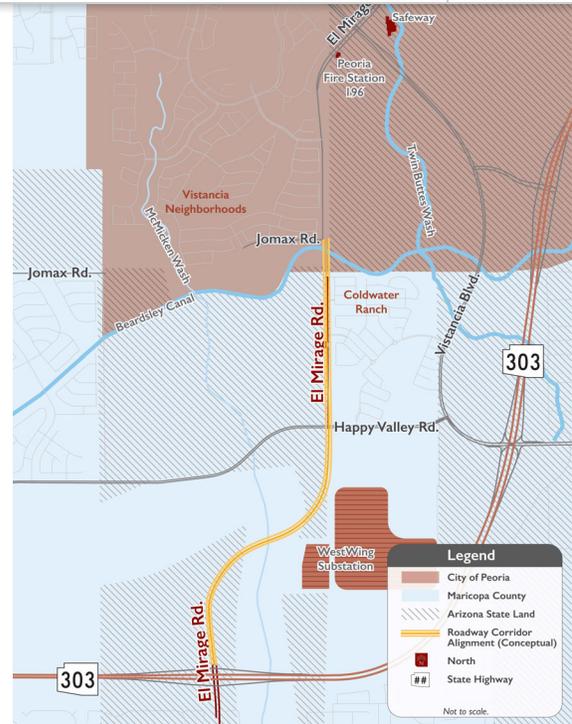
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If you haven't shared your input yet, you can do so in any of these ways before 5 p.m. Friday, March 28:

- Take the survey on the project website: <https://www.elmirageroadextension.com/>.
- Email input to: Info@ElMirageRoadExtension.com.
- Mail input to: Avenue Consultants/El Mirage Road Extension, 5353 N. 16th Street, Suite 380, Phoenix, AZ 85016. Input provided by mail must be postmarked by March 28, 2025.

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alignment is pictured in yellow on this map. It would be 130 feet wide in both the initial and ultimate configurations. The initial four-lane configuration, which could be constructed in the near term to accommodate traffic through 2035, would provide two travel lanes, sidewalks, and bicycle lanes in each direction. The ultimate six-lane configuration, which could be constructed in the future to accommodate traffic through 2050, would provide three travel lanes, sidewalks, and bicycle lanes in each direction.



Structural crossings for vehicles, cyclists, and pedestrians would also be constructed over the Beardsley Canal and McMicken Wash. The concepts are a single-span bridge over the Beardsley Canal just south of Jomax Road, and a reinforced concrete box culvert over McMicken Wash, located south of Happy Valley Road. [See renderings of the initial and ultimate roadway corridor configurations and the potential structural crossings here.](#) The public input gathered during this phase of the project will inform the Design Concept Report and Environmental Assessment (EA) that are currently being prepared.

A [virtual public hearing](#) for the draft EA is anticipated for summer 2025.

The project team will share details when they are confirmed.

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Appendix DCR-D.4 – Public Hearing Materials



The Virtual Public Hearing is scheduled for October 9th, 2025, from 5:30–7:00pm.

- Registration for the public meeting can be found at <https://tinyurl.com/mysaksar>.
- Public Hearing materials are available on the project website at <https://www.elmirageroadextension.com/public-meetings-hearings>, accessible from the below QR Code.

