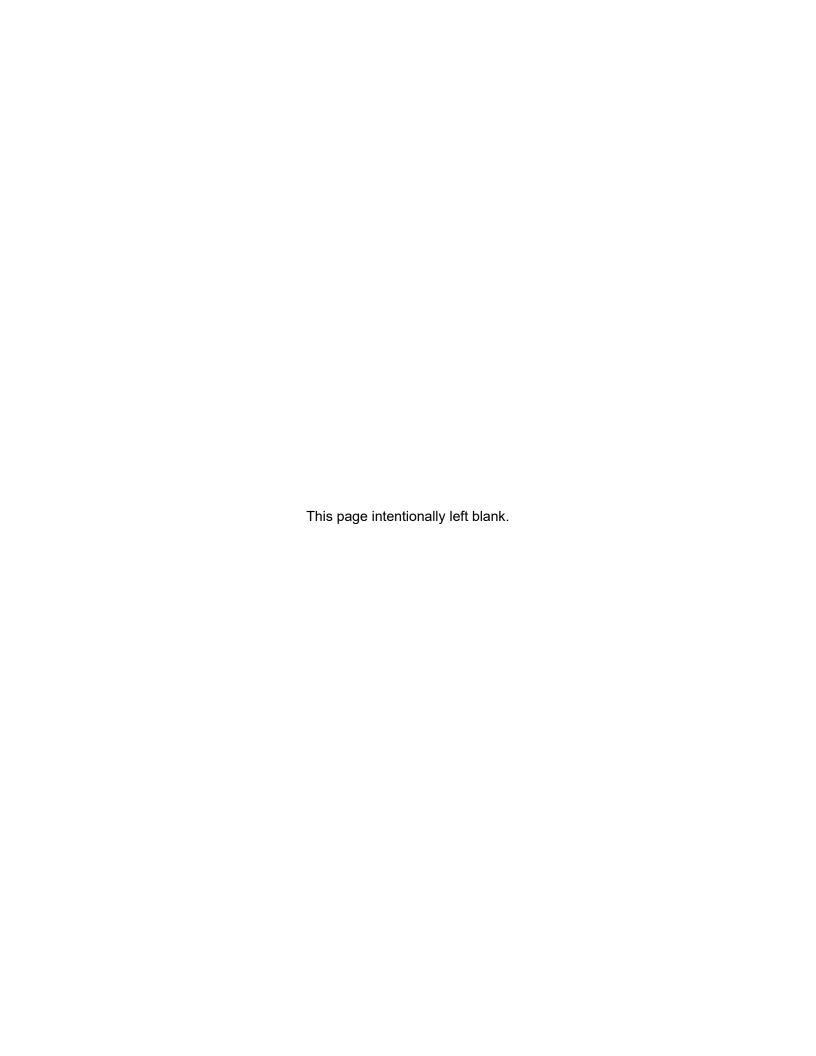
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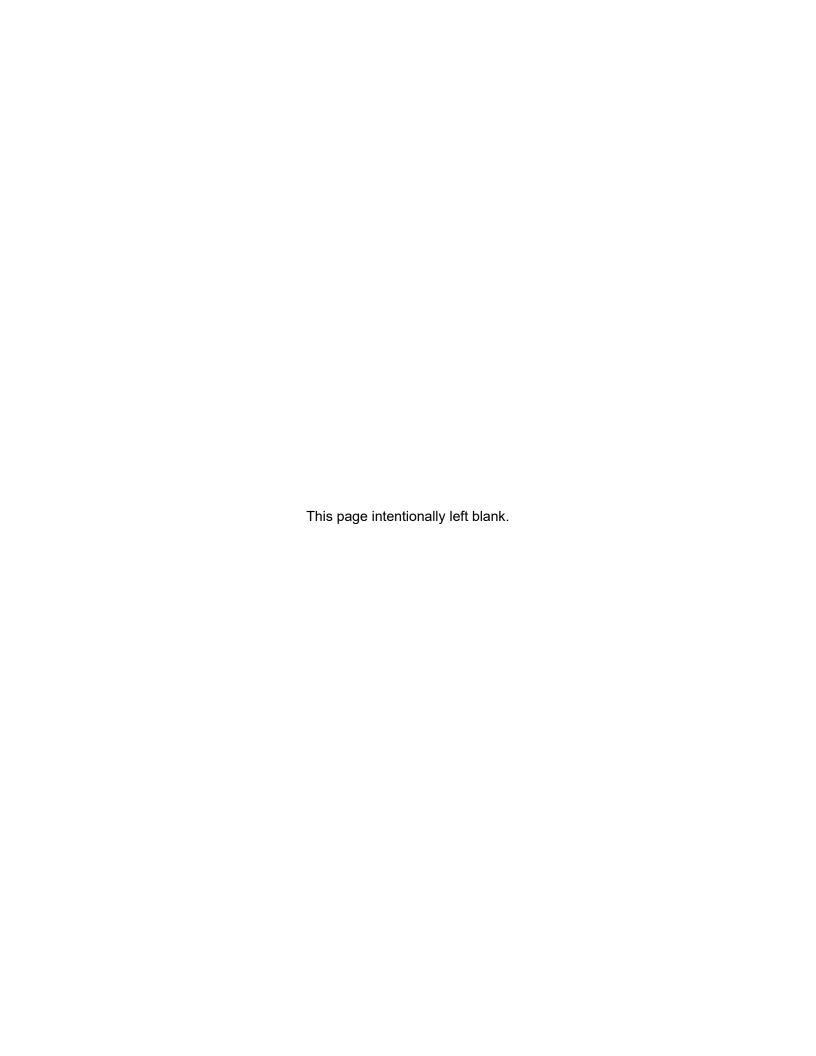
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# Public Involvement and Public Hearing Summary

Grand Avenue | 35th Avenue | Indian School Road: Intersection Improvements

EA/DCR Public Comment Period: Oct. 10 – Nov. 27, 2023

ADOT Project Nos. F0272 01L Federal Aid No. 060-B(227)T

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### 1. Introduction

The Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT), in coordination with the city of Phoenix and Maricopa Association of Governments, issued a Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) and Draft Design Concept Report (DCR) for the US 60 (Grand Avenue), 35th Avenue and Indian School Road intersection (known as the Grand-35 study). The draft DCR detailed the engineering concept for the Preferred Build Alternative to grade separate the interchange and create a new elevated intersection of 35th Avenue and Indian School Road over Grand Avenue. The Draft EA evaluated the environmental impacts of the Preferred Build Alternative and compared them to the No-Build option in which no improvements are made. ADOT conducted public involvement for this phase of the study to provide notification of the availability of the draft EA and DCR and to seek public comments on the Preferred Build Alternative identified.

### 1.1 Title VI Accommodations

The public outreach effort was conducted in compliance with Title VI and Environmental Justice guidelines approved for the project in the Grand-35 Public Involvement Plan, on record with ADOT Communications.

### 2. Public Review and Comment

The draft EA and DCR were made available to the public for review and comment for a 45-day comment period from Oct. 10-Nov. 27, 2023.

The documents were available on the study website adotgrand35study.com, at the public hearing and at the two repository locations listed below.

- Yucca Library, 5648 N 15th Ave, Phoenix, AZ 85015
- Palo Verde Library, 4404 N 51st Ave, Phoenix, AZ 85031

Throughout the public review and comment period, comments could be made in the following ways:

- Public hearing: Verbal and written comments
- Study website: Online through our study survey and comment map
- Email: ADOTGrand35Study@hrinc.com
- Phone: 602-474-3952
- Mail: ADOT Grand 35 Study c/o HDR Inc. 20 E. Thomas Rd., Suite 2500 Phoenix, AZ 85012

A copy of the survey questions and responses can be found in Appendix D, Survey.

# 3. Public Hearing

The public hearing was a significant component of the public involvement process to provide information about the draft EA and DCR and to gather comments on the Preferred Build Alternative. The public hearing date, time, location, and attendance are listed in Table 1.



Table 1. Public Hearing Date and Location

| Date                | Time     | Location                | Attendance |
|---------------------|----------|-------------------------|------------|
| Wednesday, Oct. 25, | 5:30 – 7 | Heard Elementary School | 26         |

### 3.1 Public Hearing Notification

### 3.1.1 Newspaper/Digital/Radio Advertisements

The team prepared and placed print, online and radio advertisements that provided information on the study and Preferred Build Alternative; included the date, time and location of the public hearing; provided information on where to review the draft EA and DCR and how to provide comments on the documents. The advertisements were published in the following newspapers:

- Arizona Republic (Zone 3) English (published Oct. 7, 2023)
- Contacto Total (Digital Newspaper) Spanish (published Oct. 5 Oct. 18, 2023)

In addition to the print ads, digital ads ran on AZCentral.com between Oct. 11 and Oct. 25, 2023. Radio spots aired in Spanish on Contacto Total Radio, 1190 AM between Oct. 5 and Oct. 25, 2023. Copies of the newspaper ads in English and Spanish were uploaded to the study website.

Copies of print advertisements can be found in Appendix A, Public Hearing Notifications.

### 3.1.2 Website and Online Public Hearing Tool

The study website and online public hearing tool were updated on Oct. 10, 2023 and provided information on the date, time and location of the public hearing and how the public can provide comments. All materials for the public hearing were posted on the website in English, Spanish and Vietnamese and are listed below:

- Online hearing tool
- Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)
- Public hearing presentation and script
- Draft EA and DCR documents
- Interactive comment map
- Comment form/survey

A copy of the FAQs is included in Appendix B, Public Hearing Materials.

### 3.1.3 GovDelivery/News Release

Information on the public hearing and comment period was first distributed by ADOT Community Relations staff on Oct. 11, 2023, via a GovDelivery notice. The GovDelivery notice was sent to approximately 12,500 email addresses on the study and US 60 Grand Avenue corridor topic subscription lists. Five additional GovDelivery notices were distributed to remind the public of the hearing, to take the survey and to comment on the proposed alternatives before the Nov. 27, 2023, deadline. The GovDelivery distribution dates were:



- Oct. 11, 2023
- Oct. 18, 2023
- Oct. 24, 2023
- Nov. 1, 2023
- Nov. 14, 2023
- Nov. 21, 2023

ADOT Public Information staff distributed a news release about the public hearing to media outlets on Oct. 18, 2023.

Copies of the GovDelivery and news release can be found in Appendix A, *Public Hearing Notifications*.

### 3.1.4 Social Media

ADOT placed several posts on its social media accounts (Facebook, Twitter/X and Nextdoor) between Oct. 11 and Nov. 20, 2023 to provide notice of the public hearing, availability of the draft EA/DCR and comment period. The social media posts were placed on the following dates:

- Oct. 11, 2023
- Oct. 12, 2023
- Oct. 18, 2023
- Oct. 20, 2023
- Oct. 24, 2023
- Nov. 1, 2023
- Nov. 14, 2022
- Nov. 15, 2023
- Nov. 20, 2023

Copies of the social media posts can be found in Appendix A, *Public Hearing Notifications*.

### 3.1.5 Direct Mailer

A direct mailer was sent by mail to 11,500 addresses in the study area as well as property owners, to provide information on the draft EA and DCR, the public hearing, and how to provide comments. The mailer (in English and Spanish, with a QR code link to Vietnamese) was distributed between Oct. 3 and Oct. 10.

A copy of the direct mailer can be found in Appendix A, *Public Hearing Notifications*.

### 3.1.6 Poster Delivery

A poster was created to provide information about the draft EA and DCR, public hearing and how to provide comments. The posters were developed in English, Spanish and Vietnamese and hand delivered to all businesses with potential right-of-way impacts in the study area on Oct. 17, 2023. A Vietnamese interpreter joined the canvassing efforts for the businesses that were identified as having Limited English Proficiency. There were also two Spanish speaking



staff members available during the efforts to communicate with Spanish speaking business representatives. The posters were also available on the study website in all three languages.

Copies of posters can be found in Appendix A, *Public Hearing Notifications*.

### 3.1.7 Key Stakeholder Outreach

The ADOT Community Relations team created a contact list that included stakeholders in the study area, such as businesses, apartment complexes, community organizations, school districts and local churches, and sent emails to them to send information about the draft EA/DCR, public hearing and comment period to share with their respective staff, members and residents.

### 3.1.8 Direct Calls

ADOT Community Relations made 28 direct calls to businesses and stakeholders in the study area to share information about the release of the draft EA/DCR, hearing date and commenting options.

### 3.1.9 1:1 Meetings

ADOT Community Relations, along with the study and Right-of-Way teams, held four individual virtual meetings with property owners identified as having right-of-way impacts from the Preferred Build Alternative, to share information about the proposed project, provide preliminary information about the right-of-way/relocation process and respond to their specific questions and concerns.

### 3.2 Public Hearing Format

### 3.2.1 In-Person Public Hearing

An in-person public hearing was held on Oct. 25, 2023, from 5:30 – 7 p.m. at Heard Elementary School. The purpose of the public hearing was to provide information regarding the study, Preferred Build Alternative identified in the draft EA and DCR, information on how to provide comments through the comment period, and an opportunity for the public to provide oral and written comments. The public hearing was advertised extensively to the public through various methods described in section 3.1. The in-person public hearing followed the format in Table 2.

**Table 2**. In-Person Public Hearing Agenda

| 5:30 – 6:00 p.m. | Doors Open/Open House            |
|------------------|----------------------------------|
| 6:00 – 6:30 p.m. | Formal Presentation*             |
| 6:30 – 7:00 p.m. | Formal Public Comment/Open House |

<sup>\*</sup>The presentation was provided in English, with Spanish and Vietnamese interpretation available.

A sign-in table was available for public hearing attendees, which provided the following:

• Sign in at the door (optional and not required for attendance)



- Notification of the availability of Spanish and Vietnamese interpretation during the hearing
- Printed public hearing guide in English, Spanish and Vietnamese with instructions on how to provide comments at and following the hearing
- Title VI and Title II ADA nondiscrimination information, and an optional Title VI selfidentification card for attendees to provide information on race. A total of 13 self-ID cards were returned.

The public hearing was held as an open house, with separate areas designated as follows:

- Area 1: Open House
- Area 2: Formal Presentation/Formal Public Comment
- Area 3: Right-of-Way information table
- Area 4: Private oral comment station

In Area 1, attendees were encouraged to view display boards and roll plots providing information about the study and the Preferred Build Alternative. Study team members were available to answer questions one-on-one. Display boards were translated into Spanish and Vietnamese and printed as handouts, and Spanish and Vietnamese interpreters were available for attendees with Limited English Proficiency. Printed Comment forms and iPads were available so that attendees could submit written or online comments.

In Area 2, a presentation was given in English, with Spanish and Vietnamese interpretation available. Following the presentation, a listening panel was seated for the formal public comment period. One speaker provided a formal comment.

In Area 3, representatives from ADOT's Right-of-Way office were available to answer any questions the attendees had about the acquisition and relocation process.

In Area 4, attendees could give their oral comments privately to a court reporter. Three comments were provided in this area.

A full list of formal public comments submitted during the hearing can be found in Appendix C, *Public Comments*.

### 3.3 Public Hearing Materials

A variety of materials were made available at the public hearing. These materials are provided in Appendix B and include:

- Comment forms (English, Vietnamese, and Spanish)
- Public hearing guide brochures (English, Vietnamese, and Spanish)
- Display boards (Spanish and Vietnamese handouts available)
- Roll plots

Copies of the draft EA and DCR documents were also available for review at the hearing.



### 3.3.1 Display Boards

Display boards at the public hearing included the following:

- Welcome
- Hearing Format
- Provide Your Comments
- Guidelines for Giving Formal Public Comments
- Study Overview
- Timeline
- What is NEPA?
- What is the No-Build Alternative?
- What is the Preferred Alternative?
- Preferred Alternative Findings
- ADOT's Right-of-Way Acquisition Process
- Right-of-Way Acquisition FAQs
- Next Steps

### 3.3.2 Public Hearing Guide Brochure

A brochure was created to provide information about the study and the proposed improvements, as well as information about where to access the draft EA and DCR and how to make a formal public comment during the hearing. It also provided information on ways to comment during the comment period. The brochure (in English, Spanish and Vietnamese) was given to public hearing attendees and was posted on the study website in all three languages.

A copy of the brochure is included in Appendix B, *Public Hearing Materials*.

### 3.3.3 Formal Presentation

A formal presentation was given at the public hearing. The presentation can be found in Appendix B, *Public Hearing Materials*, and covered the following slide titles:

- Welcome
- Hearing Purpose
- Project Location
- Study Purpose & Need
- Study Goals
- NEPA Requirements
- NEPA Disclosure
- No-Build Alternative
- Preferred Alternative
- Preferred Alternative Findings
- Project Funding
- Next Steps
- How to Comment



# 4. Public Comments Received

A total of 76 comments were received during the comment period between Oct. 10 and Nov. 27, 2023, through the following methods:

- Twenty-nine (29) comments were submitted through the online comment tool on the study website
- Twenty-seven (27) comments were received through the study email
- Eight (8) comments were submitted through the map comment form on the study website
- Eight (8) comments were submitted through the phone
- Three (3) verbal comments were received at the public hearing; One (1) written comment was received at the public hearing
- No comments were received via mail

Some of the common themes in the comments received are listed below:

- Request for information about the preferred alternative
- Comments/questions about right-of-way acquisition to particular properties
- Concerns about reducing the number of traffic lanes on 35th Avenue for the future Bus Rapid Transit
- Concerns about effects on small businesses

All comments can be found in Appendix C, Public Comments.

### 4.1 Survey Results

The survey consisted of 11 questions – 7 questions related to the study and 4 questions asking for contact information. In total, there were 29 responses.

Some of the common themes in the responses are listed below:

- Opposition to the No Build Option
- Support of eliminating the railroad crossing
- Concerns about right-of-way acquisition to particular properties
- Need for improved signage
- Concerns about reducing the number of traffic lanes on 35th Avenue for the future Bus Rapid Transit

Full survey results can be found in Appendix D, Survey.



# 5. TITLE VI REPORTING

# 5.1 Self-ID Surveys

Hearing participants were asked to complete ADOT's self-identification survey for Title VI reporting purposes. A total of 13 self-ID surveys were returned. Five attendees identified as White, four as Hispanic/Latino, three as Asian, one as American/Indian/Alaskan Native.



# Appendices

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# **Appendix A: Public Hearing Notifications**

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- Direct Mailer
- Posters

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Miércoles, 25 de octubre 5:30 a 7 p.m. Heard Elementary School 2301 W. Thomas Rd. Phoenix, AZ 85015



### AGENDA DE AUDIENCIA PÚBLICA

| AGENDA DE AUDIENCIA PUBLICA |  |
|-----------------------------|--|
| 5:30 - 6 p.m.               | Puertas abiertas/Casa abierta                  |
| 6 - 6:30 p.m.               | Presentación formal                            |
| 6:30 - 7 p.m.               | Comentarios públicos formales/<br>Casa abierta |

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# ADOT holding public hearing for proposed intersection project at Grand Avenue, 35th Avenue and Indian School Road

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### **PUBLIC HEARING**

| DATE/LOCATION                      | AGENDA   |
|------------------------------------|--|
| Wednesday, Oct. 25, 5:30 to 7 p.m. | 5:30 - 6 p.m. Doors Open/Open House                    |
| Heard Elementary School            | 6 – 6:30 p.m. Formal Presentation                      |
| 2301 W. Thomas Rd.,                | <b>6:30 – 7 p.m.</b> Formal Public Comments/Open House |
| Phoenix, AZ 85015                  |  |

The proposed improvements are identified in a Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) and Design Concept Report (DCR) for the Draft EA and DCR, which are available for public review and comment **through Nov. 27**. These documents evaluate the Preferred Build Alternative compared to the No-Build (do nothing) Alternative. The Draft EA and DCR are available on the study website at <a href="https://www.adotgrand35study.com">www.adotgrand35study.com</a>. Copies of the documents can be viewed at the following locations:

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Comments on the Grand-35 Study Draft EA and DCR can be made **through Nov. 27, 2023**. All comments received during the comment period will be documented and responded to in the Grand-35 Study Final EA and DCR. All comment methods are considered equal.

### **HOW TO COMMENT**

- Attend the in-person public hearing to provide written/verbal comments
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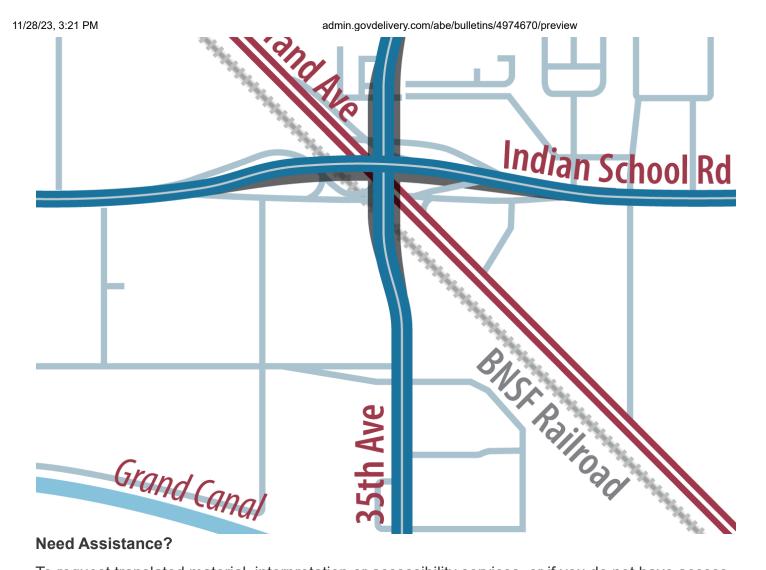
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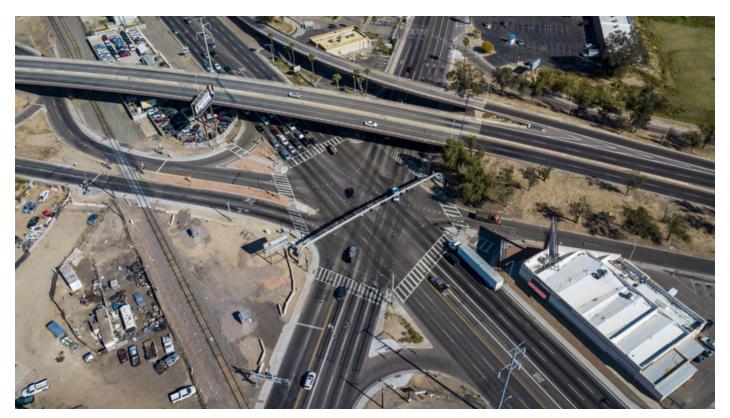
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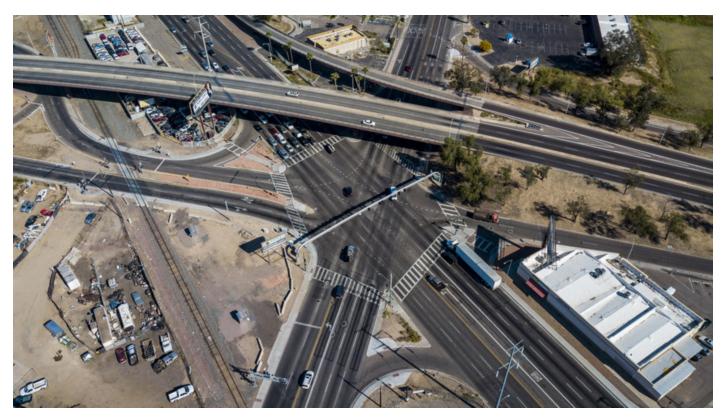
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\*GRAND-35 STUDY PUBLIC HEARING\*

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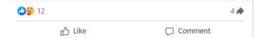
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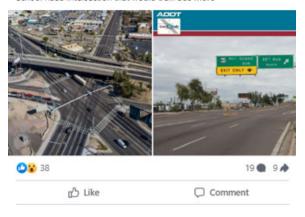
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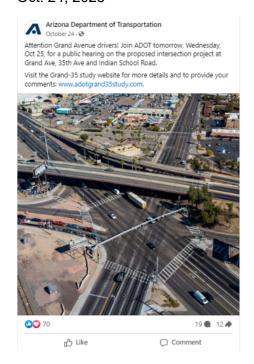
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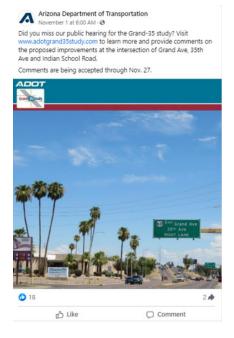
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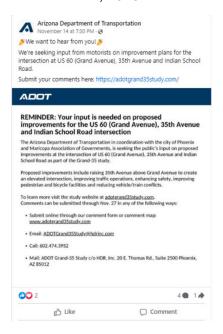


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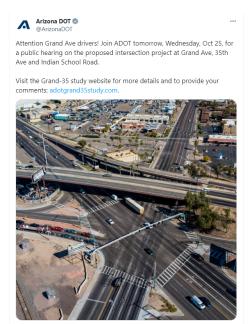
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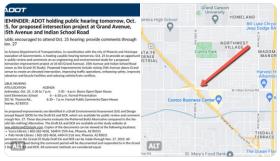
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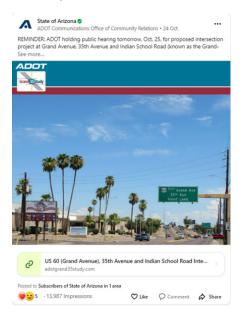


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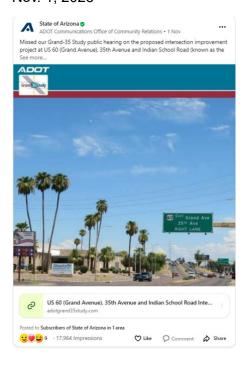
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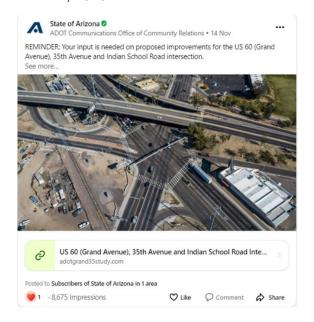
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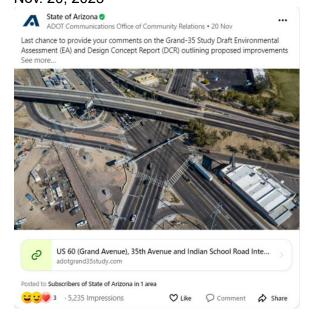
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Katie Hobbs, Governor Jennifer Toth, Director

October 10, 2023

Subject: ADOT Grand-35 Study | US 60 (Grand Avenue), 35th Avenue and Indian School Road

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#### **PUBLIC HEARING INFORMATION**

Wednesday, Oct. 25, 2023 | 5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m.

 Heard Elementary School 2301 W. Thomas Rd. Phoenix, AZ 85015

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Thank you for your time and attention.

Sincerely,

Olivier Mirza

Project Manager

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# YOU'RE INVITED!

Public Hearing - Oct. 25, 2023 | 5:30 - 7 p.m. | Heard Elementary School

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#### PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT PERIOD

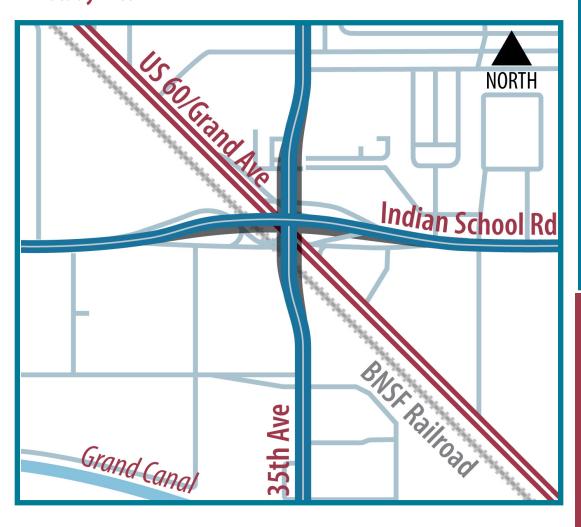
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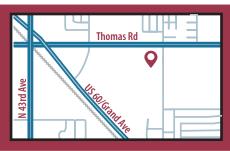
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# **Study Area**



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# Can't make it to the hearing?

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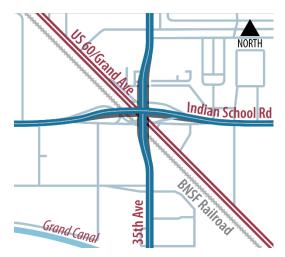
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10 de octubre de 2023

Asunto: ADOT Estudio Grand-35 | US 60 (Grand Avenue), 35th Avenue e Indian School Road

#### Estimado dueño / inquilino:

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INFORMACIÓN DE LA AUDIENCIA PÚBLICA

miercoles, 25 de octubre de 2023 | 5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m.

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ADOT lo invita a participar en el proceso de evaluación de alternativas de las siguientes maneras:

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Gracias por tu tiempo y atención.

Atentamente,

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# **iESTÁS INVITADO!**

Audiencia pública — 25 de octubre de 2023 | 5:30 - 7 p.m. | Heard Elementary School

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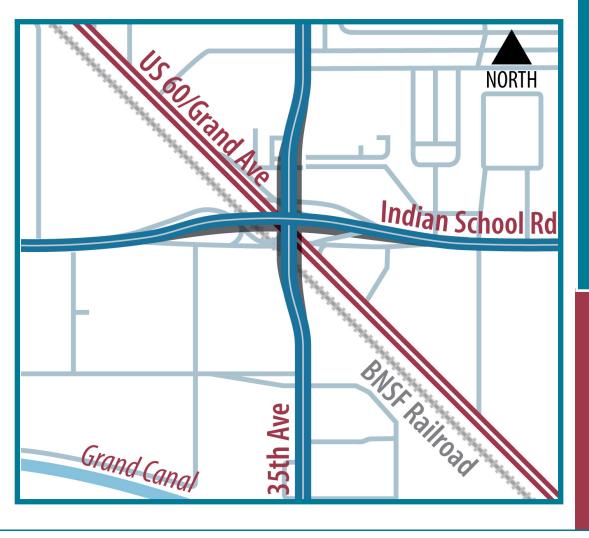
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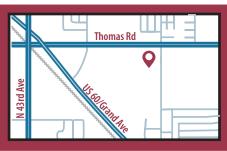
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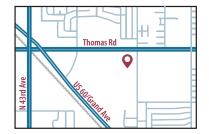
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Miércoles 25 de octubre, 5:30 a 7 p.m. **Heard Elementary School** 2301 W. Thomas Rd. Phoenix, AZ 85015



| AGENDA DE AUDIENCIA PÚBLICA |  |
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| 6 - 6:30 p.m.               | Presentación formal                        |
| 6:30 - 7 p.m.               | Comentarios públicos formales/Casa abierta |

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Las consultas, la revisión ambiental y otras acciones requeridas según las leyes ambientales federales correspondientes para este proyecto se están llevando a cabo o se han llevado a cabo por ADOT de acuerdo con 23 U.S.C 327 y un Memorándum de Acuerdo con fecha del 16 de abril de 2019 y se han realizado por FHWA y ADOT.

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In-Person Public Hearing Oct. 25, 2023 | 5:30 – 7 p.m. | Heard Elementary School Phiên điều trần công khai trưc tiếp ngày 25 tháng 10 năm 2023 | 5:30 – 7 giờ tối | Trường tiểu học Heard

The Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT), in coordination with the city of Phoenix and Maricopa Association of Governments, invites you to participate in a public hearing on Oct. 25 to learn about and provide comments on the Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) and Design Concept Report (DCR) for the US 60 (Grand Avenue), 35th Avenue and Indian School Road intersection (known as the Grand-35 Study). Proposed improvements include raising 35th Avenue above Grand Avenue to create an elevated intersection, improving traffic operations, enhancing safety, improving pedestrian and bicycle facilities and reducing vehicle/ train conflicts.

Bộ Giao thông Vận tải Arizona (ADOT), phối hợp với Hiệp hội Chính phủ thành phố Phoenix và Maricopa, mời bạn tham gia phiên điều trần công khai vào ngày 25 tháng 10 năm 2023 để tìm hiểu và đưa ra nhận xét về Dự thảo Đánh giá Môi trường (EA) và Báo cáo Khái niệm Thiết kế (DCR) cho Hoa Kỳ 60 (Đại lộ Grand), Đại lộ 35 và Giao lộ Đường Trường học Ấn Độ (được gọi là Nghiên cứu Grand-35). Những cải tiến được đề xuất bao gồm nâng cao Đại lộ 35 phía trên Đại lộ Grand để tạo ra một giao lộ trên cao, cải thiện hoạt động giao thông, tăng cường an toàn, cải thiện cơ sở vật chất cho người đi bộ và xe đạp và giảm xung đột xe cộ / xe lửa.

### DRAFT EA AND DCR PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

The Draft EA and DCR will be available for public review and comment from Oct. 10 through Nov. 27. These documents will evaluate the Preferred Build Alternative compared to the No-Build Alternative.

The Draft EA and DCR are available on the study website at www.adotgrand35study.com or hard copies of the documents can be viewed at the following locations:

**Yucca Library** | 602-262-4636 5648 N 15th Ave, Phoenix, AZ 85015

Palo Verde Library | 602-262-4636 4404 N 51st Ave, Phoenix, AZ 85031

# **Study Area** Khu vực nghiên cứu



# DỰ THẢO EA VÀ DCR GIAI ĐOẠN BÌNH LUẬN CÔNG CỘNG

Dự thảo EA và DCR sẽ có sẵn để xem xét và lấy ý kiến công khai từ ngày 10 tháng 10 đến ngày 27 tháng 11 năm 2023. Các tài liệu này sẽ đánh giá Giải pháp thay thế xây dựng ưu tiên so với Giải pháp thay thế không xây dựng.

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# **HOW TO COMMENT:**

Submit your comments on the Grand-35 Study Draft EA and DCR through Nov. 27, 2023. All comments received during the comment period will be documented and responded to in the Grand-35 Study Final EA and DCR. All comment methods are considered equal.

- Attend the public hearing: Provide written/verbal comments at the in-person public hearing
- Online through our comment form or comment map: www.adotgrand35study.com
- **Email:** ADOTGrand35Study@hdrinc.com
- **Call:** 602.474.3952
- ADOT Grand-35 Study c/o HDR, Inc. 20 E. Thomas Rd., Suite 2500 Phoenix, AZ 85012

# CÁCH BÌNH LUẬN:

Gửi ý kiến của bạn về Dự thảo Nghiên cứu Grand-35 EA và DCR cho đến ngày 27 tháng Mười Một. Tất cả các ý kiến nhận được trong thời gian bình luận sẽ được ghi lại và trả lời trong Grand-35 Study Final EA và DCR. Tất cả các phương pháp bình luận được coi là bình đẳng.

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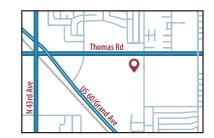
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Cửa mở / Mở cửa

Theo Tiêu đề VI của Đạo luật Dân quyển năm 1964, Đạo luật Người Mỹ Khuyết tật (ADA) và các đạo luật về không phân biệt đối xử và căn cứ khác, ADOT không phân biệt đối xử trên cơ sở chúng tộc, màu da, nguồn gốc quốc gia, giới tính, tuổi tác hoặc tình trạng khuyết tật. Những người cần sự điều chính hợp lý vì các lý do ngôn ngữ hoặc tình trạng khuyết tật nên liên hệ với Nancy Becerra theo số 602.474.3952 hoặc địa chỉ ngbecerra@azdot.gov. Nên thực hiện các yêu cầu càng sớm càng tốt để đảm bảo Tiểu bang có cơ hội thực hiện sự điều chỉnh.





# **Appendix B: Public Hearing Materials**

- Frequently Asked Questions
- Comment Form
- How to Comment Brochure
- Hearing Display Boards
- Hearing Presentation

#### **FAQs**

#### What is an Environmental Assessment (EA)?

The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969 requires agencies to analyze, disclose, minimize and mitigate any adverse environmental impacts from projects that include federal funding. An EA is the NEPA document that has been prepared to evaluate potential impacts from the Grand-35 Study. This EA describes the need for the proposed action (i.e., Preferred Alternative), alternatives developed for the proposed action, the environmental impacts of the build alternatives and No-Build Alternative.

#### What is a Design Concept Report (DCR)?

A DCR is also prepared to document the engineering elements associated with the study. This includes interchange options, drainage modifications, traffic operations and safety, construction requirements and impacts to traffic during construction, summary of the EA, right-of-way requirements, cost and maintainability, to name just a few. These elements are evaluated for a range of reasonable build alternatives, as well as the no-build baseline alternative.

#### What is a No-Build Alternative?

The No-Build Alternative is used as a baseline, or a benchmark, to compare against the Build Alternative(s). The No-Build provides the Grand-35 Study team with a basis against which social, environmental and economic impacts can be measured. The No-Build Alternative represents the existing transportation system with ongoing maintenance and any improvement projects that have been previously programmed for construction and studies.

#### If approved, is there funding for construction?

Yes. Currently, the funding includes federal money and Highway User Revenue Funds through the Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG), generated through the voter-approved half-cent sales tax in Maricopa County.

#### When do you anticipate construction to start, if approved?

Construction on the Grand-35 project is anticipated to begin in Summer 2025, following the completion of the Final EA and DCR Phase, as well as the completion of the Design and Right-of-Way Acquisition Phase.

#### What are the proposed improvements?

The Preferred Alternative includes shifting 35th Avenue to the west. 35th Avenue would also be elevated to create a new intersection with Indian School Road. Indian School Road would be shifted to the north and would be elevated to create a new intersection with 35th Avenue. Both 35th Avenue and Indian School Road would pass over US 60 and the BNSF Railway. An elevated signalized intersection would be created between 35th Avenue and Indian School Road.

Two lanes would be provided in each direction of travel on 35th Avenue. 35th Avenue would accommodate the addition of Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) which is currently being planned by an ongoing city of Phoenix project, and you can learn more at www.meetphoenixbrt.com. Three lanes would be provided in each direction of travel on Indian School Road. Indian School Road would also be able to accommodate a future high-capacity transit (HCT) route which is also being studied by the city of Phoenix and Valley

Metro. Three lanes would be provided in each direction of travel on US 60 and US 60 would remain atgrade. Minor improvements would be included along US 60 to reconfigure the median and provide turn lanes at intersections.

Glenrosa Avenue would be extended to the west to create a new connector road that would restore connectivity between 35th Avenue and US 60. This new connector road would connect to 35th Avenue at Glenrosa Avenue and would connect to US 60 near 37th Avenue. This new connector road would provide one lane in each direction of travel.

West of 35th Avenue, Clarendon Avenue would be realigned to connect to Clarendon Avenue east of 35th Avenue and eliminate the existing offset intersection at 35th Avenue.

33rd Avenue would be extended north of Indian School Road and a new east-west local road would extend from 33rd Avenue to 35th Avenue. 33rd Drive would connect to the new east-west local road.

#### Are you anticipating right-of-way acquisitions for the Preferred Alternative?

The Preferred Alternative includes right-of-way acquisitions. Potential right-of-way impacts and access changes have been identified as part of this study which will be further refined during final design. Affected property owners will be contacted before and during the right-of-way acquisition process and during the DCR and Final Design stages of the project. Right-of-way plans will be developed based on the final design plans and property appraisals will be prepared for the affected properties and property owners will be contacted at that time.

#### Where can I find detailed maps of the Preferred Alternative?

You can find detailed maps of the Preferred Alternative on the study website at ADOTGrand35Study.com.

#### What happens if the Preferred Alternative is selected through this study?

If ADOT selects the Preferred Alternative in this study, the next steps would be to conduct final design and begin right-of-way acquisition. The study is expected to conclude in early 2024 with final design beginning in 2024. Construction is scheduled to begin in 2025.

#### How do I know if my property will be impacted?

Potential right-of-way impacts and access changes were identified during this study process and are being shared in the Draft EA and DCR. The public review of this Draft EA provides an opportunity for the public to review and comment on the proposed project and right-of-way acquisitions resulting from the Preferred Alternative. If the Preferred Alternative is selected, further engagement with the affected property owners would occur during final design and right-of-way process.

#### When will right-of-way be acquired and what is the right-of-way acquisition process?

Once the Preferred Alternative is selected, the study is completed, and funding for design is in place, then the project is anticipated to move into the final design phase in 2024. Specific right-of-way needs have been identified during the study. Right-of-way plans will be developed, and property appraisals will be prepared for the affected properties. Any questions on the right-of-way process can be directed to Dennis Haley at dhaley@azdot.gov or 602.712.7432.

# If a Build Alternative is selected, how long will construction take and what will the traffic impacts be?

If the Preferred Build Alternative is selected to move forward, construction is expected to last approximately two years, but is dependent on many different factors. Temporary lane reductions and restrictions may be considered along with night construction operations. Because the new 35th Avenue bridge is close to the existing roadway alignment, full closures of 35th Avenue would likely be required during construction of the new roadway, roadway embankment, and bridges. Closures would likely be limited to a small segment of 35th Avenue between roughly West Clarendon Avenue and West Glenrosa Avenue, and could last up to 6 months in duration. During the closure, travel north and south of US 60/Grand Avenue and the BNSF tracks would need to use 27th Avenue, 31st Avenue, and 43rd Avenue, which are the nearest railroad crossings. Lane restrictions and closures on US 60 (Grand Avenue) would be minimized to the extent possible. Short-term closures of US 60 (Grand Avenue) would likely be required when the segment of the existing Indian School Road bridge over US 60 (Grand Avenue) is removed, and when the segment of the new bridges over US 60 (Grand Avenue) are constructed. The Draft EA includes environmental commitments and mitigation measures requiring the development of a traffic control plan and communication of that plan to the public before the start of construction.

# How will businesses in the area be affected during construction? Will access to businesses be impacted?

ADOT is required to maintain access/entry to existing businesses during construction. If this is not achievable, then a particular property may need to be acquired by ADOT Right-of-Way and the owner will be compensated accordingly.

# If the Preferred Alternative for intersection improvements is selected, what will the impacts be to pedestrians, bikes, and public transit during construction?

In general, ADOT will attempt to maintain pedestrian, bike, and transit access during construction. However, it is likely that some pedestrian and bike access will be restricted during construction. It is anticipated that the transit stops would remain open but may be moved to other locations during construction. As part of the final design, we will review these issues and work with the stakeholders to develop a plan for construction. A construction contractor would need to submit any proposed construction-related restrictions and closures to ADOT and the city for review and approval and would need to provide alternative access wherever possible.

#### How could railroad operations be impacted?

The railroad operations will be maintained for the selected alternative as BNSF Railway will generally not allow any adverse impacts to their operations.

# How will pedestrian, bike and transit facilities be improved if the Preferred Alternative for intersection improvements is selected?

The Preferred Alternative could include many different enhancements to the pedestrian, bicycle, and bus facilities such as additional or wider sidewalks, wider outside shoulders for bikes, separate bus pull-outs or new bus shelters.

#### What is a grade-separation?

A grade separation completely separates one of the roadways at the intersection to either raise or lower it through an overpass or underpass.

# By 2050, the average delay at this intersection is expected to increase if no improvements are made. Is the average delay expected to decrease if improvements are made?

A comparison of the 2050 traffic delays with and without the proposed improvements shows that the traffic delays in 2050 along US 60 (Grand Avenue) are expected to decrease as the 6-legged intersection would be removed. Similarly, the traffic delays along 35<sup>th</sup> Avenue are expected to decrease as northbound and southbound traffic would not go through the 6-legged intersection. In addition, traffic along 35<sup>th</sup> Avenue would not be delayed by trains. In general, the overall travel times in 2050 along the three main roadways are expected to be reduced by implementing the proposed improvements.

#### Who would be responsible for funding if the project is built? How will it be paid for?

Currently, the funding includes federal money and Highway User Revenue Funds through the Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG), generated through the voter-approved half-cent sales tax in Maricopa County.

# When will the public have an opportunity to learn more about and provide input on the intersection design options being considered?

ADOT is currently conducting public outreach and seeking public comments on the Preferred Alternative for the intersection and the Draft EA and DCR. The Preferred Alternative is being compared with a No-Build (or do nothing) Alternative in the Draft EA document. The public is able to review the Draft EA and DCR, and a public hearing will be held to present the Preferred Alternative on Oct. 25, 2023. The public will be able to provide their input at the hearing as well through other methods. All materials from the hearing, including the presentation, are available on adotgrand35study.com. The public can provide comments on the alternatives through Nov. 27, 2023.

#### Will noise walls be constructed?

ADOT considers mitigation for customers predicted to be impacted by highway traffic noise levels. Based on detailed noise studies, noise mitigation is not recommended for the Preferred Alternative. This is because a majority of the adjacent land uses (commercial, industrial) do not warrant mitigation and the projected noise level in other locations does not warrant mitigation, according to detailed noise study conducted for the project.

# Will this project be constructed at the same time as the I-17/Indian School Rd project? No, the I-17/Indian School Road interchange project is currently on hold pending further review.

#### Could this project go away if funding is reduced?

This would depend on several factors. Every year, the regional program is updated, and projects (including this one) could be delayed, or other projects could be advanced, based on funding availability and current priorities. This process is conducted by the Maricopa Association of Governments Regional Council which is comprised of members from 27 cities and towns and other agencies.

# Why isn't one of the options to make this stretch of US 60/Grand Avenue between I-17 and Loop 101 a highway like US 60 in the east Valley?

This option was evaluated in previous studies and was not chosen. This section of US 60/Grand Avenue is much older than the US 60 Superstition Freeway and has substantial existing development along the corridor that would be costly to acquire and result in significant community impacts. It is simply not

feasible and not included in regional plans. The Regional Transportation Plan includes smaller projects to improve traffic capacity, safety, and multi-modal connections on the Grand Avenue corridor.

# What are the current traffic volumes on Grand Avenue, Indian School Road and 35th Avenue? Which road has the most traffic?

Both Grand Avenue and Indian School Rd currently carry around 50,000 vehicles per day. 35th Avenue carries around 30,000 vehicles per day. By 2050, the traffic volumes on all three roads are expected to increase.

#### How will my comments be addressed?

Following our public hearing and comment period, the study team will review and evaluate all input from the partner agencies and the public. The selected alternative, combined with agency and public input will be documented in the Final EA, which will be published on the project website.



# GRAND AVENUE | 35TH AVENUE | INDIAN SCHOOL ROAD INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS

| Formal public comments are an important part of this study and will be reviewed by the study  |
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# GRAND AVENUE | 35TH AVENUE | INDIAN SCHOOL ROAD MEJORAS DE INTERSECCIÓN

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The environmental review, consultation and other actions required by applicable Federal environmental laws for this project are being or have been carried out by ADOT pursuant to 23 USC 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated 04/16/2019 and executed by FHWA and ADOT.

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### FAQ

#### What is an Environmental Assessment (EA)?

The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969 requires agencies to analyze, disclose, minimize and mitigate any adverse environmental impacts from projects that include federal funding. An EA is the NEPA document that has been prepared to evaluate potential impacts from the Grand-35 Study. This EA describes the need for the proposed action (i.e., Preferred Alternative), alternatives developed for the proposed action, the environmental impacts of the build alternatives and No-Build Alternative.

#### What is a Design Concept Report (DCR)?

A DCR is also prepared to document the engineering elements associated with the study. This includes interchange options, drainage modifications, traffic operations and safety, construction requirements and impacts to traffic during construction, summary of the EA, right-of-way requirements, cost and maintainability, to name just a few. These elements are evaluated for a range of reasonable build alternatives, as well as the no-build baseline alternative.

#### What is a No-Build Alternative?

The No-Build Alternative is used as a baseline, or a benchmark, to compare against the Build Alternative(s). The No-Build provides the Grand-35 Study team with a basis against which social, environmental and economic impacts can be measured. The No-Build Alternative represents the existing transportation system with ongoing maintenance and any improvement projects that have been previously programmed for construction and studies.

# If approved, is there funding for construction?

Yes, the funding includes federal money and Highway
User Revenue Funds through the Maricopa Association of
Governments (MAG), generated through the voter-approved
half-cent sales tax in Maricopa County.

# When do you anticipate construction to start, if approved?

Construction on the Grand-35 Project is anticipated to begin in summer 2025, following the completion of the Final EA and DCR Phase, as well as the completion of the Design and Right-of-Way Acquisition Phase.

### What are the proposed improvements?

The Preferred Alternative includes shifting 35th Avenue to the west. 35th Avenue would also be elevated to create a new intersection with Indian School Road. Indian School Road would be shifted to the north and would be elevated to create a new intersection with 35th Avenue. Both 35th Avenue and Indian School Road would pass over US 60 and the BNSF Railway. An elevated signalized intersection would be created between 35th Avenue and Indian School Road.

Two lanes would be provided in each direction of travel on 35th Avenue. 35th Avenue would accommodate the addition of Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) which is currently being planned as an ongoing city of Phoenix project, and you can learn more at www.meetphoenixbrt.com. Three lanes would be provided in each direction of travel on Indian School Road. Indian School Road would also be able to accommodate a future high-capacity transit (HCT) route which is also being studied by the city of Phoenix and Valley Metro. Three lanes would be provided in each direction of travel on US 60 and US 60 would remain at-grade. Minor improvements would be included along US 60 to reconfigure the median and provide turn lanes at intersections.

Glenrosa Avenue would be extended to the west to create a new connector road that would restore connectivity between 35th Avenue and US 60. This new connector road would connect to 35th Avenue at Glenrosa Avenue and would connect to US 60 near 37th Avenue. This new connector road would provide one lane in each direction of travel.

West of 35th Avenue, Clarendon Avenue would be realigned to connect to Clarendon Avenue east of 35th Avenue and eliminate the existing offset intersection at 35th Avenue.

33rd Avenue would be extended north of Indian School Road and a new east-west local road would extend from 33rd Avenue to 35th Avenue. 33rd Drive would connect to the new east-west local road.

# Are you anticipating right-of-way acquisitions for the Preferred Alternative?

The Preferred Alternative includes right-of-way acquisitions. Potential right-of-way impacts and access changes have been identified as part of this study which will be further refined during final design. Affected property owners will be contacted before and during the right-of-way acquisition process and during the DCR and Final Design stages of the project. Right-of-way plans will be developed based on the final design plans and property appraisals will be prepared for the affected properties and property owners will be contacted at that time.





### **PROJECT BACKGROUND**

In 2020, the Arizona Department of **Transportation (ADOT), in coordination** with the city of Phoenix and the Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG), began a study for the US 60 (Grand Avenue), 35th **Avenue and Indian School Road intersection** (known as the Grand-35 Study). The study is evaluating potential transportation improvements. Some of the proposed improvements include raising 35th Avenue to create an elevated intersection, improving traffic operations, enhancing safety and improving pedestrian and bicycle facilities and reducing vehicle/train conflicts. Over the last three years, ADOT has sought feedback from the public, stakeholders, agencies and partners to help guide the study evaluation process. Following the previous rounds of outreach, including the alternatives phase and public meetings held in the spring of 2023, a Draft **Environmental Assessment (EA) and Design** Concept Report (DCR) have been prepared for the Grand-35 Study.

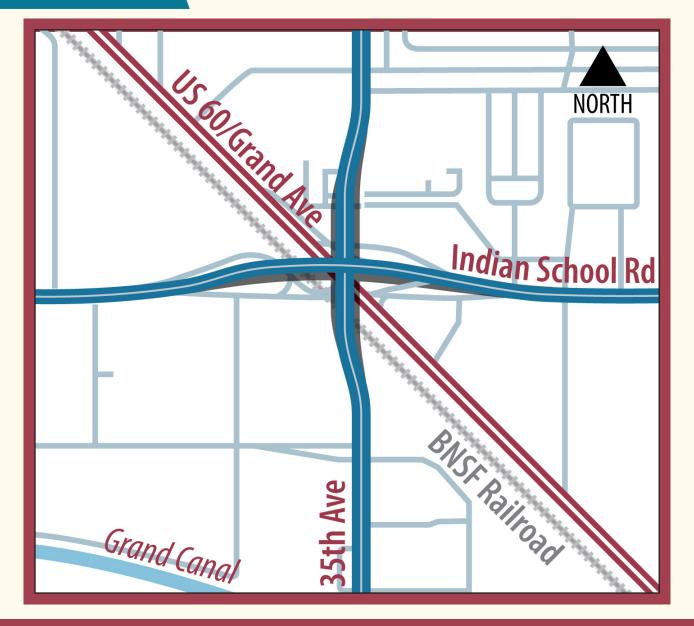
### **PUBLIC HEARING**

ADOT completed the Draft EA and DCR for the Grand-35 Study and has released the documents, which are available for public **review and comment now through Nov. 27, 2023.** The in-person public hearing is being held to provide the public with an overview of the Draft EA and DCR for the Grand 35 Study, share ADOT's recommendation, and provide an opportunity for oral and written public comments on the documents and the Preferred Alternative. We are excited to reach this important milestone in the study and look forward to receiving your input, which will help identify the selected project alternative.



For more information or to view the public hearing information online at your convenience, visit the project website at www.adotgrand35study.com or scan the QR code.

# **PROJECT AREA MAP**



### **PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT PERIOD**

Printed copies of the Draft EA and DCR are available for review at the repository locations listed below. In addition, the documents are available for download from the study website at adotgrand35study.com.

### **Repository Locations**

- Yucca Library | 602-262-4636
   5648 N 15th Ave, Phoenix, AZ 85015
- Palo Verde Library | 602-262-4636
   4404 N 51st Ave, Phoenix, AZ 85031

### **How to Provide Comments**

You may submit comments in any of the following ways:

- Provide verbal comments to a panel of study team members at the public hearing (documented by a court reporter).
- Privately submit comments to a court reporter at the public hearing.
- Submit written comments on a comment form at the public hearing or online atwww.adotgrand35study.com.
- Submit location-specific comments through our online comment map tool at www.adotgrand35study.com.
- Email: ADOTGrand35Study@hdrinc.com
- Call: 602-474-3952
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All comments received are considered equal, regardless of submission method.

# How will my comments be addressed?

Following our public hearing and comment period, the study team will review and evaluate all input from the partner agencies and the public before selecting an alternative. The selected alternative, combined with the agency and public input will be documented in the Final EA, and will be published on the project website.

# **PUBLIC HEARING GROUND RULES**

Mutual respect and courtesy are the hearing's guiding principles. We ask that you follow the ground rules listed below so that everyone feels welcome, comfortable and has the opportunity to participate and provide comments.

### **Hearing Venue**

Firearms and other lethal weapons are not allowed in the hearing venue. Any individual who disrupts the hearing proceedings, threatens or harasses staff or other attendees, or fails to comply with required security and safety measures of the hearing venue will be asked to leave and may be removed by security personnel if needed.

### **Open House Area**

Please refrain from interrupting conversations between study team members and hearing attendees.

#### **Formal Public Comment Area**

A panel will be present to listen to all speakers, but cannot respond to any formal public comments. Please remain quiet and silence mobile devices while in the audience. Please do not interrupt a speaker and make sure to leave the area for side conversations.

# **Guidelines For Giving a Live Public Statement**

**Register -** All speakers are required to register at the Speaker Registration table.

**Order of Speakers -** Speakers will be called forward based on the order in which they signed up.

**Submit Written Comments -** An individual or group representative who speaks may also submit more detailed written comments by visiting the comment area in the open house portion of the hearing. Written comments can also be submitted in lieu of a formal public statement to the panel.

**Hearing Agenda -** All speakers registered by the scheduled close of the hearing will have the opportunity to speak. Registration will not be allowed past the closing time of the hearing.

Para solicitar materiales traducidos o si no tiene acceso a la tecnología necesaria para revisar el información del estudio en línea, comuníquese con Nancy Becerra al 623.695.7411 o ngbecerra@azdot.gov.

Las consultas, la revisión ambiental y otras acciones requeridas según las leyes ambientales federales correspondientes para este proyecto se están llevando a cabo o se han llevado a cabo por ADOT de acuerdo con 23 U.S.C 327 y un Memorándum de Acuerdo con fecha del 16 de abril de 2019 y se han realizado por FHWA y ADOT.

De acuerdo con el Título VI de la Ley de Derechos Civiles de 1964, la Ley de Estadounidenses con Discapacidades (ADA por sus siglas en inglés) y otras normas y leyes antidiscriminatorias, el Departamento de Transporte de Arizona (ADOT) no discrimina por motivos de raza, color, origen nacional, sexo, edad o discapacidad. Las personas que requieran asistencia (dentro de lo razonable) ya sea por el idioma o discapacidad deben ponerse en contacto con Nancy Becerra al 623.695.7411 o ngbecerra@azdot. gov. Las solicitudes deben hacerse lo más antes posible para asegurar que el Estado tenga la oportunidad de hacer los arreglos necesarios.



# PREGUNTAS MÁS FRECUENTES

#### ¿Qué es una Evaluación Ambiental (EA)?

La Ley Nacional de Política Ambiental (NEPA) de 1969 requiere que las agencias analicen, divulguen, minimicen y mitiguen cualquier impacto ambiental adverso de los proyectos que incluyen fondos federales. Un EA es el documento NEPA que se ha preparado para evaluar los impactos potenciales del Estudio Grand-35. Este EA describe la necesidad de la acción propuesta (es decir, la alternativa preferida), las alternativas desarrolladas para la acción propuesta, los impactos ambientales de las alternativas de construcción y la alternativa de no construcción.

# ¿Qué es un informe de concepto de diseño (DCR)?

Un DCR también está preparado para documentar los elementos de ingeniería asociados con el estudio. Esto incluye opciones de intercambio, modificaciones de drenaje, operaciones y seguridad del tráfico, requisitos de construcción e impactos al tráfico durante la construcción, resumen del EA, requisitos de derecho de paso, costo y mantenibilidad, por nombrar solo algunos. Estos elementos se evalúan para una gama de alternativas de compilación razonables, así como la alternativa de línea base sin compilación.

### ¿Qué es una alternativa sin construcción?

La alternativa sin compilación se utiliza como línea de base, o punto de referencia, para comparar con la(s) alternativa(s) de compilación. El No-Build proporciona al equipo del estudio Grand-35 una base contra la cual se pueden medir los impactos sociales, ambientales y económicos. La alternativa de no construcción representa el sistema de transporte existente con mantenimiento continuo y cualquier proyecto de mejora que haya sido previamente programado para la construcción y estudios.

# Si se aprueba, ¿hay fondos para la construcción?

Sí, el financiamiento incluye dinero federal y Fondos de Ingresos para Usuarios de Carreteras a través de la Asociación de Gobiernos de Maricopa (MAG), generados a través del impuesto a las ventas de medio centavo aprobado por los votantes en el Condado de Maricopa.

# ¿Cuándo anticipa que comenzará la construcción, si se aprueba?

Se prevé que la construcción del Proyecto Grand-35 comience en el verano de 2025, tras la finalización de la fase final de EA y DCR, así como la finalización de la fase de diseño y adquisición de derecho de paso.

# ¿Cuáles son las mejoras propuestas?

La alternativa preferida incluye cambiar la Avenida 35 hacia el oeste. La Avenida 35 también se elevaría para crear una nueva intersección con Indian School Road. Indian School Road se desplazaría hacia el norte y se elevaría para crear una nueva intersección con la Avenida 35. Tanto la 35th Avenue como Indian School Road pasarían sobre la US 60 y el ferrocarril BNSF. Se crearía una intersección elevada señalizada entre 35th Avenue e Indian School Road.

Se proporcionarían dos carriles en cada dirección de viaje en la Avenida 35. La Avenida 35 acomodaría la adición de Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) que actualmente está siendo planeada por un proyecto en curso de la ciudad de Phoenix, y puede obtener más información en www.meetphoenixbrt.com. Se proporcionarían tres carriles en cada dirección de viaje en Indian School Road. Indian School Road también podría acomodar una futura ruta de tránsito de alta capacidad (HCT) que también está siendo estudiada por la ciudad de Phoenix y Valley Metro. Se proporcionarían tres carriles en cada sentido de viaje en la US 60 y la US 60 permanecería a nivel. Se incluirían mejoras menores a lo largo de la US 60 para reconfigurar la mediana y proporcionar carriles de giro en las intersecciones.

Glenrosa Avenue se extendería hacia el oeste para crear una nueva carretera de conexión que restauraría la conectividad entre 35th Avenue y US 60. Esta nueva carretera de conexión se conectaría a la Avenida 35 en la Avenida Glenrosa y se conectaría a la US 60 cerca de la Avenida 37. Esta nueva carretera de conexión proporcionaría un carril en cada dirección de viaje.

Al oeste de la Avenida 35, la Avenida Clarendon se realinearía para conectarse con la Avenida Clarendon al este de la Avenida 35 y eliminar la intersección de compensación existente en la Avenida 35.

La Avenida 33 se extendería al norte de Indian School Road y una nueva carretera local este-oeste se extendería desde la Avenida 33 hasta la Avenida 35. 33rd Drive se conectaría a la nueva carretera local este-oeste.

# ¿Está anticipando adquisiciones de derecho de paso para la Alternativa Preferida?

La Alternativa Preferida incluye adquisiciones de derecho de paso. Los posibles impactos del derecho de paso y los cambios de acceso se han identificado como parte de este estudio, que se perfeccionarán aún más durante el diseño final. Los propietarios afectados serán contactados antes y durante el proceso de adquisición del derecho de paso y durante las etapas de DCR y Diseño Final del proyecto. Los planes de derecho de paso se desarrollarán en función de los planes de diseño final y se prepararán tasaciones de propiedades para las propiedades afectadas y se contactará a los propietarios en ese momento.





### **ANTECEDENTES DEL PROYECTO**

En 2020, el Departamento de Transporte de Arizona (ADOT), en coordinación con la ciudad de Phoenix y la Asociación de Gobiernos de Maricopa (MAG), comenzó un estudio para la intersección de US 60 (Grand Avenue), 35th Avenue e Indian School Road (conocida como el Estudio Grand-35). El estudio está evaluando posibles mejoras en el transporte. Algunas de las mejoras propuestas incluyen elevar la Avenida 35 para crear una intersección elevada, mejorar las operaciones de tráfico, mejorar la seguridad y mejorar las instalaciones para peatones y bicicletas y reducir los conflictos entre vehículos y trenes. En los últimos tres años, ADOT ha buscado comentarios del público, las partes interesadas, las agencias y los socios para ayudar a guiar el proceso de evaluación del estudio. Después de las rondas anteriores de divulgación, incluida la fase de alternativas y las reuniones públicas celebradas en la primavera de 2023, se ha preparado un borrador de evaluación ambiental (EA) y un informe de concepto de diseño (DCR) para el estudio Grand-35.

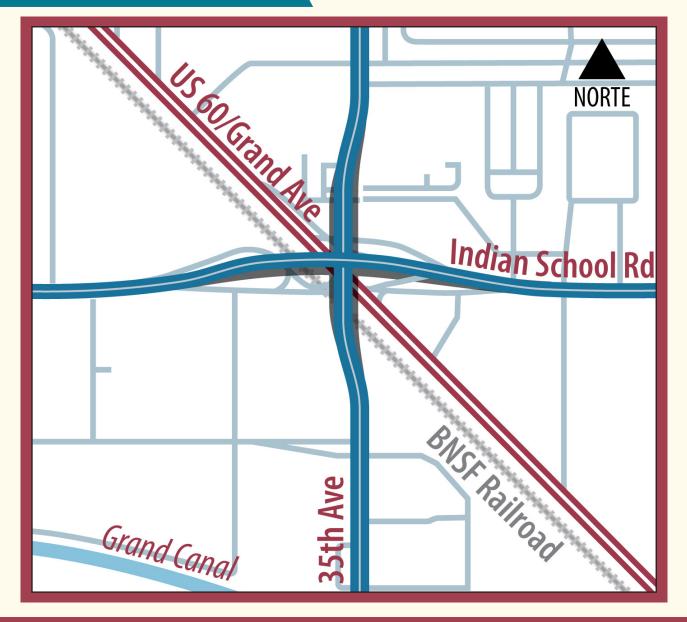
# **AUDIENCIA PÚBLICA**

ADOT completó el borrador de EA y DCR para el estudio Grand-35 y ha publicado los documentos, que están disponibles para revisión y comentarios públicos ahora hasta el 27 de noviembre de 2023. La audiencia pública en persona se lleva a cabo para proporcionar al público una visión general del Borrador de EA y DCR para el Estudio Grand 35, compartir la recomendación de ADOT y brindar la oportunidad de comentarios públicos orales y escritos sobre los documentos y la Alternativa Preferida. Estamos entusiasmados de alcanzar este importante hito en el estudio y esperamos recibir sus comentarios, que ayudarán a identificar la alternativa del proyecto seleccionado.



Para obtener más información o para ver la información de la audiencia pública en línea a su conveniencia, visite el sitio web del proyecto en www.adotgrand35study.com o escanee el código QR.

# MAPA DEL ÁREA DEL PROYECTO



# REVISIÓN PÚBLICA Y PERÍODO DE COMENTARIOS

Las copias impresas del borrador de EA y DCR están disponibles para su revisión en las ubicaciones de repositorio que se enumeran a continuación. Además, los documentos están disponibles para su descarga desde el sitio web del estudio en adotgrand35study.com.

### **Ubicaciones de repositorios**

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### Cómo proporcionar comentarios

# Puede enviar comentarios de cualquiera de las siguientes maneras:

- Proporcionar comentarios verbales a un panel de miembros del equipo de estudio en la audiencia pública (documentada por un taquígrafo de la corte).
- Envíe comentarios en privado a un taquígrafo de la corte en la audiencia pública
- Envíe comentarios por escrito en un formulario de comentarios en la audiencia pública o en línea enwww.adotgrand35study.com.
- Envíe comentarios específicos de la ubicación a través de nuestra herramienta de mapa de comentarios en línea enwww.adotgrand35study.com.
- Correo electrónico: ADOTGrand35Study@hdrinc.com
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### ¿Cómo se abordarán mis comentarios?

Después de nuestra audiencia pública y período de comentarios, el equipo del estudio revisará y evaluará todos los aportes de las agencias asociadas y el público antes de seleccionar una alternativa. La alternativa seleccionada, combinada con la agencia y los aportes del público, se documentará en el EA final y se publicará en el sitio web del proyecto.

# REGLAS BÁSICAS DE LA AUDIENCIA PÚBLICA

El respeto mutuo y la cortesía son los principios rectores de la audiencia. Le pedimos que siga las reglas básicas que se enumeran a continuación para que todos se sientan bienvenidos, cómodos y tengan la oportunidad de participar y proporcionar comentarios.

### Lugar de audiencia

Las armas de fuego y otras armas letales no están permitidas en el lugar de la audiencia. A cualquier persona que interrumpa los procedimientos de la audiencia, amenace o acose al personal u otros asistentes, o que no cumpla con las medidas de seguridad requeridas del lugar de la audiencia se le pedirá que se vaya y puede ser expulsado por el personal de seguridad si es necesario.

### Área de puertas abiertas

Por favor, absténgase de interrumpir las conversaciones entre los miembros del equipo de estudio y los asistentes a la audiencia.

### Área formal de comentarios públicos

Un panel estará presente para escuchar a todos los oradores, pero no puede responder a ningún comentario público formal. Permanezca en silencio y silencie los dispositivos móviles mientras esté en la audiencia. Por favor, no interrumpa a un orador y asegúrese de abandonar el área para conversaciones paralelas.

# Pautas para dar una declaración pública en vivo

**Registro -** Todos los oradores deben registrarse en la mesa de registro de oradores.

**Orden de los oradores -** los oradores serán llamados por adelantado en función del orden en que se inscribieron

**Enviar comentarios por escrito -** un representante individual o grupal que habla también puede enviar comentarios escritos más detallados visitando el área de comentarios en la parte de puertas abiertas de la audiencia. También se pueden presentar comentarios por escrito en lugar de una declaración pública formal al panel.

**Agenda de la audiencia -** Todos los oradores registrados antes del cierre programado de la audiencia tendrán la oportunidad de hablar. No se permitirá el registro después de la hora de cierre de la audiencia.

Để yêu cầu tài liệu dịch hoặc nếu bạn không có quyền truy cập vào công nghệ cần thiết để xem lại thông tin học tập trực tuyến, vui lòng liên hệ với Nancy Becerra theo số 623.695.7411 hoặc ngbecerra@azdot.gov.

Những xem xét, tham vấn và các hoạt động khác về môi trường theo yêu cầu của luật môi trường liên bang hiện hành đối với dự án này đã hoặc đang được Bộ Giao Thông Vận Tải Arizona (ADOT) thực hiện theo Mục 327 Tiêu đề 23 Bộ Luật Hoa Kỳ và Biên bản Ghi nhớ ngày 04/16/2019 và được Phòng Quản Lý Đường Cao Tốc Liên Bang FHWA và Bộ Giao Thông Vận Tải Arizona ADOT thực hiện.

Theo Tiêu đề VI của Đạo luật Dân quyền năm 1964, Đạo luật Người Mỹ Khuyết tật (ADA) và các đạo luật về không phân biệt đối xử và căn cứ khác, ADOT không phân biệt đối xử trên cơ sở chủng tộc, màu da, nguồn gốc quốc gia, giới tính, tuổi tác hoặc tình trạng khuyết tật. Những người cần sự điều chỉnh hợp lý vì các lý do ngôn ngữ hoặc tình trạng khuyết tật nên liên hệ với Nancy Becerra theo số 602.474.3952 hoặc địa chỉ ngbecerra@azdot.gov. Nên thực hiện các yêu cầu càng sớm càng tốt để đảm bảo Tiểu bang có cơ hôi thực hiện sự điều chỉnh.



### FAQ

### Đánh giá Môi trường (EA) là gì?

Đạo luật Chính sách Môi trường Quốc gia (NEPA) năm 1969 yêu cầu các cơ quan phân tích, tiết lộ, giảm thiểu và giảm thiểu bất kỳ tác động môi trường bất lợi nào từ các dự án bao gồm tài trợ của liên bang. EA là tài liệu NEPA đã được chuẩn bị để đánh giá các tác động tiềm năng từ Nghiên cứu Grand-35. EA này mô tả sự cần thiết của hành động được đề xuất (tức là Thay thế ưu tiên), các lựa chọn thay thế được phát triển cho hành động được đề xuất, tác động môi trường của các lựa chọn thay thế xây dựng và Giải pháp thay thế không xây dựng.

### Báo cáo khái niêm thiết kế (DCR) là gì?

Một DCR cũng được chuẩn bị để ghi lại các yếu tố kỹ thuật liên quan đến nghiên cứu. Điều này bao gồm các tùy chọn nút giao, sửa đổi hệ thống thoát nước, hoạt động và an toàn giao thông, yêu cầu xây dựng và tác động đến giao thông trong quá trình xây dựng, tóm tắt EA, yêu cầu về quyền ưu tiên, chi phí và khả năng bảo trì, chỉ kể tên một số. Các yếu tố này được đánh giá cho một loạt các lựa chọn thay thế xây dựng hợp lý, cũng như giải pháp thay thế đường cơ sở không xây dựng.

# Giải pháp thay thế không xây dựng là gì?

Giải pháp thay thế không xây dựng được sử dụng làm đường cơ sở hoặc điểm chuẩn để so sánh với (các) Giải pháp thay thế xây dựng. No-Build cung cấp cho nhóm Nghiên cứu Grand-35 một cơ sở để có thể đo lường các tác động xã hội, môi trường và kinh tế. Giải pháp thay thế không xây dựng đại diện cho hệ thống giao thông hiện tại với việc bảo trì liên tục và bất kỳ dự án cải tiến nào đã được lập trình trước đó để xây dựng và nghiên cứu.

# Nếu được chấp thuận thì có kinh phí xây dựng không?

Có, khoản tài trợ bao gồm tiền liên bang và Quỹ Doanh thu Người dùng Đường cao tốc thông qua Hiệp hội Chính phủ Maricopa (MAG), được tạo ra thông qua thuế bán hàng nửa xu được cử tri chấp thuân ở Hat Maricopa.

# Khi nào bạn dự kiến việc xây dựng sẽ bắt đầu, nếu được chấp thuận?

Việc xây dựng Dự án Grand-35 dự kiến sẽ bắt đầu vào mùa hè năm 2025, sau khi hoàn thành Giai đoạn EA và DCR cuối cùng, cũng như hoàn thành Giai đoạn Thiết kế và Mua lại Quyền ưu tiên.

# Những cải tiến được đề xuất là gì?

Giải pháp thay thế ưu tiên bao gồm chuyển Đại lộ 35 về phía tây. Đại lộ 35 cũng sẽ được nâng lên để tạo ra một giao lộ mới với Đường Trường học Ấn Độ. Indian School Road sẽ được chuyển về phía bắc và sẽ được nâng lên để tạo ra một giao lộ mới với Đại lộ 35. Cả Đại lộ 35 và Đường Trường học Ấn Độ sẽ đi qua Quốc lộ Hoa Kỳ 60 và Đường sắt BNSF. Một giao lộ có tín hiệu trên cao sẽ được tạo ra giữa Đại lộ 35 và Đường Trường học Ấn Độ.

Hai làn đường sẽ được cung cấp theo mỗi hướng đi trên Đại lộ 35. Đại lộ 35 sẽ đáp ứng việc bổ sung Xe buýt nhanh (BRT) hiện đang được lên kế hoạch bởi một dự án thành phố Phoenix đang diễn ra và bạn có thể tìm hiểu thêm tại www.meetphoenixbrt.com. Ba làn đường sẽ được cung cấp theo mỗi hướng di chuyển trên Đường Trường học Ấn Độ. Indian School Road cũng sẽ có thể đáp ứng một tuyến đường vận chuyển công suất cao (HCT) trong tương lai cũng đang được thành phố Phoenix và Valley Metro nghiên cứu. Ba làn đường sẽ được cung cấp theo mỗi hướng di chuyển trên Quốc lộ Hoa Kỳ 60 và Quốc lộ Hoa Kỳ 60 sẽ vẫn ở cùng cấp. Những cải tiến nhỏ sẽ được bao gồm dọc theo Quốc lộ Hoa Kỳ 60 để cấu hình lại dải phân cách và cung cấp làn đường rẽ tại các giao lộ.

Đại lộ Glenrosa sẽ được mở rộng về phía tây để tạo ra một con đường kết nối mới sẽ khôi phục kết nối giữa Đại lộ 35 và Quốc lộ Hoa Kỳ 60. Con đường kết nối mới này sẽ kết nối với Đại lộ 35 tại Đại lộ Glenrosa và sẽ kết nối với Quốc lộ Hoa Kỳ 60 gần Đại lộ 37. Con đường kết nối mới này sẽ cung cấp một làn đường theo mỗi hướng di chuyển.

Phía tây Đại lộ 35, Đại lộ Clarendon sẽ được sắp xếp lại để kết nối với Đại lộ Clarendon ở phía đông Đại lộ 35 và loại bỏ giao lộ bù đắp hiện có tại Đại lộ 35.

Đại lộ 33 sẽ được mở rộng về phía bắc của Indian School Road và một con đường địa phương đông-tây mới sẽ kéo dài từ Đại lộ 33 đến Đại lộ 35. Đường 33 sẽ kết nối với đường địa phương đông-tây mới.

# Bạn có dự đoán việc mua lại quyền ưu tiên cho Giải pháp thay thế ưu tiên không?

Giải pháp thay thế ưu tiên bao gồm các thương vụ mua lại quyền ưu tiên. Các tác động quyền ưu tiên tiềm ẩn và thay đổi quyền truy cập đã được xác định là một phần của nghiên cứu này sẽ được tinh chỉnh thêm trong quá trình thiết kế cuối cùng. Chủ sở hữu tài sản bị ảnh hưởng sẽ được liên lạc trước và trong quá trình mua lại quyền ưu tiên và trong giai đoạn DCR và Thiết kế cuối cùng của dự án. Kế hoạch quyền ưu tiên sẽ được phát triển dựa trên kế hoạch thiết kế cuối cùng và thẩm định tài sản sẽ được chuẩn bị cho các tài sản bị ảnh hưởng và chủ sở hữu tài sản sẽ được liên lạc tại thời điểm đó.





# BốI CẢNH DỰ ÁN

Vào năm 2020, Bô Giao thông Vân tải Arizona (ADOT), phối hợp với thành phố Phoenix và Hiệp hôi Chính phủ Maricopa (MAG), đã bắt đầu một nghiên cứu cho giao lộ US 60 (Grand Avenue), 35th Avenue và Indian School Road (được gọi là Nghiên cứu Grand-35). Nghiên cứu đang đánh giá những cải tiến giao thông tiềm năng. Một số cải tiến được đề xuất bao gồm nâng cao Đai lô 35 để tao ra một giao lộ trên cao, cải thiện hoạt động giao thông, tăng cường an toàn và cải thiên cơ sở vật chất cho người đi bộ và xe đạp và giảm xung đột xe cộ / xe lửa. Trong ba năm qua, ADOT đã tìm kiếm phản hồi từ công chúng, các bên liên quan, các cơ quan và đối tác để giúp hướng dẫn quá trình đánh giá nghiên cứu. Sau các vòng tiếp cận trước đó, bao gồm giai đoan thay thế và các cuộc họp công khai được tổ chức vào mùa xuân năm 2023, Dư thảo Đánh giá Môi trường (EA) và Báo cáo Khái niệm Thiết kế (DCR) đã được chuẩn bị cho Nghiên cứu Grand-35.

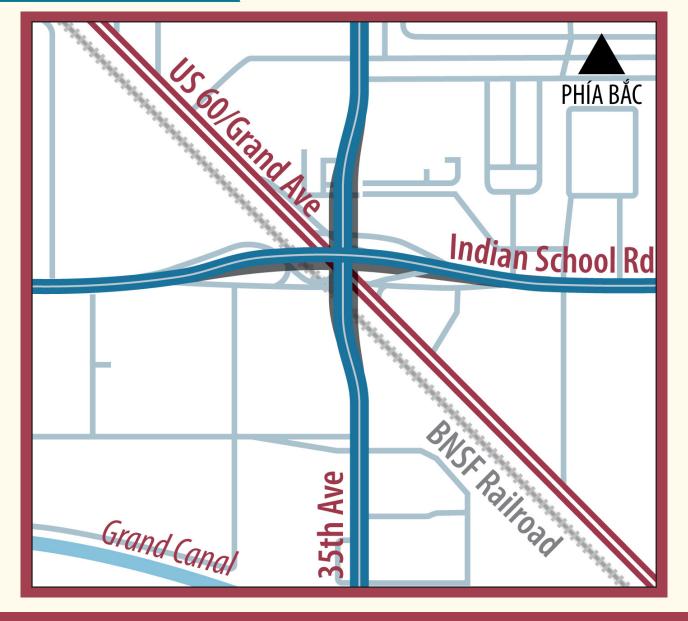
#### PHIÊN ĐIỀU TRẦN CÔNG KHAI

ADOT đã hoàn thành Dự thảo EA và DCR cho Nghiên cứu Grand-35 và đã phát hành các tài liệu, có sẵn để xem xét và bình luận công khai từ nay đến ngày 27 tháng 11 năm 2023. Phiên điều trần công khai trực tiếp đang được tổ chức để cung cấp cho công chúng cái nhìn tổng quan về Dự thảo EA và DCR cho Nghiên cứu Grand 35, chia sẻ khuyến nghị của ADOT và tạo cơ hội cho các ý kiến công khai bằng miệng và bằng văn bản về các tài liệu và Giải pháp thay thế ưu tiên. Chúng tôi rất vui mừng đạt được cột mốc quan trọng này trong nghiên cứu và mong nhận được ý kiến đóng góp của bạn, điều này sẽ giúp xác đình giải pháp thay thế dư án đã chọn.



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#### THỜI GIAN XEM XÉT VÀ BÌNH LUẬN CÔNG KHAI

Các bản in của Dự thảo EA và DCR có sẵn để xem xét tại các vị trí kho lưu trữ được liệt kê bên dưới. Ngoài ra, các tài liệu có sẵn để tải xuống từ trang web nghiên cứu tại adotgrand35study.com.

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- Gửi ý kiến riêng cho phóng viên tòa án tại phiên tòa công khai.
- Gửi ý kiến bằng văn bản về một mẫu bình luận tại phiên điều trần công khai hoặc trực tuyến tại www.adotgrand35study.com.
- Gửi nhận xét theo vị trí cụ thể thông qua công cụ bản đồ bình luận trực tuyến của chúng tôi tại www.adotgrand35study.com.
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Tất cả các ý kiến nhận được được coi là bình đẳng, bất kể phương thức gửi.

#### Ý kiến của tôi sẽ được giải quyết như thế nào?

Sau thời gian nghe và bình luận công khai của chúng tôi, nhóm nghiên cứu sẽ xem xét và đánh giá tất cả các ý kiến đóng góp từ các cơ quan đối tác và công chúng trước khi chọn một giải pháp thay thế. Phương án thay thế được chọn, kết hợp với cơ quan và ý kiến đóng góp của công chúng sẽ được ghi lại trong EA cuối cùng và sẽ được công bố trên trang web của dự án.

#### QUY TẮC CƠ BẢN ĐIỀU TRẦN CÔNG KHAI

Tôn trọng lẫn nhau và lịch sự là nguyên tắc hướng dẫn của phiên điều trần. Chúng tôi yêu cầu bạn tuân theo các quy tắc cơ bản được liệt kê dưới đây để mọi người cảm thấy được chào đón, thoải mái và có cơ hôi tham gia và đưa ra nhân xét.

#### Đia điểm điều trần

Súng và các vũ khí gây chết người khác không được phép mang vào địa điểm điều trần. Bất kỳ cá nhân nào làm gián đoạn quá trình điều trần, đe dọa hoặc quấy rối nhân viên hoặc những người tham dự khác, hoặc không tuân thủ các biện pháp an ninh và an toàn bắt buộc của địa điểm điều trần sẽ bị yêu cầu rời đi và có thể bi nhân viên an ninh loại bỏ nếu cần.

#### Khu vưc nhà mở

Vui lòng không làm gián đoạn các cuộc trò chuyện giữa các thành viên trong nhóm nghiên cứu và những người tham dự buổi điều trần.

#### Khu vực bình luận công khai chính thức

Một hội đồng sẽ có mặt để lắng nghe tất cả các diễn giả, nhưng không thể trả lời bất kỳ bình luận công khai chính thức nào. Vui lòng giữ im lặng và tắt tiếng các thiết bị di động khi ở trong khán giả. Vui lòng không ngắt lời người nói và đảm bảo rời khỏi khu vực để trò chuyện bên lề.

#### Hướng dẫn đưa ra tuyên bố công khai trực tiếp

Đăng ký – Tất cả các diễn giả được yêu cầu đăng ký tại bàn Đăng ký Diễn giả.

Thứ tự diễn giả – Diễn giả sẽ được gọi chuyển tiếp dựa trên thứ tự mà họ đã đăng ký.

Gửi ý kiến bằng văn bản – Một đại diện cá nhân hoặc nhóm phát biểu cũng có thể gửi nhận xét bằng văn bản chi tiết hơn bằng cách truy cập khu vực bình luận trong phần mở của phiên điều trần. Ý kiến bằng văn bản cũng có thể được gửi thay cho một tuyên bố công khai chính thức cho ban hội thẩm.

Chương trình điều trần – Tất cả các diễn giả đã đăng ký trước khi kết thúc phiên điều trần theo lịch trình sẽ có cơ hội phát biểu. Việc đăng ký sẽ không được phép sau thời gian kết thúc phiên điều trần.



# Welcome

Grand Avenue | 35th Avenue | Indian School Road Intersection Improvements Public Hearing

Please sign in at the welcome table

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# Hearing Format

Tonight's hearing will be divided into two parts:

### Open House

The public can view display boards, roll plots and videos at their own pace, ask the study team members questions and submit comments.

### Formal Presentation and Comments

The study team will give a presentation, followed by formal public comments in which members of the study team will act as a listening panel.

| Agenda           |                                   |
|------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 5:30 - 6:00 p.m. | Doors Open/Open House             |
| 6:00 – 6:30 p.m. | Formal Presentation               |
| 6:30 - 7:00 p.m. | Formal Public Comments/Open House |

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## Provide Your Comments

You may submit comments through Nov. 27 in any of the following ways:

- » Provide verbal comments to a panel of study team members (documented by a court reporter).
- » Privately submit comments to a court reporter.
- » Submit written comments on a comment form or online at adotgrand35study.com.
- » Submit location-specific comments through our online comment map tool at adotgrand35study.com.
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All comment methods are considered equal.

# **Guidelines For Giving Formal Public Comments**

Mutual respect, courtesy and patience are the hearing's guiding principles.

## Speakers:

- » Please sign-up at the speaker registration table if you wish to verbally comment to the panel.
- » Before your comment, please state your name and speak clearly for the court reporter, who will record your comment.

### Panelists:

» Panelists are not allowed to respond. Discussions are welcome in the open house area.

### Audience:

- » Please remain quiet and silence mobile devices while in the audience.
- » Please do not interrupt a speaker.
- » Please leave the area for any side discussions.

# Study Overview

The Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) in coordination with the city of Phoenix and Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG) has prepared a Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) and Design Concept Report (DCR) for the US 60 (Grand Avenue), 35th Avenue and Indian School Road intersection (known as the Grand-35 Study).

As a part of the process, the Study team has prepared a Draft EA and DCR that will:

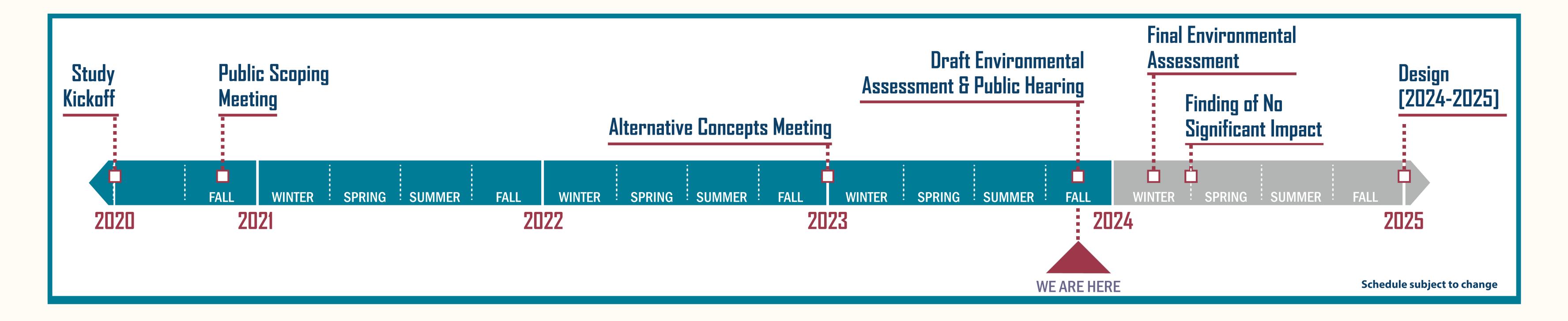
- » Prepare engineering concepts of options for improvements.
  - Includes a No-Build option in which no improvements are made.
- » Prepare an Environmental Assessment (EA) to evaluate impacts of the options.
- Seek input on the options from the public and affected agencies.
- Select a Build Alternative that best meets the study goals and has agency and public support.



# Timeline

The study is currently in the Draft EA and DCR phase. During this phase, the public is given opportunities to review and comment on the Draft EA and DCR for the Grand-35 Study.

Feedback from the public, stakeholders, agencies and partners was also previously sought to help guide the study evaluation process and the development of the Draft EA and DCR for the Grand-35 Study.





# What is NEPA?

The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requires agencies to analyze, disclose, avoid, minimize or mitigate adverse environmental impacts for projects with federal involvement.

NEPA requires that applicable federal agencies review the project's impacts and mitigations documented during the NEPA process.

An Environmental Assessment (EA) is the NEPA document that has been prepared to evaluate potential impacts of the Grand-35 Study.

This EA describes the need for the proposed action, alternatives developed for the proposed action and the environmental impacts of the Preferred Alternative and No-Build Alternative.

The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable Federal environmental laws for this project are being or have been carried out by ADOT pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated Apr. 16, 2019 and executed by FHWA and ADOT.

# What is the No-Build Alternative?

The No-Build Alternative is used as a baseline to compare against the build alternatives.

The No-Build Alternative provides the Grand-35 Study team with a basis against which social, environmental and economic impacts can be measured.

The No-Build Alternative represents the existing transportation system with ongoing maintenance and any improvement projects that have been previously programmed for construction.

The No-Build Alternative does not meet study's purpose and need and received no notable support from the stakeholders or from the public feedback.



# What is the Preferred Alternative?

» The Preferred Alternative was developed using a consensus-based process between ADOT, the city of Phoenix and MAG, along with community input.

The Preferred Alternative satisfies the study's purpose and need.

### **Proposed improvements:**

- Raise 35th Avenue to create a new elevated intersection with Indian School Road above Grand Avenue.
- Shift 35th Avenue to the west.
- Shift Indian School Road to the north.
- Construct new bridges for 35th Avenue and Indian School Road over the BNSF railroad and Grand Avenue.
- Keep Grand Avenue at-grade and remove the existing intersection and traffic signal.
- Extend Glenrosa Avenue to the west to create a new intersection with Grand Avenue.
- Remove the existing intersection at 33rd Drive and Indian School Road.
- Extend 33rd Avenue north of Indian School Road where a new eastwest roadway would connect 33rd Drive to 33rd Avenue.
- Construct a cul-de-sac on 37th Avenue north of Grand Avenue.
- Add a turn lane at the Grand Avenue/33rd Avenue intersection.
- Make accommodations on 35th Avenue and Indian School Road for future high-capacity transit.
- Enhance safety and improve bicycle, pedestrian and bus facilities such as additional or wider sidewalks, wider outside shoulders for bikes, separate bus pull-outs or new bus shelters.



# Preferred Alternative Findings

Primary environmental and engineering findings resulting from the Preferred Alternative are:

- » Improves traffic flow along Grand Avenue and 35th Avenue.
- >>> Eliminates crossings of the railroad.
- » Enhances pedestrian and bicycle connectivity between Indian School Road and 35th Avenue.
- » Facilitates all traffic movements between three major roadways.
- » Enhances safety by removing high crash locations and vehicle/train conflicts.

Additional information is available in the Draft Environmental Assessment.





# Preferred Alternative Findings

### Section 4(f) Findings

- » Section 4(f) specifies that Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) cannot approve the use of specific public lands such as publicly owned parks, recreational areas, or historic sites, unless specific requirements are met.
- » ADOT intends to make a *de minimis* impact determination for a historic parcel. This requires a coordination with the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) and consulting parties through the Section 106 process of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA).
- » A de minimis impact determination does not, in any way, describe the value or significance of a resource but instead signifies the application of Section 4(f) use based on the Section 106 consultation process.

### Social & Economic

- » The Preferred Alternative would impact approximately 78 parcels of varying usage types (residential homes, industrial and commercial businesses, railroad, vacant, and city owned properties).
- » Adverse effects to Environmental Justice populations and socioeconomic resources would be minimized through the development and execution of a mitigation plan for potential impacts, developed by ADOT and community input.

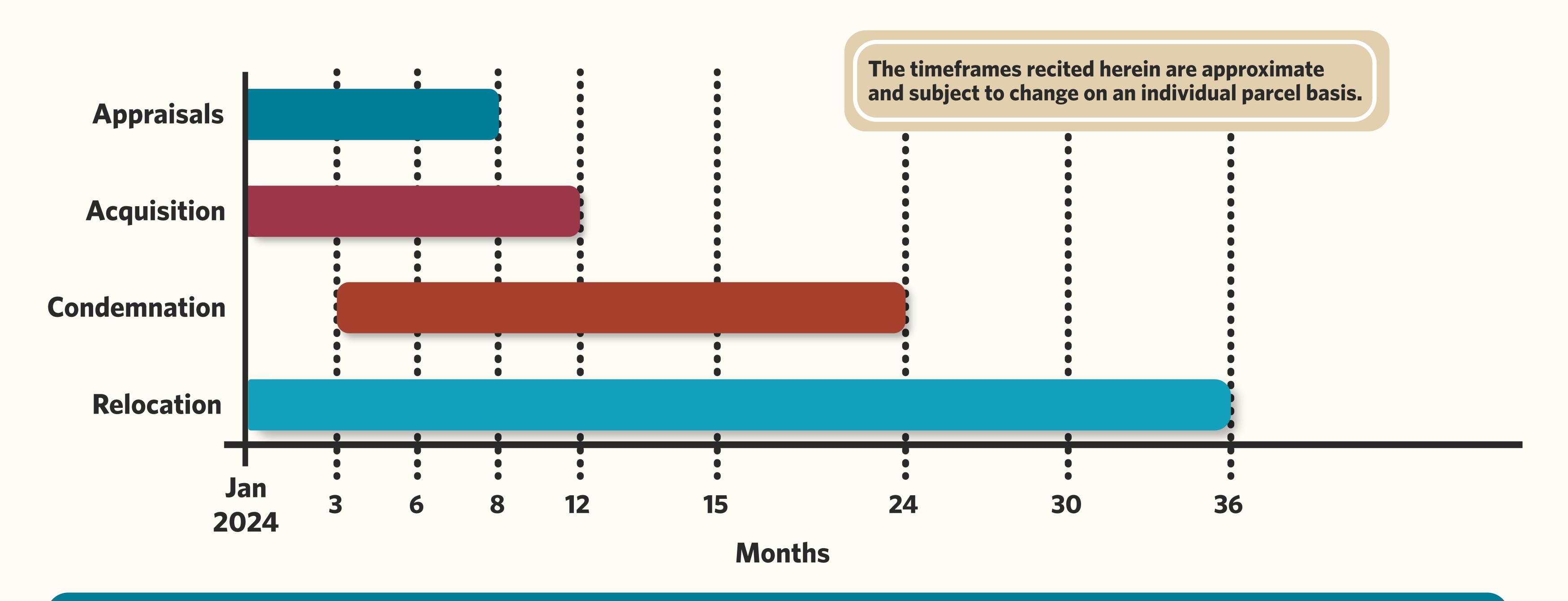


# Preferred Alternative Findings

### Other:

- » The Preferred Alternative would also require the acquisition of numerous sites containing hazardous materials. Acquisition of properties that require remediation may also affect the property value and would be addressed during the acquisition process.
- » An air quality analysis has been conducted and an air quality technical report was prepared and is being circulated for agency review.
- » The overall level of change to the visual landscape resulting from the Preferred Alternative is anticipated to be minimal, as there is already an elevated roadway and structure along Indian School Road.
- » Short-term impacts related to dust, noise and traffic delays/restrictions would occur during construction.
  - A noise analysis was conducted following federal guidelines and ADOT's 2017 Noise Abatement Requirements.
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- » Long-term benefits would result from improved mobility, reduced traffic congestion, and enhanced safety.

## ADOT's Right-of-Way Acquisition Process



The project would require approximately 60 business and 5 residential relocations.

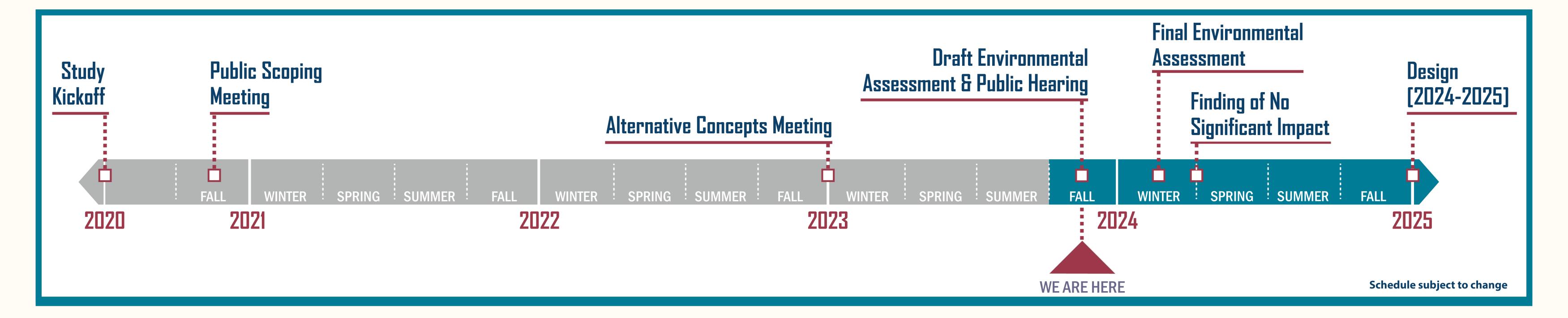


# Right-of-Way Acquisition FAQs

- 1. Acquisitions and Relocations will be performed in accordance with Public Law 91-646, The Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Act of 1970 (49 CFR Part 24).
- 2. If it has been determined that a property is to be acquired as part of a project, an appraisal will be performed to determine the fair market value of the property.
- If a property owner does not agree with the determined valuation, they can obtain an appraisal at their own expense and submit it to ADOT for review and consideration. Relocated housing must be decent, safe and sanitary.
- 4. Replacement housing assistance can be made within the general area based on availability.

# Next Steps

- » Following the close of our comment period on Nov. 27, 2023, the study team will review, evaluate, and respond to all comments.
- » ADOT, in coordination with the city of Phoenix and MAG, will then select the final alternative.
- » This selection, combined with the input from the public comment period, will be documented in the Final Environmental Assessment (EA) and Design Concept Report (DCR) documents.
- » Current funding includes federal funding and Highway User Revenue Funds through the Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG), generated through the voter-approved half-cent sales tax in Maricopa County for right-of-way acquisition.





### Grand-35 Study

US 60 (Grand Ave)/35th Ave/Indian School Road Intersection Improvements

Public Hearing Oct. 25, 2023

Hello, I'm Nancy Becerra, Community Relations Project Manager with the Arizona Department of Transportation. Thank you for joining us for this public hearing for the US 60 (Grand Avenue)/35<sup>th</sup> Avenue/Indian School Road Design Concept Report and Environmental Study, also known as the Grand-35 Study.

We're looking forward to your comments and questions. After the presentation, we'll describe and display instructions for asking a question or making a comment. Keep in mind that after this meeting, you can continue to ask questions or provide comments anytime through

November 27 by visiting the study website at adotgrand35study.com.

#### ADOT

ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

#### **Hearing Purpose**

- Preferred Alternative
- Study Schedule
- Public Comments



I want to thank you, the public, for making time to attend this public hearing. The Arizona Department of Transportation, in coordination with the city of Phoenix and Maricopa Association of Governments, has initiated this study and we are here to provide an overview of the Preferred Alternative, give an update on the schedule, and to get your feedback on the draft study documents.

ADOT, MAG and the City understand how beneficial this project improvement is to the community and traveling public and have been working for years to make this project reality. The following representatives have been working on this project since inception and are present here with us today: ADOT Project Management Group, ADOT Right-of-Way group, ADOT Environmental Group, ADOT Central District Construction Group, Maricopa Association of Governments and the city of Phoenix.

Now, I would like to introduce our presenter. Rodney Bragg, PE, is the Consultant Project Manager with AECOM.



Thank you, Nancy. And again, thank you all for being here tonight.

This graphic shows the project location which is focused on the Grand Avenue/35<sup>th</sup> Avenue/Indian School Road intersection. This study looked at options to raise or lower roadways which resulted in alternatives extending roughly a quarter mile in each direction. The alternatives generally extended to 38<sup>th</sup> Drive on the west, 33<sup>Rd</sup> Avenue on the east, Glenrosa Avenue on the north, and Weldon Avenue on the south.

#### **Study Purpose**

- Improve traffic flow and reduce delays at the intersection
- · Reduce crashes
- Reduce vehicle-train conflicts



The overarching purpose of this study is to improve traffic flow and to enhance safety at the Grand Avenue/35th Avenue/Indian School Road intersection — this specifically includes improving the traffic flow and reducing delays at the intersection, reducing crashes, and reducing the vehicle-train conflicts. These goals, along with public and agency input, shaped the project purpose and need.

#### Study Goals

- · Prepare engineering concepts of options for improvements
  - Includes a No-Build option in which no improvements are made
- Prepare an Environmental Assessment (EA) to evaluate impacts of the options
- Seek input on the options from the public and affected agencies
- Select a Build Alternative that best meets the study goals and has agency and public support

The goal of this study was to develop concepts for intersection improvements, including the No-Build option, which means no improvements would be made. The study team prepared an environmental assessment to evaluate the environmental impacts of these options. Based on the engineering and environmental analysis and community input, ADOT selected a Preferred Alternative for the improvements that best meets the goals for the project. We are here tonight to present that Preferred Alternative and seek continued input from the public.

#### **NEPA Requirements**

- National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requires agencies to analyze, disclose, avoid, minimize, or mitigate adverse environmental impacts for projects with federal involvement.
- NEPA requires that applicable federal agencies review the project's impacts and mitigations documented during the NEPA process.
- An Environmental Assessment (EA) is the NEPA document that has been prepared to evaluate potential impacts of the Grand-35 Study.
- The EA describes the need for the proposed action, alternatives developed for the proposed action and the environmental impacts for the Preferred Alternative and No-Build Alternative.

This project continues to follow the National Environmental Policy Act which requires agencies to analyze, disclose, avoid, minimize, or mitigate adverse environmental impacts for projects with federal involvement. This project has prepared a draft Environmental Assessment which describes the need for the project, documents the alternatives considered and evaluated, and addresses the environmental impacts and planned mitigation.

#### **NEPA Disclosure**

The environmental review, consultation and other actions required by applicable Federal environmental laws for this project are being or have been carried out by ADOT pursuant to 23 USC 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated 04/16/2019 and executed by FHWA and ADOT.

ADOT has assumed the Federal Highway Administration's responsibility for carrying out the National Environmental Policy Act environmental reviews and approvals per the executed agreement dated April 16, 2019 between the Federal Highway Administration and ADOT. As part of this project ADOT serves as the lead agency and has the authority to approve this project.

#### No-Build Alternative

- · Represents the existing transportation system plus other funded projects
- Provides a basis for impacts to be measured against
- Compared against the build alternatives

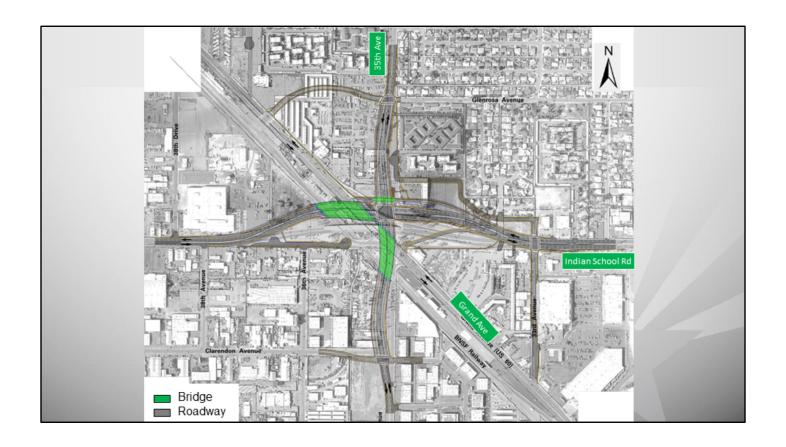
Thee No-Build Alternative represents the existing transportation system with ongoing maintenance and other funded projects such as 35th Avenue Bus Rapid Transit by the City of Phoenix. The No-Build Alternative provides a basis against

which social, environmental and economic impacts can be measured. The No-Build Alternative is used as a baseline, or a benchmark, to compare against the build alternative.

#### Preferred Build Alternative

- Developed from technical analysis and agency & public input on the range of alternatives
- Two alternatives presented to the public for review and input in January 2023

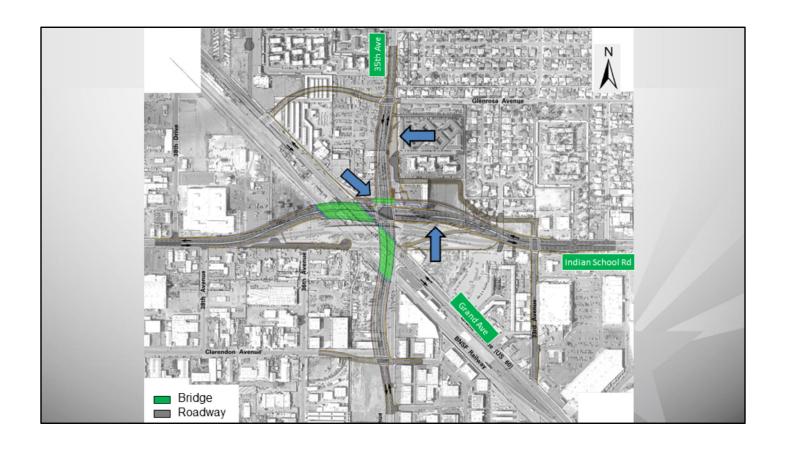
The Preferred Build Alternative was developed from the environmental and engineering analyses, as well as agency and public input on the range of alternatives that were considered, including the No-Build alternative. The design features of the proposed alternatives were presented to the public for review and input in January 2023.



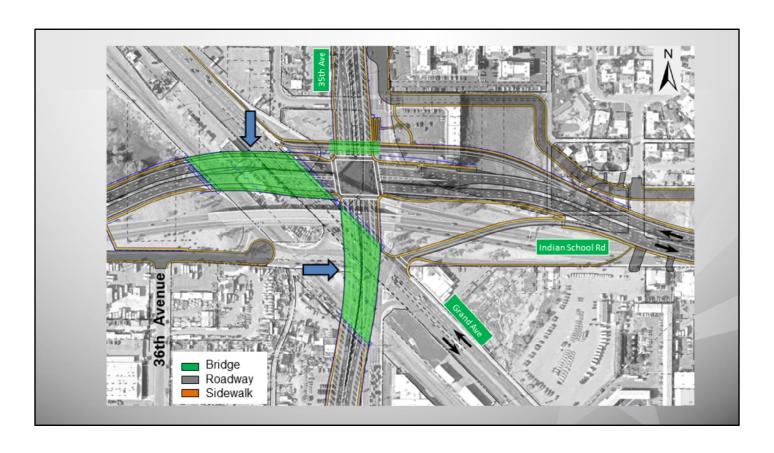
This graphic shows the Preferred Alternative which is also presented in the draft Environmental Assessment and the draft Design Concept Report for public comment. These documents are available on the study website and there are a number of different ways to provide comments, which will be discussed later in the presentation.

The Preferred Alternative was developed in coordination with the city of Phoenix and BNSF Railway. The No-Build Alternative does not meet the study's goals (also referred to as purpose and need) and did not receive notable

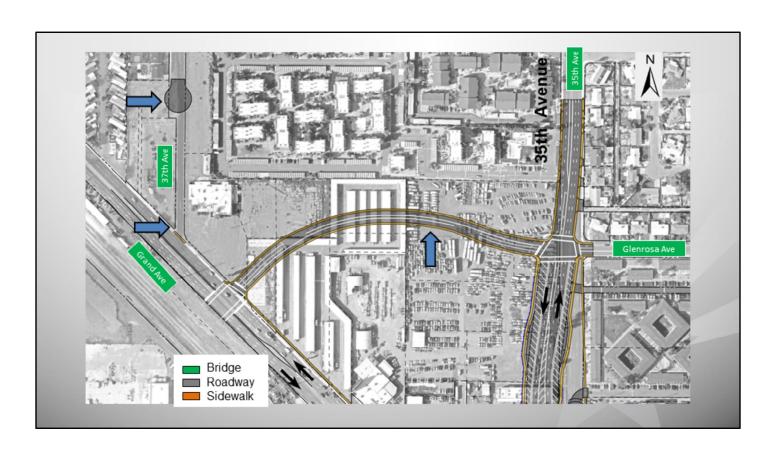
support from stakeholders or from the feedback we received from the public. The Preferred Alternative does satisfy the study's goals.



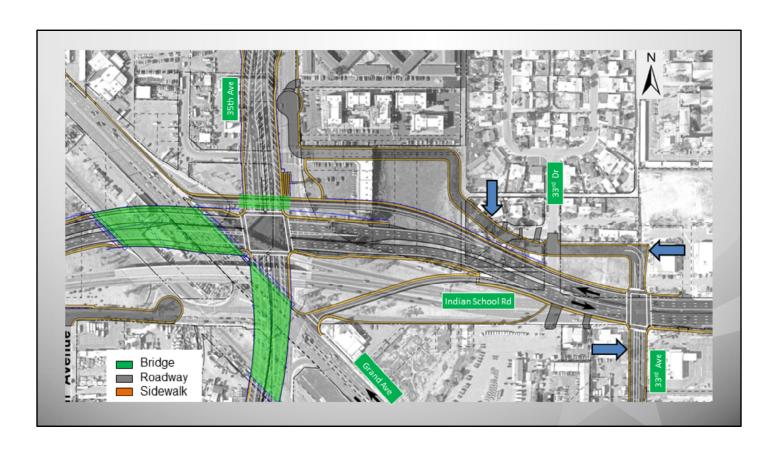
The Preferred Alternative would raise 35th Avenue to go over the BNSF Railway and Grand Avenue and it would be shifted to the west. Indian School Road would shift to the north, and the two new roadways would create a new elevated intersection between 35<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Indian School Road. The Preferred Alternative would accommodate the planned Bus Rapid Transit route on 35<sup>th</sup> Avenue and would accommodate a future high-capacity transit route on Indian School Road, and it would enhance the sidewalks, provide outside shoulders for bikes, and bus pull-outs.



It would include new bridges for 35th Avenue to pass over the railroad and Grand Avenue, and it would also include new bridges for Indian School Road to pass over the railroad and Grand Avenue. Grand Avenue would remain at-grade and the existing traffic signal and intersection would be removed.



The Preferred Alternative would extend Glenrosa Avenue to the west to create a new, signalized intersection with Grand Avenue. A cul-de-sac would be constructed on 37<sup>th</sup> Avenue north of Grand Avenue, and the existing intersection at Grand Avenue and 37<sup>th</sup> Avenue would be removed.



It would extend 33<sup>rd</sup> Avenue north of Indian School Road where a new east-west roadway would connect 33<sup>rd</sup> Drive to 33<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, and 33<sup>rd</sup> Drive would not be directly connected to Indian School Road. Intersection improvements such as additional turn lanes would be constructed at the Indian School Road/33<sup>rd</sup> Avenue intersection.



This rendering shows the Preferred Alternative looking north and shows 35<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Indian School Road, and the new elevated intersection. The bridge for 35<sup>th</sup> Avenue to go over Grand Avenue and the railroad is shown in the lower right, while the Indian School Road bridge over Grand Avenue and over the railroad is shown on the left, along with the railroad tracks.



This image is looking south and also shows 35<sup>th</sup>
Avenue, Indian School Road, and the new intersection. The bridge for Indian School Road to go over Grand Avenue and the railroad is shown on the right along with the railroad tracks.



This image is looking northwest along Grand Avenue. 35<sup>th</sup> Avenue is shown on the left and Indian School Road is on the right, and the railroad tracks are on the lower left. The existing 6-legged intersection is removed but the eastbound

entrance ramp would remain to provide a connection from Grand Avenue to eastbound Indian School Road.

## **Preferred Alternative Findings**

- · Improves traffic flow
- · Eliminates crossings of the railroad
- Enhances pedestrian and bicycle facilities
- Provides all traffic movements between three major roadways
- Enhances safety

The Preferred Alternative would improve traffic flow along Grand Avenue and 35<sup>th</sup> Avenue, it would improve overall traffic operations and emergency response times by removing crossings of the railroad, and it would enhance pedestrian and bicycle facilities.

The Preferred Alternative would facilitate all traffic movements between Grand Avenue, 35<sup>th</sup> Avenue, and Indian School Road, and it enhances safety by removing high crash locations and by removing the vehicle/train conflicts.

## **Preferred Alternative Findings**

The Draft Environmental Assessment and supporting technical documents are available for public review on the ADOT project website. These include:

- · Air quality analysis
- Visual Impacts
- · Short-term impacts and long-term benefits

A transportation air quality conformity analysis was prepared, and a technical report documenting this analysis is included as Appendix C in the Draft EA.

The Draft EA and supporting technical documents are available for public review on the project website. A hotspot analysis has been conducted and an air quality technical report was prepared and is being circulated for agency review and is attached to the Draft EA as Appendix C.

The overall level of change to the visual landscape resulting from the Preferred Alternative is anticipated to be minimal, as there is already an elevated roadway and structure along Indian School Road. Short-term impacts related to dust, noise and traffic delays/restrictions

would occur during construction. However, long-term benefits would result from improved mobility, reduced traffic congestion, and enhanced safety.

## **Preferred Alternative Findings**

#### **Traffic Noise**

- A noise analysis was conducted following federal guidelines and ADOT's 2017 Noise Abatement Requirements.
- Noise barriers were evaluated but are not warranted based on noise abatement

See Section 4.9 and Appendix D in the Draft EA.

ADOT considers noise mitigation for adjacent land uses predicted to be impacted by highway traffic noise levels. As a part of environmental assessment, a noise analysis was conducted following federal guidelines and ADOT's 2017 *Noise Abatement Requirements.* 

Noise barriers were evaluated but are not recommended because they did not achieve the noise reduction design goal or exceeded the maximum reasonable cost of abatement.

Additional details regarding the noise analysis are

contained in Section 4.9 and Appendix D in the Draft EA.

## **Preferred Alternative Findings**

#### Section 4(f) de minimis

- Section 4(f) protects the use of specific public lands unless specific requirements are met.
- ADOT intends to make a de minimis\* impact determination for one historic parcel.

See Section 4.6 in the Draft Environmental Assessment.

\* A *de minimis* (or negligible impact) is one that would not adversely affect the features, attributes, or activities that qualify the property for 4(f) protection.

Section 4(f) specifies that FHWA cannot approve the use of specific public lands such as publicly owned parks, recreational areas, or historic sites, unless specific requirements are met.

The Preferred Alternative will impact one historic property and ADOT intends to make de minimis impact determination for this property, based on a finding of "no adverse effect" under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.

New right-of-way is needed from this historic property; however, it is anticipated that the permanent use of a small amount of this resource would not affect the ability of the resource to convey its historic or cultural significance. Based on this, ADOT has determined the impact to this historic 4(f) resource is considered de minimis, or negligible.

Additional information regarding the 4(f) analysis can be found in Section 4.6 in the Draft Environmental Assessment.

## **Preferred Alternative Findings**

#### Social & Economic

- The Preferred Alternative would impact approximately 78 parcels.
- Approximately 60 businesses and 5 residences would be displaced.
- Adverse effects to low income and minority populations and socioeconomic resources would be minimized through a mitigation plan, developed by ADOT.

See Section 4.3, Section 4.4, and Appendix C of the Draft EA.

The Preferred Alternative would impact 78 parcels of varying usage types including residential homes, industrial and commercial businesses, railroad, vacant land, and city-owned properties. Approximately 60 businesses and 5 residences would be displaced.

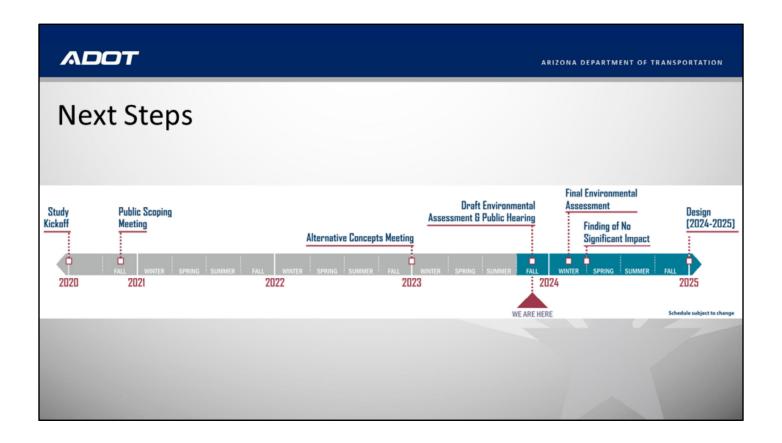
Adverse effects to low income and minority populations and socioeconomic resources would be minimized through the development and execution of a mitigation plan for impacts, developed by ADOT.

Additional information can be found in Sections 4.3, 4.4, and Appendix C of the Draft EA.

### **Project Funding**

 Federal funding and Highway User Revenue Funds through the Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG)

Current funding includes federal funding and Highway User Revenue Funds through the Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG), generated through the voter-approved half-cent sales tax in Maricopa County.



This graphic shows the anticipated study schedule, moving from left to right. The study started in Spring 2020 when we began exploring various options at the intersection. The public scoping meeting was conducted in October 2020. In 2021 and 2022 we developed and evaluated options and we extended the study phase to further investigate potential future high-capacity transit in the study area. In January of this year, we presented two Build Alternatives for your input, and we are here tonight to discuss the Preferred Alternative. Following the close of our comment period on November 27, 2023, the study team will review, evaluate and respond to all comments from the partner agencies and the public.

ADOT, in coordination with the city of Phoenix and Maricopa Association of Governments, will then select the final alternative.

This selection, combined with the input from the public comment period, will be documented in the Final Environmental Assessment (EA) and Design Concept Report (DCR) documents which are anticipated to be completed in early 2024.

If a Build alternative is selected and receives a final environmental decision to move forward, then the project would move into the design phase in 2024 and construction would be anticipated in 2025.

Now I will turn it back over to Nancy to discuss ways to provide your input.

### **How to Comment**

### Commenting deadline is Nov. 27th, 2023

- Provide verbal comments to a panel of study team members (documented by a court reporter).
- · Privately submit comments to a court reporter.
- Submit written comments on a comment form or online at www.adotgrand35study.com.
- Submit location-specific comments through our online comment map tool at ww.adotgrand35study.com.
- Email: ADOTGrand35Study@hdrinc.com
- Call: 602.474.3952
- Mail: ADOT Grand 35 Study c/o HDR, Inc.

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We thank you for participating tonight. Your input is important, and we appreciate you taking time to learn more about the study and provide your feedback.

A recording of the presentation and along with all the materials provided tonight can be found on the study website at adotgrand35study.com. You can continue to view information about the study and submit additional questions or comments. If you don't have computer access, please contact us at 602.474.3952.

As a reminder, comments are being accepted during the comment period through November 27, 2023, through

the following options.

You may provide comments to a panel here tonight, documented by a court reporter.

You may privately submit comments here tonight to a court reporter.

You may submit written comments on a comment form here tonight or online at adotgrand35study.com.

You may submit a location-specific comment through our online comment map tool at adotgrand35study.com.

You may submit a comment via email at adotgrand35study@hdrinc.com

You may submit a comment over the phone at 602.474.3952

And you can send your comment via US mail to ADOT Grand 35 Study c/o HDR Inc. 20 E. Thomas Road, Suite 2500 Phoenix, AZ 85012



# Grand-35 Study

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## **THANK YOU!**

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# **Appendix C: Public Comments**



# GRAND AVENUE I 35TH AVENUE I INDIAN SCHOOL ROAD INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS

| team. Comments received by November 27, 2023 will be documented in the Final EA, and  |
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| will be published on the project website. Please comment in the space provided below. Print   |
| clearly.  |
| Based on the plan it appears Grand Avenue Mini - Storage  |
| Based on the plan it appears Grand Avenue Mini - Storage<br>located at 3636 Grayd Avenue will be a complete take over   |
| by ADOT. If that happens I would suggest Glenrosa Ave   |
| be moved southeast to have no or little impact to my  |
| property. Based on the current proposal ADDT wants to   |
| take about 50% of my Grand Ave Frontage that has a  |
| have impact to the use and value of my property. My other   |
| question is what happens with 37th Avenue on the north  |
| of my property?   |
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| Thank you for your participation. Send in comments or completed form by mail by November 27, 2023 to:   |
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| Submit comments by: 602.474.3952   ADOTGrand35@hdrinc.com   ADOTGrand35Study.com  |
| Completion of this form is completely voluntary and helps the project team keep an accurate record of comments. Under state law, any identifying information provided will become part of the public record and as such must be released to any individual upon request |



### ADOT Grand 35 Study- Formal Public Comments- 10/25/23

|   | Comment<br>Method | Date<br>Received | Comment  |
|---|-------------------|------------------|--|
| 1 | Court<br>Reporter | 10/25/23         | I think it's a very good plan. To only affect the five houses I happen to be one of them what a small price to pay, you know?  And then when I talked to the relocation people over there, it sounds like I will get help. And I was just going to leave, but they said if you've got a good comment, give it because all we get is negative. And I do think it's a good plan, 11 and I'm all for it.  |
| 2 | Public<br>Hearing | 10/25/23         | Thank you. So I know you can't reply to this question at the current moment, but are the funds from Prop 400 previously, or are we counting on Prop 400 being passed by the voters? The second question I have is, how much does this entire program cost? And then the third thing that I have is it looks like from the renderings and the demonstrations that it's a continuation of the current traffic lanes, and that we're just adding the other, like, bicycle lanes and then bus rapid transit And I was wondering if we could actually add more traffic lanes, because we currently have congestion. I do understand that this is going to help open it up a little bit more, but I do believe that we just need to add more traffic lanes for cars. I do not recommend or support removing lanes. It just doesn't look like that's part of the plan. And so I just wanted to reiterate that. And then the other thing that I had is in relation to the out the demonstration itself, I do believe that this needs to happen. I do believe that this intersection is horrendous when it comes to traffic, especially with the train. When you are turning left from Grand Avenue, you could sit there for 20, 30 minutes, and then that backs up into the other traffic lanes. So I do support moving forward, but I'm just concerned about those other issues. Thank you.   |
| 3 | Court             | 10/25/23         | So my address is on REDACTED in Phoenix, Arizona. I'm the property owner over there. I have owned the property for almost a year and a half. Am I too fast? I am getting flex warehouses on my property, about 60,000 square feet that would support 60, 70 businesses locally. I what is the right word? I tend to our warehouses tend to attract many small businesses like Amazon Fulfillment, cabinet shops, mechanics, you know. According to 10 the BBB, 60% of the small business comes from 60% of America runs on small business. So we are super thrilled and excited. We have got a bunch of projects in Utah and Texas, and Houston, Dallas. In Arizona, we have about half a million square feet under construction, and we are thrilled and excited to come to Phoenix. I am working with engineers, architects, contractors, city, civil engineers, for the last year and a half, and spent time, money lots of money in getting to this phase. I'm about two and a half weeks away from pulling permits for my construction of my warehouses. So if a bid alternative is selected, a preferred bid or whatever it's called if a bid alternative is selected, it will impact my property tremendously. It would cut my property into about 85% of the coverage that I'm getting right now, with the setbacks that I'll have to abide by, with the parking ratios I would have to abide by. I've heard there's a new water line that is going in, and I can't build anything on top of that water line. So this affects my site significantly. So, yeah, whenever you guys are ready to come and talk about pricing, about buying my property, let's talk. But we'll have to consider the time, money, efforts, interest rates that I've been carrying for the last year and a half, and these are cap rate buildings. I could rent these buildings out and lease these buildings out, these warehouse units out and hold them forever. To me, there's no value. I can't put a value to this, but, yeah, let's talk and let's figure it out. I have a billboard on my site as well, and that w |

# ADOT Grand 35 Study- Online Survey Comments 10/10/23-11/27/23

#### **No Build Comments**

The preferred alternative affects sixty businesses and five residences, and appears to create an intersection at the top of the roadway where one does not currently exist. I do not see a reason to improve sidewalks or bicycle lanes in the Valley. The ONLY place we see bicycles being used and a large number of pedestrians is at the University. It is a waste of taxpayer money to make these improvements.

This will eliminate the impact on 60 businesses and 5 residences.

I originally thought that leaving it the way it was and not disrupting this intersection was a good idea. However, I know two things - 1st The light rail planned for Indian School would be able to be supported by the overpass and 2nd I did not realize the impact on the railway by traffic. We need the trains to get supplies and making better for them would be a positive. So building is better than not.

Clearly something should be done because traffic is only going to get worse and it's tough already

We need to fix the transportation system at this intersection as it is very long lights and having to worry about the railroad blocking the traffic to cross north or south

Grand Ave needs improvement.

Lets clean up what ADOT has built like the 101 in the north valley. ADOT needs to find it in the Tax payers budget to clean up the 101 freeways, and not start any over paid projects. I'm not the only one complaining, but the 101 all over the valley are so trashed with all kinds of litter, It's disgusting to say the least. I'm attending the 'Grand 35" study next week so ADOT can hear it verbally. I'm sure I we will have alot more attending. ADOT needs to find it in their Tax Payer budget to hire a reliable company to clean the 101 specifically.

#### **Preferred Alternative Comments**

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This project will put many businesses out of business and create more traffic going northbound on 35th Ave because of implementing a road diet for Bus Rapid Transit. The documentation provided to the public is fraudulent because it does not show a lane being reduced going North on 35th Ave for BRT. This is a bait and switch. Furthermore, if there is to be BRT implemented, you need to expand the road. While MAG may be telling you that these plans are good for 50 years out, there is a reason why you were to expand the street to begin with. For some reason you decided to forego that plan to steal a lane to put in BRT. Maricopa is supposed to have over 5 million people within that timeframe. Taking away lanes to implement BRT does not represent an accurate representation of that growth.

This is a waste of taxpayer money.

This plan will spend a lot of money to displace 60 businesses and 5 residences. We should not use our tax dollars to harm people and their income for such a minimal benefit. It looks to me like you are trading a railroad crossing for some people and turning it into an Indian School / 35th Ave traffic light for everyone.

This project will put many businesses out of business and create more traffic going northbound on 35th Ave because of implementing a road diet for Bus Rapid Transit. No road diets. Don't compromise small businesses which may not be able to recover.

I am concerned that during the long construction time, that we who live in maryvale, will not be able to easily get to the areas east of 35th ave. We might have to give up going to downtown and uptown due to excessive traffic issues.

Traffic backs up majorly at this intersection almost exclusively at Grand, this change is desperately needed. Transit in order to take more cars off the road is also something that would be very helpful.

Removing the signal from Grand is excellent.

This seems like it will really help out the area. The current configuration is pretty confusing to navigate. Removing the at grade railroad crossing for 35th Ave is a good feature too. Those crossings are dangerous, and this will help reduce traffic, while improving freight train access to Central Phoenix.

#### **Preferred Alternative Comments**

I will assume that future high-capacity transit is the light rail. I know that there is work in city council to bring the light rail down Indian School to 75th Avenue! Which means that bridge needs to be able to support the light rail. There is a proposal for a Bus Rapid Transit on 35th avenue. All this said make sure the structures can support the traffic.

I approve and support the preferred alternative for ADOT's Grand-35 Study because the preferred alternative will take 35th Avenue over the BNSF Rail Line which will improve safety, reduce congestion, and remove train/vehicle conflicts.

I disagree with creating a new raised intersection with 35th ave and Indian School Rd. This will create much longer traffic east west that doesn't exist now. If you're going to spend the money on building bridges and acquiring land etc. Then why not do it right the first time. Repair and update the Indian school bridge that's currently there. Then lower 35th Ave so it travels under grade which would then go under Grand Ave and Indian School roads. (Like 59th ave and Grand) This eliminates all 3 roads from intersecting. This would benefit Grand Ave the most which should be an expressway anyway. While this does not make it one it at least aids in traffic flow on Grand ave and makes it a possibility in the future without having to do a complete teardown to make it so.

Seeing the proposed idea for 35th Ave., crossing above and having 100% voidable railroad crossing will be amazing

All this new build would hit right where I live. I am a property owner of two houses right next to each other. I am against this build.

I live right there and this would cause me to lose my house.

Reduce the number of smaller intersections and the total number of intersections with Grand. So that Grand becomes an expressway artery into the downtown area with minimal stops.

I strongly support the preferred alternative. As a homeowner at 51st Ave and Osborn, a business owner at 19th Ave and Osborn, and a committee member of the Maryvale Village Planning Committee, I feel this is the best option to move forward in meeting the needs of the community.

Need a better flow for southbound 33rd Avenue traffic to turn right and go to northwest bound U.S. 60. The angle of the intersection means traffic cannot turn right on red. There should be a carved out lane for traffic to turn right. Especially if this will be the main access to U.S. 60 under the proposal. Or there needs to be better signage saying no right turn on red.

#### **Other Comments**

This project will put many businesses out of business and create more traffic going northbound on 35th Ave because of implementing a road diet for Bus Rapid Transit.

It just doesn't make sense not to take this rare opportunity to eliminate a very slow and backed up traffic area and improve major routes at the same time. (Such as Indian School Rd and Grand Ave.

I would like to see this for all the other grand Avenue intersections Northwest of 35th Ave. and grand. Having the ability to make Grand Ave a highway with no traffic lights would be amazing

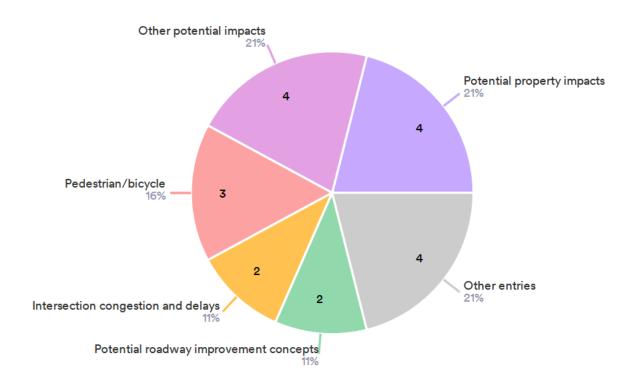
Also, we need another Grand Ave going from NorthEast valley to SouthWest (the other diagonal). It could be called "The Grander Ave" or, "Grandie McGrand Face". Lol. But in all seriousness, the current Grand Ave desperately needs improvement, Northern Parkway is a great example of an improved thoroughfare roadway.

There needs to be better signage for westbound Indian School to know to turn left at 33rd Avenue to access southeast-bound U.S. 60. Also the interactive comment map on the study website is difficult to use and I was unable to make multiple comments.

# **Grand-35 Study Map Comment Form**

#### **Comment Category or Topic**

19 Responses



# **Grand-35 Study Map Comment Form**

#### 9 Responses

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| TrailersPlus retail trailer sales at 3333 W Indian School Rd. This narrows our access to only one way, would love to be able to have a turn lane from the westbound lanes as well.  | 1         |
| The people displaced by this project will be unable to purchase another home due to the high cost of housing. There aren't many pedestrians and/or bicyclists in this area. People need to pay attention to signs and their surroundings. Businesses will be adversely impacted. This isn't the time to start a project of this sort. Too many people and businesses will be affected for this project.   | 1         |
| I own over 11 acres (12 parcels) and run a business that provides auction services for dozens of government agencies. This project will severely impact my business and property. The Glenrosa connection road goes right through my property. I vote NO BUILD so that continue operating my business without interruption.   | 1         |
| Do not reduce lanes of traffic. There needs to be more lanes added for traffic to reduce congestion, traffic, pollution, wrecks and other safety concerns added when traffic occurs.  | 1         |
| Subject: Concerns Regarding Property Impacts of the Grand 35 Study Dear AZDOT Team, I am the owner of a property that is potentially impacted by the proposed Grand 35 project. I am in the process of developing a warehouse on this property. I would like to express my concerns regarding the potential impact of this project on my property. I have invested in a billboard and landscaping, both of which I hope to preserve or be adequately compensated for if they are affected. My primary concerns are: 1. **Billboard Relocation**: The billboard on my property is a significant investment, and I hope that AZDOT will help in its relocation if necessary, ensuring minimal disruption and financial impact on my end. 2. **Landscaping, Parking lot and Setbacks**: My landscaping and parking aligns with city requirements, and any changes to these due to the Grand 35 project could affect my compliance. I request that AZDOT collaborates with me and the city officials to ensure that any changes are harmonized with existing regulations. 3. **Project Timeline**: I understand the importance of infrastructure development, but I am concerned about potential delays and impacts on my warehouse construction. If possible, I would appreciate a clearer understanding of the project's timeline. I look forward to attending the meeting tomorrow, where I hope to discuss these concerns in detail. I believe that with effective communication and collaboration, we can find solutions that work for all stakeholders involved. Thank you for your time and consideration. | 1         |
| Need to improve the way side streets intersect with Grand. So many small intersection lights continue to congest Grand currently. If the small intersections could simply have onramps/offramps with controlled greenlight/redlight access during rush hours or other high traffic times (like the freeways have) or some other solution, it could eliminate the stop/go of Grand. I left this comment on this intersection but it applies to all small intersections on Grand.   | 1         |
| Need better signage for westbound traffic to know they should use 33rd Avenue to access U.S. 60 southbound.   | 1         |
| I'm concerned that the placement of some of the pillars could infringe on the future regional rail service along the Grand Corridor to Glendale and Peoria. There should be room for at least three additional tracks for NW-bound, SE-bound, and express services in distant future. Additionally, the SE corner of the project will almost certainly have to be an interchange station between 35th BRT, Indian School LRT, and SunRunner regional rail, so pedestrian and bike facilities should be designed with this in mind.  | 1         |



# **Appendix D: Survey**

English (US)



## **ADOT Grand 35 Draft EA/DCR Survey**

The Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) in coordination with the city of Phoenix and Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG) has prepared a Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) and Design Concept Report (DCR) for the US 60 (Grand Avenue), 35th Avenue and Indian School Road intersection (known as the Grand-35 Study).

As a part of the process, the Study team has prepared a Draft EA and DCR that will:

- Prepare engineering concepts of options for improvements. Includes a No-Build option in which no improvements are made.
- Prepare an Environmental Assessment (EA) to evaluate impacts of the options.
- Seek input on the options from the public and affected agencies.
- Select a Build Alternative that best meets the study goals and has agency and public support.

Please take this brief survey to provide feedback on the two potential alternatives. The survey is estimated to take approximately 5-7 minutes to complete. We appreciate your time and thank

you for your input!



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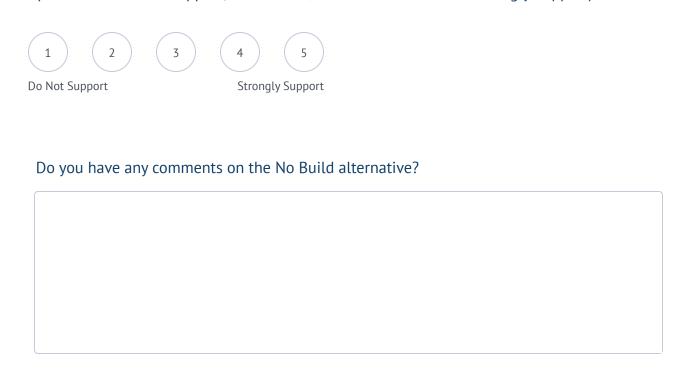
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| Business Owner/Manager |  |
| HOA Representative     |  |
| Public Agency          |  |
| Roadway User           |  |
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### 3- No Build Alternative

• The No-Build Alternative is used as a baseline to compare against the build alternatives.

- The No-Build Alternative provides a basis against which social, environmental and economic impacts could be measured.
- The No-Build Alternative represents the existing transportation system with ongoing maintenance and any improvement projects that have been previously programmed for construction.
- The No-Build Alternative does not meet study's purpose and need and received no notable support from the stakeholders or from the public feedback.

Please indicate your level of support for the No Build alternative, using a scale of 1 to 5 (Where 1 is Do Not Support, 3 is Neutral/No Preference and 5 is Strongly Support).



### 4- Preferred Alternative



#### What is a Preferred Alternative?

- The Preferred Alternative was developed using a consensus-based process between ADOT, the city of Phoenix and MAG, along with community input.
- The design features of the proposed alternatives and options considered were presented to the public for review and input in spring 2023.
- The Preferred Alternative is presented in the Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) and the Design Concept Report (DCR) for public comment.
- The Preferred Alternative satisfies the study's purpose and need.

#### **Proposed Improvements**

- Raise 35th Avenue to create a new elevated intersection with Indian School Road above Grand Avenue.
- Shift 35th Avenue to the west.
- Shift Indian School Road to the north.
- Construct new bridges for 35th Avenue and Indian School Road over the BNSF railroad and Grand Avenue.
- Keep Grand Avenue at-grade and remove the existing intersection and traffic signal. Extend Glenrosa Avenue to the west to create a new intersection with Grand Avenue.
- Remove the existing intersection at 33rd Drive and Indian School Road.
   Extend 33rd Avenue north of Indian School Road where a new east-west roadway would connect 33rd Drive to 33rd Avenue.

- Construct a cul-de-sac on 37th Avenue north of Grand Avenue.
- Add a turn lane at the Grand Avenue/33rd Avenue intersection.
- Make accommodations on 35th Avenue and Indian School Road for future high-capacity transit.
- Enhance safety and improve bicycle, pedestrian, and bus facilities such as additional or wider sidewalks, wider outside shoulders for bikes, separate bus pull-outs or new bus shelters.

Please indicate your level of support for the Preferred Alternative, using a scale of 1 to 5 (Where 1 is Do Not Support, 3 is Neutral/No Preference and 5 is Strongly Support).

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| Social Media  City of Phoenix communications  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| We would appreciate it if you could take a one-question self-identification survey for federal reporting purposes. Thank you. |  |  |  |  |  |
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## **Grand-35 Study Public Hearing Comment Form**

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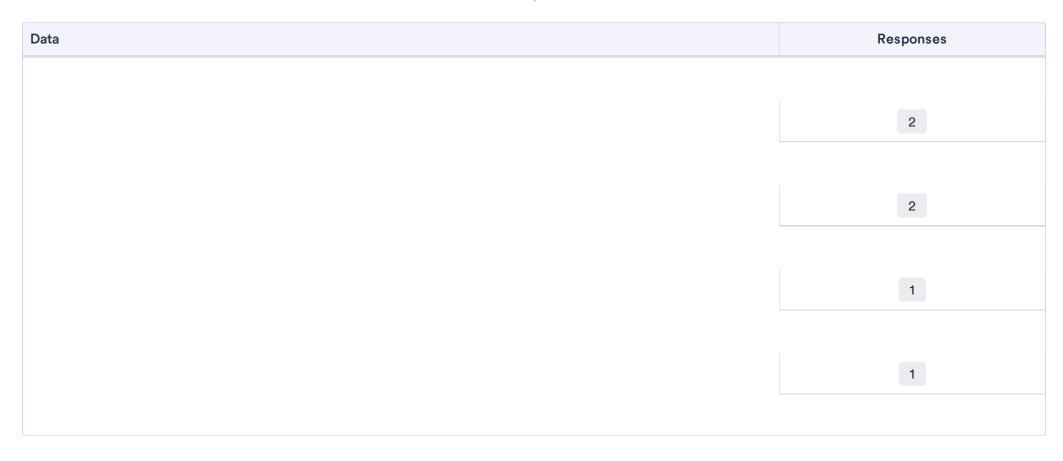
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## **Grand-35 Study Public Hearing Comment Form**

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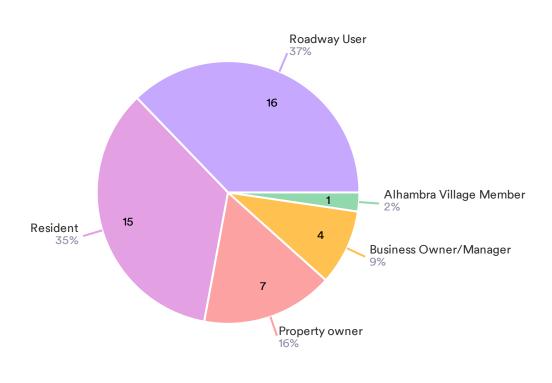
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#### Checkbox

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O Roadway User Resident Property owner Business Owner/Manager Alhambra Village Member



## **Grand-35 Study Public Hearing Comment Form**

Please indicate your level of support for the No Build alternative, using a scale of 1 to 5 (Where 1 is Do Not Support, 3 is Neutral/No Preference and 5 is Strongly Support).

28 Responses- 2 Empty

Best Response

1

**61%** Percentage

28 Responses

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| 1      | 17       | 61% |
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#### **No Build Comments**

The preferred alternative affects sixty businesses and five residences, and appears to create an intersection at the top of the roadway where one does not currently exist. I do not see a reason to improve sidewalks or bicycle lanes in the Valley. The ONLY place we see bicycles being used and a large number of pedestrians is at the University. It is a waste of taxpayer money to make these improvements.

This will eliminate the impact on 60 businesses and 5 residences.

I originally thought that leaving it the way it was and not disrupting this intersection was a good idea. However, I know two things - 1st The light rail planned for Indian School would be able to be supported by the overpass and 2nd I did not realize the impact on the railway by traffic. We need the trains to get supplies and making better for them would be a positive. So building is better than not.

Clearly something should be done because traffic is only going to get worse and it's tough already

We need to fix the transportation system at this intersection as it is very long lights and having to worry about the railroad blocking the traffic to cross north or south

Grand Ave needs improvement.

Lets clean up what ADOT has built like the 101 in the north valley. ADOT needs to find it in the Tax payers budget to clean up the 101 freeways, and not start any over paid projects. I'm not the only one complaining, but the 101 all over the valley are so trashed with all kinds of litter, It's disgusting to say the least. I'm attending the 'Grand 35" study next week so ADOT can hear it verbally. I'm sure I we will have alot more attending. ADOT needs to find it in their Tax Payer budget to hire a reliable company to clean the 101 specifically.

## **Grand-35 Study Public Hearing Comment Form**

Please indicate your level of support for the Preferred Alternative, using a scale of 1 to 5 (Where 1 is Do Not Support, 3 is Neutral/No Preference and 5 is Strongly Support).

29 Responses- 1 Empty

Best Response

5

**52%** Percentage

29 Responses

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| 5      | 15       | 52% |
|        | 12       | 41% |
|        | 1        | 3%  |
|        | 1        | 3%  |
| 2      | 0        | 0%  |

#### **Preferred Alternative Comments**

Due Today!! Stop Road Diets at ADOT! Make your voice heard with a simple email or phone call! ADOT wants to hear from you! Submit Public Comment by K5Email: ADOTGrand35Study@hdrinc.com or Call: 602.474.3952

This project will put many businesses out of business and create more traffic going northbound on 35th Ave because of implementing a road diet for Bus Rapid Transit. The documentation provided to the public is fraudulent because it does not show a lane being reduced going North on 35th Ave for BRT. This is a bait and switch. Furthermore, if there is to be BRT implemented, you need to expand the road. While MAG may be telling you that these plans are good for 50 years out, there is a reason why you were to expand the street to begin with. For some reason you decided to forego that plan to steal a lane to put in BRT. Maricopa is supposed to have over 5 million people within that timeframe. Taking away lanes to implement BRT does not represent an accurate representation of that growth.

This is a waste of taxpayer money.

This plan will spend a lot of money to displace 60 businesses and 5 residences. We should not use our tax dollars to harm people and their income for such a minimal benefit. It looks to me like you are trading a railroad crossing for some people and turning it into an Indian School / 35th Ave traffic light for everyone.

This project will put many businesses out of business and create more traffic going northbound on 35th Ave because of implementing a road diet for Bus Rapid Transit. No road diets. Don't compromise small businesses which may not be able to recover.

I am concerned that during the long construction time, that we who live in maryvale, will not be able to easily get to the areas east of 35th ave. We might have to give up going to downtown and uptown due to excessive traffic issues.

Traffic backs up majorly at this intersection almost exclusively at Grand, this change is desperately needed. Transit in order to take more cars off the road is also something that would be very helpful.

Removing the signal from Grand is excellent.

This seems like it will really help out the area. The current configuration is pretty confusing to navigate. Removing the at grade railroad crossing for 35th Ave is a good feature too. Those crossings are dangerous, and this will help reduce traffic, while improving freight train access to Central Phoenix.

#### **Preferred Alternative Comments**

I will assume that future high-capacity transit is the light rail. I know that there is work in city council to bring the light rail down Indian School to 75th Avenue! Which means that bridge needs to be able to support the light rail. There is a proposal for a Bus Rapid Transit on 35th avenue. All this said make sure the structures can support the traffic.

I approve and support the preferred alternative for ADOT's Grand-35 Study because the preferred alternative will take 35th Avenue over the BNSF Rail Line which will improve safety, reduce congestion, and remove train/vehicle conflicts.

I disagree with creating a new raised intersection with 35th ave and Indian School Rd. This will create much longer traffic east west that doesn't exist now. If you're going to spend the money on building bridges and acquiring land etc. Then why not do it right the first time. Repair and update the Indian school bridge that's currently there. Then lower 35th Ave so it travels under grade which would then go under Grand Ave and Indian School roads. (Like 59th ave and Grand) This eliminates all 3 roads from intersecting. This would benefit Grand Ave the most which should be an expressway anyway. While this does not make it one it at least aids in traffic flow on Grand ave and makes it a possibility in the future without having to do a complete teardown to make it so.

Seeing the proposed idea for 35th Ave., crossing above and having 100% voidable railroad crossing will be amazing

All this new build would hit right where I live. I am a property owner of two houses right next to each other. I am against this build.

I live right there and this would cause me to lose my house.

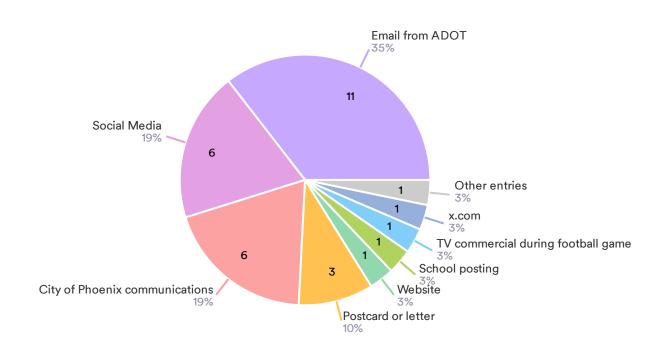
Reduce the number of smaller intersections and the total number of intersections with Grand. So that Grand becomes an expressway artery into the downtown area with minimal stops.

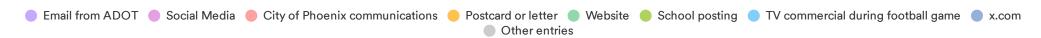
I strongly support the preferred alternative. As a homeowner at 51st Ave and Osborn, a business owner at 19th Ave and Osborn, and a committee member of the Maryvale Village Planning Committee, I feel this is the best option to move forward in meeting the needs of the community.

Need a better flow for southbound 33rd Avenue traffic to turn right and go to northwest bound U.S. 60. The angle of the intersection means traffic cannot turn right on red. There should be a carved out lane for traffic to turn right. Especially if this will be the main access to U.S. 60 under the proposal. Or there needs to be better signage saying no right turn on red.

## How did you hear about this study? Select all that apply

31 Responses- 6 Empty





#### **Other Comments**

This project will put many businesses out of business and create more traffic going northbound on 35th Ave because of implementing a road diet for Bus Rapid Transit.

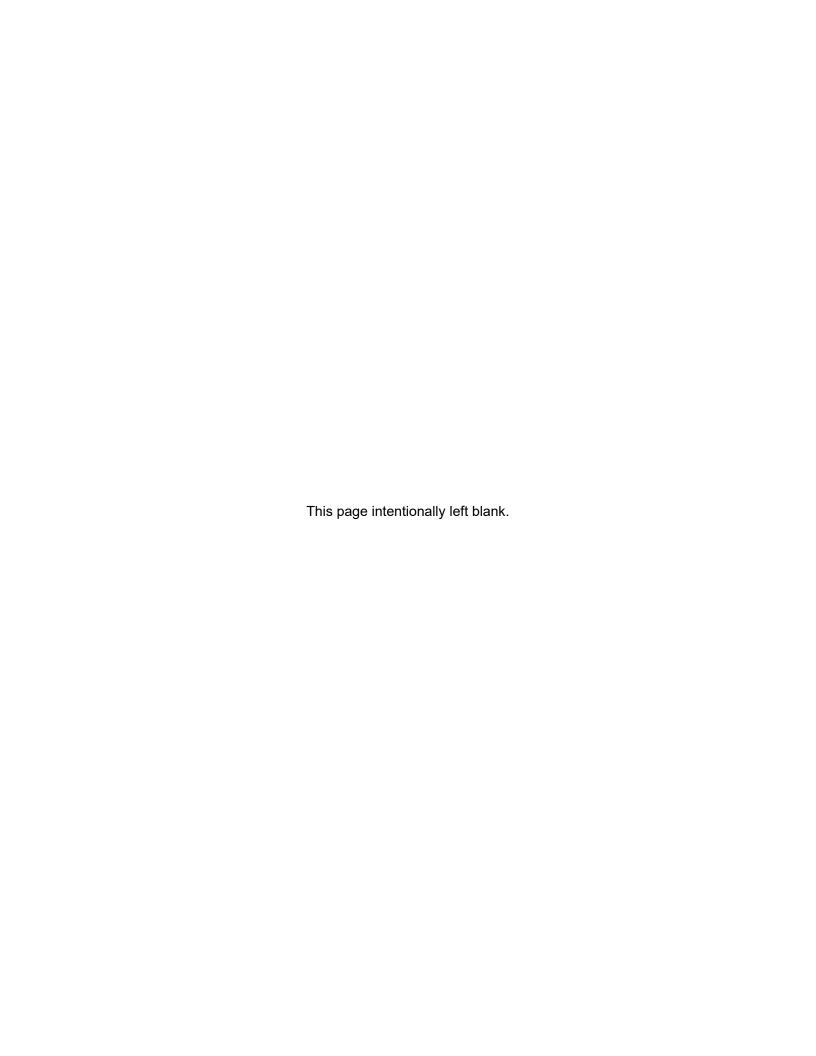
It just doesn't make sense not to take this rare opportunity to eliminate a very slow and backed up traffic area and improve major routes at the same time. (Such as Indian School Rd and Grand Ave.

I would like to see this for all the other grand Avenue intersections Northwest of 35th Ave. and grand. Having the ability to make Grand Ave a highway with no traffic lights would be amazing

Also, we need another Grand Ave going from NorthEast valley to SouthWest (the other diagonal). It could be called "The Grander Ave" or, "Grandie McGrand Face". Lol. But in all seriousness, the current Grand Ave desperately needs improvement, Northern Parkway is a great example of an improved thoroughfare roadway.

There needs to be better signage for westbound Indian School to know to turn left at 33rd Avenue to access southeast-bound U.S. 60. Also the interactive comment map on the study website is difficult to use and I was unable to make multiple comments.

## Appendix B2. Public Hearing Transcript



## In the Matter of:

ADOT Public Meetings

Reporter's Transcript of Proceedings Grand-35 Study
October 25, 2023



3200 East Camelback Road, Suite 177 Phoenix, Arizona 85018

#### REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

GRAND-35 STUDY

# DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT & DESIGN CONCEPT REPORT PUBLIC COMMENTS

Phoenix, Arizona October 25th, 2023 5:30 p.m.

REPORTED BY: Tracy A. Reinke, RPR, CRR, CRC Certified Court Reporter Certificate No. 50823

PREPARED FOR: HDR, Inc.

(Original)



## Reporter's Transcript of Proceedings Grand-35 Study

### **ADOT Public Meetings**

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| 1  | REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF Grand-35 Study Draft                     |
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| 2  | Environmental Assessment and Design Concept Report Public         |
| 3  | Comments was taken at 5:30 p.m., on Wednesday, October 25th,      |
| 4  | 2023, at Heard Elementary School, 2301 West Thomas Road, Phoenix, |
| 5  | Arizona, 85015, before Tracy A. Reinke, Registered Professional   |
| 6  | Reporter, Certified Realtime Reporter, Certified Realtime         |
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| 8  | Arizona, County of Maricopa, pursuant to the Rules of Civil       |
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| 1  | PROCEEDINGS  |
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| 2  | FIRST PORTION OF PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION                          |
| 3  | DARREN HARRELSON: My name is Darren Harrelson,                   |
| 4  | H-A-R-E-L-S-O-N.   |
| 5  | I think it's a very good plan. To only affect the five           |
| 6  | houses I happen to be one of them what a small price to          |
| 7  | pay, you know? And then when I talked to the relocation people   |
| 8  | over there, it sounds like I will get help. And I was just going |
| 9  | to leave, but they said if you've got a good comment, give it    |
| LO | because all we get is negative. And I do think it's a good plan, |
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#### SECOND PORTION OF PUBLIC COMMENT

MODERATOR: Hello again. We will begin the public hearing portion of tonight's meeting where you can give your formal comments. As a reminder, if you would like to provide comments, please register at the speaker registration table located at the entrance. Speakers will be called in the order they were registered.

When it's your turn to speak, please state your name and speak loudly and clearly for our court reporter. Once it's your turn, you will have three minutes to provide your comments. Our panelists tonight include Kirstin Huston, ADOT Transportation Manager; Nikki Green ADOT Community Relations Supervisor; and Quinn Castro, Maricopa Association of Governments Transportation Engineer.

Please be aware our panel is not allowed to respond to any comments or questions. If you have any question or would like clarification on anything, please meet with a member of our study team in the open house area of tonight's meeting.

All formal comments will be responded to in the hearing comments summary following this meeting and posted online.

With that, I will turn it over to Daina Mann who will call our speakers.

DAINA MANN: Okay. I'm not sure if this first gentleman is here, but my first request to speak is Larios Romero. Larios, are you still here?



Okay. We'll hold him in case he comes back.

Our next speaker -- request to speak is Jeff Caldwell.

And would you like me to spell that? It's Jeff C-A-L-D-W-E-L-L.

JEFF CALDWELL: Thank you. So I know you can't reply to this question at the current moment, but are the funds from Prop 400 previously, or are we counting on Prop 400 being passed by the voters?

The second question I have is, how much does this entire program cost?

And then the third thing that I have is it looks like from the renderings and the demonstrations that it's a continuation of the current traffic lanes, and that we're just adding the other, like, bicycle lanes and then bus rapid transit lanes. And I was wondering if we could actually add more traffic lanes, because we currently have congestion.

I do understand that this is going to help open it up a little bit more, but I do believe that we just need to add more traffic lanes for cars. I do not recommend or support removing lanes. It just doesn't look like that's part of the plan. And so I just wanted to reiterate that.

And then the other thing that I had is in relation to the out -- the demonstration itself, I do believe that this needs to happen. I do believe that this intersection is horrendous when it comes to traffic, especially with the train. When you are turning left from Grand Avenue, you could sit there for 20,

30 minutes, and then that backs up into the other traffic lanes. So I do support moving forward, but I'm just concerned about those other issues.

Thank you.

DAINA MANN: Thank you very much. Okay. Our next speaker, request to speak is Rene Flores, Rene F-L-O-R-E-S. Rene, are you still here?

Okay. That was our last request to speak. Is there anyone else who would like to come up to speak? If so, if you could register, and then we will call your name. Feel free. If not -- and actually, if anyone has questions rather than comments, we would be happy to answer questions in the back of the room in the open house portion, but if you have a comment that you would like to make for the public record, as a reminder, you can do so here tonight at the hearing verbally, or there are a number of other ways to do so, including back in the back of the room, where the gentleman is waving his arm, we have paper comment forms. We have online comment forms, and then obviously, we have our court reporter for the verbal hearing. And then you can provide comments through email, mail, phone, and did I say email? A number of different methods on the hearing guide.

So, again, I encourage anyone who would like to come up to speak to speak; otherwise, feel free to get questions answered or any more information. So we'll continue on and take anyone else who wishes to speak.



But if you don't want to sit there, you don't have to sit there. You can move and go look at the materials and ask questions as well. 



#### THIRD PORTION OF PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION

SHIVAM SHAH: Shivam Shah. So my address is on 3515
West Clarendon Avenue in Phoenix, Arizona. I'm the property
owner over there. I have owned the property for almost a year
and a half. Am I too fast? I am getting flex warehouses on my
property, about 60,000 square feet that would support 60, 70
businesses locally. I -- what is the right word? I tend to -our warehouses tend to attract many small businesses like Amazon
Fulfillment, cabinet shops, mechanics, you know. According to
the BBB, 60% of the small business comes from -- 60% of America
runs on small business. So we are super thrilled and excited.

We have got a bunch of projects in Utah and Texas, and Houston, Dallas. In Arizona, we have about half a million square feet under construction, and we are thrilled and excited to come to Phoenix. I am working with engineers, architects, contractors, city, civil engineers, for the last year and a half, and spent time, money -- lots of money -- in getting to this phase. I'm about two and a half weeks away from pulling permits for my construction of my warehouses.

So if a bid alternative is selected, a preferred bid or whatever it's called -- if a bid alternative is selected, it will impact my property tremendously. It would cut my property into about 85% of the coverage that I'm getting right now, with the setbacks that I'll have to abide by, with the parking ratios I would have to abide by. I've heard there's a new water line that



is going in, and I can't build anything on top of that water line. So this affects my site significantly.

So, yeah, whenever you guys are ready to come and talk about pricing, about buying my property, let's talk. But we'll have to consider the time, money, efforts, interest rates that I've been carrying for the last year and a half, and these are cap rate buildings. I could rent these buildings out and lease these buildings out, these warehouse units out and hold them forever. To me, there's no value. I can't put a value to this, but, yeah, let's talk and let's figure it out.

I have a billboard on my site as well, and that would need some relocation if you guys buy this. I have two access points -- three access points that you are going to get rid of. So I will need help there as well. But if you buy the whole thing at the cap rate and at the time and effort and money that I've spent, yeah, let's talk. I'm open.

Keep me posted, please. Shavim Shah, 813-298-8240.
(Proceedings adjourned at 7:00 p.m.)





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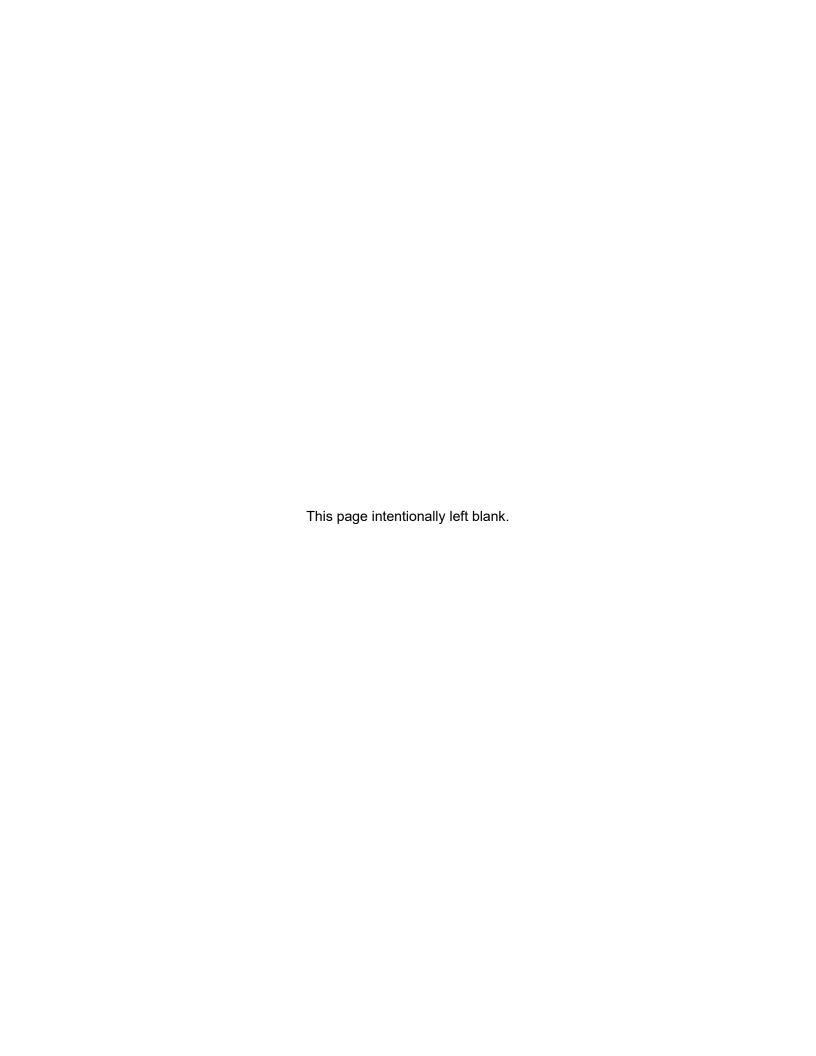
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## Appendix B3. 2024 Outreach Materials



# Future Phoenix High-capacity Transit Projects



## **Public Meeting Notice**

A variety of high-capacity transit projects are in progress or planned in Phoenix. Valley Metro and the City of Phoenix invite you to attend a public meeting or go online to learn about:

- · Capitol Light Rail Extension (CAPEX)
- I-10 West Light Rail Extension (10WEST)
- CAPEX/10WEST Transit Oriented Development Policy Plans
- · Phoenix Bus Rapid Transit (BRT)
- West Phoenix High-capacity Transit Alternatives Analysis

## Information will also be provided for these related projects in Phoenix:

- Arizona Department of Transportation US 60 (Grand Avenue), 35th Avenue and Indian School Road Intersection Improvements
- Street Transportation Department 35th Avenue Safety Corridor
- Northwest Extension Phase II Transit Oriented Communities Policy Plan

## Join us in person!

Saturday, February 3, 2024, 9 - 11 a.m.

Burton Barr Central Library, Pulliam Auditorium 1221 N. Central Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85004 Thursday, February 8, 2024, 6 - 8 p.m.

Desert West Community Center, Multipurpose Room 6501 W. Virginia Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85035

Spanish interpreters will be available.

## Join us virtually!

Thursday, February 15, 2024, 6 p.m.

Join link: <u>valley-metro.webex.com</u> Join by phone: 1-408-418-9388 Webinar number: 2493 599 9907 Webinar password: FuturePhoenix

(38887374 from phones)

Spanish Audio Channel: Join by phone: 1-408-418-9388

Join by phone: 1-408-418-9388 Webinar number: 2481 552 9424 Webinar password: 38887374

## Or, review information and provide comments online, anytime.

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## Proyectos Futuros de Transporte de Alta Capacidad en Phoenix

## Aviso de Reunión Pública

Hay una variedad de proyectos de transporte de alta capacidad en progreso o planeados en Phoenix. Valley Metro y la Ciudad de Phoenix le invitan para que asista a una reunión pública o para que se conecte en línea para obtener información sobre:

- Extensión de la Interestatal 10 Oeste "10WEST" del tren ligero
- Extensión al Capitolio "CAPEX" del Tren Ligero
- Planes de Normas del Desarrollo Orientado Hacia el Transporte de las Extensiones CAPEX/10WEST
- Autobús de Transporte Rápido "BRT" de Phoenix
- Análisis de las Alternativas de Transporte de Alta Capacidad en el Oeste de Phoenix

#### También se proveerá información sobre estos proyectos relacionados en Phoenix:

- Mejoramientos a la Intersección de US 60 (Grand Avenue), 35th Avenue e Indian School Road del Departamento de Transporte de Arizona
- Departamento de Transporte Calle Corredor de Seguridad de la 35th Avenue
- Plan de Normas para las Comunidades Orientadas hacia el Transporte de la Fase II de la Extensión Noroeste

## ¡Acompáñenos en persona!

**Sábado 3 de febrero de 2024, 9 - 11 a.m.**Biblioteca Central Burton Barr, Auditorio Pulliam 1221 N. Central Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85004

Jueves 8 de febrero de 2024, 6 - 8 p.m.

Centro Comunitario Desert West, Salón de Usos Múltiples 6501 W. Virginia Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85035

Habrá intérpretes a español disponibles.

## ¡Acompáñenos virtualmente!

Jueves 15 de febrero de 2024, 6 p.m.

Enlace para acompañarnos (en Inglés):

valley-metro.webex.com

Acompáñenos por teléfono: 1-408-418-9388 Número del seminario web: 2493 599 9907 Contraseña del seminario web: FuturePhoenix Canal de Audio en Español

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## O revise la información, y provea comentarios en línea en cualquier momento.

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To request translated materials or if you do not have access to the technology needed to review the study information online, please contact Nancy Becerra at 623.695.7411 or ngbecerra@azdot.gov.

The environmental review, consultation and other actions required by applicable Federal environmental laws for this project are being or have been carried out by ADOT pursuant to 23 USC 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated 04/16/2019 and executed by FHWA and ADOT.

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#### FAQ

#### What is an Environmental Assessment (EA)?

The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969 requires agencies to analyze, disclose, minimize and mitigate any adverse environmental impacts from projects that include federal funding. An EA is the NEPA document that has been prepared to evaluate potential impacts from the Grand-35 Study. This EA describes the need for the proposed action (i.e., Preferred Alternative), alternatives developed for the proposed action, the environmental impacts of the build alternatives and No-Build Alternative.

#### What is a Design Concept Report (DCR)?

A DCR is also prepared to document the engineering elements associated with the study. This includes interchange options, drainage modifications, traffic operations and safety, construction requirements and impacts to traffic during construction, summary of the EA, right-of-way requirements, cost and maintainability, to name just a few. These elements are evaluated for a range of reasonable build alternatives, as well as the no-build baseline alternative.

#### What is a No-Build Alternative?

The No-Build Alternative is used as a baseline, or a benchmark, to compare against the Build Alternative(s). The No-Build provides the Grand-35 Study team with a basis against which social, environmental and economic impacts can be measured. The No-Build Alternative represents the existing transportation system with ongoing maintenance and any improvement projects that have been previously programmed for construction and studies.

## If approved, is there funding for construction?

Yes, the funding includes federal money and Highway
User Revenue Funds through the Maricopa Association of
Governments (MAG), generated through the voter-approved
half-cent sales tax in Maricopa County.

# When do you anticipate construction to start, if approved?

Construction on the Grand-35 Project is anticipated to begin in summer 2025, following the completion of the Final EA and DCR Phase, as well as the completion of the Design and Right-of-Way Acquisition Phase.

## What are the proposed improvements?

The Preferred Alternative includes shifting 35th Avenue to the west. 35th Avenue would also be elevated to create a new intersection with Indian School Road. Indian School Road would be shifted to the north and would be elevated to create a new intersection with 35th Avenue. Both 35th Avenue and Indian School Road would pass over US 60 and the BNSF Railway. An elevated signalized intersection would be created between 35th Avenue and Indian School Road.

Two lanes would be provided in each direction of travel on 35th Avenue. 35th Avenue would accommodate the addition of Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) which is currently being planned as an ongoing city of Phoenix project, and you can learn more at www.meetphoenixbrt.com. Three lanes would be provided in each direction of travel on Indian School Road. Indian School Road would also be able to accommodate a future high-capacity transit (HCT) route which is also being studied by the city of Phoenix and Valley Metro. Three lanes would be provided in each direction of travel on US 60 and US 60 would remain at-grade. Minor improvements would be included along US 60 to reconfigure the median and provide turn lanes at intersections.

Glenrosa Avenue would be extended to the west to create a new connector road that would restore connectivity between 35th Avenue and US 60. This new connector road would connect to 35th Avenue at Glenrosa Avenue and would connect to US 60 near 37th Avenue. This new connector road would provide one lane in each direction of travel.

West of 35th Avenue, Clarendon Avenue would be realigned to connect to Clarendon Avenue east of 35th Avenue and eliminate the existing offset intersection at 35th Avenue.

33rd Avenue would be extended north of Indian School Road and a new east-west local road would extend from 33rd Avenue to 35th Avenue. 33rd Drive would connect to the new east-west local road.

# Are you anticipating right-of-way acquisitions for the Preferred Alternative?

The Preferred Alternative includes right-of-way acquisitions. Potential right-of-way impacts and access changes have been identified as part of this study which will be further refined during final design. Affected property owners will be contacted before and during the right-of-way acquisition process and during the DCR and Final Design stages of the project. Right-of-way plans will be developed based on the final design plans and property appraisals will be prepared for the affected properties and property owners will be contacted at that time.





## **PROJECT BACKGROUND**

In 2020, the Arizona Department of **Transportation (ADOT), in coordination** with the city of Phoenix and the Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG), began a study for the US 60 (Grand Avenue), 35th **Avenue and Indian School Road intersection** (known as the Grand-35 Study). The study is evaluating potential transportation improvements. Some of the proposed improvements include raising 35th Avenue to create an elevated intersection, improving traffic operations, enhancing safety and improving pedestrian and bicycle facilities and reducing vehicle/train conflicts. Over the last three years, ADOT has sought feedback from the public, stakeholders, agencies and partners to help guide the study evaluation process. Following the previous rounds of outreach, including the alternatives phase and public meetings held in the spring of 2023, a Draft **Environmental Assessment (EA) and Design Concept Report (DCR) have been prepared for** the Grand-35 Study.

Para solicitar materiales traducidos o si no tiene acceso a la tecnología necesaria para revisar el información del estudio en línea, comuníquese con Nancy Becerra al 623.695.7411 o ngbecerra@azdot.gov.

Las consultas, la revisión ambiental y otras acciones requeridas según las leyes ambientales federales correspondientes para este proyecto se están llevando a cabo o se han llevado a cabo por ADOT de acuerdo con 23 U.S.C 327 y un Memorándum de Acuerdo con fecha del 16 de abril de 2019 y se han realizado por FHWA y ADOT.

De acuerdo con el Título VI de la Ley de Derechos Civiles de 1964, la Ley de Estadounidenses con Discapacidades (ADA por sus siglas en inglés) y otras normas y leyes antidiscriminatorias, el Departamento de Transporte de Arizona (ADOT) no discrimina por motivos de raza, color, origen nacional, sexo, edad o discapacidad. Las personas que requieran asistencia (dentro de lo razonable) ya sea por el idioma o discapacidad deben ponerse en contacto con Nancy Becerra al 623.695.7411 o ngbecerra@azdot. gov. Las solicitudes deben hacerse lo más antes posible para asegurar que el Estado tenga la oportunidad de hacer los arreglos necesarios.



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## PREGUNTAS MÁS FRECUENTES

#### ¿Qué es una Evaluación Ambiental (EA)?

La Ley Nacional de Política Ambiental (NEPA) de 1969 requiere que las agencias analicen, divulguen, minimicen y mitiguen cualquier impacto ambiental adverso de los proyectos que incluyen fondos federales. Un EA es el documento NEPA que se ha preparado para evaluar los impactos potenciales del Estudio Grand-35. Este EA describe la necesidad de la acción propuesta (es decir, la alternativa preferida), las alternativas desarrolladas para la acción propuesta, los impactos ambientales de las alternativas de construcción y la alternativa de no construcción.

# ¿Qué es un informe de concepto de diseño (DCR)?

Un DCR también está preparado para documentar los elementos de ingeniería asociados con el estudio. Esto incluye opciones de intercambio, modificaciones de drenaje, operaciones y seguridad del tráfico, requisitos de construcción e impactos al tráfico durante la construcción, resumen del EA, requisitos de derecho de paso, costo y mantenibilidad, por nombrar solo algunos. Estos elementos se evalúan para una gama de alternativas de compilación razonables, así como la alternativa de línea base sin compilación.

### ¿Qué es una alternativa sin construcción?

La alternativa sin compilación se utiliza como línea de base, o punto de referencia, para comparar con la(s) alternativa(s) de compilación. El No-Build proporciona al equipo del estudio Grand-35 una base contra la cual se pueden medir los impactos sociales, ambientales y económicos. La alternativa de no construcción representa el sistema de transporte existente con mantenimiento continuo y cualquier proyecto de mejora que haya sido previamente programado para la construcción y estudios.

## Si se aprueba, ¿hay fondos para la construcción?

Sí, el financiamiento incluye dinero federal y Fondos de Ingresos para Usuarios de Carreteras a través de la Asociación de Gobiernos de Maricopa (MAG), generados a través del impuesto a las ventas de medio centavo aprobado por los votantes en el Condado de Maricopa.

# ¿Cuándo anticipa que comenzará la construcción, si se aprueba?

Se prevé que la construcción del Proyecto Grand-35 comience en el verano de 2025, tras la finalización de la fase final de EA y DCR, así como la finalización de la fase de diseño y adquisición de derecho de paso.

## ¿Cuáles son las mejoras propuestas?

La alternativa preferida incluye cambiar la Avenida 35 hacia el oeste. La Avenida 35 también se elevaría para crear una nueva intersección con Indian School Road. Indian School Road se desplazaría hacia el norte y se elevaría para crear una nueva intersección con la Avenida 35. Tanto la 35th Avenue como Indian School Road pasarían sobre la US 60 y el ferrocarril BNSF. Se crearía una intersección elevada señalizada entre 35th Avenue e Indian School Road.

Se proporcionarían dos carriles en cada dirección de viaje en la Avenida 35. La Avenida 35 acomodaría la adición de Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) que actualmente está siendo planeada por un proyecto en curso de la ciudad de Phoenix, y puede obtener más información en www.meetphoenixbrt.com. Se proporcionarían tres carriles en cada dirección de viaje en Indian School Road. Indian School Road también podría acomodar una futura ruta de tránsito de alta capacidad (HCT) que también está siendo estudiada por la ciudad de Phoenix y Valley Metro. Se proporcionarían tres carriles en cada sentido de viaje en la US 60 y la US 60 permanecería a nivel. Se incluirían mejoras menores a lo largo de la US 60 para reconfigurar la mediana y proporcionar carriles de giro en las intersecciones.

Glenrosa Avenue se extendería hacia el oeste para crear una nueva carretera de conexión que restauraría la conectividad entre 35th Avenue y US 60. Esta nueva carretera de conexión se conectaría a la Avenida 35 en la Avenida Glenrosa y se conectaría a la US 60 cerca de la Avenida 37. Esta nueva carretera de conexión proporcionaría un carril en cada dirección de viaje.

Al oeste de la Avenida 35, la Avenida Clarendon se realinearía para conectarse con la Avenida Clarendon al este de la Avenida 35 y eliminar la intersección de compensación existente en la Avenida 35.

La Avenida 33 se extendería al norte de Indian School Road y una nueva carretera local este-oeste se extendería desde la Avenida 33 hasta la Avenida 35. 33rd Drive se conectaría a la nueva carretera local este-oeste.

# ¿Está anticipando adquisiciones de derecho de paso para la Alternativa Preferida?

La Alternativa Preferida incluye adquisiciones de derecho de paso. Los posibles impactos del derecho de paso y los cambios de acceso se han identificado como parte de este estudio, que se perfeccionarán aún más durante el diseño final. Los propietarios afectados serán contactados antes y durante el proceso de adquisición del derecho de paso y durante las etapas de DCR y Diseño Final del proyecto. Los planes de derecho de paso se desarrollarán en función de los planes de diseño final y se prepararán tasaciones de propiedades para las propiedades afectadas y se contactará a los propietarios en ese momento.





## **ANTECEDENTES DEL PROYECTO**

En 2020, el Departamento de Transporte de Arizona (ADOT), en coordinación con la ciudad de Phoenix y la Asociación de Gobiernos de Maricopa (MAG), comenzó un estudio para la intersección de US 60 (Grand Avenue), 35th Avenue e Indian School Road (conocida como el Estudio Grand-35). El estudio está evaluando posibles mejoras en el transporte. Algunas de las mejoras propuestas incluyen elevar la Avenida 35 para crear una intersección elevada, mejorar las operaciones de tráfico, mejorar la seguridad y mejorar las instalaciones para peatones y bicicletas y reducir los conflictos entre vehículos y trenes. En los últimos tres años, ADOT ha buscado comentarios del público, las partes interesadas, las agencias y los socios para ayudar a guiar el proceso de evaluación del estudio. Después de las rondas anteriores de divulgación, incluida la fase de alternativas y las reuniones públicas celebradas en la primavera de 2023, se ha preparado un borrador de evaluación ambiental (EA) y un informe de concepto de diseño (DCR) para el estudio Grand-35.

Để yêu cầu tài liệu dịch hoặc nếu bạn không có quyền truy cập vào công nghệ cần thiết để xem lại thông tin học tập trực tuyến, vui lòng liên hệ với Nancy Becerra theo số 623.695.7411 hoặc ngbecerra@azdot.gov.

Những xem xét, tham vấn và các hoạt động khác về môi trường theo yêu cầu của luật môi trường liên bang hiện hành đối với dự án này đã hoặc đang được Bộ Giao Thông Vận Tải Arizona (ADOT) thực hiện theo Mục 327 Tiêu đề 23 Bộ Luật Hoa Kỳ và Biên bản Ghi nhớ ngày 04/16/2019 và được Phòng Quản Lý Đường Cao Tốc Liên Bang FHWA và Bộ Giao Thông Vận Tải Arizona ADOT thực hiện.

Theo Tiêu đề VI của Đạo luật Dân quyền năm 1964, Đạo luật Người Mỹ Khuyết tật (ADA) và các đạo luật về không phân biệt đối xử và căn cứ khác, ADOT không phân biệt đối xử trên cơ sở chủng tộc, màu da, nguồn gốc quốc gia, giới tính, tuổi tác hoặc tình trạng khuyết tật. Những người cần sự điều chỉnh hợp lý vì các lý do ngôn ngữ hoặc tình trạng khuyết tật nên liên hệ với Nancy Becerra theo số 602.474.3952 hoặc địa chỉ ngbecerra@azdot.gov. Nên thực hiện các yêu cầu càng sớm càng tốt để đảm bảo Tiểu bang có cơ hôi thực hiện sự điều chỉnh.



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## FAQ

### Đánh giá Môi trường (EA) là gì?

Đạo luật Chính sách Môi trường Quốc gia (NEPA) năm 1969 yêu cầu các cơ quan phân tích, tiết lộ, giảm thiểu và giảm thiểu bất kỳ tác động môi trường bất lợi nào từ các dự án bao gồm tài trợ của liên bang. EA là tài liệu NEPA đã được chuẩn bị để đánh giá các tác động tiềm năng từ Nghiên cứu Grand-35. EA này mô tả sự cần thiết của hành động được đề xuất (tức là Thay thế ưu tiên), các lựa chọn thay thế được phát triển cho hành động được đề xuất, tác động môi trường của các lựa chọn thay thế xây dựng và Giải pháp thay thế không xây dựng.

## Báo cáo khái niêm thiết kế (DCR) là gì?

Một DCR cũng được chuẩn bị để ghi lại các yếu tố kỹ thuật liên quan đến nghiên cứu. Điều này bao gồm các tùy chọn nút giao, sửa đổi hệ thống thoát nước, hoạt động và an toàn giao thông, yêu cầu xây dựng và tác động đến giao thông trong quá trình xây dựng, tóm tắt EA, yêu cầu về quyền ưu tiên, chi phí và khả năng bảo trì, chỉ kể tên một số. Các yếu tố này được đánh giá cho một loạt các lựa chọn thay thế xây dựng hợp lý, cũng như giải pháp thay thế đường cơ sở không xây dựng.

## Giải pháp thay thế không xây dựng là gì?

Giải pháp thay thế không xây dựng được sử dụng làm đường cơ sở hoặc điểm chuẩn để so sánh với (các) Giải pháp thay thế xây dựng. No-Build cung cấp cho nhóm Nghiên cứu Grand-35 một cơ sở để có thể đo lường các tác động xã hội, môi trường và kinh tế. Giải pháp thay thế không xây dựng đại diện cho hệ thống giao thông hiện tại với việc bảo trì liên tục và bất kỳ dự án cải tiến nào đã được lập trình trước đó để xây dựng và nghiên cứu.

# Nếu được chấp thuận thì có kinh phí xây dựng không?

Có, khoản tài trợ bao gồm tiền liên bang và Quỹ Doanh thu Người dùng Đường cao tốc thông qua Hiệp hội Chính phủ Maricopa (MAG), được tạo ra thông qua thuế bán hàng nửa xu được cử tri chấp thuân ở Hat Maricopa.

# Khi nào bạn dự kiến việc xây dựng sẽ bắt đầu, nếu được chấp thuận?

Việc xây dựng Dự án Grand-35 dự kiến sẽ bắt đầu vào mùa hè năm 2025, sau khi hoàn thành Giai đoạn EA và DCR cuối cùng, cũng như hoàn thành Giai đoạn Thiết kế và Mua lại Quyền ưu tiên.

## Những cải tiến được đề xuất là gì?

Giải pháp thay thế ưu tiên bao gồm chuyển Đại lộ 35 về phía tây. Đại lộ 35 cũng sẽ được nâng lên để tạo ra một giao lộ mới với Đường Trường học Ấn Độ. Indian School Road sẽ được chuyển về phía bắc và sẽ được nâng lên để tạo ra một giao lộ mới với Đại lộ 35. Cả Đại lộ 35 và Đường Trường học Ấn Độ sẽ đi qua Quốc lộ Hoa Kỳ 60 và Đường sắt BNSF. Một giao lộ có tín hiệu trên cao sẽ được tạo ra giữa Đại lộ 35 và Đường Trường học Ấn Độ.

Hai làn đường sẽ được cung cấp theo mỗi hướng đi trên Đại lộ 35. Đại lộ 35 sẽ đáp ứng việc bổ sung Xe buýt nhanh (BRT) hiện đang được lên kế hoạch bởi một dự án thành phố Phoenix đang diễn ra và bạn có thể tìm hiểu thêm tại www.meetphoenixbrt.com. Ba làn đường sẽ được cung cấp theo mỗi hướng di chuyển trên Đường Trường học Ấn Độ. Indian School Road cũng sẽ có thể đáp ứng một tuyến đường vận chuyển công suất cao (HCT) trong tương lai cũng đang được thành phố Phoenix và Valley Metro nghiên cứu. Ba làn đường sẽ được cung cấp theo mỗi hướng di chuyển trên Quốc lộ Hoa Kỳ 60 và Quốc lộ Hoa Kỳ 60 sẽ vẫn ở cùng cấp. Những cải tiến nhỏ sẽ được bao gồm dọc theo Quốc lộ Hoa Kỳ 60 để cấu hình lại dải phân cách và cung cấp làn đường rẽ tại các giao lộ.

Đại lộ Glenrosa sẽ được mở rộng về phía tây để tạo ra một con đường kết nối mới sẽ khôi phục kết nối giữa Đại lộ 35 và Quốc lộ Hoa Kỳ 60. Con đường kết nối mới này sẽ kết nối với Đại lộ 35 tại Đại lộ Glenrosa và sẽ kết nối với Quốc lộ Hoa Kỳ 60 gần Đại lộ 37. Con đường kết nối mới này sẽ cung cấp một làn đường theo mỗi hướng di chuyển.

Phía tây Đại lộ 35, Đại lộ Clarendon sẽ được sắp xếp lại để kết nối với Đại lộ Clarendon ở phía đông Đại lộ 35 và loại bỏ giao lộ bù đắp hiện có tại Đại lộ 35.

Đại lộ 33 sẽ được mở rộng về phía bắc của Indian School Road và một con đường địa phương đông-tây mới sẽ kéo dài từ Đại lộ 33 đến Đại lộ 35. Đường 33 sẽ kết nối với đường địa phương đông-tây mới.

## Bạn có dự đoán việc mua lại quyền ưu tiên cho Giải pháp thay thế ưu tiên không?

Giải pháp thay thế ưu tiên bao gồm các thương vụ mua lại quyền ưu tiên. Các tác động quyền ưu tiên tiềm ẩn và thay đổi quyền truy cập đã được xác định là một phần của nghiên cứu này sẽ được tinh chỉnh thêm trong quá trình thiết kế cuối cùng. Chủ sở hữu tài sản bị ảnh hưởng sẽ được liên lạc trước và trong quá trình mua lại quyền ưu tiên và trong giai đoạn DCR và Thiết kế cuối cùng của dự án. Kế hoạch quyền ưu tiên sẽ được phát triển dựa trên kế hoạch thiết kế cuối cùng và thẩm định tài sản sẽ được chuẩn bị cho các tài sản bị ảnh hưởng và chủ sở hữu tài sản sẽ được liên lạc tại thời điểm đó.





## BốI CẢNH DỰ ÁN

Vào năm 2020, Bô Giao thông Vân tải Arizona (ADOT), phối hợp với thành phố Phoenix và Hiệp hôi Chính phủ Maricopa (MAG), đã bắt đầu một nghiên cứu cho giao lộ US 60 (Grand Avenue), 35th Avenue và Indian School Road (được gọi là Nghiên cứu Grand-35). Nghiên cứu đang đánh giá những cải tiến giao thông tiềm năng. Một số cải tiến được đề xuất bao gồm nâng cao Đai lô 35 để tao ra một giao lộ trên cao, cải thiện hoạt động giao thông, tăng cường an toàn và cải thiên cơ sở vật chất cho người đi bộ và xe đạp và giảm xung đột xe cộ / xe lửa. Trong ba năm qua, ADOT đã tìm kiếm phản hồi từ công chúng, các bên liên quan, các cơ quan và đối tác để giúp hướng dẫn quá trình đánh giá nghiên cứu. Sau các vòng tiếp cận trước đó, bao gồm giai đoan thay thế và các cuộc họp công khai được tổ chức vào mùa xuân năm 2023, Dư thảo Đánh giá Môi trường (EA) và Báo cáo Khái niệm Thiết kế (DCR) đã được chuẩn bị cho Nghiên cứu Grand-35.



# Grand-35 Study

- Proposed project to reconstruct intersection of Grand Ave, 35th Ave and Indian School Rd
- Recommended design concept to raise 35th Ave and Indian School Rd over Grand Ave
  - Provides free-flowing traffic on Grand Ave and eliminates railroad crossing
- Would accommodate future high capacity transit on 35th Ave and Indian School Rd
- Project decision expected March 2024
- Final design would begin after project decision
- Construction expected to begin late 2025
- For more information visit azdot.gov/Grand-35

