Construction on New South Mountain Fwy Could Finish 3 Years Early

By Peter Samore, KTAR News

CHANDLER — Builders are excited for commuters and truckers because they’ll have a brand new freeway ahead of schedule.

The construction company’s CEO called it proof that projects can finish effectively.

“We’re three years early, and $100 million under the original plan,” David Seaton of Fluor Corporation said.

He said the South Mountain Freeway could open in December for a total cost of $1.7 billion, and he credits a strong private-public partnership.

The 22-mile stretch of highway will provide a new connection for motorists traveling between the East Valley and West Valley that bypasses downtown Phoenix.

“The federal government is not going to do a highway infrastructure bill like they did during the Eisenhower administration,” he said.

“The private sector does have the wherewithal to do these types of programs.”

The Arizona Department of Transportation also credited the private-public partnership to make nine separate projects on the freeway into one.

“We had three very large construction firms work together to build the South Mountain Freeway,” ADOT Spokesman Dustin Krugel said.

He said Connect 202 Partners fine-tuned future right-of-ways, among other aspects.

“We’ll have excess land that ADOT may be able to sell at the end of the project,” Krugel said.

He said commuters complained of construction delays at first, but now they’re excited the South Mountain Freeway could alleviate congestion on Interstate 10.
Design, Planning to Commence for Raintree Dr. Extension

By Melissa Rosequist for Scottsdale Independent

A contract worth $361,945 between Scottsdale and Achen-Gardner Construction, LLC for pre-construction phase services for the Raintree Drive Extension project from Scottsdale to Hayden roads has been approved.

On Feb. 19, the Scottsdale City Council approved on consent a resolution authorizing a Construction Manager at Risk contract for the project.

The Raintree Drive Extension will provide a direct connection between the State Route Loop 101 Freeway and Scottsdale Road, according to the city’s website.

This extension will simplify the route from Hayden Road to Scottsdale Road and help to relieve some of the traffic congestion experienced on Frank Lloyd Wright Boulevard. In addition, roundabouts are planned at three intersections along the route.

Under this pre-construction phase services contract, the CMAR will review design documents for constructability, phasing and scheduling, coordinate with the utility companies and develop a guaranteed maximum price for the completion of these improvements, according to a city staff report.

Scottsdale Road to 76th Place will include a five-lane section with bike lanes, sidewalks and a meandering landscape buffer where feasible, with a painted and raised median. The segment from 76th Place to Hayden Road includes a three-lane section with bike lanes, sidewalks, landscape buffer where feasible, the city staff report states, and a raised and painted median.

The pre-construction services are expected to begin immediately following council’s approval and be complete within six months.

Read more at Scottsdale Independent.
Mayor Gail Barney and members of the Queen Creek Town Council presented the 2019 State of the Town Address Feb. 20, sharing last year’s accomplishments and a look at the future under five strategic priorities: effective government, secure future, safe community, superior infrastructure and quality lifestyle.

Presentations made by the seven members of council included slides and videos displayed on a large screen behind the dais at the Queen Creek Community Chambers.

One video showed roadway improvements planned in the town’s transportation plan. It and other information on transportation to and from Queen Creek were the most important topics at the event, one resident said.

A video showed plans including:

- Widening Ellsworth Road to seven lanes from Queen Creek Road to Germann Road;
- How Riggs Road, which ends at Ellsworth, will continue east to Rittenhouse Road;
- Rittenhouse will be widened to five lanes from Ocotillo Road to Riggs;
- In cooperation with Pinal County, Meridian Road will be built from Combs Road to Germann Road;
- Power Road is being widened from Ocotillo Road to Chandler Heights Road; and
- State Route 24 will extend east from Ellsworth Road to Ironwood Road and, with the cooperation with the City of Mesa, will connect with Ellsworth Road, Signal Butte Road and Meridian Road, providing multiple north- and south-bound access points to Queen Creek.

An 18-page document of the 2018 accomplishments by the town, by department, are at the town’s website, queencreek.org, under “government” then “State of the Town.”
March

6 Business Banking 101
Location: Tempe Public Library, 3500 S Rural Rd, Tempe
Time: 6:00pm - 7:30pm

12 Luncheon: Developing Business Relationships
Location: 1050 W. Washington St, #233, Tempe
Time: 11:30am - 1:00pm

12 ASHE Meeting: Anti-Light Rail Initiative, Get the Facts
Location: Hilton, 3838 E Van Buren St, Phoenix
Time: 7:30am - 9:00am

14 WTS 2019 State of the Streets - The Town Edition
Location: 4855 E Broadway Blvd, Tucson, AZ
Time: 11:30am - 1:00pm

14 Tuning Up Your Employee Manual
Location: Webinar
Time: 9:00am - 10:00am

19 Kiewit Subcontractor Training
Location: 212 E Alta Vista Rd, Phoenix, AZ
Time: 3:00pm - 5:00pm

20 March Luncheon: Speaker David L Lawry
Location: Phoenix Country Club, 2901 N 7th St, Phoenix
Time: 11:30am - 1:00pm

21 Information Overload: Controlling The I In Bim
Location: Webinar
Time: 11:00am - 11:45am

26 A Public Works Perspective on Leadership
Location: Multiple locations
Time: 11:30am - 1:00pm

26 Basics of Doing Business w/ the Federal Government
Location: Hera Hub, 2111 E Highland Ave, #240, Phoenix
Time: 5:00pm - 8:00pm

April

3 Honoring Women in Construction - April Mixer
Location: Barrio Brewing Co., 800 E 16th St. Tucson, AZ
Time: 4:30pm - 6:30pm
Did you know?

ADOT is required to ensure that contractors and subcontractors performing work on federal aid construction contracts do not discriminate in employment and contracting. The specific Required Contract Provisions (FHWA-1273) are applicable to all contractors and subcontractors who hold Federal or Federal-aid contracts of $10,000 or more.

Information: ADOT EEO External Contractor Compliance Program
www.azdot.gov/business/civil-rights/contractor-compliance-program-external-eeo

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.

General/Sub Contractors Opportunities

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<td>ADOT - Engineering Services for Environmental Assessment &amp; Design Concept Report for I-10, SR 202L to SR 387.</td>
<td>Trista Ellis, Contract Manager, at <a href="mailto:tellis@azdot.gov">tellis@azdot.gov</a>.</td>
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<td>ADOT - I-10 &amp; I-40 Rural Safety Corridor Radar Speed Feedback Signs, Various Locations, Maricopa, Pinal &amp; Mohave Counties. The work consists of installing 14 radar speed feedback signs, on a Type-A pole on a breakaway base &amp; foundation.</td>
<td>Layth Al Obaidi, Engineering Specialist, at <a href="mailto:LAlObaidi@azdot.gov">LAlObaidi@azdot.gov</a> or John Halvarson, Construction Supervisor, at <a href="mailto:JHalvarson@azdot.gov">JHalvarson@azdot.gov</a>.</td>
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<td>Brandon Campbell, Engineering Specialist, at <a href="mailto:BCampbell2@azdot.gov">BCampbell2@azdot.gov</a> or Joshua Wentzlof, Construction Supervisor, at <a href="mailto:JWentzlof@azdot.gov">JWentzlof@azdot.gov</a>.</td>
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<td>ADOT - Rest Area Rehabilitation, Meteor Crater &amp; Painted Cliffs Rest Areas. The work consists of rehabilitation of existing site features, including renovations to the ramada, restroom &amp; vending buildings, parking lot improvements, pavement marking, signage, site concrete, ADA compliance upgrades &amp; rehabilitation of existing water &amp; wastewater systems.</td>
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ADOT now accepting applications for its 6th DBE Business Development Program class launching Q1-2019!

Whether you are brand new or still in the early stage of your business, the new ADOT DBE Business Development Program has something for you!

What does it include?

Expert Workshops
Workshop sessions will be at the core of the program. See other side for more information:

- Workshops delivered by subject matter experts in an interactive, hands-on format.
- First phase of workshops designed around business skills building and second phase of workshops around industry topics.
- A selection of workshops targeting specific tiers of businesses based on industry and business experience/history.

Peer Advisory Groups
Your classmates become your peer advisory group during and after the program.

Business Planning
During the last phase of the program, you will build your business model canvas or one page business plan along with a financial forecast.

Coaching & Mentoring
Each participant will be assigned a business coach to help build and complete your business plan.

Prime Interactions
Several workshops include opportunities to hear from Primes about how to build and manage relationships. You also will have the opportunity to meet with other Primes to get questions answered.

Special Materials
As a participant, you will be given a variety of materials ranging from books to software templates to leadership assessments and an online lead source directory.

Subject Matter Expert Assistance
Masters level participants will be provided six hours of consulting time with subject matter experts including marketing, sales management, legal and more.

Public Relations
Throughout the year, ADOT will publicize the program and highlight its participants throughout the state.

Sales Video
As a graduate, you will receive a professionally filmed and edited marketing video.

Alumni have reported in the first year after the program:

- 69 new ADOT projects
- 72 new projects with other government agencies
- 114 new private industry projects
- Total new projects valued at almost $7M
- Hired new staff, obtained new loans and built bonding capacity

What graduates are saying about the program:

“The program gave me the tools to improve business practices and strengthen our business foundation”

“It will help you take your business to the next level”

“This is the way to improve your business all around”

Contact DBE Supportive Services at 602-712-7761 today for more information, to enroll or to get on the list for our 6th class starting in Q1-2019.

Program Workshop Topics

All of our workshops are focused on providing high-quality education and interaction with subject matter experts. You will receive lots of materials and useful tools to help grow your business and expert advice to get you started during each session. The sessions are also moderated by a leading Arizona business consultant there to help you with your questions. PaceSetters and Masters participants are welcome to attend any workshop in the New & Emerging track.

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<td>New rules, new regulations, new, new, new! Hear from the Valley’s leading authority on HR about the challenges and opportunities in building and managing your team the right way. This workshop includes a free take-home 90+ page guide loaded with tips and tools.</td>
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All workshops subject to change.
As the CMAR on the South Central Extension and Northwest Extension Phase 2 Light Rail projects, Kiewit invites the local small, minority, and women subcontracting community to participate in our subcontractor training. This hands-on workshop will define contract types and the risks associated as well as break down areas that can be negotiated.

C202P’s 1st Quarter 2019 DBE Spotlight is awarded to Endo Steel, Inc.  Endo Steel has multiple contracts on the project and for each contract Endo has been successful meeting the schedule demands and providing quality work.  Endo’s crews have responded quickly to urgent changes, upheld and many times exceeding our planned dates. For example, Endo’s efficiency was most evident in the Salt River Segment where we have two half-mile bridges with 16 pier lines each. Endo has been reliable and on schedule tying all rebar cages needed to progress through the column and cap pours. In the I-10 Segment, work has been at night over the freeway and Endo proceeds to build straddle bents over the freeway in less than 10 days which has cut over a week off from the schedule and helps with the moving of traffic (MOT) cost and traffic disruptions. Endo Steel is an integral part of the team and a pleasure to work with.  Congratulations!

Follow us for up-to-date information on the project.

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On-The-Job Training (OJT) Statistics:
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