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# State Budget Provides North Valley I-17 Widening Project Funding

Source: Arizona Department of Transportation

With planned Interstate 17 flex lanes between Black Canyon City and Sunset Point set for construction starting by 2021, the state budget approved by state lawmakers and signed by Governor Doug Ducey provides the additional funding needed to also complete widening I-17 south of where the flex system will be built.

This \$130M investment to complete new third lanes in both directions of I-17 between Anthem and Black Canyon City is one of many in the budget that will expand and preserve transportation infrastructure across Arizona. Appropriations from the State General Fund include \$10M for an ADOT study on adding lanes to Interstate 10 between Phoenix and Tucson and \$10.5M for preserving state highways to extend the life of existing pavement.

In addition to baseline funding for transportation and infrastructure, the budget includes more than \$95M in appropriations from the State General Fund for targeted transportation projects that will improve safety and spur economic development in Greater Arizona. This includes \$28M for expanding US 95 between Yuma and Yuma Proving Ground, that region's largest employer. There is \$20M to help build two Interstate 40 interchanges needed to accommodate growth in Kingman, with the city providing the remainder of the funding required.

ADOT has been working to advance projects to improve traffic flow and safety along 23 miles of I-17 between Anthem and Sunset Point north of Phoenix. More than \$190M was already committed to building flex

lanes north of Black Canyon City as well as adding 7 miles of a third southbound lane directly south of that project.

Investing an additional \$130M over three years will allow ADOT to complete all sections of new third lanes between Anthem and Black Canyon City. Combined with the flex lanes, this increased capacity will enhance safety and help address traffic flow challenges and backups that occur due to crashes and when many drivers are traveling to or from Arizona's high country on summer weekends.

The Maricopa Association of Governments is providing \$50M in regional funds to help fund the widening of I-17 between Black Canyon City and Anthem.

Read more here.







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# Bullhead City Council Approves More Money for Second Bridge

By Terri Harber for Mohave Valley Daily News

The Bullhead City Council voted 6-1 to spend additional money toward building a second Bullhead City-Laughlin Bridge during its meeting on Tuesday.

Mayor Tom Brady voted against the motion to create an intergovernmental agreement with Clark County, Nevada, and other entities involved with the bridge project that would keep the payment from topping \$4.5M for Bullhead City's half of the \$9M funding gap to construct the bridge.

The city already had pledged to pay for expenses related to bridge infrastructure on the Arizona side of the Colorado River. That amount is expected to total more than \$3M. Bullhead City's share of the estimated \$58M project could reach about \$7.7M.

While there were a variety of opinions expressed by residents who spoke at a workshop prior

to Tuesday night's regular meeting and at that meeting itself, council members said more constituents said they wanted to see the bridge built.

Some residents asked if the bridge could be a toll route. City Manager Toby Cotter explained that Arizona doesn't allow for that arrangement.

Brady made a presentation to the council during Tuesday afternoon's workshop.

He advised council members to back off for up to a year to negotiate with Nevada entities to potentially reduce the city's share of the cost, and to see if Arizona state legislators or the state's U.S. senators and congressional representatives could find money.

The proposed location of the bridge would link Bullhead City and Laughlin at Bullhead Parkway and go over the river to meet a three-mile extension from Needles Highway on the Nevada side.

Brady suggested that, instead of paying for the bridge, the \$7.7M be used to pay for road improvements on routes to serve as alternatives to Highway 95 so more drivers would be able to stay off of it.

Council Member Sheila Shutts said she had concerns, including having only Veteran's Memorial Bridge available should something happen to make the Laughlin Bridge inaccessible. She said waiting too long to build another bridge could end up making that project "much more expensive."

And when Shutts worried about how businesses on the south side of the city would be affected by a long wait for a bridge near there, Brady said that locating the new bridge that far south may cause people coming in from Laughlin to go to the Fort Mohave/Mohave Valley area instead of spending their money in Bullhead City.

Shutts said that there will be many more people living on the Parkway — and south of it — 20 years from now. Other potential sites for the bridge to meet the river, such as at Riverview Drive, would greatly increase traffic through the middle of the city.

"We're looking to the future," she said about the project.

When it came time for the vote during the meeting, other council members agreed with Shutts' opinion is that it's time to move forward and get the project under way.

"This is a long time coming," said Council Member Annette Wegmann. "We need to move forward."

Read more at Mohave Valley Daily News.



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#### Eloy Approves Long-Term Plan for Sunland Gin Road

#### By Maria Vasquez for Eloy Enterprise

Earlier this year the City of Eloy and Southwest Traffic Engineers conducted a traffic analysis on the intersection of Sunland Gin and Arica.

On Tuesday evening, Andrew Smigielski from the traffic-analysis company gave the City Council options to take into consideration to improve traffic flow.

After the presentation, the council approved by a 6-1 vote moving forward with the next steps to improve the intersection through phases of adding a connecting roadway and widening Sunland Gin Road.

During the study, STE monitored turning movements in the area for 24 hours and also paid close attention during the weekday morning and afternoon peak hours of 6 a.m. to 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

"Passenger vehicles are the majority of the vehicles in our study area," Smigielski said. "However, trucks make up about 10 percent of the total that are in this study area. What makes it interesting is the trucks going left from Arica Road to Sunland Gin Road back to I-10, they make up 70 percent of the traffic during the a.m. and p.m. hours."

The majority of the traffic left over comes from those who wish to access Love's Travel Stop.

STE provided the council with three top alternatives:

- Arica Road connector and Sunland Gin Road improvements
- Adding a U-turn roundabout
- I-10 realignment at Sunland Gin Road

The connector would require that the Love's property move back a little to allow room to widen Sunland Gin Road to five lanes. A new road would lead into Love's and have a traffic signal added at the intersection.

The U-turn roundabout would be installed between Arica and Mountain View and would be wide enough to allow the semis to make the turn.

Read more at Eloy Enterprise.

# ADOT Overall DBE Utilization as of June 1, 2019

Month	Design	Construction	Total
October	11.59%	9.19%	9.22%
November	9.55%	7.75%	7.79%
December	13.01%	15.16%	15.10%
Janaury	6.70%	8.58%	8.38%
February	February 7.33%		5.67%
March 36.92%		8.59%	9.79%
April 23.68%		13.36%	13.83%
Year to Date	10.05%	9.49%	9.52%



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# Popular Valley sandwich shop opens at Sky Harbor Airport

Source: Tim Gallen, Phoenix Business Journal

One of the Valley's most popular sandwich shops now is open at Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport.

Zookz Sandwiches, known for its signature circular sandwiches, has landed at Terminal 4 of the Valley's main airport, marking the latest local eatery to set up shop there. It's the third Valley location for Zookz.

Zookz regularly wins awards and accolades for its offerings, which are created using a patented cooking device that mimic the much-beloved rounded sandwiches of Zookz founder <u>Carole Meyer</u>'s youth.

The airport Zookz is located behind security near gate B9 in Terminal 4. Its full menu of sandwiches is available.

Read more here.

Carole Meyer, DBE and ACDBE, has opened one of the Valley's most popular sandwich shops now open in Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport.





# **Business & Industry Events**

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#### June

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ABA Member Mixer Hosted by Buesing Corp.

Location: 3045 S 7th Street, Phoenix

Time: 4:00pm - 6:00pm

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**FAA Triennial DBE Goal Setting Process** 

Location: 2485 E. Buckeye Road

Time: 2:30pm - 4:00pm

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**Insiders Series: Light Rail Ballot Initiative Update** 

Location: 2201 E Camelback Rd, Ste 405B, Phoenix

Time: 12:30pm - 2:30pm

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AZCREW - June Luncheon (Loop 202 Extension)

Location: 2901 N 7th Street, Phoenix

Time: 11:30am - 1:00pm

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**APWA June 2019 Luncheon** 

Location: 2901 N 7th Street, Phoenix

Time: 11:30am - 1:00pm

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**AZ ROC Licensed Contractor Forums** 

Location: 1700 W Washington St., Suite 105

Time: 2:00pm - 3:30pm

## July

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**CJE - Southwest Chapter Summer Meeting** 

Location: 2901 W Durango St., Phoenix

Time: 11:30am - 1:00pm





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#### "Managing People"

June 14 - Recruiting & Hiring the Right Talent

June 21 - Employee vs Independent Contractor

**June 28 - Prevailing Wages** 

All Friday Forum workshops are 9am – 11am and start on time.

Visit the website and "Select Events" today!



**JULY 30, 2019 AT 9:00AM** 

Location: ADOT 206 S. 17th Avenue Mary Peter's Conference Room Phoenix, AZ 85007 \*In-person & Online Attendance Options

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#### ADOT / AGC Bidding Boot Camp

7/12/19: Quality & Specs 8/23/19: Delivery Methods 9/20/19: What Happens on a Bid Day 10/11/19: Scheduling

**Eventbrite registration opens 6/13/19** 

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# **Project Opportunities**

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Bidding Opportunities Around the State

## Did you know?

Before ADOT advertises a project online at <u>Contracts and Specifications</u>, especially for design-build projects, some of the preliminary design documents are made available to potential bidders by request at the <u>Engineering Consultants Section</u>. If available, you will see text like: "To review available documents regarding this project, please email the following to <u>E2@azdot.gov</u>: Name (must be the individual who will be downloading documents); Email address; Firm name. After approval, an auto-generated email will be sent with instructions to access the ECS Share File site where the documents are located."



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	Туре	Project Owner and Description	Contact		
6/21/19 11am MST	\$16.8M	5.13%	STBG-077-A(210)T; H841601C	<u>IFB</u>	ADOT - Gila River Bridge Replacement Str. #20151, Tucson-Oracle Jct-Globe Hwy (SR 77). The work consists of removing the existing six-span steel girder bridge & constructing a new six-span bridge, cast-in- place concrete deck, including placing new asphaltic concrete & asphaltic concrete friction course, pavement markings, & guardrail.	Jalal Kamal, Engineering Specialist, at Jkamal@azdot.gov or Chris Olson, Construction Supervisor, at colson.consultant@azdot.gov.		
6/21/19 11am MST	\$10.9M	10.06%	STBGP-A89-B(221T; F004701C	<u>IFB</u>	ADOT - Pavement Rehabilitation: Sedona City Limits - Bear Howard Dr., Prescott - Flagstaff Hwy (SR 89A). The work includes milling & repaving, bridge deck rehabilitation; guard rails, pavement marking, rumble strips, shoulder build-up & seeding.	Vian Rashid, Engineering Specialist, as VRashid@azdot.gov or Timothy Fish, Construction Supervisor, at TFish.Consultant@azdot.gov.		
6/21/19 11am MST	\$2.4M	10.78%	CMAQ-PVY-0(204T; T008101C	<u>IFB</u>	ADOT - Lincoln Dr. Improvements - 32nd St to Scottsdale Rd, Paradise Valley. The work consists of constructing new sidewalk, retaining walls, signing, striping, irrigation & landscape restoration.	Jedidiah Young, Engineering Specialist, at JYoung2@azdot. gov or Kirk Kiser, Construction Supervisor, at kkiser@azdot.gov.		
7/19/19 11am	\$32.7M	4.17%	NHPP-008-A(232T; F009301C	<u>IFB</u>	ADOT - I-8 Pavement & Bridge Rehabilitation - MP 46-Southwest of Dateland, Yuma County. The work includes pavement & bridge rehabilitation and gore area improvements.	Sarker Rahman, Engineering Specialist, at Srahman@azdot. gov or Jaime Hernandez, Construction Supervisor, at jhernandez@azdot.gov.		





# Don't Miss our June Friday Forums

## Managing People

(in-person and online attendance options)

As a part of our popular Friday Forum program, ADOT is pleased to invite you to participate in the 2019 "Managing People" workshop series (attend via webinar or in-person).

Finding and keeping the right people is increasingly harder in today's competitive environment. It is also hard to do all this within the rules and regulations faced by small businesses. This series includes presentations by human resource and legal experts, as well as, an ADOT expert. Whether you currently have employees or independent contractors or expect to in the future, this is a don't miss series!

# **Don't Miss**

**June 14:** *Recruiting and Hiring the Right Talent* - Hiring and training a new employee involves a significant investment of time and money. A bad hire wastes these resources, sending you back to square one. Companies need solid strategies and tactics that can help them identify their needs and find the right person. Speaker: Tyler Kinnie, Tuft & Needle

**June 21:** *Employee vs Independent Contractor* - What difference does it make? When the IRS and/or the U.S. Department of Labor determine that workers have been treated (misclassified) as Independent Contractors and are instead Employees, the consequence(s) to the employer can include back wages, back taxes, fines/penalties, class-action lawsuits, and/or prison. Do you know the rules and guidelines? Speakers: Ben Nucci, Snell & Wilmer and John Perkins, HR-Help

**June 28:** *Prevailing Wages* – In government contracting, a prevailing wage is defined as the hourly wage, usual benefits and overtime, paid to the majority of workers, laborers, and mechanics within a particular area. There are also 32 states including Arizona that have state prevailing wage laws, also known as "little Davis-Bacon Acts". Learn more about how to stay in compliance with this critical requirement. Speaker: Estella Robinson, ADOT

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- ✓ Sneak peek of construction-related contracting opportunities

# 2:30 – 4 p.m., Thursday, June 13

City of Phoenix Aviation Department Administration 2485 E. Buckeye Road

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