# Fact Sheet

Final Environmental Impact Statement



## **Contact Information**



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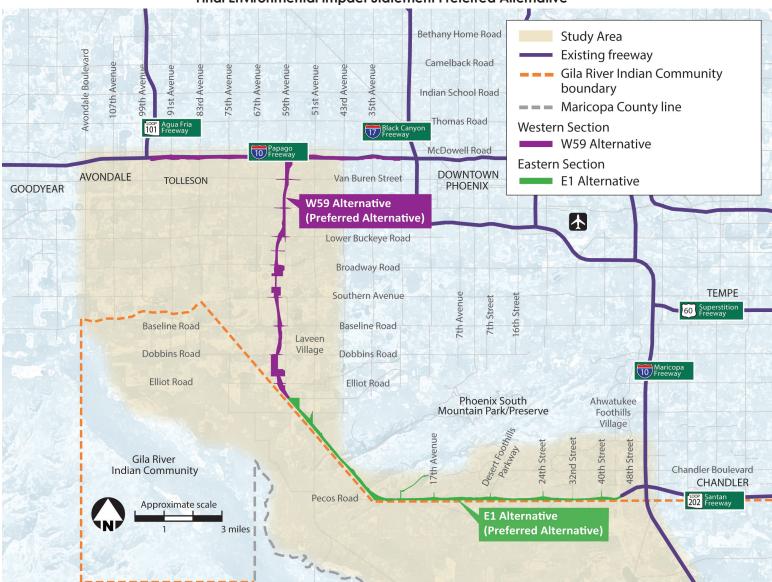
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Personas que requieren asistencia o una adaptación razonable por habilidad limitada en inglés o discapacidad deben ponerse en contacto con projects@azdot.gov o llamada al 855.712.8530. Las solicitudes deben hacerse tan pronto como sea possible para asegurar que el estado tiene la oportunidad de abordar el alojamiento.

# **Background**

The proposed Loop 202 South Mountain Freeway has been a critical part of the Maricopa Association of Governments' (MAG) Regional Freeway Program since it was first included in funding approved by Maricopa County voters in 1985. The proposed freeway was also part of the Regional Transportation Plan funding passed by Maricopa County voters in 2004 through Proposition 400. The proposed freeway is a key component of the region's adopted multimodal transportation plan and the Regional Freeway and Highway System and is the last piece to complete the Loop 202 system.

## Final Environmental Impact Statement Preferred Alternative



The preferred route for this freeway corridor runs east and west along Pecos Road and then north and south between 55th and 63rd avenues, connecting with Interstate 10 on each end.













#### What is the current status?

The Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) released the Final Environmental Impact Statement, or "Final EIS," in September 2014.

In April 2013, the Draft EIS was released for a 90-day review and comment period. ADOT, FHWA, and the study team reviewed over 8,000 comments submitted by the public, stakeholders, and agencies during that 90-day period. All comments were considered and addressed in the Final EIS, regardless of how they were submitted.

The Final EIS formally documents the analysis of potential impacts associated with the preferred alternative, other action alternatives and the No-Action alternative, and proposes mitigation for all the action alternatives. The Final EIS also incorporates changes based on comments received and updated analysis based on new socioeconomic and traffic projections.

## Where in the Final EIS can I find my comment on the Draft EIS?

Responses to public and agency comments on the Draft EIS are provided in Volume III of the Final FIS.

# What are the next steps?

Comments received during the 60-day Final EIS review period will be considered in the "Record of Decision," the final decision-making document prepared by the FHWA. The Record of Decision is expected to be available for public review in early 2015.

# When would the freeway be built?

If the Record of Decision is issued, then the timing of construction will depend upon the completion of final design, right-of-way acquisition, and utility relocation. A corridor implementation plan developed by ADOT will identify how to construct the overall project, including the length and sequence of construction segments.

The current Regional Freeway and Highway Program identifies construction funding for the freeway beginning in fiscal year 2015.



FINAL REVIEWS

ADOT
FHWA

Cooperating Agencies

**Legal Review** 

**DRAFT EIS** 

90-day Public Review Review and address comments

FINAL EIS 60-day Public Review

RECORD OF DECISION

### **Final EIS Public Review**

The Final EIS is available for a 60-day public review period. During this review period, the document is available online (azdot.gov/SouthMountainFreeway) and at the locations listed below:

- 1 Phoenix Public Library
   Cesar Chavez
  3635 W Baseline Rd,
  Laveen, AZ 85339
  602.262.4636
- Phoenix Public Library

   Desert Sage

  7602 W Encanto Blvd,
  Phoenix, AZ 85035

  602.262.4636
- 3 Phoenix Public Library
   Ironwood
  4333 E Chandler Blvd,
  Phoenix, AZ 85048
  602.262.4636
- 4 Phoenix Public Library

   Burton Barr

  1221 N Central Ave,
  Phoenix, AZ 85004
  602.262.4636
- **5 Chandler Sunset**Library
  4930 W Ray Rd,
  Chandler, AZ 85226
  480.782.2800
- **6** Sam Garcia Western Avenue Library 495 E Western Ave, Avondale, AZ 85323 623.333.2565
- Tolleson West Public Library 9555 W Van Buren St, Tolleson, AZ 85353 623.936.2746
- **Tempe Public Library** 3500 S Rural Rd, Tempe, AZ 85282 480.350.5500
- 9 ADOT Environmental Planning Group 1611 W Jackson St, Phoenix, AZ 85007 602.712.7767 (call for appointment)
- Gila River Indian Community District 1
  Service Center
  15747 N Shegoi Rd, Coolidge, AZ 85128
  520.215.2110
- Gila River Indian Community District 2
  Service Center

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Gila River Indian Community District 3
Service Center
31 N Church St, Sacaton, AZ 85147

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Gila River Indian Community District 4 Service Center

1510 W Santan St, Sacaton, AZ 85147 520.418.3661 / 520.418.3228

- Gila River Indian Community District 5
  Service Center
  3456 W Casa Blanca Rd, Bapchule, AZ 85121
  520.315.3441 / 520.315.3445
- Gila River Indian Community District 6
  Service Center
  5230 W St. Johns Rd, Laveen, AZ 85339
  520.550.3805 / 520.550.3806 / 520.550.3557

- Gila River Indian Community District 7
  Service Center
  8201 W Baseline Rd, Laveen, AZ 85339
  520.430.4780
- 1 Ira Hayes Library 94 N Church St, Sacaton, AZ 85147 520.562.3225
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  Communications & Public Affairs Office
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