

## Business Engagement and Compliance

### DBE Supportive Services Names Award Winners

Every year, ADOT DBE Supportive Services recognizes companies that make a difference in our community. A Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE), a contractor, a consultant and community partner are selected for their efforts in helping to ensure that excellence is achieved in our federally assisted projects. This award recognizes positive contributions to diversity and growth in the transportation industry, and the success of the ADOT DBE Program is dependent on the efforts of these partnerships.

When evaluating the Prime Construction and Prime Consultant nominees for recognition, we look at those who have been both actively working with ADOT and engaging with DBE firms. The proof of the commitment to the program is demonstrated in transactions with DBE firms and ADOT DBE Supportive Services.

1. **Prime Construction Champion award recipient, Granite Construction Company**



2. **Prime Consultant Champion award recipient, Kimley Horn**



The Community Partner Champion recognizes partnership efforts that provide general support of Arizona's small business community. It also recommends companies to participate in the Business Development Program and makes companies aware of DBE Certification as an opportunity.

**Community Partner Champion award recipient, Arizona Commerce Authority**



The DBE Trailblazer recognizes a firm that embodies the entrepreneurial spirit. Trailblazer honorees in the past have shown longevity, innovation, growth, community involvement and success in the face of adversity. The DBE Trailblazer has also been actively involved in ADOT DBE Supportive Services programs.

**DBE Trailblazer award recipient, Hoque & Associates**



### A Different Take on Being Busy



### Scottsdale Planning Carefree Highway Widening



### MAG, Surprise to Study Grand Avenue Transportation



## NEWLY CERTIFIED DBE FIRMS

- Beyond Security LLC
- Northwest Contracting LLC

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## Ideas to Change Your Perspective

### A Different Take on Being Busy

Busy is a four-letter word. Ask your clients, teaming partners, vendors and trusted advisors if they are busier than they were a year ago, and what their next week looks like. Nearly everyone rolls their eyes and hunches their shoulders.

“Yes, yes I am busier than ever before,” they admit.

“But you’d be wrong. The total time people are working – whether paid or otherwise – has not increased in Europe or North America in recent decades,” according to “Why you feel busy all the time (when you’re actually not),” at [www.bbc.com](http://www.bbc.com). The article further states: “... the total amounts of work are pretty much exactly the same. What’s more, the data also shows that the people who say they’re the busiest generally aren’t.”

“As economies grow, and the incomes of the better-off have risen over time, time has literally become more valuable: any given hour is worth more, so we experience more pressure to squeeze in more work.”

The article goes on to say that when people do “knowledge work,” per management consultant Peter Drucker, there is always more to do, like more emails, meetings, things to read and ideas to follow up. Digital technology means you can always respond to an email or check off a few more action items on your list when you are at home, at the gym or on vacation.

“The result, inevitably, is feeling overwhelmed: we are each finite human beings, with finite energy and abilities, attempting to get through an infinite amount,” says the article. “We feel a social pressure to ‘do it all,’ at work and at home, but that’s not just really difficult; it is a mathematical impossibility.”

The article suggests how irrational our attitudes have become. It appears that busyness has become an indicator of high status. If you are busy, you must be successful and important. We often measure our worth not by the results we achieve, but by how much of our time we spend doing. We feel good about ourselves when we are busy.

So, how can business owners and entrepreneurs look at being busy in a different light? Here are some suggestions that may help you reset your approach:

1. There is no need to apologize for being busy; it’s a common situation. If you must apologize, do so genuinely, but refrain from labeling a missed call or late reply as “too busy”.
2. Do not overcommit. Learn to say “no” (and mean it). Be realistic about your current obligations and recognize when you do not have enough time to do a new task. Improve your delegation skills to give you more space in your schedule.

3. Understand how long it takes to complete a task. Track your time carefully as you learn to do something new. Once you have mastered the task, then you will have established a realistic awareness about how long it will take to complete it again and again. Always allow a little extra time for unexpected interruptions so you do not squeeze the timeframe.
4. Focus on the task at hand. Multi-tasking is a myth. Trying to do too many things at once produces inconsistent results, decreases overall productivity, increases disorganization, and stress levels and depletes our energy. Allow adequate time to focus on the task at hand, and avoid distractions and interruptions. Create blocks of time to focus on tasks. Use a timer and do not allow yourself to check your email, answer the phone or take a break. Take short breaks in between focus blocks, and you will be surprised at how much you can accomplish.

We are all busy; it’s a common aspect of work. Be mindful of how often you express that you are “too busy.”



### Scottsdale Planning Carefree Highway Widening

Scottsdale is planning an \$11-million, 2.5-mile widening project for Carefree Highway between Cave Creek Road and Scottsdale Road/Tom Darlington.

The capacity enhancement will expand the road to two lanes in each direction and add a median island. The plan also includes bike lanes, a shared-use trail, drainage improvements and utility work, as well as a new roundabout at 60th Street.

A public meeting will be held before the end of the year to gather public input on preliminary design. [\(Source\)](#)



### MAG, Surprise to Study Grand Avenue Transportation

The Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG) and the city of Surprise will undertake a transportation study to improve conditions around Grand Avenue.

The Surprise City Council on Oct. 17 approved an intergovernmental agreement with MAG to contribute \$45,000 toward the study's estimated total cost of \$695,000.

MAG will engage a consultant for the project with the goal of creating a program improving safety on Grand Avenue and supporting planned development. The report is expected by June 2025.

Grand Avenue has been a point of congestion for years. As the West Valley has continued to develop over the last 20 years, the section of Grand in the area of Loop 303 and 163rd Avenue has become particularly troublesome.

Surprise has identified more than 70 development projects planned near Grand, and officials say the infrastructure is not in place to accommodate the growth.

In a separate action, Maricopa County will update its own White Tank Grand Avenue Plan to deal with expected growth in the far Northwest Valley. The update will be used to guide development and will also cover the same 18 miles of Grand Avenue as the MAG/ Surprise study. [\(Source\)](#)



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ADOT/BECO  Other Associations

**\*\*ATTENTION TO ALL FIRMS\*\***

Need help preparing DBE affidavits?  
Please see our tutorial video below:

["Preparing DBE Affidavits"](#)



## OCTOBER

**26** **ABA MEMBER MIXER HOSTED BY: CONSTRUCTORS BONDING**  
4 - 6 p.m.  
Location: Constructors Bonding  
7220 N. 16th St., Bldg. K, Phoenix

**27** **Valley Partnership October Friday Morning Breakfast**  
7:30 - 9 a.m.  
Location: Phoenix Country Club  
2901 N. Seventh St., Phoenix

## NOVEMBER

**1 - 2** **ACCD: AZ Construction Career Days**  
8 a.m. - 2 p.m.  
Location: Arizona National Guard, Papago Facility  
5636 E. McDowell Road, Phoenix

**1 - 3** **ACEC: 2023 Conference on Roads & Streets**  
8 a.m. - 5 p.m.  
Location: El Conquistador Tucson, A Hilton Resort  
10000 N. Oracle Road, Tucson

**2** **ABA: Lunch Learn Contractual Risk Transfer**  
11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.  
Location: ABA Office  
2552 W. Erie St., Ste. 106, Tempe

**2** **PMI-Tucson/TEP Project Management Day**  
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.  
Location: Tucson Electric Power  
88 E. Broadway Blvd., Tucson

**3** **ABA: 4th Annual ABA So. AZ Chairmans Golf Tournament**  
6:30 a.m.  
Location: El Conquistador Gold & Tennis Club  
10555 N. La Canada Dr., Oro Valley

**Featured Federal-Aid Projects**

**CURRENT OPEN SOLICITATIONS**

Due Date	Project Valuation	DBE Goal	Solicitation / Project Number	Type	Project Owner and Description	Contact
11/17/23 11:00 a.m. MST	\$12.1 million	3.62%	085-A(207)T; F050701C	<a href="#">IFB</a>	ADOT - <b>Pavement Preservation, Gila Bend to Range Road on Lukeville Highway ( SR 85)</b> . The work consists of milling the existing chip seal course and replacing it with a hot applied chip seal coat and micro-surfacing.	Iqbal Hossain, Group Manager of Contracts and Specifications, at <a href="mailto:ihossain@azdot.gov">ihossain@azdot.gov</a> .
12/01/23 11:00 a.m. MST	\$2.55 million	5.30%	MMO-0(225)T; T027301C	<a href="#">IFB</a>	ADOT - <b>Roadway Construction, Mountain View Road from Sterling to Gardner and Aztec to Camp Mohave, Mohave County</b> . The work consists of roadway and drainage improvements, box culvert and drainage pipe installation, pavement marking, signing and other related work.	Iqbal Hossain, Group Manager of Contracts and Specifications, at <a href="mailto:ihossain@azdot.gov">ihossain@azdot.gov</a> .
12/08/23 11:00 a.m. MST	\$2.7 million	7.29%	079-A(213)T ;F051801C	<a href="#">IFB</a>	ADOT - <b>System Preservation, Oracle Junction to Florence Highway (SR 79) from Fannin-McFarland Aqueduct to Jason Lopez Circle, Pinal County</b> . The work consists of milling the existing friction course and replacing it with a bonded wearing course.	Iqbal Hossain, Group Manager of Contracts and Specifications, at <a href="mailto:ihossain@azdot.gov">ihossain@azdot.gov</a> .
12/15/23 11:00 a.m. MST REVISED	\$9.9 million	6.73%	089-C(207)T; F051701C	<a href="#">IFB</a>	ADOT - <b>Pavement Preservation, Flagstaff to Cameron Highway from Timberline to Deadman Flat Road</b> . The work consists of milling the existing friction course and replacing it with a bonded wearing course, spot repair, pothole repairs, pavement marking, and other related work. DBE Goal of 4.59%. Contact: Iqbal Hossain, Group Manager of Contracts & Specifications, at <a href="mailto:ihossain@azdot.gov">ihossain@azdot.gov</a> .	Iqbal Hossain, Group Manager of Contracts and Specifications, at <a href="mailto:ihossain@azdot.gov">ihossain@azdot.gov</a> .

**External Links:**

- [ADOT Current Advertisements](#)
- [ADOT Engineering Advertisements](#)
- [ADOT Public-Private Partnership Initiatives](#)
- [ADOT Advertised Alternative Delivery Projects](#)
- [Bidding Opportunities Around the State](#)

**DBE SUPPORTIVE SERVICES PROGRAM**

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# I-17, ANTHEM WAY TI TO JCT. SR 69 (CORDES JUNCTION)



## PROJECT OWNER

Arizona Department of Transportation

## PROJECT NAME

I-17, Anthem Way TI to Jct. SR 69  
(Cordes Junction)

Phoenix – Cordes Junction Highway

Public-Private Partnership  
Design-Build-Operate-Maintain  
Agreement

## PROJECT NUMBER

17 MA 229 H6800 01C / NHPP-017-  
A(228)S

DBE participation goal  
established for this project:

**10.16%**  
for Professional Services

**10.88%**  
for Construction Work

## OUR TEAM

The Kiewit-Fann Joint Venture (KFJV) is a strategic partnership between two trusted Arizona firms that have extensive experience working in rural environments, delivering highway projects. KFJV team members have an extensive history together on successful design-build and CMAR projects and have long-standing relationships with ADOT, local jurisdictions, and the community.

## POTENTIAL SUBCONTRACT OPPORTUNITIES

KFJV is seeking diverse and local firms interested in pursuing multiple scopes of work on the I-17 Anthem Way project. The following scopes are open for solicitation:

- Buy PVC & CIP Wall Embeds
- De-lead Existing Bridge Bearings
- Handrail
- Bridge Deck Grooving
- Nursery Stock Trees
- Rock Bolt Walls
- Install Rock Anchors/Shotcrete
- Remove Ground Mounted Signs
- Routine Maintenance - Damaged Sign F&I
- Weld Bearing Replacements
- Slipform & CIP Concrete Barrier
- Flatwork

**Attachments:** Wage Decision No. AZ20210008 Mod No. 0 - Dated 01/01/2021

## TAKE THE FIRST STEPS

Head to <https://www.kiewit.com/business-with-us/opportunities/i-17-anthem-way-project/> to complete the Subcontractor Questionnaire and create an account with Building Connected, or for additional information and future event dates.

## QUESTIONS? CONTACT US!

Contact us to learn about anticipated subcontract opportunities on the I-17 Anthem Way project at [Flex.Outreach@kiewit.com](mailto:Flex.Outreach@kiewit.com).

KFJV is committed to meeting or exceeding stated project participation requirements upon award of ongoing and upcoming Arizona Department of Transportation projects; assisting interested DBEs in obtaining bonding, lines of credit or insurance; providing interested DBEs information related to the plans, specifications and requirements for work to be subcontracted or supplied by these DBEs; assisting interested DBEs in obtaining necessary equipment, supplies, materials or related assistance or services; sub-dividing bid items into economically feasible work units to DBEs every advantage to quoting the project.

*KFJV is an Equal Opportunity Employer.*