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Ave E/D Extension: Co. 23rd St. to Co. 16th St.
Air Quality Conformity Determination

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Dear Mr. O'Brien:

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) received the request from the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) dated July 31, 2024, for a project-level air quality conformity determination for the YYU-0(204)T| 0000 YU YYU SS976 03D, Ave E/D Extension: Co. 23rd Street to Co. 16th Street project. The project would increase connectivity and capacity by constructing an approximately 7.75 mile-long connection between County 23rd Street (State Route (SR) 195) and County 16th Street (US 95) within and adjacent to the cities of San Luis and Somerton, Yuma County, Arizona. The proposed roadway would begin at the Avenue E and SR 195 intersection, travel northeast and pass to the east of Rolle Airfield, and then extend north to tie into to the existing Avenue D roadway approximately 0.50 mile north of County 16th Street.

The project is included in the Yuma Metropolitan Planning Organization (YMPO) area which is designated nonattainment for Particulate Matter (PM₁₀), and Ozone under the National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) which are subject to project-level conformity requirements. The conformity determination for the regional conformity analysis of the FY 2022-2026 YMPO Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and 2022-2045 Long-Range Transportation Plan, as approved by the YMPO Executive Board on March 28, 2024. A finding of conformity was issued by FHWA and FTA on May 9, 2024.

It was determined that the project was not a project of air quality concern for PM₁₀. Based on our review of the PM₁₀ air quality analyses and interagency consultation information provided by the ADOT regarding this project and scope of work, FHWA is making the determination that this project meets the air quality conformity requirements listed in 40 CFR Part 93. If there are any

questions on this determination, please contact Rebecca Yedlin at 602-382-8979 or Rebecca.Yedlin@dot.gov.

Sincerely,

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