



Oracle Road (State Route 77) TANGERINE ROAD TO PINAL COUNTY LINE



Desert bighorn sheep



Mule deer



Desert tortoise



Javelina

WILDLIFE ELEMENTS DESCRIPTION

As part of the Oracle Road (State Route 77) widening project, several wildlife-related elements are being funded by the Regional Transportation Authority of Pima County that will provide for safer wildlife movement between the Santa Catalina and Tortolita mountain ranges. Altogether, these elements will greatly enhance wildlife connectivity in the area. These wildlife elements include:



Wildlife overpass

- *Wildlife crossing structures* – A 150-foot wide overpass will be constructed at milepost 84.8 and a 50-foot wide underpass will be built at milepost 83.7.
- *Wildlife fencing* – To help guide animals to the passage structures, 4.6 miles of 7.5-foot tall fencing will be installed. (See yellow line on map below.)
- *Escape ramps* – In the event animals breach outside the fenced corridor, there are 10 escape ramps to allow animals access back onto the wildlife path.



Wildlife fencing



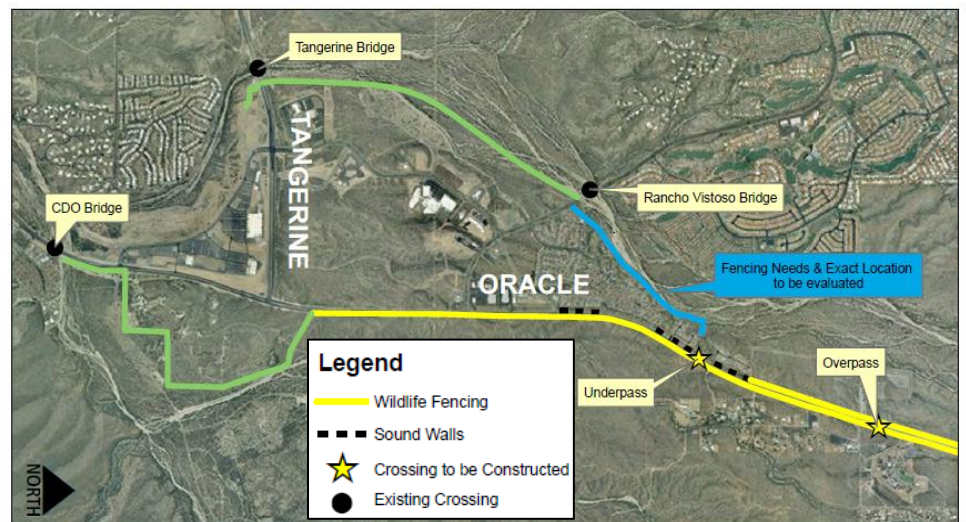
Escape ramp

PART OF A BIGGER STRATEGY

In addition to the elements above, the RTA will fund and construct additional wildlife fencing in the future off ADOT right of way (green and blue lines below) to guide wildlife to the crossings.

MONITORING

Post-construction monitoring will be done by ADOT and Arizona Game and Fish Department to assess wildlife use of the passage structures.



Map by Coalition for Sonoran Desert Protection



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