

## DBE News & Events

April 11, 2018

### CIP Talks Taking Root Around the State

For most Arizonans, Spring means warmer temperatures, baseball and seasonal allergies as the desert starts coming into full bloom.

It also means easing back into a heavy Public Sector project focus as towns, counties, universities and state agencies start discussing and evaluating their upcoming five-year Capital Improvement Project plans.

The deluge is, apparently, starting. Rather than bombard everyone with stories from four different news outlets and agencies, it would be easier for all concerned if we summarized them in one spot.

#### Scottsdale

Scottsdale will almost certainly be seeking a \$350M General Override bond request in the Nov. 6 election. The Scottsdale *Independent* [reported](#) on March 29 the City Council is also considering sales tax increases – either a 0.1 percent increase in addition to the GO bond request – or a series of incremental increases of 0.1, 0.2 and 0.3 percent.

According to a March 22 [story](#) in *The Arizona Republic*, “Scottsdale voters have been a tough sell on bond requests over the past decade. Voters passed two of six requests in 2015 but rejected all bond requests in 2010 and 2013 as the nation crawled out of the Great Recession. The last major bond requests for city infrastructure projects green-lighted by voters was 18 years ago.”

According to the *Independent* article, “Scottsdale City Engineer Dave Lipinski introduced Scottsdale City Council to the current state of affairs regarding capital improvement projects identified and the price tag for those projects.”

The *Republic* gave a short list of some of the projects on the extensive list:

The number of projects on the list that would be completed will depend on how council moves forward, but a sampling of the 100-plus requests include:

- \$4.9M for improvements to Loop 101-Hayden Road interchange.

- \$16.2M for improvements to Pima Road from Dynamite Boulevard to Stagecoach Road.
- \$10.2M for improvements to Pima Road from Happy Valley Road to Dynamite Road.
- \$5.7M for Civic Center Plaza improvements.
- \$20.9M for downtown public parking.

#### Surprise

Having done better with earning bond approvals in recent years, Surprise is farther ahead than Scottsdale in realizing its CIP wish list.

According to a March 29 [article](#) in *Independent Newsmedia*: “High-priority public safety projects, which already have funding from the \$59.5M general obligation bond approved by voters last fall among various sources, include:

- \$3M for a 16-acre land purchase for a future shared police substation, fire station and public park in the southwest part of town;
- \$9M for design and construction of a 29KSF public safety evidence and readiness facility on city-owned land at 134th Avenue and Foxfire Drive;
- \$8.6M for a new, permanent Fire Station 304 comprising an 18KSF facility to be designed and (constructed) along 163rd Avenue south of Happy Valley Road;
- \$7.1M to design and build the 14KSF Fire Station 308 at the southeast corner of Litchfield and Cactus roads;
- \$1.9M for a 8.500KSF police training facility on Litchfield Road north of Bell Road.”

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#### DBE Construction Task Force Meeting

**April 17, 2018**

**ADOT BECO Offices**

**1801 W. Jefferson St., Phoenix**

**1:30 pm - 3:00 p.m.**

**[Click here to register.](#)**

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### ***CIP Talks Taking Root Around the State (Cont'd)***

#### **Yuma Considering Tax for Transportation**

The Yuma Metropolitan Planning Organization is considering following the lead of its larger cousins around the state to create a countywide transportation plan and asking voters to approve a tax to fund it.

Maricopa, Pima, Coconino and Pinal counties have met with success developing, funding and implementing such plans and campaigns in recent years, although Pinal's – the most recently approved – is currently involved in a lawsuit.

A March 29 Yuma *Sun* [article](#) (subscription required) reported on plans by YMPO to conduct a meeting of regional leaders April 12 to discuss and assess such a plan. Potential organizations to be involved include: Greater Yuma Economic Development Corporation, Greater Yuma Port Authority, Yuma International Airport, Yuma Proving Ground, Marine Corps Air Station-Yuma, American Western College, and major regional employers.

#### **Apache Junction**

Much like Yuma, Apache Junction hopes to develop a comprehensive plan to integrate all its all its transportation needs and goals into one coherent process.

Unlike Yuma, however, AJ isn't looking so much at roads and major infrastructure as it is a way to provide for all the city's other transportation needs.

A March 28<sup>th</sup> [article](#) in the Apache Junction/Gold Canyon *Independent* reported, "The city has embarked on a year-long process to create a transportation plan, a planning document for the provision of sidewalks, bicycle lanes, bicycle paths and equestrian paths, officials stated in a release." •

### ***Governor Ducey proclaims April 9-13 as Work Zone Awareness Week*** **Capitol dome will be illuminated in orange this week**

The Arizona State Capitol Dome will be lit orange April 9-13, proclaimed Work Zone Awareness Week in Arizona by Governor Doug Ducey, in an effort to call attention to the importance of being alert when approaching and driving through work zones on Arizona roadways.

"We want everyone to make it home safe," said Governor Ducey. "Paying attention when driving through work zones will keep safe the men and women who build and maintain Arizona's roads as well as everyone traveling through work zones."

Being alert and paying attention to signage in work zones is especially important for motorists because national statistics show that vehicle occupants account for more than 80 percent of traffic fatalities that occur in work zones. In 2017 in Arizona, nearly 1,300 crashes occurred in work zones, resulting in 11 fatalities and 30 serious injuries.

Nationally, the total number of worker fatalities in road construction sites rose from 130 in 2015 to 143 in 2016.

"Highway workers are more than just numbers to us," said Acting Federal Highway Administrator Brandye L. Hendrickson. "Every number has a face, every face has a name and every name has a story that matters. Work zone safety is everybody's responsibility."

Follow these tips when traveling through work zones:

- **Pay attention:** Observe and obey posted warning signs, as well as flaggers. You can be cited for disobeying a flagger's directions.
- **Expect the unexpected:** Speed limits might be lowered, travel lanes could be narrowed or eliminated and people may be working near your travel lane.
- **Slow down:** Speeding is one of the leading causes of work zone crashes.
- **Merge safely:** Do it carefully and as directed by signage. In some locations a [zipper merge](#) may be used.
- **Don't tailgate:** The most common crash in a work zone is the rear-end collision. Don't follow too closely and, again, slow your speed.

For more information about work zone safety, visit [azdot.gov/workzone](http://azdot.gov/workzone). •

## Business & Industry Events

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### April

**17** **ADOT DBE Construction Task Force**  
Location: ADOT BECO 1801 W Jefferson, Phoenix  
Time: 1:30pm-3:00pm

**17** **Streetscape Improvements: Cntrl Ave Case Study**  
Location: 1034 E. Madison Street Phoenix  
Time: 11:30am - 1:00pm

**18** **APWA Luncheon: I-10 Broadway Curve Project**  
Location: 2808 N. 46th St., Phoenix  
Time: 2:00pm - 3:00pm

**20** **ABA Legal Seminar: Contract Clauses**  
Location: 3900 E Camelback Rd, #100, Phoenix  
Time: 7:30am - 9:30am

**20** **ACI Concrete Field Grade 1 Testing Tech. Cert.**  
Location: Phoenix  
Time: 8:00am - 3:30pm

**24** **Access to Capital**  
Location: 4520 N. Central Ave., 5th Fl., Ste. 550  
Time: 5:30pm - 7:30pm

**24** **2018 Phoenix Aviation Business Summit**  
Location: 100 North 3rd Street Phoenix, AZ 85004  
Time: 8:00am - 1:00pm

### April

**26** **Lunch & Learn: Procurement: DBE and SBC Support**  
Location: ADOT BECO 1801 West Jefferson Street  
Time: 11:30am - 1:00pm

### May

**1-3** **National Small Business Week-Virtual Conference**  
Location: Virtual conference  
Time: 9:30am -3:30pm

**2** **How to Market Your Company on the Internet**  
Location: 1365 North Scottsdale Road, Suite 135  
Time: 7:30am - 9:30am

**8** **ASA Cross-Generational Communication Skills**  
Location: 1050 W Washington St. Suite 233, Tempe  
Time: 11:30am - 1:00pm

**8** **ABA Legal Roundtable: Labor Issues**  
Location: 222 N. 44th St., Phoenix  
Time: 7:30am - 9:30am

**24** **Estimating and Bidding: Tips for Success**  
Location: ADOT BECO 1801 West Jefferson Street  
Time: 11:30am - 1:00pm



## ADOT TASK FORCE MEETINGS COMING UP...

Date	Time	Meeting	Location	Link
April 17, 2018	1:30-3 p.m.	DBE Construction Task Force	ADOT BECO 1801 W. Jefferson Ste. 101, Phoenix	<a href="https://2018dbetf0417.eventbrite.com">https://2018dbetf0417.eventbrite.com</a>
July 31, 2018	9 -11:00 a.m.	Joint Construction and Professional Services Task Forces	206 South 17th Avenue Phoenix, AZ 85007	<a href="https://2018jointdbetf0731.eventbrite.com">https://2018jointdbetf0731.eventbrite.com</a>
Sept. 18, 2018	9 -11:00 a.m.	Professional Services Task Force	ADOT BECO 1801 W. Jefferson Ste. 101, Phoenix	<a href="https://2018pstf0918.eventbrite.com">https://2018pstf0918.eventbrite.com</a>
Oct. 23, 2018	1:30-3 p.m.	DBE Construction Task Force	ADOT BECO 1801 W. Jefferson Ste. 101, Phoenix	<a href="https://2018dbetf1023.eventbrite.com">https://2018dbetf1023.eventbrite.com</a>

## Project Opportunities

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### Links

[ADOT Current Advertisements](#)

[ADOT Engineering Advertisements](#)

[ADOT Public-Private Partnership Initiatives](#)

[ADOT Advertised Alternative Delivery Projects](#)

[Bidding Opportunities Around the State](#)

### Did you know?

#### USDOT approves \$25M Infrastructure Investment into AZ's SR-189

SR-189 is a frequently congested and backed up 5-lane artery that connects the Mariposa POE with I-19. The investment will allow ADOT to expand this trade corridor.

For more information on upcoming ADOT construction projects attend the upcoming:

#### DBE Construction Task Force Meeting

Tuesday, **04/17/2018, 1:30 p.m.** @ BECO [Register today](#)

**!** ADOT Bid openings after January 1st, 2017 will require prime contractors to submit DBE affidavits within 5 calendar days from bid opening. This is two days less than the current requirement. For example, if bid opens on Friday, the DBE Affidavits will be due to BECO, from the prime contractor, by Wednesday before 4:00 PM. Therefore, this is reducing the time DBEs and prime contractors have to prepare, sign and submit the DBE Affidavits to BECO. DBEs are urged to consider this new time restriction when working with prime contractors to complete and sign the DBE Affidavits in order for them to be submitted to BECO by the 5th calendar day from bid opening.

## Featured Federal-Aid Projects

### General/Sub Contractors Opportunities

Due Date	Project Valuation	DBE Goal	Solicitation/ Project Number	Type	Project Owner and Description	Contact
4/27/18 11am MST	\$3.1M	8.01%	CM-SUR-0(230)T; T006301C	<a href="#">IFB</a>	ADOT - <b>Roadway Improvements, Bullard Ave: Greenway Rd to Peoria Ave, Surprise.</b> The work consists of installation of bike lanes, new signal poles, pavement markings, signage, school crosswalks, ADA Improvements & a raised landscaped median.	Mahfuz Anwar, Engineering Specialist, at <a href="mailto:Manwar@azdot.gov">Manwar@azdot.gov</a> or Keegan Olds, Construction Supervisor, at <a href="mailto:KOlds@azdot.gov">KOlds@azdot.gov</a>
4/27/18 11am MST	\$404K	2.05%	STP-CLC-0(205)T; T009401C	<a href="#">IFB</a>	ADOT - <b>ADA Ramp Improvements, Johnson Ave, Central St, Arizona Ave, Colorado City.</b> The work consists of reconstructing various sidewalk ramps.	David Do, Engineering Specialist, at <a href="mailto:Ddo@azdot.gov">Ddo@azdot.gov</a> or Steve Monroe, Construction Supervisor, at <a href="mailto:SMonroe@azdot.gov">SMonroe@azdot.gov</a>
5/1/18 3pm	\$2.6M - \$2.8K	7.05%	18PB021	<a href="#">IFB</a>	City of Scottsdale - <b>Scottsdale Airport Delta Apron Reconstruction Project.</b> The work consists of reconstruction of approx. 36,000 SY of existing aircraft parking area. A Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference will be held at 10:00 A.M., Local Time, April 17, 2018.	Karie Ingles, Bid & Contract Specialist, at 480-312-5744 or <a href="mailto:kingles@scottsdaleaz.gov">kingles@scottsdaleaz.gov</a>
5/11/18 11am MST	\$1.15M	5.78%	STP-LHV-0(201)T; SS85901C	<a href="#">IFB</a>	ADOT - <b>Roadway Widening, Lake Havasu Ave: Palo Verde Blvd - Industrial Blvd, Lake Havasu City.</b> The work consists of widening the existing roadway, constructing concrete sidewalk, driveway, curb, gutter, signing & striping.	Jedidiah Young, Engineering Specialist, at <a href="mailto:Jyoung2@azdot.gov">Jyoung2@azdot.gov</a> or Allison Baker, Construction Supervisor, at <a href="mailto:ABaker@azdot.gov">ABaker@azdot.gov</a>



## Business Engagement and Compliance

Location: 1801 W. Jefferson Street, Suite 101, Phoenix, AZ 85007

# LUNCH & LEARN



## SAVE THE DATE!!! ADOT BECO Supportive Services' Learning Series

Bring a lunch and join your colleagues to improve the bottom line of your business.

<b>JANUARY 25, 2018</b>	<b>Future Technology for Bidding: Intro to SmartBid Software</b> <i>Presented by: Karla Purtell, Subcontracts Manager, Kiewit Infrastructure West Co.</i>
<b>FEBRUARY 22, 2018</b>	<b>Managing Contract Compliance</b> <i>Presented by: Cedric Johnson, JD Contract Compliance Manager Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) Engineering Consultants Section</i>
<b>MARCH 29, 2018</b>	<b>Access to Capital</b> <i>Panelists: Teresa Miranda – Prestamos CDFI, LLC, Ralph Gonzales – Capital Active Funding AZ Inc., Martin Montes de Oca – Accion, Craig Norton- Small Business Administration (SBA)</i>
<b>APRIL 26, 2018</b>	<b>Procurement: DBE and SBC Support</b> <i>Presented by: Christine Fruitman, CPPO, CPPB Deputy Chief Procurement Officer, ADOT Procurement Group</i>
<b>MAY 24, 2018</b>	<b>Estimating and Bidding</b> <i>Presented by: Jose Diaz, Project Manager, Hensel Phelps</i>
<b>JUNE 21, 2018</b>	<b>Bonding: Basics for Financial Understanding</b> <i>Presented by: Patrick Hedges, Partner, Constructors Bonding, Inc.</i>

For questions, call or email DBE Supportive Services 602-712-7761 or DBESupportiveServices@azdot.gov

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Visit ADOT BECO's New Business Resource Center – created for you!

**THURSDAY APRIL 26, 2018**

**11:30 am - 1:00 pm**

## **Procurement: DBE and SBC Support**

*Presented by: Christine Fruitman, CPPO, CPPB*

*Deputy Chief Procurement Officer, ADOT Procurement Group*

*Questions to be answered:*

- What is Procurement's role?
- How can Procurement advise DBEs and SBCs to find opportunities? Where can it point them in the right direction?
- Is there a way to find which primes are on contract for what projects?
- Is there a way to find out when RFPs are coming out?
- Is there a way to find out when contracts are expiring?

**BRING A LUNCH AND JOIN YOUR FELLOW ENTREPRENEURS  
TO IMPROVE THE BOTTOM LINE OF YOUR BUSINESS.**

**Click here to register:**

**<http://lunch-and-learn-procurement.eventbrite.com?s=83309917>**

**For questions, call or email DBE Supportive Services 602 712 7761 or [DBESupportiveServices@azdot.gov](mailto:DBESupportiveServices@azdot.gov)**

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**THURSDAY MAY 24, 2018**

**11:30 am - 1:00 pm**

## **Estimating and Bidding: Tips for Success**

*Presented by: Jose Diaz, Project Manager, Hensel Phelps*

- Understanding the Market
- Understanding your Costs
- Understanding the Project Scope
- Finding your Competitive Edge
- Meeting the General Contractor

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<http://lunch-and-learn-estimating-and-bidding.eventbrite.com?s=83310023>

# SR 202 South Mountain Freeway Contract Opportunities

**Bid Package:**

Drainage – Cast in Place Catch Basins

**Anticipated Bid Issue Date:**

April 17, 2018

**Anticipated Bid Due Date:**

May 1, 2018

**Package Work Schedule:**

May 2018 – September 2019

If your firm provides these services, email [bids@c202p.com](mailto:bids@c202p.com) to be added to our bidder's list for this package. Enter *Drainage – Cast in Place Catch Basins Bid Package* in the subject line.

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**Scope of work includes:**

Supply all Labor, Equipment and Materials for installation for Cast in Place Catch Basins. Frames and grates are to be included with each Catch Basin. This package is subject to Buy America.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION****Project Owner:**

Arizona Department of Transportation

**Project Name:**

SR 202L (South Mountain Freeway)

I-10 (Maricopa Freeway) –

I-10 (Papago Freeway)

Public Private Partnership (P3)

Design-Build-Maintain Contract

**Project Number:**

202 MA 054 H882701 C

**Project Substantial Completion Date:**

November 2019

**DBE Goals:**

16.45% Professional Services, 10.93%

Construction, 6.08% Capital Asset

Replacement Work



## **“GET READY” For Tax Filing Season Resources**

(Please click each heading for more information)



### **Take Steps Now for Tax Filing Season**

Get ready today to file your 2017 federal income tax return. Changes for the tax filing season include ITINs, delays in refunds and validating your electronically filed return.

### **You May Need to Renew Your ITIN (Individual Taxpayer Identification Number)**

Your ITIN may expire before you file a tax return in 2018. All ITINs not used on a federal tax return at least once in the last three years will expire on December 31, 2017. Additionally, all ITINs issued before 2013 with middle digits of 70, 71, 72 or 80 (Example: (9XX-70-XXXX) will expire at the end of the year.

### **Delays in Refunds for EITC and ACTC**

If you claim the earned income tax credit (EITC) or the additional child tax credit (ACTC) on your tax return, the IRS must hold your refund until at least February 15 — even the portion not associated with EITC or ACTC.

### **Validating Your Electronically Filed Tax Return**

When self-preparing your taxes and filing electronically, you must sign and validate your electronic tax return by entering your prior-year Adjusted Gross Income (AGI) or your prior- year Self-Select PIN. Using an electronic filing PIN is no longer an option.

### **Let Us Help You - Online Tools and Resources**

Before you call, check out the topics people ask about most. We have high call volumes and encourage you to click on one of these hot topics for faster service.

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