



I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange Study Public Hearings Summary

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Introduction

The Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT), as the lead agency and project sponsor, in collaboration with the Gila River Indian Community (Community), the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), and the Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG), is preparing an environmental assessment (EA) and design memo (DM) for the proposed Interstate 10 (I-10)/Koli Road Traffic Interchange. The proposed I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange would be located on I-10 between the existing Wild Horse Pass Boulevard/Sundust Road and State Route 347/Queen Creek Road traffic interchanges.

The draft EA considers and assesses alternatives for the traffic interchange, including a no-build alternative. Some subject areas analyzed in-depth in the draft EA include the proposed project's impacts on cultural resources, biological resources, water quality, noise impacts and air quality, as well as other social, economic, and environmental impacts. The draft EA also takes into consideration public comment received during a public scoping and alternatives public meeting held in October 2024.

As part of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) environmental study process, two public hearings were held to present the findings and recommendations of the draft EA and DM to the public and receive formal public comment. Copies of the draft EA and DM were made available to the public for review at local community gathering places near the study area and members of the public were given multiple avenues through which to provide feedback during the formal comment period.

TITLE VI ACCOMMODATIONS

The entire outreach effort was conducted in compliance with Title VI guidelines approved for the project in the Public Involvement Plan, on record with ADOT Community Relations.

Public Review and Comment

Printed and bound copies of the draft EA and DM documents were delivered to the following locations and made available for public review from July 14 to Aug. 13, 2025. The documents were also uploaded to the I-10/Koli Road TI Study Website: azdot.gov/koliroad.

- **Gila River Indian Community Governance Center**
525 W. Gu U Ki, Sacaton, AZ 85147
- **Gila River Indian Community District 1: Blackwater**
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- **Chandler Public Library – Downtown**
22 S. Delaware St., Chandler, AZ 85225
- **Ironwood Library**
4333 E. Chandler Blvd., Phoenix, AZ 85048

Beginning July 14, 2025, the public was able to provide comments on the proposed I-10/Koli Road TI mentioned above. Throughout the public review and comment period, comments were accepted in the following ways:

- **Public Hearings:** Attendees had the opportunity to provide written/verbal comments at the in-person public hearing on July 29, 2025, on the Gila River Indian Community, and the virtual public hearing on July 30, 2025.
- **Study website:** Online through a comment form located at www.azdot.gov/koliroad
- **Email:** koliroad@azdot.gov
- **Phone:** (855) 712-8530
- **Mail:** I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange Study Office
7130 W. Fairview St., Chandler, AZ 85226

Public Hearings

The public hearings were a significant component of the public involvement process to gather comments on the I-10/Koli Road TI Study. The public hearings dates, times, locations and attendance are listed in Table 1.

Table 1. Public Hearings Dates, Times, Locations and Attendance

Date	Time	Location	Attendance
Tuesday, July 29, 2025	5:30 – 7 p.m.	In-person Community Public Hearing Shelde Building at the Whirlwind Golf Club at Wild Horse Pass 5692 W. North Loop Rd., Chandler, AZ 85226 (Note: this hearing was only advertised to residents on the Gila River Indian Community)	14
Wednesday, July 30, 2025	5:30 – 7 p.m.	Virtual Public Hearing held via the Zoom Platform	22

PUBLIC HEARINGS NOTIFICATIONS

Several channels were used to notify Community members and the public about the public review process and public hearings. Working closely with the Community, ADOT and the project team collectively decided that the in person public hearing would be for Community members only, and the virtual public hearing would be for Community members and the public, therefore the in person public hearing was advertised only in the Community, and the virtual public hearing was advertised in the Community and to the public. Both hearings presented the same information and followed the same process and guidelines for public participation.

Newspaper Advertisements

The Public Involvement (PI) team prepared and arranged the publication of print advertisements that described the proposed I-10/Koli Road TI Study, explained how to view the draft EA and DM, showed how to submit comments, and invited the public to attend the hearing.

ADOT placed advertisements in the Gila River Indian News promoting both the July 29 in-person Community public hearing and the July 30 virtual public hearing. All other advertisements only advertised the July 30 virtual public hearing.

The advertisements were placed in the following publications:

- *Gila River Indian News* English print (published and distributed June 13, 2025)
- *Gila River Indian News* English print (published and distributed July 11, 2025)
- *Chandler Republic* – English print (published July 12, 2025)
- *Ahwatukee Foothills News* – English print (published July 9, 2025)



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

Flyer and Poster Distribution

The PI team designed and printed 200 flyers and 10 posters promoting both the July 29, 2025, in-person Community public hearing and the July 30, 2025, virtual public hearing. The flyers and posters were delivered to the Gila River Indian Community Government Office and District Offices on July 2 and 3, 2025, for distribution to Community members and for display on Community bulletin boards.

Copies of the flyers/posters can be found in Appendix A, *Public Hearings Notifications*.

CCTV Graphics

The Gila River Indian Community provides Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) programming that is available on screens at various public locations on the Community. The PI team designed graphics for Community CCTVs promoting both the July 29, 2025, Community public hearing and the July 30, 2025, virtual public hearing. The CCTV graphics were provided to the Community on July 1, 2025.

Copies of the CCTV graphics can be found in Appendix A, *Public Hearings Notifications*.

GovDelivery Emails and News Release

Information on the proposed I-10/Koli Road TI Study, how to provide comments and an invitation to attend the July 30, 2025, virtual public hearing was distributed by ADOT via a GovDelivery email notice and by a news release shared by representatives from MAG via email. More information about these emails is provided below.

ADOT sent a notification of the virtual public hearing through GovDelivery on July 14, 2025.

- The July 14, 2025, notification was sent to 41,948 emails

The news release was distributed to local media outlets on July 14, 2025, and posted on the MAG website.

ADOT sent a notification that the study is accepting public comment through GovDelivery on Aug. 6, 2025.

- The Aug. 6, 2025, notification was sent to 41,895 emails

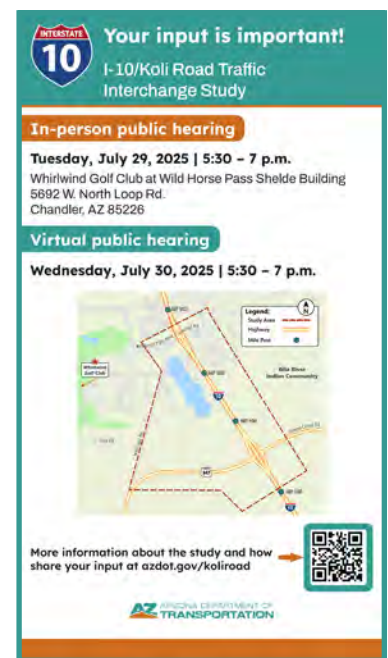
Copies of the news release and GovDelivery emails are included in Appendix A, *Public Hearings Notifications*.

Social Media

Information about the July 29, 2025, in-person Community public hearing and the July 30 virtual public hearing was shared on Gila River Indian Community's Facebook and Instagram accounts. Information about only the July 30, 2025, virtual public hearing was shared on ADOT's Facebook and X accounts.

Posts were shared on the following dates:

- Gila River Indian Community Facebook: July 17, 2025, July 28, 2025
- Gila River Indian Community Instagram: July 17, 2025, July 28, 2025, (story), July 29, 2025 (story)
- ADOT Facebook (Virtual Public Hearing only): July 15, 2025, July 29, 2025
- ADOT X (Virtual Public Hearing only): July 18, 2025, July 29, 2025



Information about materials shared at the public hearing and how to submit comments during the study period was shared on ADOT's Facebook and X accounts. Posts were shared on the following dates:

- Facebook: Aug. 5, 2025, Aug. 12, 2025
- X: Aug. 8, 2025, Aug. 12, 2025

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

Digital Media

All information regarding the proposed I-10/Koli Road TI Study was posted online through the ADOT website at www.azdot.gov/koliroad, including public hearing materials; information about the date, time and location of the July 30, 2025, virtual public hearing; and information about how to provide feedback during the comment period.

All materials displayed at the public hearings were posted on the website and are listed below:

- Draft EA and Appendices
- Draft DM and Appendices
- Virtual Hearing Presentation Video (English and Spanish)
- Virtual Hearing Presentation Slides
- Fact Sheets (English and Spanish)
- Display Boards (English and Spanish)

Copies of the public hearing materials are included in Appendix B, *Public Hearing Materials*

PUBLIC HEARINGS FORMAT

In-Person Public Hearing

The in-person Community public hearing was held on Tuesday, July 29, 2025, at the Shelde Building at the Whirlwind Golf Club at Wild Horse Pass. The purpose of the Community public hearing was to provide an overview of I-10/Koli Road TI need, purpose, environmental findings, and recommended build alternative, and to accept public comments. The in-person hearing was advertised to the Community through various methods described in the previous section. The public hearing was held from 5:30 – 7 p.m. and followed the format in Table 2.

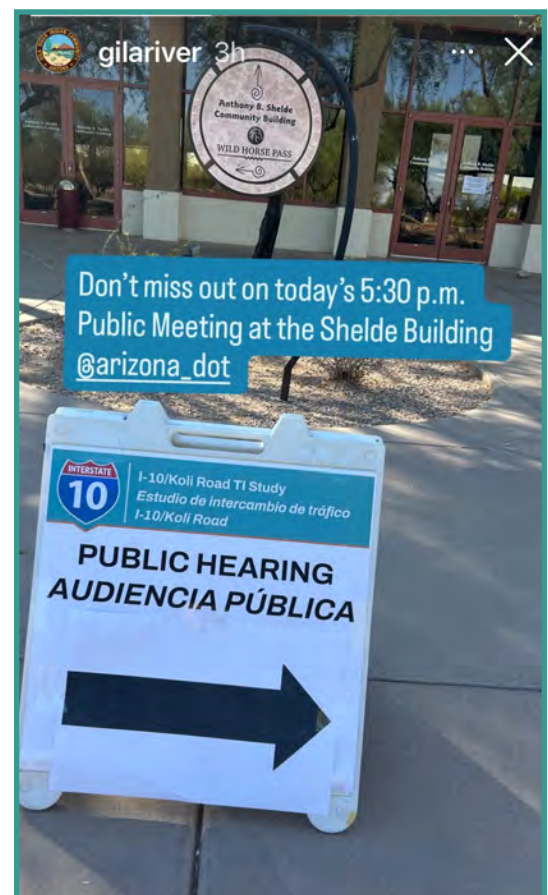


Table 2. In-Person Community Public Hearing Agenda

5:30 – 6:00 p.m.	Open House
6 – 6:30 p.m.	Formal Presentation
6:30 – 7 p.m.	Formal Comment Period

Directional signs to the public hearing were placed at the facility entrance on North Loop Rd., and to the east and west on Wild Horse Pass Blvd.

A welcome table was available for public hearing attendees, which provided the following:

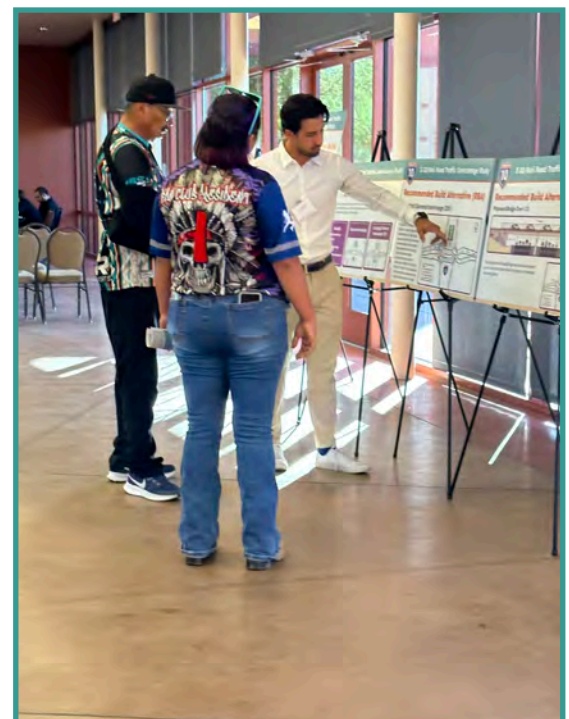
- Sign-in (optional and not required for attendance)
- I-10/Koli Road TI Study Fact Sheet in English and Spanish
- I-10 Wild Horse Pass Corridor Fact Sheet in English and Spanish¹
- Optional Title VI self-identification cards and website link for people to fill out
- Title VI signs and brochures

The public hearing was a combination of a formal presentation and an open house. All materials and boards were located in one large room.

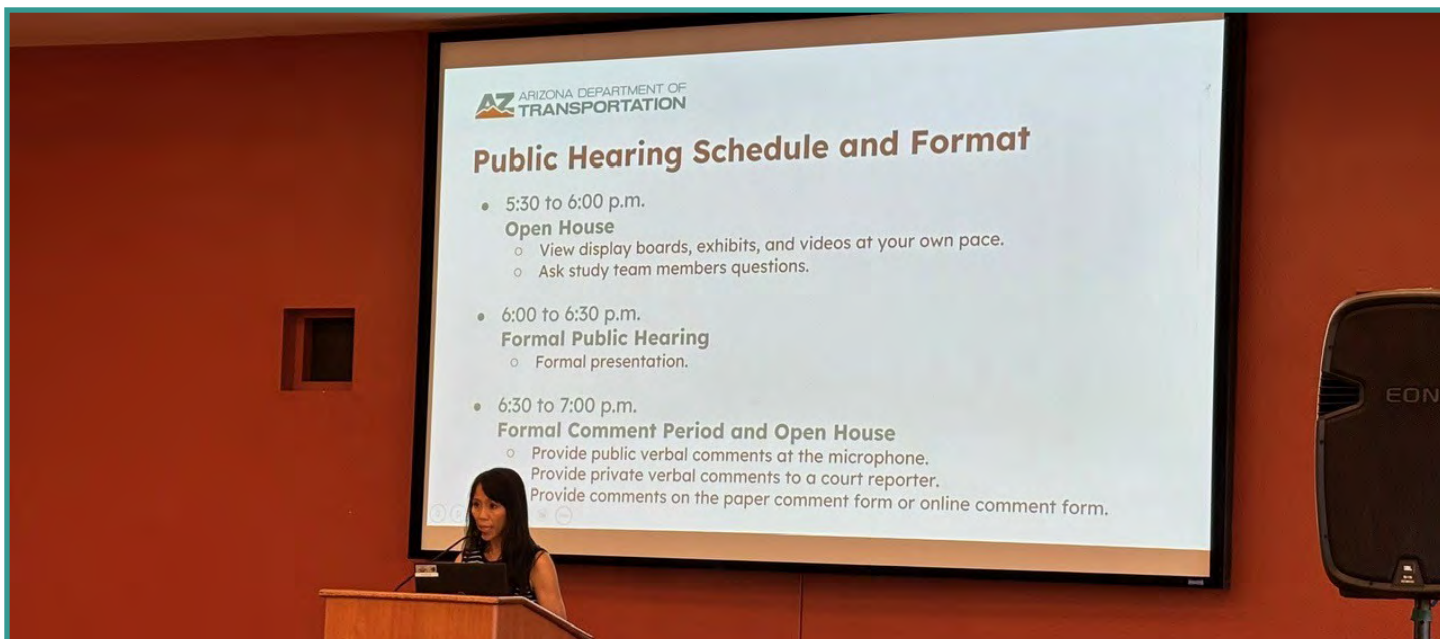
As attendees entered the building they were greeted near the entrance at the welcome table. They were given the option to sign in and complete the voluntary Title VI self-identification survey. The I-10/Koli Road TI Study fact sheet handout and the I-10 Wild Horse Pass Corridor fact sheet were available. The I-10/Koli Road TI Study fact sheet included information about the study, how to review the EA and DM at the repository locations and online, answers to frequently asked questions, and details on how to submit comments for the study.

Attendees were encouraged to view display boards placed along the north wall of the hearing space, review the draft EA and DM documents, and participate in an interactive diverging diamond interchange (DDI) display. Study team members were available to answer questions one-on-one.

The public hearing formal presentation was moderated by Joanna Bradley, ADOT Assistant Communications Director/ Major Projects, and Marcy McMacken, ADOT Community Outreach Project Manager/Public Information Officer. Trent Kelso, ADOT I-10 Corridor Manager provided an overview of the I-10 Wild Horse Pass Corridor Projects and provided information about the I-10/Koli Road TI Study, including the purpose and need, and the recommended build alternative.



¹The I-10 Koli Road TI Study is within the I-10 Wild Horse Pass Corridor and information about the Corridor was made available to participants.



DeWayne Badonie, Gila River Indian Community Department of Transportation Director, provided welcome remarks. The presentation was transcribed by a court reporter.

During the formal presentation, attendees viewed a PowerPoint presentation that complemented the information available on the fact sheets and display boards. Following the formal presentation, participants were invited to make formal public statements at the microphone or to the court reporter directly, or to complete a comment form. In addition, information was provided on a display board and on the fact sheet about how to make comments via phone, email, United States Postal Service mail, and the online comment form by Aug. 13. Spanish and O’odham interpreters were provided at the public hearing.

Fourteen individuals signed in as attendees for the in-person public hearing. Copies of the sign-in sheets can be found in Appendix B, *Public Hearings Materials*.

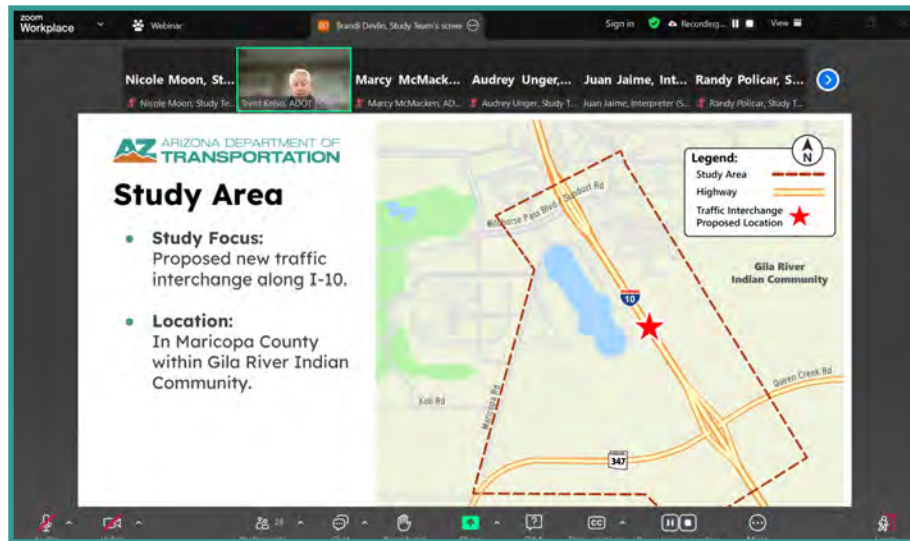
The in-person Community public hearing transcript can be found in Appendix C, *Public Hearings Transcripts*.

Virtual Public Hearing Format

The virtual public hearing was held on Wednesday, July 30, 2025, via the Zoom platform. The purpose was to provide an overview of I-10/Koli Road TI need, purpose, environmental findings, and recommended build alternative, and to accept public comments. The virtual hearing was advertised to the general public through various methods described in the previous section. The hearing was held from 5:30 – 7 p.m. and followed the format in Table 3.

Table 3. Virtual Public Hearing Agenda

5:30 – 6 p.m.	Formal Presentation
6 – 6:15 p.m.	Question and Answer Session
6:15 – 7 p.m.	Formal Comment Period



The following materials were available on the I-10/Koli Road TI Study Website for review prior to the public hearing:

- Draft Environmental Assessment and Appendices
- Draft Design Memorandum and Appendices
- I-10/Koli Road TI Study Virtual Public Hearing Presentation Slides
- I-10/Koli Road TI Study Project Boards (English and Spanish)
- I-10/Koli Road TI Study Fact Sheet Handout (English and Spanish)

The following materials were available on the I-10/Koli Road TI Study Website after the virtual public hearing:

- I-10/Koli Road TI Study Virtual Public Hearing Recording (English and Spanish)

As attendees logged onto the virtual public hearing, they saw the link to the voluntary ADOT Title VI self-identification survey in English and Spanish.

The virtual hearing was moderated by Marcy McMacken, ADOT Community Outreach Project Manager/Public Information Officer, who provided information on how to ask questions and make comments during the hearing.

Trent Kelso, ADOT I-10 Corridor Manager provided an overview of the I-10 Wild Horse Pass Corridor Projects and provided information about the I-10/Koli Road TI Study, the purpose and need, and the recommended build alternative. The presentation was transcribed by a court reporter.

The presentation began with information in English and Spanish about how to ask questions and provide comments during the hearing, how to access the Spanish translation channel for the presentation, and how to view the materials posted on the study website.

During the formal virtual presentation, attendees viewed a PowerPoint presentation complemented the information available on the fact sheets and display boards. Following the formal presentation, participants were able to ask questions during the Question-and-Answer portion of the hearing by raising their virtual hands or submitting the question using the platform's Q&A chat feature. After the Question-and-Answer portion, participants were invited to make public comments during the virtual hearing. In addition, participants were directed to the I-10/Koli Rd TI Study website for more information and to submit public comments before Aug. 13.

Twenty-two individuals participated in the virtual public hearing. The virtual public hearing transcript can be found in Appendix C, *Public Hearings Transcripts*.

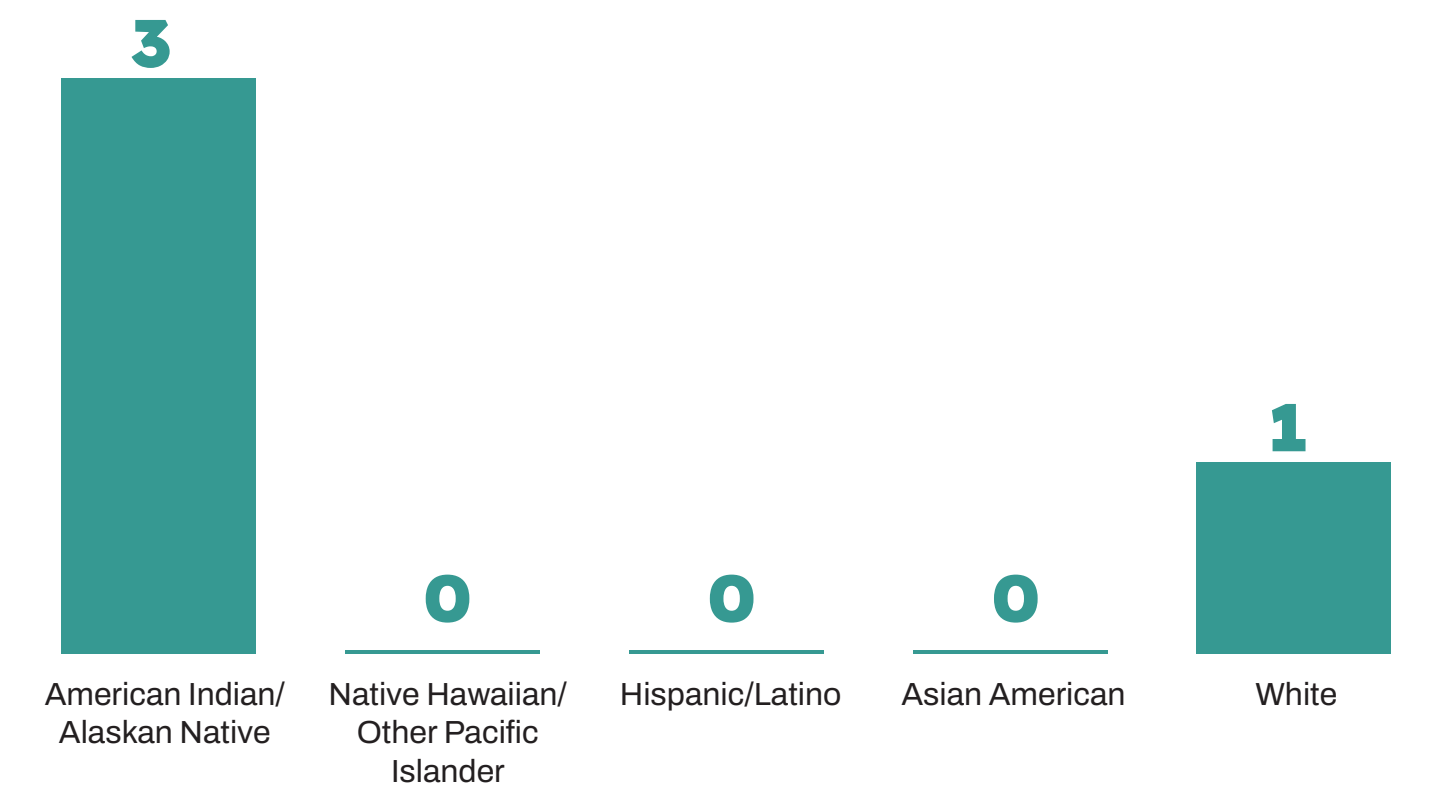
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There were no requests for accommodations received for the in-person Community public hearing and the virtual public hearing.

Based on the LEP evaluation, simultaneous Spanish interpretation was provided at the meetings. Simultaneous Spanish interpretation was available for the in-person public hearing attendees with headsets and printed translated presentations provided. Spanish interpretation was available for the virtual public hearing for both Zoom or call-in function. Materials were provided in Spanish, including bilingual display boards, facts sheets, presentation slides and recorded presentation. The costs associated with Spanish translation and interpretation were \$1,362.34.

PUBLIC HEARINGS TITLE VI SELF-IDENTIFICATION

Four participants completed the Title VI Self-Identification questionnaire presented at the two public hearings.



PUBLIC HEARINGS MATERIALS

A variety of materials were made available at the in-person public hearing and on the I-10/Koli Road TI Study website.

These materials include:

- Draft EA and Appendices
- Draft DM and Appendices
- I-10/Koli Road TI Study Project Boards (English and Spanish)
- I-10/Koli Road TI Study Fact Sheet Handout (English and Spanish)

Display Boards

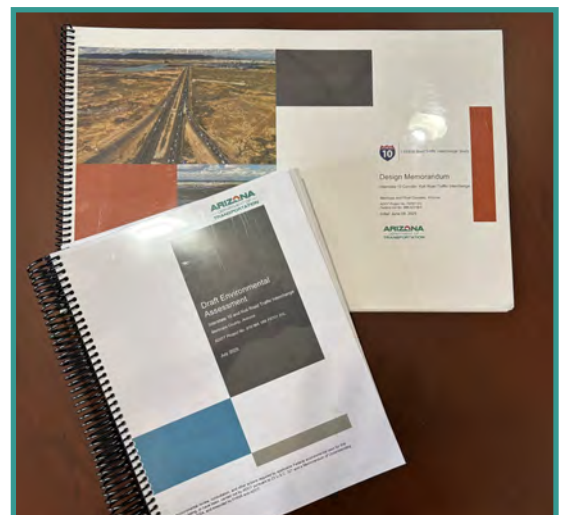
Display boards at the in-person and virtual public hearings were titled as follows:

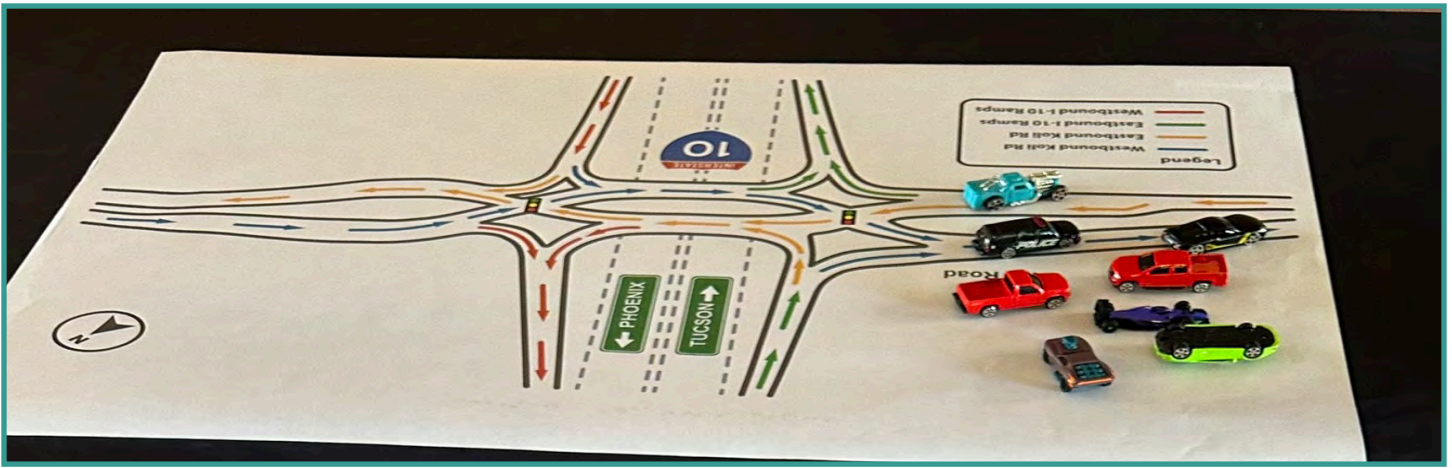
- Welcome
- Public Hearing Format
- Public Hearing Ground Rules
- How to Provide Verbal Formal Comments
- I-10 Wild Horse Pass Corridor
- Study Area
- Purpose and Need
- NEPA Requirements
- Alternatives Evaluated
- What is the No-Build Alternative?
- Recommended Build Alternative (RBA)
- How a DDI Works
- Recommended Build Alternative (RBA): Proposed Bridge Over I-10
- Recommended Build Alternative (RBA): Local Road Typical Section
- Recommended Build Alternative (RBA): Typical Section Along Proposed Bridge
- Aesthetics of the Bridge
- Wild Horse Pass: Koli Road Traffic Interchange Location Study
- Environmental Findings: Cultural Resources and Biological Resources
- Environmental Findings: Water Resources and Air Quality
- Anticipated Funding
- Next Steps
- How to Submit Comments

A copy of the display boards can be found in Appendix B, *Public Hearing Materials*.

Draft Environmental Assessment and Design Memo Documents

Two copies of each of the draft EA and Appendices and the draft DM and Appendices documents were available for review at the in-person public hearing. In addition, copies were placed on the project website and delivered to 11 repository locations for virtual hearing participants to review.





Interactive Diverging Diamond Interchange Display

The DDI graphic was printed in large format and placed on a table at the in-person public hearing with toy cars so that drivers could learn to navigate the traffic interchange configuration.

Fact Sheet

An I-10/Koli Road TI Study Fact Sheet was created and included information about the study, how to review the EA and DM at the repository locations and online, answers to frequently asked questions, and details on how to submit comments for the study. The fact sheet was in English and Spanish and was given to in-person public hearing attendees and posted on the study website.

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

Formal Presentation

A formal presentation was given to attendees at the in-person and virtual public hearings. The virtual public hearing hosted a Question-and-Answer session after the presentation. Following the presentation, participants were given an opportunity to provide public comments.

The presentation can be found in Appendix B, *Public Hearing Materials*.

Public Comments and Responses

All comments received during the formal comment period (July 14 to Aug. 13, 2025) were reviewed for the specific issues or recommendations raised by commenters.

A total of 53 comments were received by Aug. 13, 2025, the last day of the comment period, through the following methods:

- 17 comments were received through email
- 34 comments were submitted through the online comment form
- 2 comments were received at the in-person public hearing

Some of the common themes in the comments received were as follows:

- Proximity to Wild Horse Pass Blvd TI and Queen Creek Road/SR 347 TI
 - Concerns about need for three TIs close together
 - Concerns about traffic flow through the area
- Firebird Motorsports Park
 - Concerns that the I-10/Koli Road TI will impact the facility and its future

The public comments and responses are included in Appendix D, *Public Comments and Responses*.

Appendix A:

Public Hearings Notifications

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Gila River Indian News June 13, 2025 and July 11, 2025



PUBLIC HEARING/OPEN HOUSE

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COMMENT ON THE DRAFT EA AND DM

Submit your comments on the I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange Study draft EA and DM from **July 14, 2025, through Aug. 13, 2025**. All comments received during the public comment period will be documented and responded to in the I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange Study Final EA and DM. All comment methods are considered equal.

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PUBLIC HEARINGS

An in-person public hearing and a virtual public hearing will be held to provide an overview of the draft EA and DM, share ADOT's preliminary recommendation and accept public comment. The public hearing presentation and materials can also be viewed on the study website.

In-Person Agenda:

5:30 – 6 p.m.	Open House
6 – 6:30 p.m.	Presentation
6:30 – 7 p.m.	Formal Public Comments/Open House

Virtual Agenda:

5:30 p.m.	Formal Presentation
6 p.m.	Q&A
6:15 – 7 p.m.	Formal Public Comments

YOU ARE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE:

1. In-Person Public Hearing for the Gila River Indian Community
Tuesday, July 29, 2025 | 5:30 – 7 p.m.
Whirlwind Golf Club at Wild Horse Pass Sheldie Building
5692 W. North Loop Rd.
Chandler, AZ 85226

2. Virtual Public Hearing
Wednesday, July 30, 2025 | 5:30 – 7 p.m.
Call-in/Online through Zoom

English
Online: bit.ly/3GHOrf5 | Phone: +1 646.876.9923
Webinar ID: 928 4590 2660
Passcode: KoliRoad or 70876596

Español
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Número de Reunión (Código de acceso): 928 4590 2660
Clave: KoliRoad o 70876596



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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 June 25, 2024 and executed by FHWA and ADOT.

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 Memorandum de Acuerdo con fecha del 25 de junio de 2024 y se han realizado por FHWA y ADOT.



Pursuant to Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and other nondiscrimination laws and authorities, the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability. Persons that require a reasonable accommodation based on language or disability should contact Marcy McMacken at 855.712.8530 or mmcmacken@azdot.gov. Requests should be made as early as possible to ensure the State has an opportunity to address the accommodation.

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Chandler Republic July 12, 2025

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Your input is needed! I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange

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Virtual Public Meeting for the I-10/Kell Road Interchange Study Scheduled for Wednesday, July 30, 2025

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Need to Register? To attend the Virtual Public Meeting, you must register.

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The map shows the I-10/Kell Road Interchange Study area. The interchange is located at the intersection of I-10 and Kell Road. The map shows the interchange and surrounding roads.

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Learn more and give your input at a virtual public meeting

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Contact: Jeff Sabato, MAG, 602-452-5073

Phoenix (July 14, 2025) – The next phase of a project that will help ease congestion on Interstate 10 (I-10) between Wild Horse Pass and State Route (SR) 347 is underway, and your input is needed. The Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) is studying the feasibility of a new traffic interchange at Koli Road and I-10.

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To learn more about the Interstate 10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange Study, visit: <https://azdot.gov/koliroad>

Key Facts:

- ADOT, the Gila River Indian Community, and the Maricopa Association of Governments have selected a Recommended Build Alternative for the section of I-10 and Koli Road; public input is now needed on the design.
- The proposed I-10/Koli Road traffic interchange would be located on I-10 between the existing Wild Horse Pass Boulevard and the SR 347/Queen Creek Road traffic interchanges.
- The project is located in Maricopa County and entirely within the Gila River Indian Community.

Why It Is Important:

In partnership with the Gila River Indian Community (Community), the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), and the Maricopa Association of Governments, ADOT has started an Environmental Assessment and Design Memo for the proposed I-10/Koli Road traffic interchange. The draft EA will assess and compare alternatives for the proposed traffic interchange, including a no-build option. Several key aspects were thoroughly examined in the draft EA, such as the project's impacts on cultural resources, biological resources, water quality, recreational resources, noise impacts, and air quality, along with other social, economic, and environmental factors.

ADOT GovDelivery Email Aug. 6, 2025



Reminder: Public Comment Sought for I-10 Koll Road Traffic Interchange Study(Deadline: Aug. 18)

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Visit <https://www.adot.arizona.gov/interchange> to learn more about the project and to provide your input.

What's Happening?

ADOT is conducting a Traffic Interchange Study (TIS) and a Design Study (DS) for a new interchange at I-10 and Koll Road. The project is located in the Phoenix area. The project is currently in the planning phase and public comment is being sought to help guide the project.

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How to Comment

- Online public comment
- By phone: 602.625.1777
- By email: interchange@adot.gov
- By mail: 1000 North Central Expressway, Suite 1000, Phoenix, AZ 85004

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What if the ADOT Right of Way and the Interchange with the ADOT?

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How to provide your input and feedback

Visit <https://www.adot.arizona.gov/interchange> to learn more about the project and to provide your input.

Gila River Indian Community Facebook: July 28, 2025

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Gila River Indian Community Instagram: July 17, 2025



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About the Study

The Arizona Department of Transportation, as the lead agency and project sponsor, in collaboration with the Gila River Indian Community, the Bureau of Indian Affairs, and the Maricopa Association of Governments, is preparing an Environmental Assessment (EA) and Design Memo (DM) for the proposed Interstate 10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange. The proposed I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange would be located on I-10 between the existing Wild Horse Pass Boulevard/Sundust Road and State Route 347/Queen Creek Road traffic interchanges.



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Public Hearing tomorrow!

Your input is needed!

Interstate 10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange Study
Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) and Design Memo (DM)

PUBLIC HEARING

In Person: Tuesday, July 29, 2025
Shelde Building at Whirlwind Golf Club 5:30 - 7 p.m.

Virtual: Wednesday, July 30, 2025 | 5:30 - 7 p.m.



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Gila River Indian Community Instagram Story: July 29, 2025



ADOT Facebook: July 15, 2025

Arizona Department of Transportation
July 15 at 9:00 AM · 🌐

Your input is needed!

ADOT, in partnership with the [Gila River Indian Community](#) and the [Maricopa Association of Governments](#), is inviting you to participate in a virtual public hearing for the proposed I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange Study Wednesday, July 30, from 5:30–7 p.m. via Zoom. Please share your comments on the draft Environmental Assessment (EA) and Design Memo (DM) through August 13, 2025.

- Attend the Virtual Public Hearing.
- Review the draft EA and DM at:
 - Ironwood Library
 - Chandler Public Library – Downtown
 - Maricopa Association of Governments
 - The study website.
- Submit your comments at the virtual meeting, on the study website, via phone or via email.

Please visit the study website azdot.gov/koliroad for more details about the study history, virtual public hearing, documents, repository locations, and how to provide comments.



ADOT Facebook: July 29, 2025

Arizona Department of Transportation
July 29 at 9:00 AM · 🌐

Share your comments at the Wednesday, July 30, virtual public meeting for ADOT's I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange study. The study, in partnership with the [Gila River Indian Community](#) and the [Maricopa Association of Governments](#), is studying a proposed interchange on I-10 between the existing Wild Horse Pass Boulevard/Sundust Road and State Route 347/Queen Creek Road traffic interchanges.

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Wednesday, July 30, 2025
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Join online through Zoom!

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Share your comments!
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Submit your comments
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ADOT X: July 18, 2025



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Your input is needed!


ADOT, in partnership with @GRIC_Official and @MAGregion, invites you to participate in a public hearing for the I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange Study on Wednesday, July 30, from 5:30–7 p.m.

More at azdot.gov/koliroad.



ADOT X: July 29, 2025

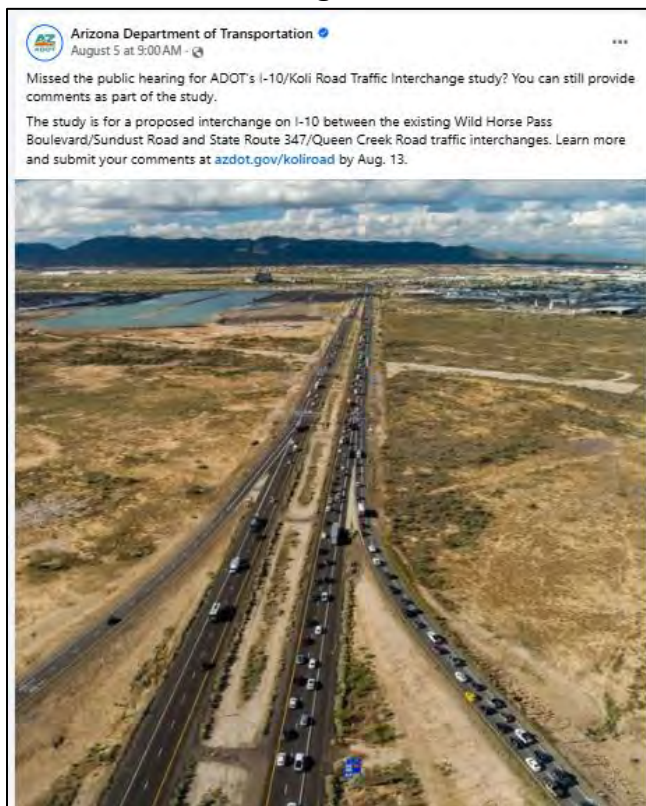


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Reminder! Join us for the virtual public meeting for the I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange Study on Wednesday, July 30, from 5:30–7 p.m. Get all of the details on how to participate at azdot.gov/koliroad.

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ADOT Facebook: Aug. 5, 2025



ADOT Facebook: Aug. 12, 2025



ADOT X: Aug. 8, 2025



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Missed the virtual public meeting for I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange study? You can still view the study documents and provide input through August 13. Details on how to participate at azdot.gov/koliroad.



ADOT X: Aug. 12, 2025



Arizona DOT @ArizonaDOT · Aug 12
Wednesday, Aug. 13, is the last day to provide public comment for the proposed I-10/Koli Rd Traffic Interchange between the existing Wild Horse Pass Blvd/Sundust Rd and SR 347/Queen Creek Rd traffic interchanges. Learn more and submit your comments at azdot.gov/koliroad.



ADOT I-10/Koli Road TI Study Website

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Interstate 10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange Study

Previously known as the Interstate 10 (I-10) Gerson Road Traffic Interchange Study

The Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT), as the lead agency and project sponsor, in collaboration with the Gila River Indian Community (GRIIC), the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Maricopa Association of Governments, has initiated an Environmental Assessment (EA) and Design Memo (DM) for the proposed Interstate 10 (I-10)/Koli Road Traffic Interchange.

The proposed I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange would be located on I-10 between the existing 1914 Monroe Pass Boulevard and State Route 247/Queen Creek Road traffic interchanges.

The study area (study extent) approximately a half-mile from each side of the I-10 center line to Maricopa Road and approximately three-quarters of a mile north of milepost 302 and 1.8 miles south of milepost 301 along I-10. The project is located in Maricopa County and entirely within the Gila River Indian Community.

The draft EA will consider and assess alternatives for the proposed traffic interchange, including a no-build alternative. Some considerations analyzed in-depth in the draft EA include the proposed project's impacts on cultural resources, biological resources, water quality, recreational resources, noise impacts and air quality, as well as other social, economic, and environmental impacts.

July 2025 WE ARE HERE → **Late 2025 Final Selected Alternative**

Public scoping was the first step of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) environmental study process. The public scoping and alternatives process provided the opportunity for the community and public to educate the study team about the I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange study area, as well as share concerns about modifying I-10 to incorporate a proposed traffic interchange at approximately Koli Road.

This input helped ADOT, the Community, and BIA select a Recommended Build Alternative for this section of I-10 and Koli Road.

The next step in the process will be the I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange Study Public Hearing.

I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange Study Public Hearing

Your input is important!

Draft EA and DM available for public review and comment

The draft EA and DM evaluate the Recommended Build Alternative as compared to the No-Build Alternative. Select technical reports associated with the draft EA will be available upon request. Please email koliroad@adot.gov or call 602.522.7777 to make a request.

The draft EA and DM can be reviewed at the following repository locations and online from July 14, 2025, to Aug. 13, 2025.

- Chandler Public Library - Downtown
30 S. Delaware St., Chandler, AZ 85225 | 480.782.2900
- Inwood Library
4121 S. Chandler Blvd., Phoenix, AZ 85040 | 602.252.4536
- Maricopa Association of Governments
707 N. 1st Ave., Suite 200, Phoenix, AZ 85003

Documents

- [Design Memorandum](#)
- [Draft Environmental Assessment](#)
- [Draft Environmental Appendix](#)
- [I-10/Koli Road TI Study Virtual Public Hearing Presentation](#)
- [I-10/Koli Road TI Study Project Boards \(English\)](#)
- [I-10/Koli Road TI Study Project Boards \(Spanish\)](#)
- [I-10/Koli Road TI Study Virtual Public Hearing Recording \(English\)](#)
- [I-10/Koli Road TI Study Virtual Public Hearing Recording \(Spanish\)](#)
- [I-10/Koli Road TI Study Fact Sheet Handout \(English\)](#)
- [I-10/Koli Road TI Study Fact Sheet Handout \(Spanish\)](#)

Comment on the Draft EA and DM

Submit your comments on the I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange Study draft EA and DM from July 14, 2025, through Aug. 13, 2025. All comments received during the public comment period will be documented and responded to in the I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange Study Final EA and DM. All comment methods are considered equal.

Provide written/verbal comments at the virtual public hearing.

- Online through our [comment form](#)
- Call: 602.522.7777
- Email: koliroad@adot.gov
- Mail:
I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange Study Office
7730 W. Fairview St.,
Chandler, AZ 85226

Virtual Public Hearing


A virtual public hearing will be held to provide an overview of the draft EA and DM, share ADOT's preliminary recommendation and accept public comments. The public hearing presentation and materials will also be available on the website.

Wednesday, July 23, 2025 | 5:00 – 7 p.m.
Call-In/Online through Zoom

English
Online: bit.ly/2GwHrH9 | Phone: +1 946.876.9022
Webinar ID: 928 4580 2660
Passcode: KoliRoad or 70876886



Spanish
Online (English): bit.ly/2GwHrH9 | Teléfono: +1 946.876.9022
Número de Reunión (Código de acceso): 928 4580 2660
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In-person Public Hearing Sign-in Sheets


 I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange Study Public Hearing July 2025						Whirlwind Golf Club Shields Building 5692 W North Loop Rd, Chandler, AZ 85226 Tuesday, July 29, 2025 5:30 - 7 p.m.	
SIGN-IN SHEET (HOJA DE REGISTRO)							
Name (Nombre)	Organization, if applicable (Organización, es aplicable)	Address, City, Zipcode (Domicilio, Ciudad, Código Postal)	Phone Number (Número de teléfono)	Email (Correo Electrónico)	Add me to your email list (Agrégame a tu listade correo electrónico)	YES (SI)	NO
1. Lucinda Hendricks	DS	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	YES (SI)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO
2. Antonell Ayta		[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	YES (SI)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO
3. Javier Ramos	DEC	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	YES (SI)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO
4. Robert Stone		[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	YES (SI)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO
5. Jeff Huto	GRPD	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	YES (SI)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO
6. Dana Sanders	DA	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	YES (SI)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO
7. Michelle Bernal-Sanders	DA	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	YES (SI)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO
8. Cecil Antone		[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	YES (SI)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO
9. Steve Johnson	GRICDOT	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	YES (SI)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO
10. Kyle Mercad	GRD	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	YES (SI)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO

Completion of this sign-in sheet is voluntary and helps the study team keep an accurate record of meeting attendance. Under state law, any identifying information provided above will become part of the public record and, as such, must be released to any individual upon request.

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1. Amber Pabio	Koli Equestrian Center	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	YES (SI)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO
2. Chuck Pabio	Koli Equestrian Center	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	YES (SI)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO
3. Dwayne Badriz	Dept of Trans	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	YES (SI)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO
4.		[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	YES (SI)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO
5.		[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	YES (SI)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO
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8.		[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	YES (SI)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO
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1. <i>Patricia Wsten</i>	<i>GRD</i>				YES (SI) NO
2. <i>MEL SANDERSON</i>					YES (SI) NO
3.					YES (SI) NO
4.					YES (SI) NO
5.					YES (SI) NO
6.					YES (SI) NO
7.					YES (SI) NO
8.					YES (SI) NO
9.					YES (SI) NO
10.					YES (SI) NO

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Appendix B:

Public Hearings Materials

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Public Hearing Materials

Display Boards (English and Spanish)

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I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange Study

Public Hearing Format



5:30 to 6:00 p.m.

Open House

- View display boards, exhibits, and videos at your own pace.
- Ask study team members questions.



6:00 to 6:30 p.m.

Formal Public Hearing

- Formal presentation.



6:30 to 7:00 p.m.

Formal Comment Period and Open House

- Provide public verbal comments at the microphone.
- Provide private verbal comments to a court reporter.
- Provide written comments on the written or online comment forms.



Estudio de intercambio de tráfico I-10/Koli Road

Formato de la audiencia pública



5:30 to 6:00 p.m.

Audiencia pública

- Vea los paneles informativos, exhibiciones y videos a su propio ritmo.
- Haz preguntas a los miembros del equipo de estudio.



6:00 to 6:30 p.m.

Audiencia pública formal

- Presentación formal.



6:30 to 7:00 p.m.

Periodo de comentarios formales y audiencia pública

- Proporcionar comentarios verbales públicos en el micrófono.
- Proporcionar comentarios verbales privados a un reportero judicial.
- Proporcionar comentarios escritos en los formularios de comentarios escritos o en línea.



I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange Study

Public Hearing Ground Rules

Formal Public Hearing/Comment Area

- Please remain quiet and leave the area for side conversations.
- Please do not interrupt speakers.

Open House Area

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

Tonight's Agenda

1. Project overview and study area
2. Environmental process, NEPA requirements, purpose and need
3. Alternative selection process
4. Funding
5. Next steps and implementation
6. Formal public comment period



Estudio de intercambio de tráfico I-10/Koli Road

Reglas de la audiencia pública

Área de audiencia pública formal/ comentarios

- Por favor, mantengan el silencio y salgan del área para conversaciones laterales.
- Por favor, no interrumpa a los oradores.

Área de audiencia pública

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

La agenda de esta noche

1. Descripción del proyecto y área de estudio
2. Proceso Ambiental, Requisitos de NEPA y propósito y necesidad
3. Proceso de selección alternativa
4. Financiación
5. Próximos pasos e implementación
6. Período formal de comentarios públicos



I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange Study

How to Provide Verbal Formal Comments



Speak at the microphone in the public forum following the presentation.



Speak privately to a court reporter at the comment station.

- Speak clearly so the court reporter can record your comment.
- State your first name and last name.
- State your comment.

All formal verbal comments will become part of the study record.



Estudio de intercambio de tráfico I-10/Koli Road

Cómo proporcionar comentarios formales verbales



Hable en el micrófono en el foro público después de la presentación.



Hable en privado con un reportero judicial en la estación de comentarios.

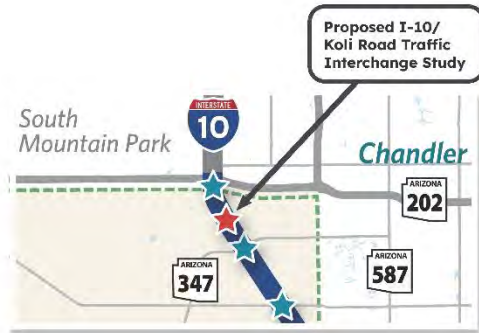
- Hable con claridad para que el reportero judicial pueda registrar su comentario.
- Indique su nombre y apellido.
- Indique su comentario.

Todos los comentarios verbales formales se convertirán en parte del registro del estudio.



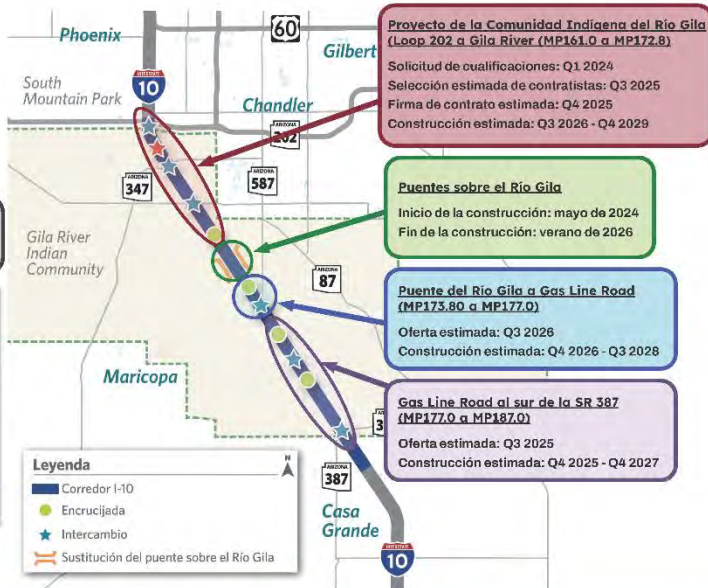
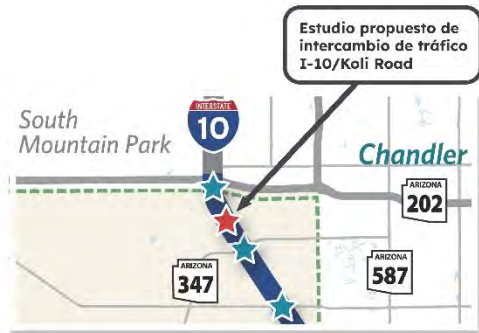
I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange Study

I-10 Wild Horse Pass Corridor



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Corredor I-10 Wild Horse Pass





I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange Study

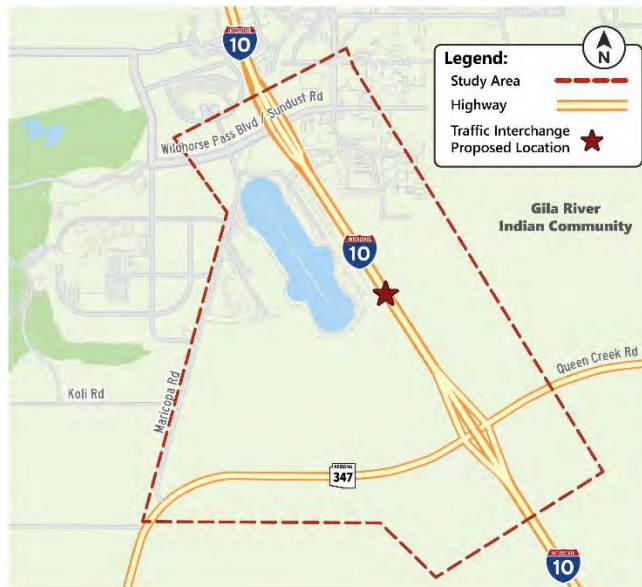
Study Area

Study Focus

Proposed new traffic interchange along I-10 between the existing Wild Horse Pass Boulevard and State Route 347/Queen Creek Road TIs.

Study Limits

Just north of the Wild Horse Pass Blvd Traffic Interchange, extends south of Queen Creek Road/SR 347, about half a mile east of I-10, and continues west to Maricopa Road.



Estudio de intercambio de tráfico I-10/Koli Road

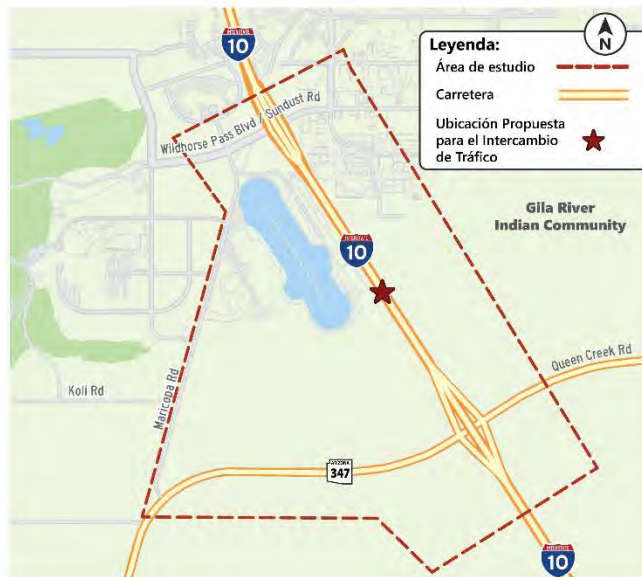
Área de estudio

Enfoque del estudio

Propuesta de nuevo intercambio de tráfico a lo largo de la I-10 entre el bulevar Wild Horse Pass y los tramos de intersección de la ruta estatal 347/Queen Creek Road.

Límites del estudio

Justo al norte del cruce de tráfico de Wild Horse Pass Blvd, se extiende al sur de Queen Creek Road/SR 347, aproximadamente media milla al este de la I-10, y continúa al oeste hasta Maricopa Road.





I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange Study

Purpose and Need

The purpose of the proposed I-10/Koli Road TI is to:



Provide efficient access to the Community to and from I-10.



Improve emergency vehicle response times from the Community Fire Station on Maricopa Road.



Improve traffic management on I-10 during incidents.



Accommodate growth in visitor population and employment.

The proposed I-10/Koli Road TI is needed to address:



Less than efficient access to Community land.



Inadequate emergency vehicle response times during special events.



Substantial traffic management issues on I-10 during incidents.



Substantial visitor population and employment growth as the Wild Horse Pass area is developed.



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Propósito y necesidad

El propósito del intercambio I-10/Koli Rd propuesto es:



Proporcionar acceso eficiente a la Comunidad desde y hacia la I-10.



Mejorar los tiempos de respuesta de los vehículos de emergencia desde la Estación de Bomberos Comunitaria en Maricopa Road.



Mejorar la gestión del tráfico en la I-10 durante incidentes.



Acomodar el crecimiento de la población de visitantes y el empleo.

El intercambio I-10/Koli Road propuesto es necesario para abordar:



Acceso menos eficiente a la tierra comunitaria



Tiempos de respuesta inadecuados de vehículos de emergencia durante eventos especiales.



Problemas sustanciales de gestión del tráfico en la I-10 durante incidentes.



Crecimiento sustancial de la población de visitantes y del empleo a medida que se desarrolle el área de Wild Horse Pass.



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NEPA Requirements

- The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requires agencies to analyze and disclose adverse environmental impacts and potential mitigation.
- NEPA requires that applicable federal agencies review a project's impacts and potential mitigation measures documented during the NEPA process.
- An Environmental Assessment (EA) is the NEPA-level document being prepared to evaluate the potential impacts of the I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange project.
- The EA describes the need for the proposed action, alternatives developed for the proposed action, and the environmental impacts of the Recommended Build Alternative and the No-Build Alternative.

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 U.S.C. 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated June 25, 2024, and executed by the Federal Highway Administration and ADOT.



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Requisitos de NEPA

- La Ley Nacional de Política Ambiental (NEPA) exige que las agencias analicen y divulguen los impactos ambientales adversos y sus posibles medidas de mitigación.
- La NEPA exige que las agencias federales pertinentes revisen los impactos de un proyecto y las posibles medidas de mitigación documentadas durante el proceso de la NEPA.
- Una Evaluación Ambiental (EA) es el documento a nivel de NEPA que se está preparando para evaluar los posibles impactos del proyecto de Intercambio de Tráfico I-10/Koli Road.
- El EA describe la necesidad de la acción propuesta, las alternativas desarrolladas para la acción propuesta y los impactos ambientales de la Alternativa de Construcción Recomendada y la Alternativa de No Construir.

Divulgación de NEPA

La revisión ambiental, la consulta y otras acciones requeridas por las leyes ambientales federales aplicables para este proyecto están siendo realizadas o han sido realizadas por ADOT de conformidad con 23 U.S.C. 327 y un Memorando de Entendimiento con fecha del 25 de junio de 2024 y ejecutado por la Administración Federal de Carreteras y ADOT.



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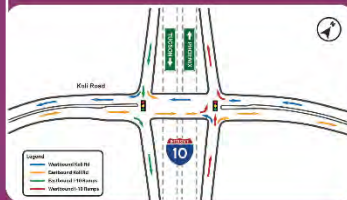
Alternatives Evaluated

The study team evaluated alternatives that met the project's purpose while minimizing impacts. After screening, two build options, a Diamond Interchange and a Diverging Diamond Interchange, and a No-Build option were chosen for further study.

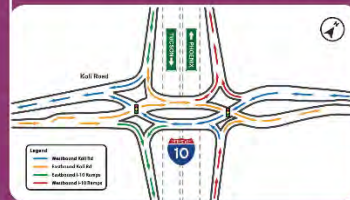
No-Build

- No improvements are made.
- Maintenance only.
- Baseline for comparison.

Diamond Interchange



Diverging Diamond Interchange (DDI)



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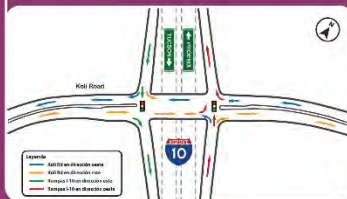
Alternativas Evaluadas

El equipo de estudio evaluó alternativas que cumplieran con el propósito del proyecto y minimizaban los impactos. Tras la evaluación, se eligieron dos opciones de construcción: un Intercambio de Diamantes, un Intercambio de Diamantes Divergente, así como una opción de No Construir para un estudio más detallado.

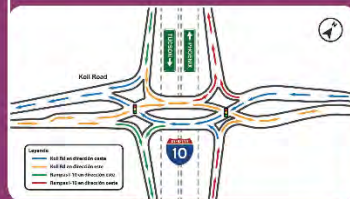
No Construir

- No se realizan mejoras.
- Solo mantenimiento.
- Base de comparación.

Intercambio de diamante



Intercambio de diamante divergente (DDI)





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What is the No-Build Alternative?

- The No-Build Alternative represents the existing transportation system with ongoing maintenance.
- 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 alternatives.



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¿Qué es la Alternativa de No Construir?

- La Alternativa de No Construir representa el sistema de transporte existente con mantenimiento continuo.
- La Alternativa de No Construir proporciona una base contra la cual se pueden medir los impactos sociales, ambientales y económicos.
- La Alternativa de No Construir se utiliza como una referencia, o un punto de comparación, para evaluar la alternativa de construcción.

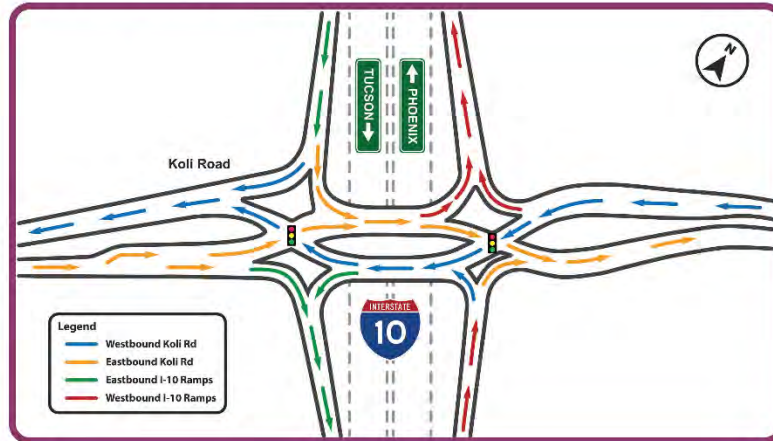


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Recommended Build Alternative (RBA)

Diverging Diamond Interchange (DDI)

ADOT, with input from the Gila River Indian Community, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Federal Highway Administration, Maricopa Association of Governments, stakeholders and the public, has selected the Diverging Diamond Interchange as Recommended Build Alternative (RBA) for the Koli Road TI. Refer to the published Environmental Assessment for in-depth detail about the RBA.

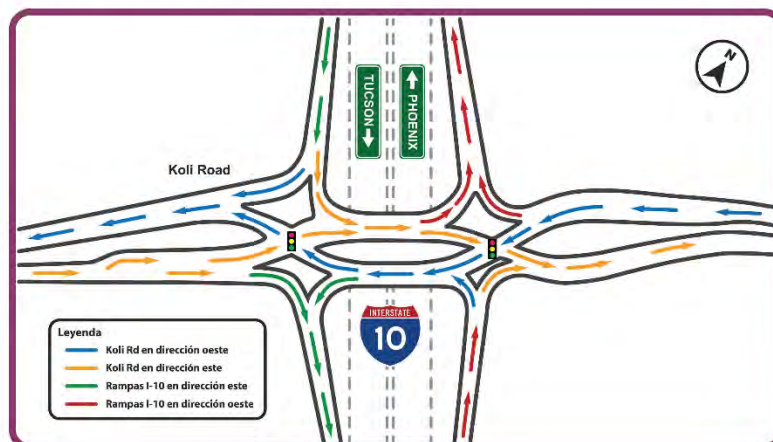


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Alternativa de Construcción Recomendada (RBA)

Intercambio de Diamante Divergente (DDI)

ADOT, con la participación de la Comunidad Indígena del Río Gila, la Oficina de Asuntos Indígenas, la Administración Federal de Carreteras, la Asociación de Gobiernos de Maricopa, las partes interesadas y el público, ha seleccionado el Intercambio de Diamante Divergente como Alternativa de Construcción Recomendada (RBA) para el intercambio de tráfico Koli Road. Consulte la Evaluación Ambiental publicada para obtener información detallada sobre la RBA.

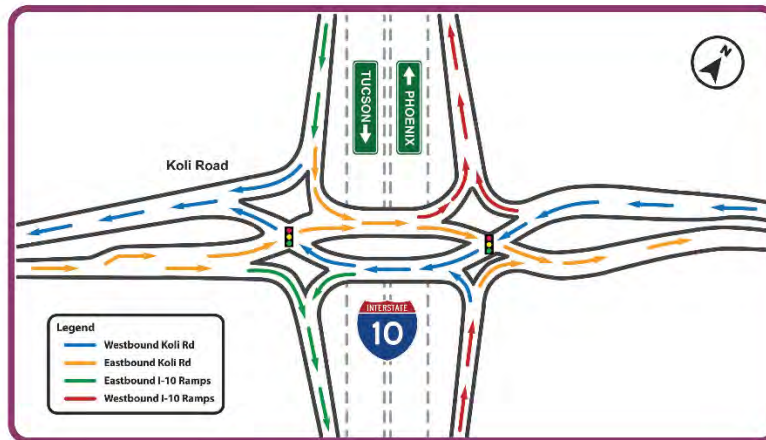




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How a DDI works:

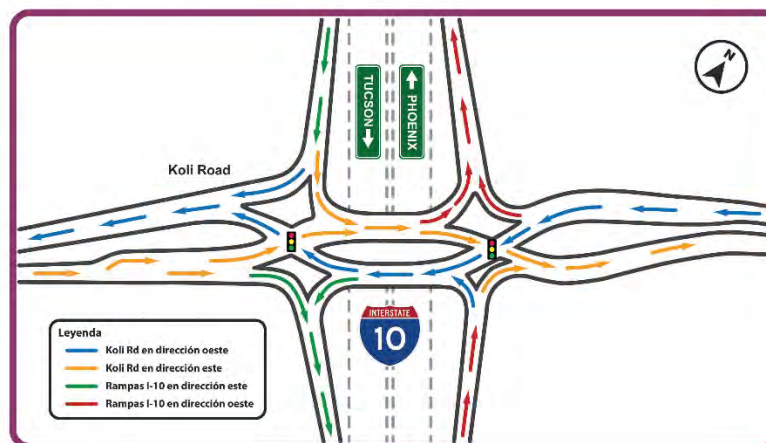
Scan the QR code to watch a video on how the DDI works



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Cómo funciona una DDI:

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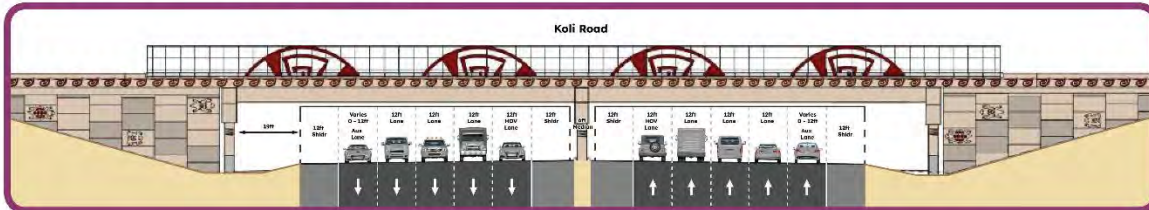




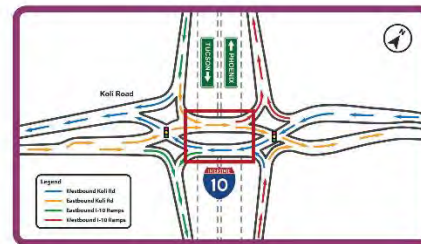
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Recommended Build Alternative (RBA)

Proposed Bridge Over I-10



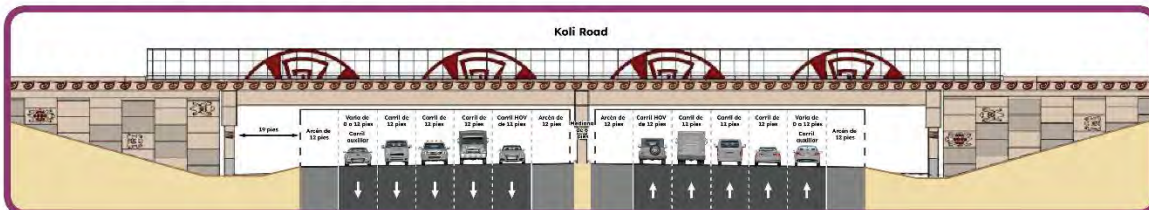
The proposed Koli Road Bridge would have two spans over I-10 and be constructed with precast, prestressed concrete girders.



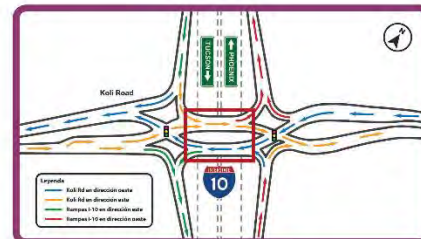
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Alternativa de Construcción Recomendada (RBA)

Puente propuesto sobre la I-10



El puente propuesto para Koli Road tendría dos tramos sobre la I-10 y se construiría con vigas de hormigón pretensado y prefabricado.

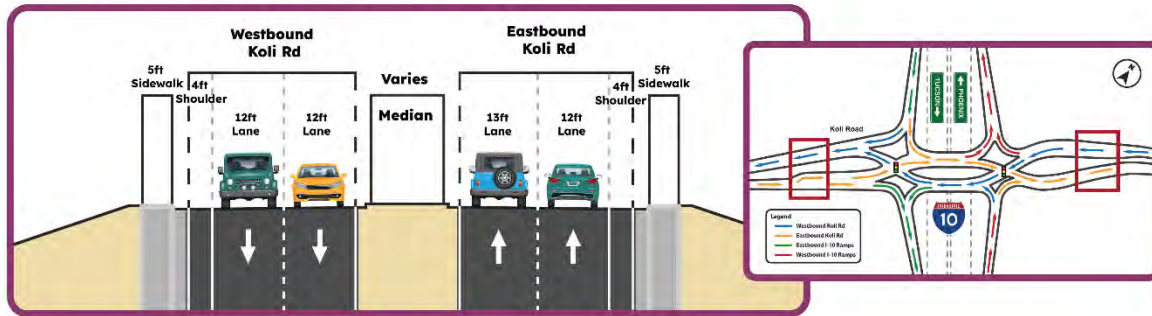




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Recommended Build Alternative (RBA)

Local Road Typical Section



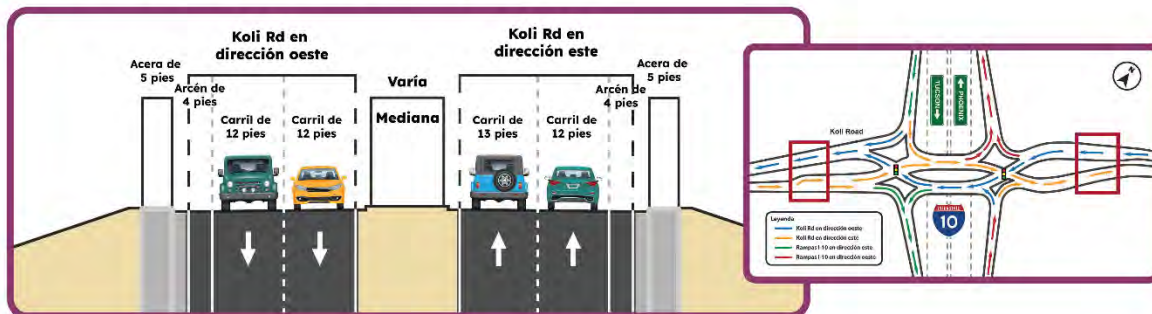
The Community will construct the local road extensions, connecting the traffic interchange to Maricopa and Kyrene roads in the future.



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Alternativa de Construcción Recomendada (RBA)

Sección Típica de Carretera Local



La Comunidad construirá las extensiones de las carreteras locales, conectando el intercambiador de tráfico con las carreteras Maricopa y Kyrene en el futuro.

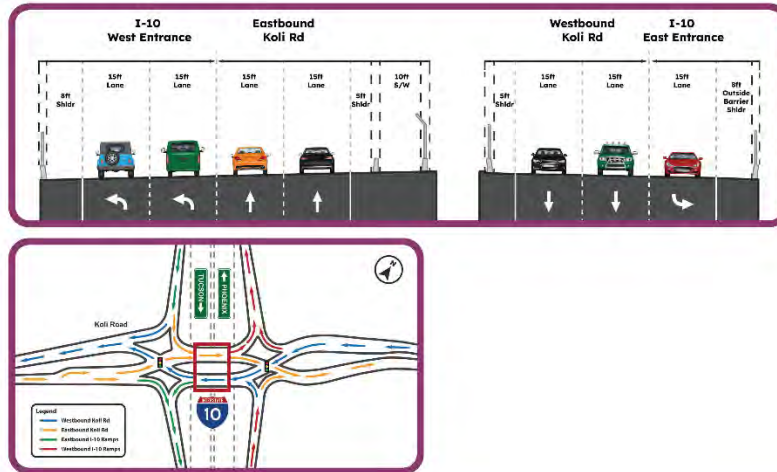


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Recommended Build Alternative (RBA)

Typical Section Along Proposed Bridge

- The **eastbound bridge** includes barriers, shoulders, two left-turn lanes to westbound I-10 toward Phoenix, two thru lanes, and a sidewalk.
- The **westbound bridge** includes barriers, shoulders, one left-turn lane to eastbound I-10 toward Tucson, and two thru lanes.

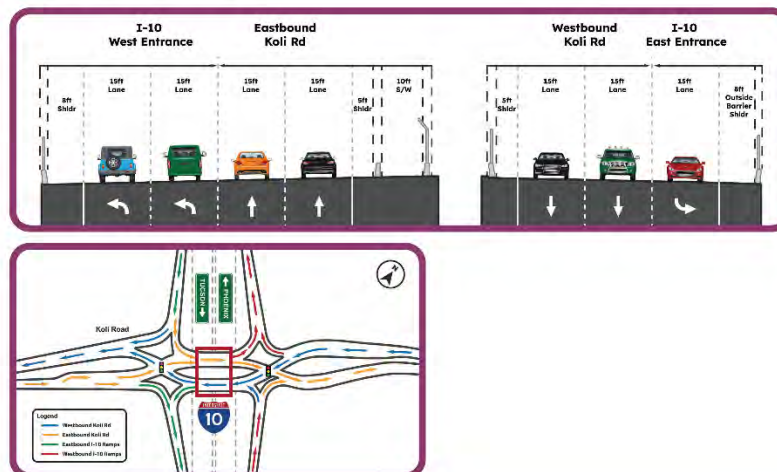


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Aesthetics of the Bridge

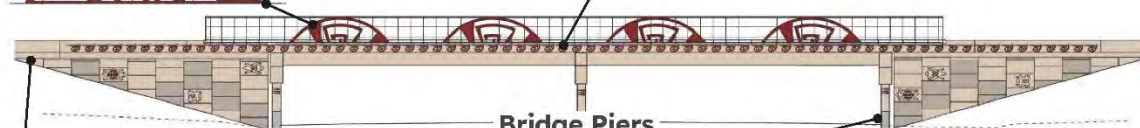
Bridge Fences

Basket Pattern



Bridge Barriers

Flowing River Pattern



Retaining Wall

River Rock, Sand and Animal Patterns



Bridge Piers

Flag Pattern



ADOT worked with Gila River Indian Community artists to develop a plan for aesthetics in the overall corridor. The bridges will be painted in ADOT Standard Tan. The accent and details will be painted in Hohokam Pottery Red.



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Estética del puente

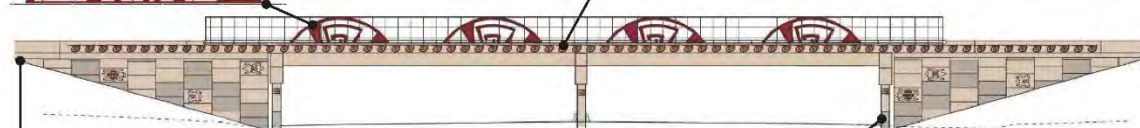
Cercas de puente

Patrón de cesta



Barreras del puente

Patrón de río que fluye



Muro de contención

Rocas de río, arena y patrones de animales



Pilones del puente

Patrón de bandera



ADOT colaboró con artistas de la Comunidad Indígena del Río Gila para desarrollar un plan estético para todo el corredor. Los puentes se pintarán en color bronceado estándar de ADOT. Los detalles decorativos se pintarán en rojo cerámica Hohokam.

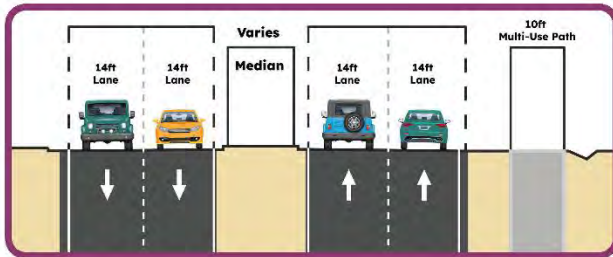


I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange Study

Wild Horse Pass: Koli Road Traffic Interchange Location Study

- This independent study evaluated the alternative alignments to connect with the proposed I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange.
- The W-02 alternative west of I-10 is recommended for future consideration because it meets the study's criteria and follows the existing grid patterns throughout the surrounding area. W-02 accommodates future development and facilitates driver awareness of naming conventions.

Date: February 1, 2024 **Prepared for:** Gila River Development Authority

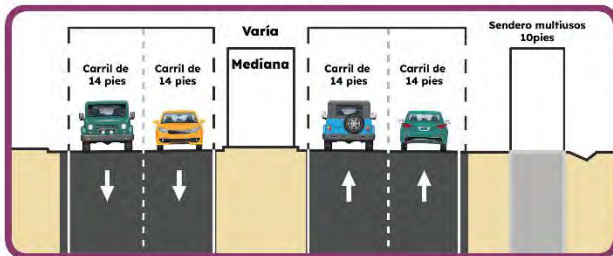


Estudio de intercambio de tráfico I-10/Koli Road

Wild Horse Pass: Estudio de ubicación del intercambio de tráfico de Koli Road

- Este estudio independiente evaluó las alineaciones alternativas para conectar con el propuesto intercambio de tráfico I-10/Koli Road.
- La alternativa W-02 al oeste de la I-10 se recomienda para consideración futura porque cumple los criterios del estudio y sigue los patrones de cuadrícula existentes en toda la zona circundante. W-02 acomoda el desarrollo futuro y facilita la concienciación de los conductores sobre las convenciones de nombres.

Fecha: 1 de febrero de 2024 **Preparado para:** Autoridad de Desarrollo del Río Gila





I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange Study

Environmental Findings

No Significant Environmental Impacts (Identified to Date)

Cultural Resources:

- No cultural resources located in the project footprint/area of disturbance.

Biological Resources:

- Permanent disturbance of 15 acres of Sonoran Desert scrub habitat would affect foraging, breeding, or dispersal habitat for some species.
- Species, including monarch butterflies, western burrowing owls, migratory birds, and some Community Focal Species, if present, could be affected during construction; most would avoid the area in favor of nearby similar habitat.
- Mitigation is in place to prevent or reduce potential harm to monarch butterflies, burrowing owls, and migratory birds.
- Species impacts are anticipated to be minor because the habitat is low in plant variety and density, so wildlife use is limited.



Estudio de intercambio de tráfico I-10/Koli Road

Hallazgos Ambientales

Ningún impacto ambiental significativo (identificados hasta la fecha)

Recursos culturales:

- No se encontraron recursos culturales en el área de disturbio del proyecto.

Recursos biológicos:

- Una perturbación permanente de 15 acres de hábitat de matorrales del desierto de Sonora afectaría el hábitat de forrajeo, reproducción o dispersión para algunas especies.
- Especies, incluyendo mariposas monarca, búhos de madriguera del oeste, aves migratorias y algunas especies focales de la comunidad, si están presentes, podrían verse afectadas durante la construcción; la mayoría evitaría el área en favor de hábitats similares cercanos.
- Se están implementando medidas para prevenir o reducir el daño potencial a las mariposas monarca, los búhos de madriguera y las aves migratorias.
- Se anticipa que los impactos sobre las especies serán menores porque el hábitat tiene baja variedad y densidad de plantas, por lo que el uso por la vida silvestre es limitado.





I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange Study

Environmental Findings

No Significant Environmental Impacts (Identified to Date)

Water Resources:

- No washes considered waters of the U.S.
- Stormwater runoff could affect waters downstream of the project, but measures are in place to protect water quality.
- No impacts to irrigation ditches, the Gila Drain or Community-owned wells.

Air Quality:

- Study indicates no adverse effects to air quality from the project.
- Anticipate FHWA providing air quality conformity sometime after the public hearing.
- No adverse impacts related to other environmental resource areas and categories analyzed, e.g., noise, hazardous materials, traffic, visual resources.



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Hallazgos Ambientales

Ningún impacto ambiental significativo (identificados hasta la fecha)

Recursos hídricos:

- Ningún arroyo está en aguas estadounidenses.
- El escorrenia de aguas pluviales podría afectar las aguas río abajo del proyecto, pero se han implementado medidas para proteger la calidad del agua.
- No hay impactos en las acequias de riego, el Drenaje Gila o los pozos de propiedad comunitaria.

Calidad del aire:

- El estudio indica que no hay efectos adversos en la calidad del aire debido al proyecto.
- Se anticipa que la FHWA proporcionará conformidad de calidad del aire después de la audiencia pública.
- No hay impactos adversos relacionados con otras categorías ambientales analizadas, por ejemplo, ruido, materiales peligrosos, tráfico, recursos visuales.





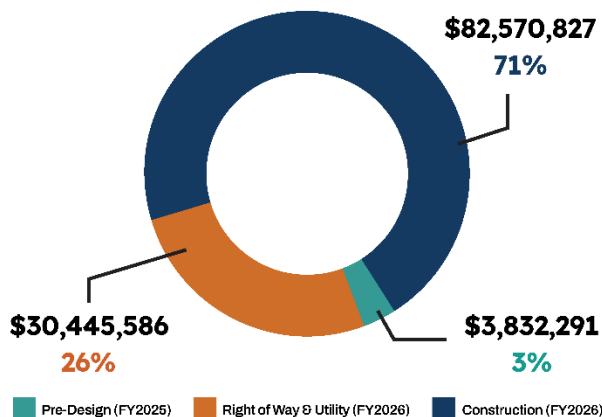
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Anticipated Funding

If a Build Alternative is selected, the **Maricopa Association of Governments** will fund Right of Way, Utility Relocation and Construction of the Koli Road Traffic Interchange in the anticipated years of expenditure, FY25-26. The program budget is shown below.

» Pre-Design was funded in FY2024-2025

» Right of Way & Utility and Construction are budgeted for FY2025-2026



Koli Road Funding (FY2025-2027) Source: FY 2025-2030 TIP Program



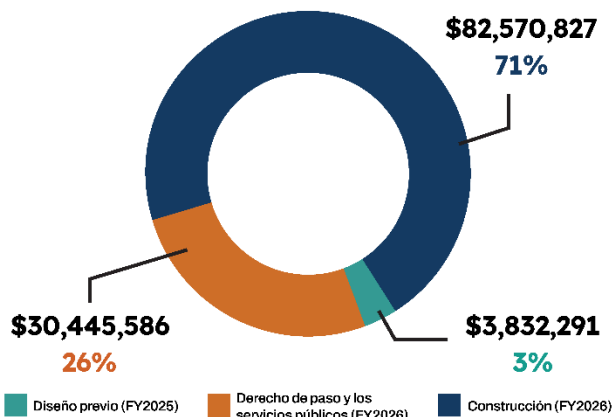
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Financiación anticipada

Si se selecciona una Alternativa de Construcción, la Asociación de Gobiernos de Maricopa financiará la adquisición de derechos de paso, reubicación de servicios públicos y construcción del intercambio de tráfico de Koli Road en los años previstos de gasto, FY25-26. El presupuesto del programa se muestra a continuación.

» El diseño previo se financió en el año fiscal 2024-2025

» El derecho de paso, los servicios públicos y la construcción están presupuestados para el año fiscal 2025-2026.



Koli Road Funding (FY2025-2027) Source: FY 2025-2030 TIP Program



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Next Steps

Following the close of our comment period on Aug. 13, 2025, the study team will review, evaluate, and respond to all comments from the partner agencies and the public.

ADOT, in cooperation with the Gila River Indian Community, Maricopa Association of Governments, and the Federal Highway Administration, will then select a final alternative.

This selection, combined with the input during the public comment period, will be documented in the final EA, NEPA decision, and DM documents.



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Próximos pasos

Tras el cierre del período de comentarios el 13 de agosto de 2025, el equipo de estudio revisará, evaluará y responderá a todos los comentarios de las agencias asociadas y del público.

ADOT, en cooperación con la Comunidad Indígena del Río Gila y la Oficina de Asuntos Indígenas, seleccionará una alternativa final.

Esta selección, combinada con la información del período de comentarios del público, se documentará en un EA final y en documentos de DM.





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How to submit comments at the public meeting:

- Formal public verbal comments documented by a court reporter.
- Formal private verbal comments directly to a court reporter.
- Written comments submitted on the comment form.

How to submit comments after the public hearing:



Email:
koliroad@azdot.gov



Visit the website and leave a comment: azdot.gov/koliroad



Call bilingual project information line:
855.712.8530



USPS Mail:
I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange Study Office
7130 W. Fairview St.
Chandler, AZ 85226

Formal Public Comment Period ends Aug. 13, 2025



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Cómo enviar comentarios en la reunión pública:

- Comentarios verbales públicos formales documentados por un reportero judicial.
- Comentarios verbales privados formales directamente a un reportero judicial.
- Comentarios escritos presentados en el formulario de comentarios.

Cómo presentar comentarios después de la audiencia pública:



Correo electrónico:
koliroad@azdot.gov



Visita el sitio web y deja un comentario: azdot.gov/koliroad



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El período de comentarios públicos formales finaliza el 13 de agosto de 2025

Fact Sheet (English and Spanish)

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 I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange 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.

If approved, is there funding for construction?

If a Build Alternative is selected, the Maricopa Association of Governments will fund right of way, utility relocation and construction of the Koli Road Traffic Interchange in the anticipated years of expenditure, FY2025-2026. Pre-Design was funded in FY2024-2025. Right of way and utility, and construction are budgeted for FY2025-2026.

- **Pre-Design:** \$3,832,291
- **Right of Way and Utility:** \$30,445,586
- **Construction:** \$82,570,827

When do you anticipate construction to start?

If a Build Alternative is selected, construction of the I-10 Koli Road Traffic Interchange is anticipated to begin in late 2026.

What are the proposed improvements?

The proposed improvements include the construction of a new traffic interchange located on I-10 between the existing Wild Horse Pass Boulevard and State Route 347/Queen Creek Road traffic interchanges. The Gila River Indian Community is experiencing significant growth. Currently, access to and from I-10 is limited, leading to inefficient and indirect travel routes. This project aims to improve these connections, thereby supporting and fostering planned regional growth.

Are you anticipating right-of-way acquisitions for the Recommended Build Alternative?

If a Build Alternative is selected, some right of way acquisition may be necessary.

Environmental Statement

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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 Memorandum de Acuerdo con fecha del 25 de junio de 2024 y se han realizado por FHWA y ADOT.

Title VI Statement

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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 Marcy McMacken al 855.712.8530 o por correo electrónico al mmmcmacken@azdot.gov. Las solicitudes deben hacerse lo más antes posible para asegurar que el Estado tenga la oportunidad de hacer los arreglos necesarios.



I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange Study

Welcome to the Public Hearing

Study Background

The Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT), as the lead agency and project sponsor, in collaboration with the Gila River Indian Community (Community), the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), and the Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG), is preparing an Environmental Assessment (EA) and Design Memo (DM) for the proposed Interstate 10 (I-10)/Koli Road Traffic Interchange. The proposed I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange would be located on I-10 between the existing Wild Horse Pass Boulevard/Sundust Road and State Route 347/Queen Creek Road traffic interchanges.

The draft EA considers and assesses alternatives for the traffic interchange, including a no-build alternative. Some considerations analyzed in-depth in the draft EA include the proposed project's impacts on cultural resources, biological resources, water quality, recreational resources, noise impacts and air quality, as well as other social, economic, and environmental impacts.

Public scoping was the first step of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) environmental study process. The scoping and alternatives process provided the opportunity for the Community and the general public to educate the study team about the I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange study area, as well as share concerns about modifying I-10 to incorporate a traffic interchange at approximately Koli Road.

The next step in the study process is an I-10/Koli Rd Traffic Interchange Study Public Hearing.

Comment on the Draft EA and DM

Submit your comments on the I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange Study draft EA and DM from **July 14, 2025, through Aug. 13, 2025**. All comments received during the public comment period will be documented and responded to in the I-10 Koli Road Traffic Interchange Study Final EA and DM. All comment methods are considered equal.



Provide written/verbal comments at the in-person or virtual public hearing.

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Call: 602.522.7777

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Mail: I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange Study Office
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Public Hearing/Open House

An in-person public hearing and a virtual public hearing will be held to provide an overview of the draft EA and DM, share ADOT's preliminary recommendation and accept public comment. The public hearing presentation and materials can also be viewed on the study website at azdot.gov/koliroad.

You Are Invited to Participate

1. **In-Person Public Hearing for the Gila River Indian Community** | Tuesday, July 29, 2025 | 5:30 – 7 p.m.
Whirlwind Golf Club at Wild Horse Pass Sheldie Building, 5692 W. North Loop Rd., Chandler, AZ 85226

2. **Virtual Public Hearing** | Wednesday, July 30, 2025 | 5:30 – 7 p.m.
Call-in/Online through Zoom



English

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In-Person Agenda:

5:30 – 6 p.m.	Open House
6 – 6:30 p.m.	Presentation
6:30 – 7 p.m.	Formal Public Comments/Open House

Virtual Agenda:

5:30 p.m.	Formal Presentation
6 p.m.	Q&A
6:15 – 7 p.m.	Formal Public Comments

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.

Open House Area

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

Formal Public Comment Area

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

Verbal comments: Following the presentation and question and answer session, members of the public will be allowed to make formal verbal comments in the presentation area. These will be recorded and included in the project record. Additionally, formal verbal comments may be provided to a court reporter privately at the marked location in the meeting area.

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 or by using the online comment form at azdot.gov/koliroad. Written comments can also be submitted in lieu of a formal verbal statement.

Draft EA and DM Available for Public Review and Comment

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Printed copies of the draft EA and DM can be reviewed at the repository locations listed below. In addition, the documents are available for viewing or download from the study website at azdot.gov/koliroad. Select technical reports associated with the draft EA will be available upon request. Please email koliroad@azdot.gov or call 602.522.7777 to make a request.

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FAQs

What is an Environmental Assessment?

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What is a Design Memo?

In conjunction with the EA, which focuses on environmental factors, a Design Memo (DM) 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, 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.

FAQs continue on back →

¿Qué es una Alternativa de No Construir?

La Alternativa de No Construir se utiliza como una referencia, o un punto de comparación, para evaluar la(s) alternativa(s) de construcción. La Alternativa de No Construir proporciona al equipo de estudio de intercambio de tráfico I-10/Koli Road una base contra la cual se pueden medir los impactos sociales, ambientales y económicos. La alternativa de no construir representa el sistema de transporte existente con el mantenimiento continuo y cualquier proyecto de mejora que haya sido previamente programado para su construcción.

Si se aprueba, ¿hay financiación para la construcción?

Si se selecciona una Alternativa de Construcción, la Asociación de Gobiernos de Maricopa financiará la adquisición de derechos de paso, reubicación de servicios públicos y construcción del intercambio de tráfico de Koli Road en los años previstos de gasto, FY25-26. El presupuesto del programa se muestra a continuación. El diseño previo se financió en el año fiscal 2024-2025. El derecho de paso, los servicios públicos y la construcción están presupuestados para el año fiscal 2025-2026.

- Diseño previo: \$3,832,291
- Derecho de paso y los servicios públicos: \$30,445,586
- Construcción: \$82,570,827

¿Cuándo anticipas que comenzará la construcción?

Si se selecciona una Alternativa de Construcción, se anticipa que la construcción del Intercambio de tráfico I-10 Koli Road comience a finales de 2026.

¿Cuáles son las mejoras propuestas?

Las mejoras propuestas incluyen la construcción de un nuevo intercambio de tráfico situado en la I-10 entre los intercambios de tráfico existentes de Wild Horse Pass Boulevard y State Route 347/Queen Creek Road. La Comunidad Indígena del Río Gila está experimentando un crecimiento significativo. Actualmente, el acceso a y desde la I-10 es limitado, lo que conduce a rutas de viaje ineficientes e indirectas. Este proyecto pretende mejorar estas conexiones, apoyando y fomentando así el crecimiento regional previsto.

¿Estás anticipando adquisiciones de derecho de paso para la Alternativa de Construcción Recomendada?

Si se selecciona una alternativa de construcción, puede ser necesaria la adquisición de algunos derechos de paso.

Declaración Ambiental

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 June 25, 2024 and executed by FHWA and ADOT.

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 Memorandum of Understanding con fecha del 25 de junio de 2024 y se han realizado por FHWA y ADOT.

Declaración del Título VI

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Estudio de intercambio de tráfico I-10/Koli Road

Bienvenido a la audiencia pública

Antecedentes del Estudio

El Departamento de Transporte de Arizona (ADOT), como agencia principal y patrocinador del proyecto, en colaboración con la Comunidad Indígena del Río Gila (Comunidad), la Oficina de Asuntos Indígenas (BIA) y la Asociación de Gobiernos de Maricopa (MAG), está preparando una Evaluación Ambiental (EA) y un Memorando de Diseño (DM) para el proyecto Intercambio de Tráfico de la Interestatal 10 (I-10)/Koli Road. El intercambio de tráfico I-10/Koli Road propuesto estaría situado en la I-10 entre los intercambios de tráfico existentes de Wild Horse Pass Boulevard/Sundust Road y State Route 347/Queen Creek Road.

El borrador de la Evaluación Ambiental (EA) considera y evalúa alternativas para el intercambio de tráfico, incluyendo una alternativa de no construcción. Algunas consideraciones analizadas en profundidad en el borrador de la EA incluyen los impactos del proyecto propuesto en los recursos culturales, los recursos biológicos, la calidad del agua, los recursos recreativos, los impactos sonoros y la calidad del aire, así como otros impactos sociales, económicos y ambientales.

La recopilación pública fue el primer paso del proceso de estudio ambiental de la Ley Nacional de Política Ambiental (NEPA). El proceso de recopilación y alternativas brindó la oportunidad a la comunidad y al público en general de educar al equipo de estudio sobre el área de estudio del intercambio de tráfico I-10/Koli Road, así como de compartir preocupaciones sobre la modificación de la I-10 para incorporar un intercambio de tráfico aproximadamente en Koli Road.

El siguiente paso en el proceso de estudio es una audiencia pública sobre el Estudio de Intercambio de Tráfico de I-10/Koli Rd.

Comenta sobre el borrador de la EA y DM

Envíe sus comentarios sobre el borrador del Estudio de Evaluación Ambiental (EA) y el Documento de Mitigación (DM) del Intercambio de Tráfico I-10/Koli entre el 14 de julio de 2025 y el 13 de agosto de 2025. Todos los comentarios recibidos durante el periodo de comentarios públicos serán documentados y respondidos en el Estudio de Evaluación Ambiental Final y el Documento de Mitigación del Intercambio de Tráfico I-10/Koli. Todos los métodos de presentación de comentarios son considerados equivalentes.



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Audiencia pública/reunión pública

Se llevará a cabo una audiencia pública en persona y una audiencia pública virtual para proporcionar una visión general del borrador del EA y DM, compartir la recomendación preliminar de ADOT y aceptar comentarios del público. La presentación de la audiencia pública y los materiales también se pueden ver en el sitio web del estudio en azdot.gov/koliroad.

Se le invita a participar

1. Audiencia pública en persona para la Comunidad Indígena del Río Gila

martes, 29 de julio de 2025 | 5:30 – 7 p.m.
Whirlwind Club de Golf en Wild Horse Pass Edificio Sheldie
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Unirse a la reunión

2. Audiencia pública virtual | miércoles, 30 de julio de 2025 | 5:30 – 7 p.m.

Llamada/En línea a través de Zoom

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Agenda en persona		Agenda virtual	
5:30 – 6 p.m.	Reunión pública	5:30 p.m.	Presentación formal
6 – 6:30 p.m.	Presentación	6 p.m.	Preguntas y Respuestas
6:30 – 7 p.m.	Comentarios Públicos Formales	6:15 – 7 p.m.	Comentarios Públicos Formales

Reglas Básicas de la Audiencia Pública

El respeto mutuo y la cortesía son los principios rectores de la audiencia. Pedimos que sigan las normas fundamentales que se enumeran a continuación para que todos se sientan bienvenidos, cómodos y tengan la oportunidad de participar y proporcionar comentarios.

Área de reunión pública

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

Área de comentario público formal

Por favor, mantenga el silencio y apague los dispositivos móviles mientras esté en la audiencia. Le rogamos que no interrumpa a los oradores y asegúrese de salir del área para mantener conversaciones paralelas.

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Borrador de EA y DM disponibles para revisión y comentarios del público

El borrador de la EA y el DM se publican y están disponibles para revisión y comentarios públicos desde el 14 de julio hasta el 13 de agosto de 2025.

Las copias impresas del borrador de la EA y el DM pueden ser revisadas en las ubicaciones que se enumeran a continuación. Además, los documentos están disponibles para ver o descargar desde el sitio web del estudio en azdot.gov/koliroad. Los informes técnicos asociados con el borrador de la EA estarán disponibles a solicitud. Por favor, envíe un correo electrónico a koliroad@azdot.gov o llame al 602.522.7777 para hacer una solicitud.

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Preguntas frecuentes

¿Qué es una Evaluación Ambiental?

La Ley de Política Ambiental Nacional (NEPA) de 1969 requiere que las agencias analicen, divulguen, minimicen y mitiguen cualquier impacto ambiental adverso de los proyectos que requieran una decisión/acción de una agencia federal. Una Evaluación Ambiental (EA) es el documento a nivel NEPA que se ha preparado para evaluar los impactos potenciales de la acción propuesta. Esta EA describe la necesidad de la acción propuesta, las alternativas desarrolladas para la acción propuesta, la identificación de las alternativas de construcción y los impactos ambientales de las alternativas de construcción y de la Alternativa de No Construir.

¿Qué es un Memo de Diseño?

Junto con el EA, que se centra en los factores ambientales, también se prepara un memo de diseño (DM) para documentar los elementos de ingeniería asociados al estudio. Esto incluye opciones de intercambio, modificaciones de drenaje, operaciones de tráfico y seguridad, requisitos de construcción e impactos en el tráfico durante la construcción, requisitos de derecho de paso, costos y mantenibilidad, por nombrar sólo algunos. Estos elementos se evalúan para una variedad de alternativas de construcción razonables, así como para la alternativa de no construir.

Las preguntas frecuentes continúan en el reverso ➡

Formal Presentation



Anonymous Self-ID Survey

While you wait, we invite you to complete a voluntary survey to help ADOT understand who attends its public meetings and how the department can improve participation.

English: <https://forms.gle/oQfz4f1FYY5pW6HP9>



Mientras espera, lo invitamos a completar una encuesta voluntaria para ayudar a ADOT a comprender quiénes asisten a sus reuniones públicas y como podrá mejorar la participación de miembros de minorías.

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I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange Study

Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) and Design Memo (DM)

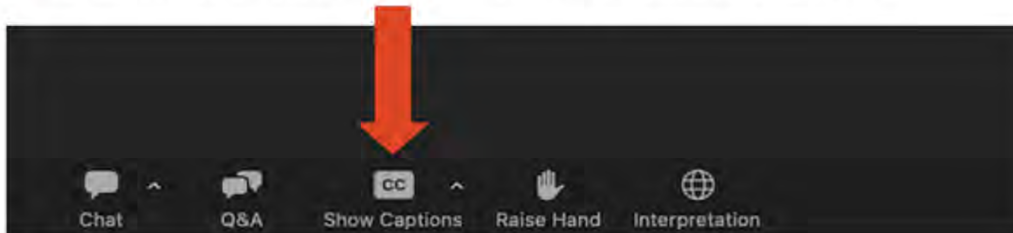
Virtual Public Hearing

Date: July 30, 2025



Welcome to the I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange Study Public Hearing

- All participants have been muted to avoid background noise.
- This meeting is being recorded.
- Technical difficulties? Call Zoom at 888.799.9666
- Following the meeting presentation, we will take questions, and then facilitate the formal public comment period.
- To turn on closed captioning select that option from the menu.



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On a desktop or laptop

En una computadora o una computadora portátil

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En un iPad

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On an iPhone

En un iPhone

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Tonight's Presenters



Trent Kelso, PE
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Marcy McMacken
Community Outreach Manager/Public Information Officer
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Virtual Public Hearing Schedule

5:30 to 6:00 p.m.
Formal Public Hearing
Formal Presentation

6:00 p.m.
Questions & Answers

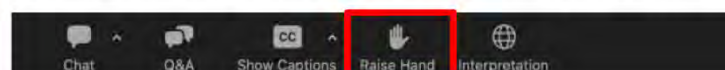
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Formal Comment
Period

How to Submit Questions

- Option 1: Please click on the Q&A icon to submit any questions you have during this presentation.



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Tonight's Agenda

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Project overview and study area

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Environmental process, NEPA requirements, and purpose and need

3

Alternative selection process

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Funding

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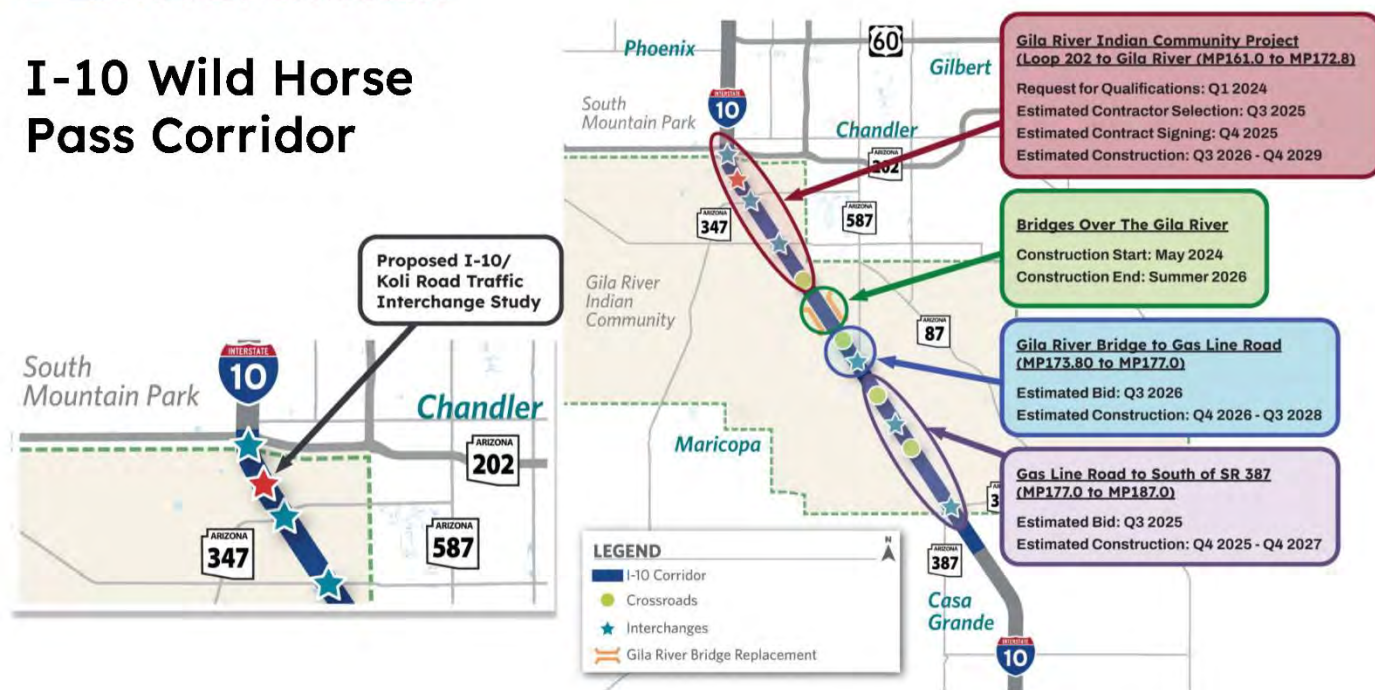
Next steps and implementation

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Formal public comment period

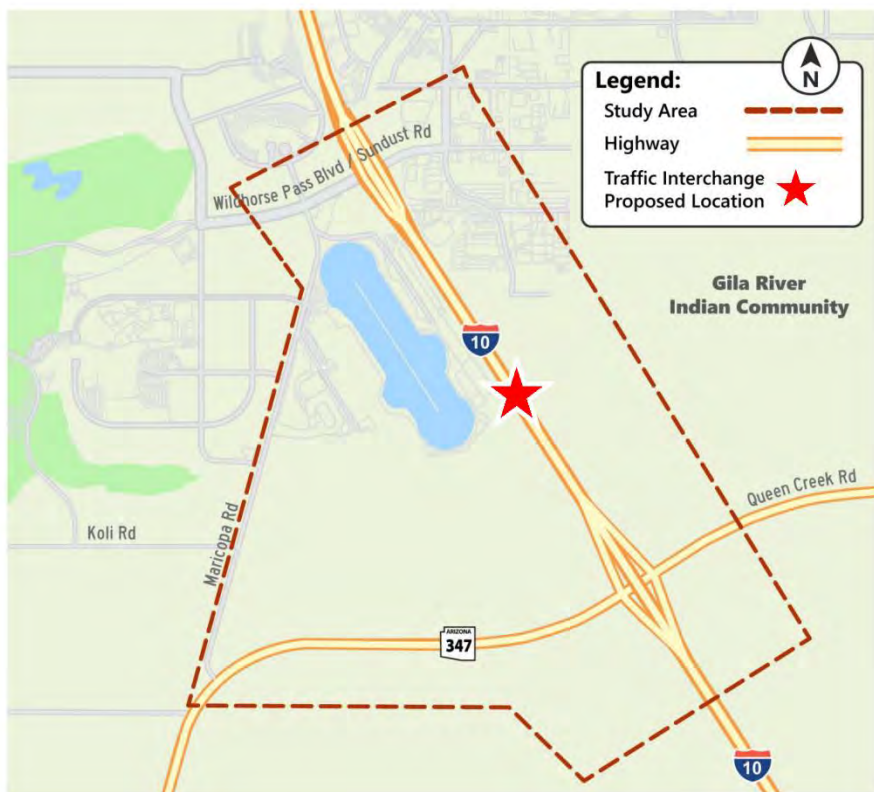
1. Project Overview and Study Area

I-10 Wild Horse Pass Corridor



Study Area

- **Study Focus:**
Proposed new traffic interchange along I-10.
- **Location:**
In Maricopa County within Gila River Indian Community.



2. Environmental Process, NEPA Requirements, and Purpose and Need



NEPA Requirements

- The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requires agencies to analyze, disclose, and identify potential measures to avoid, minimize, or mitigate adverse environmental impacts.
- An Environmental Assessment (EA) is the NEPA-level document being prepared to evaluate the potential impacts of the I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange project.
- The EA describes the need for the proposed action, alternatives developed for the proposed action, and the environmental impacts of the Recommended Build Alternative and the No-Build Alternative.



NEPA Disclosure

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Purpose and Need for Study

The **purpose** of the proposed I-10/Koli Road TI is to:

1.  Provide efficient access to the Community to and from I-10
2.  Improve emergency vehicle response time from the Community Fire Station
3.  Improve Traffic Management on I-10 during incidents
4.  Accommodate growth in population

The proposed I-10/Koli Road TI is **needed** to address:

1.  Less than efficient access to Community land
2.  Inadequate emergency vehicle response times during special event
3.  Substantial traffic management issues on I-10 during incidents
4.  Substantial visitor population and employment

3. Alternative Selection Process

Alternatives Evaluated

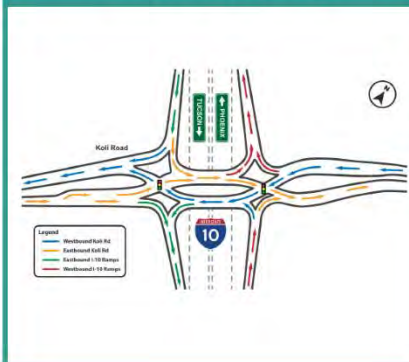
No-Build

- No improvements are made.
- Maintenance only
- Baseline for comparison.

Diamond Interchange



Diverging Diamond Interchange (DDI)



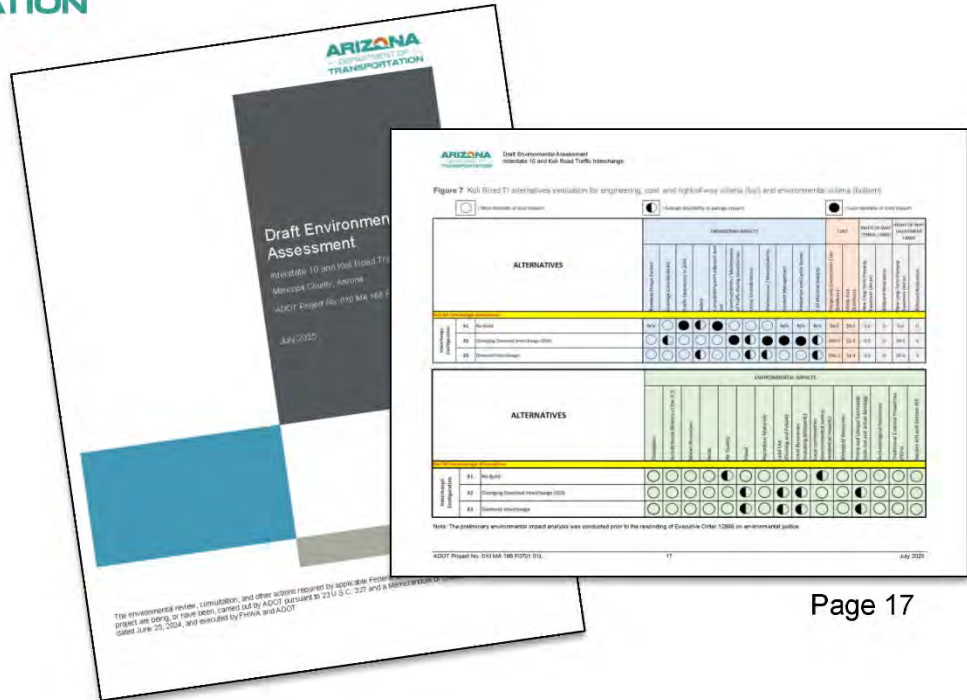
What is the No-Build Alternative?

- The No-Build Alternative represents the existing transportation system with ongoing maintenance.
- 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.



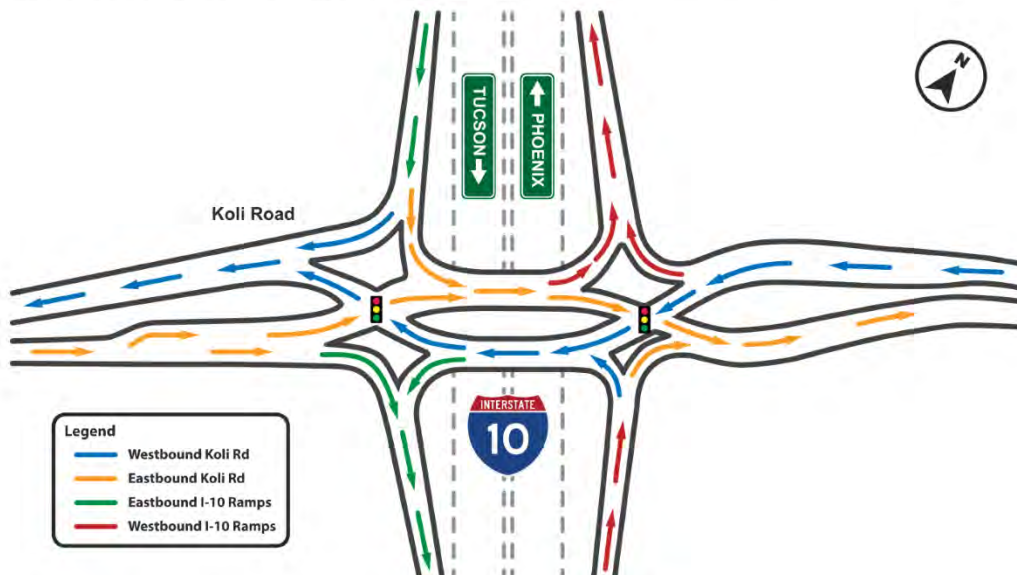
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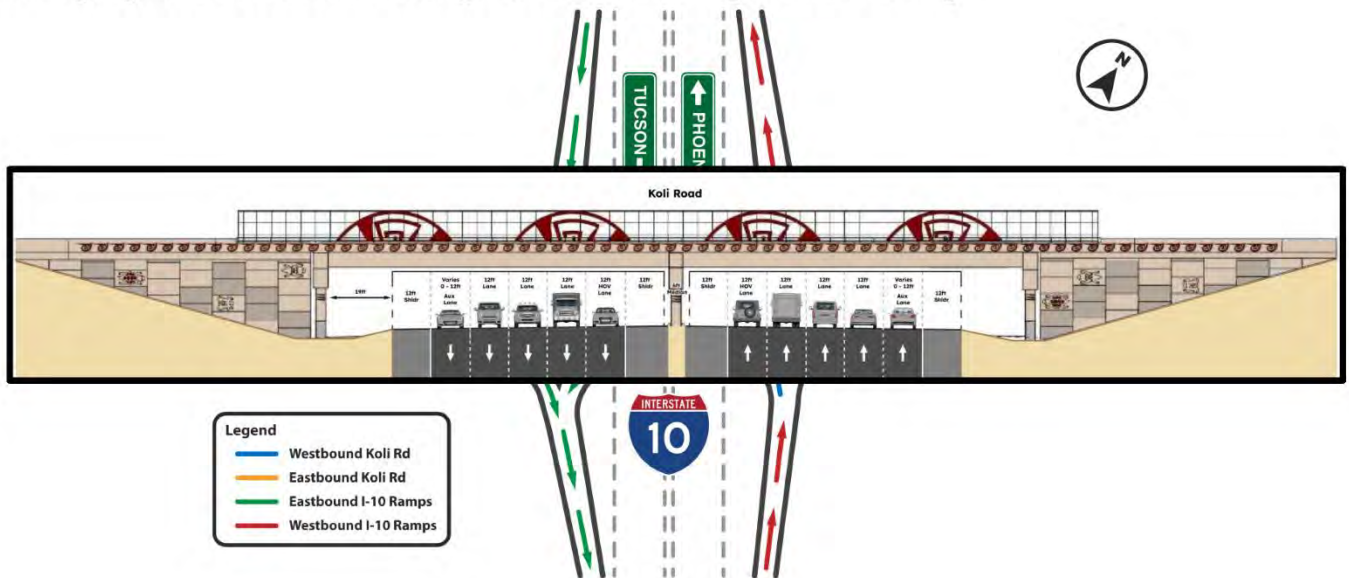
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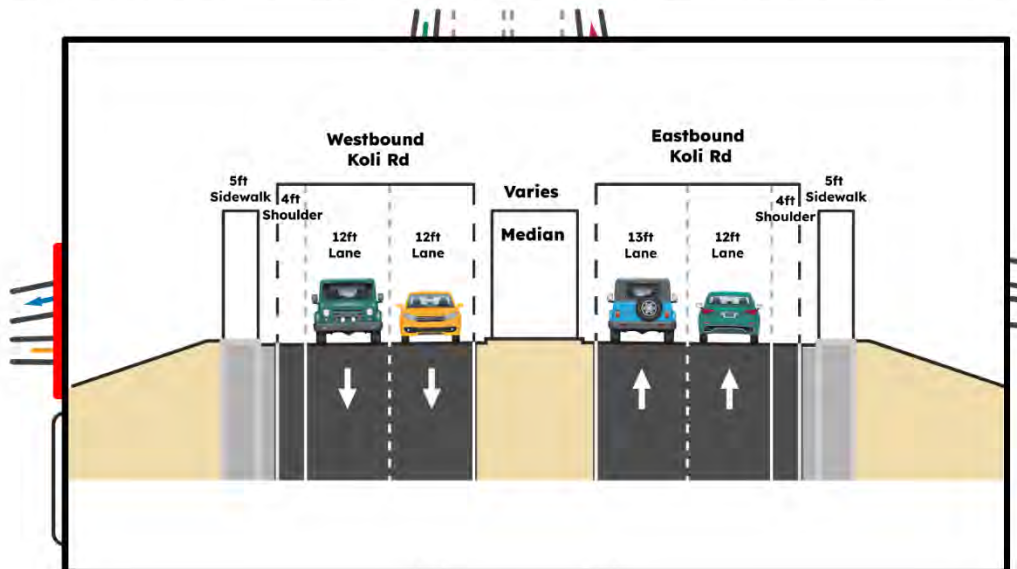
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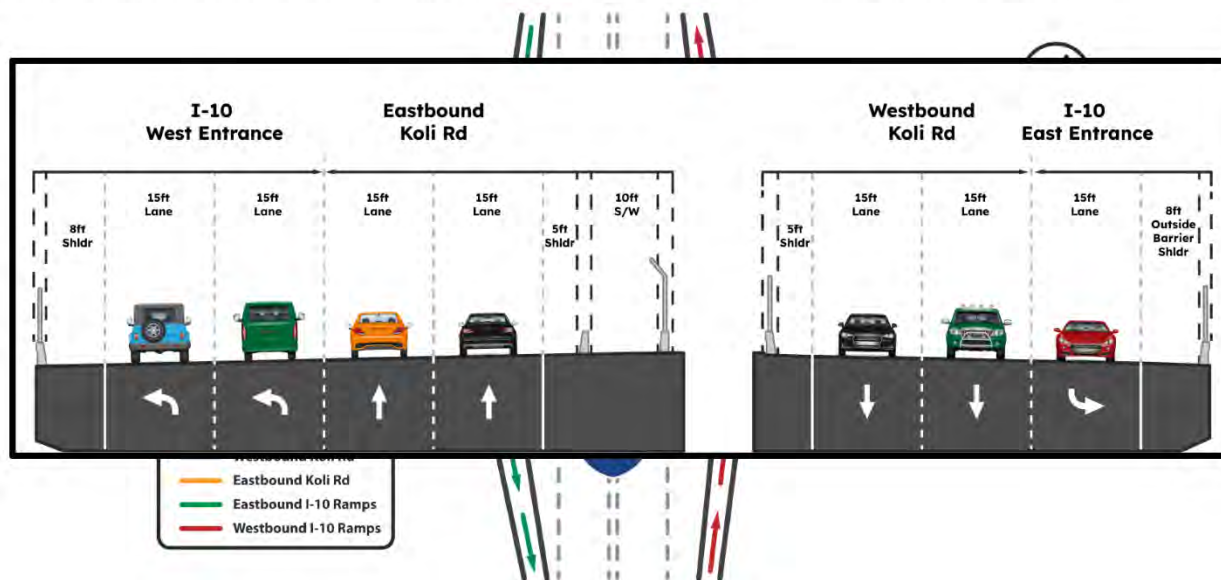
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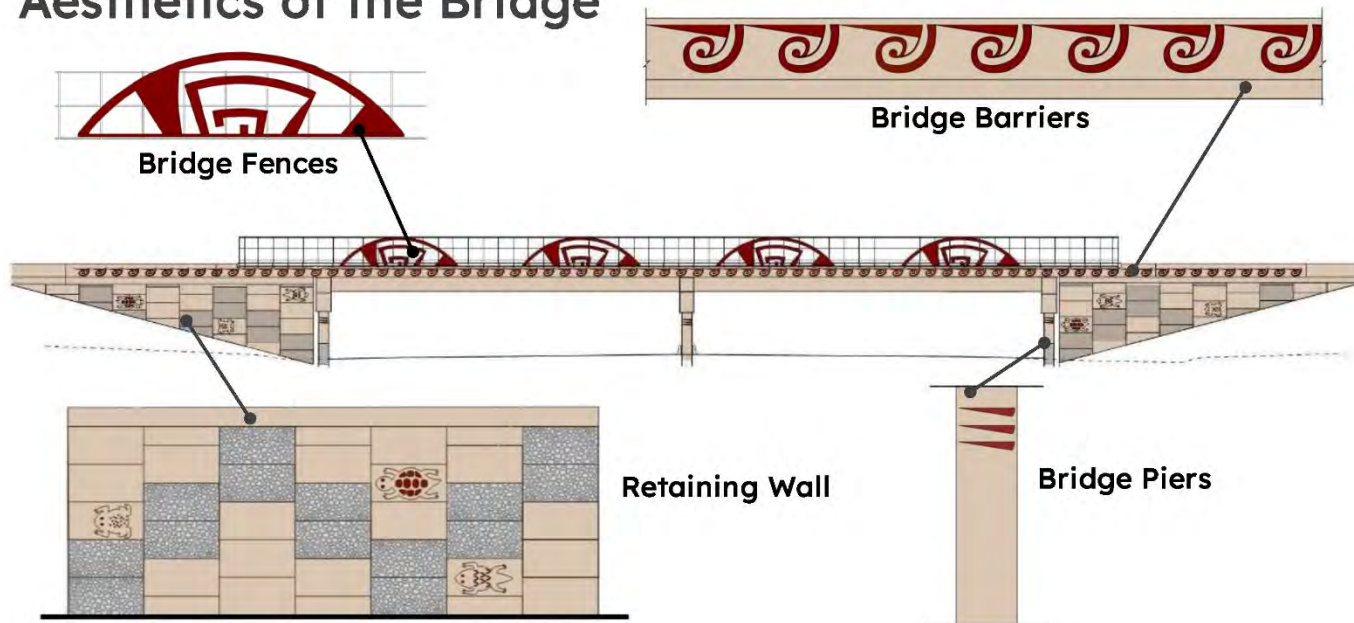


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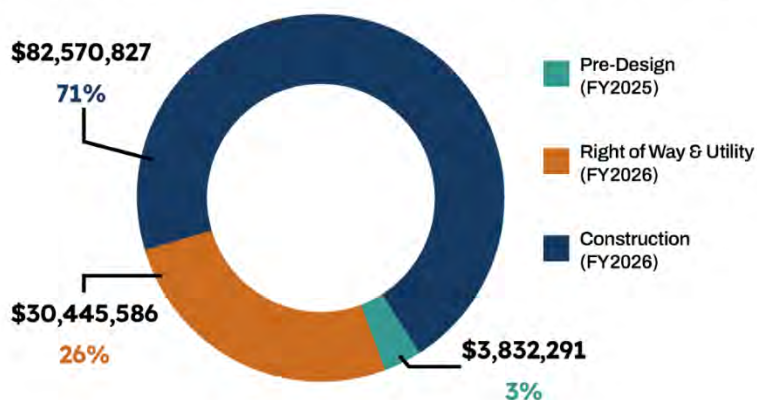


4. Funding

Anticipated Funding

If a Build Alternative is selected, the Maricopa Association of Governments will fund Right of Way, Utility Relocation and Construction of the Koli Road Traffic Interchange in the anticipated years of expenditure, FY25-26. The program budget is shown below.

- Pre-Design was funded in FY2024-2025
- Right of Way & Utility and Construction are budgeted for FY2025-2026



5. Next Steps and Implementation

Next Steps

- Following the close of our comment period on Aug. 13, 2025, the study team will review, evaluate and respond to all comments from the partner agencies and the public.
- ADOT, in cooperation with the Gila River Indian Community, Maricopa Association of Governments, and the Federal Highway Administration, and Bureau of Indian Affairs, will then select a final alternative.
- This selection, combined with the input from the public comment period, will be documented in a final EA and DM documents.



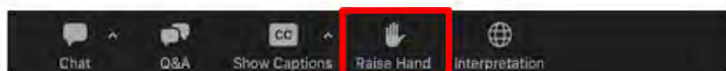
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How to Submit Questions

- Option 1: Please click on the Q&A icon to submit any questions you have during this presentation.



- Option 2: Please click on the Raise Hand icon during the Question part of the presentation.



6. Formal Public Comment Period



How to submit comments at the public hearing:

Formal public verbal comments documented by a court reporter.



How to submit comments after the public hearing:



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Formal Public Comment Period ends Aug. 13, 2025

Thank you!



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ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

PUBLIC HEARING

In re:

I-10/KOLI ROAD TRAFFIC INTERCHANGE STUDY

REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

Whirlwind Golf Club
Shelde Building
5692 West North Loop Road
Chandler, Arizona 85226

July 29, 2025
6:00 p.m.

REPORTED BY:
TERESA A. WATSON, RMR
Certified Reporter
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PREPARED FOR:
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1 Proceeding was taken at 6:00 p.m., on Tuesday,
2 July 29, 2025, at the Whirlwind Golf Club, Shelde Building,
3 5692 West North Loop Road, Chandler, Arizona, before TERESA A.
4 WATSON, Registered Merit Reporter, and a Certified Reporter in
5 and for the State of Arizona, County of Maricopa, pursuant to
6 the Rules of Civil Procedure.

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8 PRESENTERS:

9 Trent Kelso, PE, ADOT I-10 Corridor Manager
10 Joanna Bradley, ADOT Assistant Chief of
11 Communications/Major Projects
12 Marcy McMacken, ADOT Community Outreach Manager and Public
13 Information Officer
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P R O C E E D I N G S

MS. MCMACKEN: Good evening, everyone. Thank you for being here tonight. We are going to go ahead with our formal presentation tonight. We know that there are many important things taking place in your lives, so we really appreciate you taking the time to come learn about the I-10/Koli Road interchange study and provide your input tonight.

My name is Marcy McMacken. I'm the community outreach project manager and spokesperson for Arizona Department of Transportation. The purpose of these meetings is to provide opportunity for the public to review and to comment on the Draft Environmental Assessment and Design Memo and identify the recommended improvement for the I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange Study.

I am now going to -- hang on -- I am now going to read to you ADOT's nondiscrimination notice of the public.

Pursuant to Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Americans with Disabilities Act, and other nondiscrimination laws and authorities, the Arizona Department of Transportation does not discriminate on the basis of race, color and national origin, sex, age, or disability. Persons that require a reasonable accommodation based on language or disability should contact Marcy McMacken, myself, at 855-712-8530 or via email at mmcmacken@azdot.gov. Requests



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1 should be made as early as possible to ensure that the State has
2 an opportunity to address the accommodation.

3 We will now read the notice in Spanish.

4 (Interpreter speaking Spanish.)

5 MS. MCMACKEN: Thank you.

6 Now, before we begin tonight's presentation, some
7 quick housekeeping notes. The restrooms, if you need them, are
8 located outside the doors to your left, the doors that you
9 entered in.

10 And in case of an emergency, we ask that you
11 notify the closest team member here tonight. They are the ones
12 wearing the name tags.

13 If we need to evacuate, use any door that is
14 marked "exit," and we will meet back together in the parking lot
15 area furthest away from the building, in that parking lot that
16 I'm pointing to right out there.

17 Out of respect for our presenters, we ask that
18 you please mute your cell phones during this presentation.
19 Also, interpreters are available upon request.

20 We ask you to hold your questions until after we
21 explain how the meeting will work. At the end of the
22 presentation, we will provide information on how you can ask
23 questions and share comments.

24 Now I would like to welcome Former Lieutenant
25 Governor Mr. Robert Stone to lead a prayer before we begin



1 tonight's presentation.

2 (Speaking Native language.)

3 MR. STONE: It's good to be here this evening
4 along with you to be present and part of the presentation by the
5 government officials that we have from the State and other areas
6 too. So I'll do the prayer in (speaking Native language) of the
7 Gila River Pima, as I'm a member of. Join me in prayer, please.

8 (Speaking Native language.)

9 MS. MCMACKEN: Thank you for that prayer,
10 Mr. Stone.

11 I would now like to present tonight's --
12 introduce tonight's presenters.

13 We have Trent Kelso. He's the ADOT I-10/Wild
14 Horse Pass Corridor Project Manager. Trent brings a wealth of
15 experience and insight to this project and will lead our
16 technical overview.

17 Also joining us is Joanna Bradley. She serves as
18 the Assistant Director of Communications for Major Projects for
19 ADOT.

20 And again, I am Marcy McMacken with ADOT, and I
21 will be helping to facilitate tonight's discussion.

22 Together we -- we are here to provide updates,
23 listen to your feedback and keep the community informed every
24 step of the way.

25 This in-person public hearing has two parts to



1 it. Prior to the presentation, you were able to participate in
2 our open house in -- on the back side of the room. You can see
3 the story boards, exhibits, and videos that provide information
4 about this study. Right now we will begin the formal
5 presentation to introduce the study and the National
6 Environmental Protection -- Environmental Policy Act process,
7 also known as the NEPA process, including information on the
8 study area, alternatives, findings, and the next steps.

9 This presentation is expected to take about 30
10 minutes. After that we will begin the formal comments period.
11 Study team members will be present to actively listen to
12 comments but will not respond to the questions. If you have a
13 question, we will reopen the open house after the presentation,
14 and study team members will be available by the boards in the
15 back of the room to answer your questions.

16 During this time, if you would like to make a
17 formal verbal public comment, a court reporter is present and
18 will document the formal public comments. You may also choose
19 to speak privately with the court reporter to give formal verbal
20 comments in the comment area to my right, at the table back
21 there with the "Arizona Department of Transportation" logo on
22 it.

23 If you wish to write down formal comments, paper
24 comment forms are available at the check-in desk. Also, there
25 is a board in the room with a QR code that can be scanned that



1 will take you directly to the online comment form.

2 During our formal presentation, refrain from
3 speaking or leave the area for any conversations. Please do not
4 interrupt the speakers while they are presenting.

5 Also, conversations, comments, and questions
6 about the project may take place during the open house, but
7 please refrain from interrupting any ongoing conversations
8 between the study team members and other meeting attendees.

9 Here's a look at our agenda for tonight. We will
10 provide an overview of the I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange
11 Study and study area. We'll then provide an overview of the
12 environmental process, including NEPA requirements and purpose
13 and needs. We'll then move on to the alternative selection
14 process, talk about funding, and then we'll move on to next
15 steps and implementation. And finally, we will move to the
16 formal public comment period.

17 I would like to now introduce our project
18 manager, Trent Kelso.

19 MR. KELSO: Thanks, Marcy.

20 Before I get going, we have been asked to present
21 a welcome message and opening remarks from the community, so I'd
22 like to introduce Director DeWayne Bedonie from the Gila River
23 Indian Community Department of Transportation to provide those.
24 Thanks.

25 MR. BEDONIE: Thank you, Trent.



1 Good evening, everyone. My name is DeWayne
2 Bedonie. I am the Director of Operations for Department of
3 Transportation, the Gila River Community, and I'm honored to
4 welcome tonight's discussion regarding the Koli Road Traffic
5 Interchange Project. As you will hear tonight, the project
6 benefits not only our community and not only our members,
7 but for the greater region of the State of Arizona.

8 Being located halfway between Wild Horse Pass and
9 Queen Creek Road, the I-10 exits, the new Koli Road interchange
10 will provide better access to a -- to the Wild Horse Pass area,
11 which is a key destination for tourism and entertainment venues.
12 It will also help ease traffic, reduce congestion, and create
13 better travel routes for members, visitors, and businesses. It
14 will support future growth and make both our Wild Horse Pass and
15 Lone Butte areas more attractive for investments.

16 We are deeply committed to making sure that
17 development of this project aligns with our values, protecting
18 our natural resources, protecting our cultural heritage, and
19 protecting our well-being of our people.

20 Tonight's National Environmental Policy Act
21 hearing gives us an opportunity to provide ADOT with the
22 community concerns regarding potential environmental impacts of
23 building Koli Road traffic interchange, the environmental and
24 cultural resources protection we believe must be in place and
25 other issues that we believe ADOT must consider in developing



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1 this particular project.

2 I want to thank ADOT leadership and especially
3 ADOT staff who are here tonight for working closely with us for
4 understanding our community's unique needs and our concerns. I
5 know that the community representatives and ADOT staff regularly
6 meet on a weekly basis for meetings like this on our lands for
7 our community members that demonstrates ADOT's commitment to
8 collaboration and to consider addressing the community's
9 interest and concerns.

10 I would especially like to thank Maricopa
11 Association of Governments for their invaluable support,
12 planning assistance and funding for this important project.
13 Your partnership has not only been essential in helping us reach
14 this point, but will continue to be a critical aspect as we move
15 forward in the project process.

16 I want to thank everyone for being here tonight.
17 I encourage everyone to actively participate in tonight's
18 discussion. With that being said, I do appreciate you. Thank
19 you, Trent.

20 MR. KELSO: Thanks.

21 I will go ahead and get going with the project
22 overview and the study area.

23 Okay. Great. Thanks a lot. Thanks for your
24 patience.

25 The Wild Horse Pass Corridor is a 26-mile long



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1 segment of I-10 extending from Loop 202 on the north to just
2 beyond State Route 387 on the south, located entirely within the
3 Gila River Indian Community. The proposed Koli Road interchange
4 would be added into this segment of I-10 between the existing
5 Wild Horse Pass interchange and State Route 347/Queen Creek Road
6 interchanges -- or interchange, as indicated by the red star in
7 the bottom left of the slide.

8 There are four projects -- four other projects
9 being developed now to widen and modernize the interstate as
10 well as the crossroads throughout the Wild Horse Pass Corridor.
11 Working from north to south, the first project is the Gila River
12 Indian Community Project, spanning nearly 12 miles from the
13 Loop 202 to the Gila River Bridge. This design-build project is
14 planned to begin construction in the first half of next year.
15 Should the proposed Koli Road interchange be granted
16 environmental approval, the construction of the interchange
17 would be added into this project.

18 The second project is to replace the bridges over
19 the Gila River. Construction is well underway, as you likely
20 know, and the new bridges are expected to be completed by -- or
21 to be fully open late next summer.

22 The third project is approximately three-
23 and-a-half miles long from the Gila River Bridge to Gas Line
24 Road. Construction is expected to start next year and will last
25 about two years.



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1 And the final, the fourth project, is
2 approximately 10 miles long, extending from Gas Line Road to tie
3 in to the existing widened section of I-10 south of State
4 Route 387. Construction on this project is expected to begin
5 later this year and will last about two and a half years.

6 Now let's move on and discuss the proposed Koli
7 Road interchange.

8 So the study area, indicated by the red dashed
9 line, is generally centered on the proposed Koli Road
10 interchange. The large area encompasses the Wild Horse Pass
11 interchange, the State Route 347/Queen Creek Road interchange,
12 and State Route 347 from I-10 to Maricopa Road, including an
13 additional buffer out around the outside of these limits.

14 Now let's move on to the environmental process
15 that was followed in -- during this study.

16 This study is being conducted in compliance with
17 the National Environmental Policy Act, or NEPA. This is -- this
18 is an environmental law that established the decision-making
19 process that agencies like ADOT must follow prior to the design
20 and construction of transportation projects that are using
21 federal funding or require federal approvals. The proposed
22 action for this study involves the acquisition of allotted lands
23 that are managed by a federal agency, the Bureau of Indian
24 Affairs, therefore requiring federal approval.

25 An environmental assessment, or EA, for the Koli



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1 Road interchange has been published for your review: The EA
2 documents, the need for the interchange, the alternatives
3 developed to address that need, and the environmental impacts of
4 the recommended build alternative and the no-build alternative,
5 which will be discussed in greater detail in the upcoming
6 slides.

7 ADOT has been granted the Federal Highway
8 Administration's responsibility for carrying out the
9 environmental reviews, consultations, and other actions required
10 by NEPA and other federal environmental laws per an executed
11 agreement dated June 25th, 2024, between the Federal Highway
12 Administration and ADOT. This means that ADOT serves as the
13 lead agency and has the authority to approve this project on
14 FHWA's behalf.

15 So the purpose and need statement is one of the
16 first and most important decisions in the NEPA process, because
17 it defines why an improvement may be needed and establishes the
18 foundation for evaluating alternatives to determine the best
19 solution to meet that need.

20 The purpose and need for the proposed Koli Road
21 interchange is to provide sufficient access to and from I-10 for
22 community members and visitors, improve emergency vehicle
23 response times from the community fire station, improve traffic
24 management during incidents on I-10, and accommodate growth in
25 population and employment.



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1 So let's now talk about the alternative selection
2 process.

3 Three alternatives were presented at the Scoping
4 and Environmental -- excuse me -- Scoping and Alternatives
5 Evaluation Public Meetings hosted by ADOT in October of 2024.
6 The three alternatives included the no-build alternative and two
7 build alternatives: A new diamond interchange and a new
8 diverging diamond interchange.

9 First, let's talk a little bit more about the
10 importance of including the no-build alternative.

11 What is the no-build alternative? The National
12 Environment Policy Act, or NEPA, requires the inclusion of a
13 no-build alternative in the decision-making process. It
14 provides a baseline or benchmark against which all build
15 alternatives are measured for social, environmental, and
16 engineering and economic impacts.

17 The no-build alternative assumes no changes to
18 the existing transportation system would be made. In this case,
19 the selection of the no-build alternative would mean the
20 proposed action, construction of the Koli Road interchange,
21 would not be completed.

22 The results of the alternative evaluation process
23 are documented in the tables such as the ones shown here and are
24 presented for your review in the Draft Environmental Assessment.

25 Now let's discuss the recommended build



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1 alternative: Construction of a new diverging diamond
2 interchange along I-10. The diverging diamond interchange
3 geometry is unique, such that prior to and after the bridge
4 crossing, eastbound and westbound traffic cross over for a short
5 time so vehicles can enter the highway more easily. This
6 actually helps traffic move faster and safer by reducing turns
7 and stops. The figure on the slide shows colored arrows
8 indicating the direction of travel.

9 For those interested in the DDI operation, ADOT
10 has referenced a video on the board -- on a poster board in the
11 back, and you can scan that code and follow a link to that
12 video.

13 Sorry.

14 So let's talk about the proposed bridges over
15 I-10, bordered by the red rectangle. The proposed bridges would
16 be two-span concrete girder bridges supported by a center pier
17 line, as shown between the -- the I-10 lanes. The new bridges
18 would be constructed inside ADOT's existing right-of-way;
19 however, the ramps and the east and west Koli Road extensions
20 would require new right-of-way from allotted lands.

21 So regarding the Koli Road extensions east and
22 west of I-10, again, the red rectangles shows the location of
23 the sections that you'll see on the screen here.

24 So the new Koli Road extensions are proposed to
25 include two lanes in each direction, 4-foot shoulders, a center



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1 median and sidewalks. To the west, Koli Road would connect to
2 Maricopa Road, and to the east, it is planned to connect to
3 Kyrene Road. These connections would be constructed on tribal
4 lands and administered by the Community with independent funds.

5 Currently, it is anticipated that only the
6 western connection to Maricopa Road would be constructed prior
7 to the proposed action.

8 Finally, let's talk about the proposed cross
9 section on the new bridges. Here, the rectangle -- red
10 rectangle shows the location for the travel lanes on the bridge.

11 As noted before, eastbound and westbound traffic
12 switch sides. Eastbound traffic moves to the north side, and
13 westbound traffic moves to the south side.

14 The eastbound Koli Road bridge includes barrier,
15 shoulders, dual left turn lanes onto westbound I-10, or heading
16 into Phoenix, two through lanes, and sidewalk for under -- for
17 accommodating pedestrians.

18 The westbound Koli Road bridge includes barrier,
19 shoulders, one left turn lane onto eastbound I-10, heading to
20 Tucson, and two through lanes.

21 As you may have noticed before, the new bridges
22 would have aesthetic treatments similar to other interchanges
23 around the Valley. ADOT worked with the Community Tribal
24 Historic Preservation Office and Community artists to develop
25 the themes and treatments at each bridge crossing throughout the



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1 26-mile corridor.

2 The treatments at the proposed Koli Road crossing
3 include accent painting in Hohokam pottery red, a flowing river
4 pattern on the outside of the bridge barriers, metal figures in
5 a basket pattern on the outer fences, three triangular flags
6 painted on the bridge piers, and the retaining walls at each end
7 of the bridges would have river rock and sand patterns mixed
8 with lizard shapes.

9 So let's now take a look at the funding that has
10 been programmed for the project.

11 If a build alternative is selected, this slide
12 shows that the proposed action would be fully funded. MAG has
13 programmed nearly \$117 million to be used for pre-design, right-
14 of-way acquisitions, utility relocations, and construction of
15 the new interchange beginning this year.

16 To conclude the presentation, I'll summarize what
17 you've heard and then talk about the next steps.

18 So we shared the three alternatives that were
19 evaluated. Those are the no-build scenario, a diamond
20 interchange, and a diverging diamond interchange. Sorry about
21 that. We shared the study team's recommended build alternative,
22 a diverging diamond interchange. We shared the two remaining
23 possibilities for the project: The recommended build
24 alternative or the no-build scenario.

25 Now, the next step is for Community members to



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1 review and provide feedback on the published documents. Both
2 documents are available for review online. Hard copies are
3 available at repository locations. There are even copies here
4 tonight. In addition, a fact sheet handout provides other
5 locations for hard copy reviews from now until August 13th. All
6 comments are due then, August 13th.

7 So this input helps ADOT, the Community, and
8 Maricopa Association of Governments select a preferred
9 alternative for the Koli Road interchange, which will be
10 documented in the Final Environmental Assessment and Design
11 Memo.

12 So with that, I'll turn it over to Joanna Bradley
13 to provide more information on how to submit formal comments.

14 MS. BRADLEY: Thank you, Trent. Thank you,
15 Director Bedonie. Thank you, Marcy, and thank you once again to
16 all of you for attending today.

17 Your feedback is really important to us, and we
18 want to know your thoughts and your comments pertaining to the
19 Koli Road study. There are several ways to provide comments.

20 At this time, there will be an open mic, just
21 like me, to provide a formal public comment, which will be
22 documented by a court reporter.

23 If you don't want to speak in front of the group,
24 you can also provide a comment verbally to our court reporter
25 off to the side.



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1 You do not need to provide your feedback tonight,
2 because we still have lots of opportunities to be able to do
3 that. We invite you to go to our website, call the project
4 hotline, go to -- you can email us. You can mail us your
5 thoughts. The contact information is on the screen behind me --
6 well, will -- there you go -- is on the screen right behind me,
7 but it's also on the handout when you signed in, and one of our
8 project boards, I believe, over here. And if you are not
9 providing your input tonight, please note that the deadline to
10 provide comments is August 13th.

11 If you wish to give a formal verbal public
12 comment, please -- this is your opportunity to step up to the
13 microphone. Speak clearly and state your name and your last
14 name for the -- for the court reporter before providing your
15 comment.

16 As a courtesy to others and to allow as many
17 people as possible the opportunity to comment, please keep your
18 comments to a reasonable length.

19 As a reminder, the study team is here to listen
20 to your comments but will not be answering questions in this
21 formal comment section, but if you would like an -- if you would
22 like an answer to an informal question, please feel free to ask
23 a study team member at the back of the room to answer your
24 question.

25 So thank you, and if -- is anybody interested in



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1 making a formal comment? Don't all say yes at one time.

2 Okay. If anybody would like to approach our
3 court reporter and do it without doing it in front of the group,
4 you're more than welcome to, and otherwise, you can -- you can
5 go home or you can go to the back of the room and ask questions
6 or continue to look at our boards of information. And thank you
7 for coming.

8 (Formal presentation concluded at 6:29 p.m.)

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10 PUBLIC COMMENTS

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12 MR. CLIFTON PABLO: Clifton Pablo. And my -- I
13 don't know if it's a question or a comment.

14 MS. BRANDI DEVLIN: They just record everything
15 you say.

16 MR. CLIFTON PABLO: Okay. So I guess it's --
17 they're going to build the -- to the Koli Road, but are they
18 fixing the Koli Road or just up to the certain part?

19 MS. PABLO: It's more of a question than a
20 comment.

21 MS. BRANDI DEVLIN: One of the team members could
22 answer that question for you, if you'd like. Would you like me
23 to introduce you to someone who could answer that question for
24 you?

25 MR. CLIFTON PABLO: Okay. Thank you.



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1 (Short pause.)

2 MS. LUCINDA HENDRIX: Lucinda Hendrix. I guess
3 my comment would be the land -- Trent made a comment about the
4 land that's going to be included in the project, if there's
5 going to be a list of those landowners' names, because there's
6 some of us who have -- haven't gone to probate yet to see where
7 the land of our parents, our aunts or uncles or, you know, that
8 may be included in this project, the land, and if it's going to
9 be -- well, he answered my question. It will be leased,
10 whereabouts for the land would be included at.

11 It's hard to -- hard to make it a comment instead
12 of a question. I hope you know what I'm saying.

13 That's my main concern, because right now, I have
14 an aunt, late aunt who passed away, and she included me in her
15 will, but I don't know where the land is at, and the same with
16 my parents. They passed away, and we haven't gone to probate
17 either with them, so -- and we don't know where the land is at
18 for them. So we're just wondering if there's a list, which he
19 said there is, but they can't give it out. So we will know
20 probably further down the line to see who's on that list and how
21 we'll get notified, even though we haven't gone to probate yet,
22 to be included in this project. I don't... But that was my
23 main concern was the landholders who are going to be included in
24 this lease, I guess. That's about it, I think.

25 (Proceeding concluded at 7:00 p.m.)



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)
 2 COUNTY OF MARICOPA) ss.

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 6 accurate record of the proceedings, all done to the best of my
 7 skill and ability; that the proceedings were taken down by me in
 8 stenographic shorthand and thereafter reduced to print under my
 9 direction.

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 9 parties hereto, nor am I in any way interested in the outcome
 10 hereof.

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 11 made by the witness will be attached to the original transcript.
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 13 [x] Review and signature not required.

14 I CERTIFY that I have complied with the ethical
 15 obligations set forth in ACJA 7-206(F)(3) and ACJA 7-206
 16 J(1)(g)(1) and (2).

17 DATED at Phoenix, Arizona, this 12th day of August
 18 2025.

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16 /s/ Teresa A. Watson

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 23 (J)(1)(g)(1) through (6).

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1 MS. MCMACKEN: Good evening, everyone. We
2 are going to get started here shortly. Just giving
3 everyone a minute to get situated and online.

4 (Translation into Spanish.)

5 MS. MCMACKEN: All right. It's 5:32 p.m. We
6 are going to go ahead and get started with our public
7 meeting for the I-10 Koli Road Traffic Interchange Study.
8 Good evening, everyone, and thank you for being here
9 tonight. My name is Marcy McMacken. I am the community
10 outreach project manager and public information officer for
11 the I-10 Koli Road Traffic Interchange Study with ADOT.

12 We know that everyone has a lot going on in
13 their lives and that is why we appreciate that you've taken
14 the time out of your busy schedules to join us to learn
15 about the I-10 Koli Road Traffic Interchange Study and
16 provide your input.

17 The purpose of this hearing is to provide an
18 opportunity for the public to review and comment on the
19 Draft Environmental Assessment and Design Memo which
20 identified the recommended improvements for this
21 interchange study.

22 Moving on, please note that this public
23 hearing is being recorded. We are -- we currently have all
24 participants muted. Tonight we look forward to sharing
25 information with you about this study, responding to your



1 questions, and allowing you the opportunity to provide your
2 formal public comments.

3 I will describe the meeting format and how
4 you can participate in just a moment, but first if you are
5 having any technical issues right now, you may need to hang
6 up or log off, then redial and reconnect. If that doesn't
7 work, please contact the Zoom helpline at 888-799-9666.

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9 the two large CCs icon at the bottom of your screen that
10 says show captions beneath it. After the presentation,
11 we'll describe and display instructions on how to ask a
12 question or make a comment.

13 Keep in mind that after this meeting you can
14 continue to ask questions or provide comments any time by
15 visiting the project website, the study website at
16 azdot.gov/koliroad. Public comments are being accepted
17 through August 13th.

18 Moving on, on your screen there are
19 instructions on how to choose the language that you would
20 like to hear during this presentation. You'll need to open
21 up the interpreter menu first on your desktop or laptop
22 computer. You'll then be asked to select your preferred
23 language and once you selected it you should be all set.

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25 language that's being spoken during the presentation in the



1 background and just hear your preferred language, be sure
2 to click on the mute original audio option and then you'll
3 just hear the language, the chosen language that you prefer
4 that you've chosen.

5 We're going to have our Spanish interpreter
6 just repeat what I said.

7 (Translation into Spanish.)

8 MS. MCMACKEN: All right. I will now read
9 ADOT's nondiscrimination notice to the public and then our
10 Spanish translator will read it in Spanish.

11 So pursuant to Title VI of the Civil Rights
12 Act of 1964, the Americans with Disabilities Act and other
13 nondiscrimination laws and authorities, the Arizona
14 Department of Transportation does not discriminate on the
15 basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age or
16 disability. Persons that require a reasonable
17 accommodation based on language or disability should
18 contact me, Marcy McMacken, at 855-712-8530 or via my
19 e-mail address at mmcmacken@azdot.gov. Requests should be
20 made as early as possible to ensure that the State has an
21 opportunity to address the accommodation.

22 (Translation into Spanish.)

23 MS. MCMACKEN: Thank you. I will now take a
24 moment to introduce the I-10 Wild Horse Pass Corridor
25 project manager, Trent Kelso. Trent brings a wealth of



1 experience and insight to this project and will lead our
2 technical overview portion of tonight's presentation.

3 Again, my name is Marcy McMacken, ADOT's
4 outreach manager and public information officer, and I will
5 help facilitate tonight's discussion. Together, we along
6 with other team members, are here to provide updates,
7 listen to your feedback, and keep you informed every step
8 of the way through this study process.

9 Now, for a look at tonight's virtual public
10 schedule, this part, the formal public hearing
11 presentation, will end at around 6 o'clock p.m. After the
12 presentation you will have an opportunity to ask study team
13 members questions. Once questions are answered, we welcome
14 your input during the formal comment period that will take
15 place from approximately 6:15 to 7 o'clock p.m.

16 To our online participants, at any time
17 during the meeting you can click on the Q&A icon at the
18 bottom of the screen and type in questions. Keep in mind
19 that other attendees may see what you type so please be
20 cautious about not including any personal information or
21 anything that you would not want others to see.

22 We have assistants who will be monitoring the
23 Q&A window during our presentation. We will get to and
24 answer these questions once the formal presentation is
25 completed.



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1 During the questions and answers segment,
2 please use the raise your hand icon and you will be called
3 upon. For call-in users, after the formal presentation
4 please press *9 to raise your hand to verbally ask your
5 question. Once you are called on, one of our assistants
6 will lower your virtual hand.

7 Now for a look at tonight's agenda, here it
8 is on your screen. We will provide you an overview of the
9 I-10 Koli Road Traffic Interchange Study and the study
10 area, an overview of the environmental processes including
11 information on the National Environmental Policy Act, or
12 NEPA, requirements as well as the purpose and need. We'll
13 go over the alternative selection process, talk about
14 funding, then we'll provide information on what to expect
15 for next steps and implementation. And then, finally,
16 we'll move to our formal public comment segment of the
17 night.

18 I would now like to introduce Trent Kelso who
19 will present information on the project overview and study
20 area. Welcome, Trent.

21 MR. KELSO: Thanks, Marcy.

22 The Wild Horse Pass corridor is a 26-mile
23 long segment of I-10 extending from Loop 202 on the north
24 to just beyond State Route 387 on the south located
25 entirely within the Gila River Indian Community.



1 The proposed Koli Road interchange would be
2 added into this segment of I-10 between the existing Wild
3 Horse Pass Boulevard and State Route 347/Queen Creek Road
4 interchange as indicated by the red star in the bottom left
5 of the slide.

6 There are four other projects being developed
7 now to widen and modernize the interstate as well as the
8 crossroads throughout the Wild Horse Pass corridor.
9 Working from north to south, the first project is the Gila
10 River Indian Community Project spanning nearly 12 miles
11 from the Loop 202 to the Gila River bridge.

12 This design-build project is planned to begin
13 construction in the first half of next year. Should the
14 proposed Koli Road interchange be granted environmental
15 approval, the construction of the interchange would be
16 added to this project.

17 The second project is to replace the bridges
18 over the Gila River. Construction is well underway and the
19 new bridges are expected to be fully opened late next
20 summer.

21 The third project is approximately
22 three-and-a-half miles long from the Gila River bridge to
23 Gas Line Road. Construction is expected to start next
24 summer and will last about two years.

25 And the fourth project is approximately ten



1 miles long from Gas Line Road to tie in to the existing
2 widened section of I-10 south of State Route 387.
3 Construction on this project is expected to begin later
4 this year and will last about two-and-a-half years.

5 Now let's move on and discuss the proposed
6 Koli Road interchange. The study area indicated by the red
7 dash line is generally centered on the proposed Koli Road
8 traffic interchange. The large area encompasses the Wild
9 Horse Pass interchange, the State Route 347/Queen Creek
10 Road interchange, and State Route 347 from I-10 to Maricopa
11 Road including an additional buffer around the outside of
12 these limits.

13 Now let's move into the environmental process
14 for this. This study is being conducted in compliance with
15 the National Environmental Policy Act, or NEPA. This is an
16 environmental law that established the decisionmaking
17 process that agencies like ADOT must follow prior to the
18 design and construction of transportation projects that are
19 using federal funding or require federal approval.

20 The proposed action for this study involves
21 the acquisition of allotted lands that are managed by a
22 federal agency, the Bureau of Indian Affairs; therefore
23 requiring federal approval.

24 An environment assessment, or EA, for the
25 Koli Road interchange has been published for your review.



1 The EA documents the need for the interchange, the
2 alternatives developed to address that need, and the
3 environmental impacts of the recommended build alternative
4 and the no-build alternative, which will be discussed in
5 greater detail on an upcoming slide.

6 ADOT has been granted the Federal Highway
7 Administration's responsibility for carrying out the
8 environmental reviews, consultations, and other actions
9 required by NEPA and other federal environmental laws per
10 an executed agreement dated June 25th, 2024 between the
11 Federal Highway Administration and ADOT. This means ADOT
12 serves as the lead agency and has the authority to approve
13 this project on FHWA's behalf.

14 Purpose and need statement is one of the
15 first and most important decisions in the NEPA process
16 because it defines why an improvement may be needed and
17 establishes the foundation for evaluating alternatives to
18 determine the best solution to meet that need.

19 The purpose and need for the Koli Road
20 interchange is to provide efficient access to and from I-10
21 for community members and visitors, improve emergency
22 vehicle response times from the community fire station,
23 improve traffic management during incidents on I-10, and to
24 accommodate growth in population and employment.

25 Next we'll discuss the alternative selection



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1 process. Three alternatives were presented at the scoping
2 and alternative evaluation public meetings hosted by ADOT
3 in October of 2024. The three alternatives included the
4 no-build alternative and two build alternatives, a new
5 diamond interchange and a new diverging diamond
6 interchange.

7 First, let's talk a little bit about the
8 importance of including the no-build alternative. What is
9 the no-build alternative? The National Environmental
10 Policy Act requires the inclusion of a no-build alternative
11 in the decisionmaking process. It provides a baseline or a
12 benchmark against which all build alternatives are measured
13 for social, environmental, and economic impacts.

14 The no-build alternative assumes no changes
15 to the existing transportation system would be made. In
16 this case, the selection of the no-build alternative would
17 mean the proposed action, construction of the Koli Road
18 interchange, would not be completed.

19 The results of the alternative evaluation
20 process are documented in tables such as the one shown here
21 and are presented for your review in the draft
22 environmental assessment.

23 Now let's discuss the recommended build
24 alternative, construction of a new diverging diamond
25 interchange along I-10. The diverging diamond interchange



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1 geometry is unique, such that prior to and after the bridge
2 crossing eastbound and westbound traffic crossover for a
3 short time so vehicles can enter the highway more easily.
4 This actually helps traffic move faster and safer by
5 reducing turns and stops. The figure on the slide shows
6 the colored arrows indicating the direction of travel.

7 Let's talk about the proposed bridges over
8 I-10 bordered by the red rectangle. The proposed bridges
9 over I-10 would be two span concrete girder bridges
10 supported by a center pier line as shown between the I-10
11 lanes. The new bridges would be constructed inside ADOT's
12 existing right of way. However, the ramps and east and
13 west Koli Road extensions would require new right of way
14 from allotted lands.

15 So let's talk about the Koli Road extensions
16 east and west of I-10. Again, the red rectangles show the
17 location of the typical section you will see on screen.
18 The new Koli Road extensions are proposed to include two
19 lanes in each direction, four-foot shoulders, a center
20 median, and sidewalks. To the west Koli Road would connect
21 to Maricopa Road and to the east it is planned to connect
22 to Kyrene Road. These connections would be constructed on
23 tribal lands and administered by the community with
24 independent funds. Currently, it's anticipated that only
25 the west connection to Maricopa Road would be constructed



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1 prior to the proposed action.

2 Finally, let's talk about the proposed
3 cross-section on the new bridges. Here the red rectangle
4 shows the location of the graphic for the travel lanes on
5 the bridge. As noted before, eastbound and westbound
6 traffic switch sides. Eastbound traffic moves to the north
7 side and westbound traffic moves to the south side.

8 The eastbound Koli Road bridge includes
9 barrier, shoulders, dual left-turn lanes onto westbound
10 I-10, or heading into Phoenix, two through lanes and
11 sidewalk for accommodating pedestrian. The westbound Koli
12 Road bridge includes barrier, shoulders, and one left-turn
13 lane onto eastbound I-10 heading to Tucson and two through
14 lanes.

15 As you may have noticed before, the new
16 bridges would have aesthetic treatments similar to other
17 interchanges around the Valley. ADOT worked with the
18 community's Tribal Historic Preservation Office and
19 community artists to develop themes and treatments at each
20 bridge crossing throughout the 26-mile corridor.

21 The treatments at the proposed Koli Road
22 crossing include accent painting in -- in Hohokam pottery
23 red, a flowing river pattern on the outside of the bridge
24 barriers, metal figures in a basket pattern on the outer
25 fences, three triangular flags painted on the bridge piers,



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1 and the retaining walls at each end of the bridges that
2 would have river rock and sand patterns mixed with lizard
3 shapes.

4 Okay. Now let's take a look at the funding
5 that's been programmed for the project. If a build
6 alternative is selected, this slide shows that the proposed
7 action would be fully funded. MAG's program nearly \$117
8 million to be used for predesign, right of way
9 acquisitions, utility relocations, and construction of the
10 new interchange beginning this year.

11 To conclude the presentation, I'll summarize
12 what you heard and then talk about the next steps. We
13 shared the three alternatives that were evaluated. Those
14 are the no-build scenario, a diamond interchange, and a
15 diverging diamond interchange. We shared the study team's
16 recommended build alternative, a diverging diamond
17 interchange. We shared the two remaining possibilities for
18 the project, the recommended build alternative or the
19 no-build scenario.

20 Now, the next step is for members of the
21 public and the community to review and provide feedback on
22 the public documents. Both documents are available for
23 review online. Hard copies are available at repository
24 locations listed on the project website. We'll drop a link
25 to this in the chat right now.



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1 All comments are due by August 13th. This
2 input helps ADOT, the community, and Maricopa Association
3 of Government select a preferred alternative for the Koli
4 Road interchange, which will be documented in the final
5 Environmental Assessment and Design Memo.

6 It's now time to take questions about the
7 project. I'd like to invite Marcy McMacken back to join me
8 to -- and facilitate the question and answer session.
9 Marcy.

10 MS. MCMACKEN: Thank you, Trent.

11 As Trent said, we are now ready to take
12 questions from our online participants. Again, here on
13 your screen you see the ways to submit questions.

14 To our online participants, please click on
15 the Q&A icon at the bottom of your screen and type your
16 questions in the Q&A screen. You can also raise your
17 virtual hand, if you choose to do it that way.

18 For call-in users, please press the *9
19 buttons to raise your hand to verbally ask questions. One
20 of our assistants will lower your hand once you are done.
21 With that said, we are now ready to take your questions.

22 Okay. We have a question coming in from
23 David Lloyd. His question is: What parts of the Firebird
24 racetrack would be impacted by the proposed design?

25 We can have Trent answer that for us.



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1 MR. KELSO: Thanks for the question, David.
2 The proposed interchange would not affect the racetrack.
3 Any additional questions regarding the operations of the
4 racetrack should be directed to Gila River Development as
5 they are the owners and operators of the Firebird
6 racetrack.

7 MS. MCMACKEN: And then we do have a comment
8 from an anonymous attendee, not a question but: Thank you
9 for your valuable insights, knowledge, and research.

10 Thank you for your comment, Anonymous
11 Attendee.

12 We have a question again: How many -- from
13 anonymous attendee: How many participants on our Zoom call
14 tonight?

15 Do we have any numbers?

16 MS. MOON: Marcy, it looks like there are 21
17 attendees on this Zoom call right now.

18 MS. MCMACKEN: Thank you, Nicole.

19 Are there any other questions or comments?

20 All right. Not -- so not seeing any more
21 questions, again your input is an important part of this
22 study process and we have provided several ways for you to
23 submit a formal comment during and after the hearing to be
24 included in the final study documents.

25 To formally make a public comment now online



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1 users can click on the raised hand icon at the bottom of
2 the screen and call-in users can press *9. Staff members
3 are monitoring the hearing and will call you when it is
4 your turn and un -- they will unmute your microphones. You
5 do not need to provide your feedback tonight. We would --
6 we invite you to go to the website, call the project
7 hotline, e-mail us or mail your formal comment to us.

8 The contact information is on the screen and
9 on the project website at azdot.gov/koliroad. Again, if
10 you are not providing your input tonight, please note that
11 the deadline to provide comments is August 13th.

12 And we have begun -- we are right now
13 accepting our formal public comments so if anyone has any,
14 please submit them now.

15 All right. I do not see any public -- formal
16 public comments coming in. I, along with Trent Kelso and
17 the entire I-10 Koli Road Traffic Interchange Study team,
18 we want to thank you for participating in tonight's public
19 hearing. Your input again and your feedback is important
20 and we appreciate you taking the time to share any of your
21 thoughts with us tonight.

22 Again, keep in mind that you can continue to
23 submit any comments by visiting the project website at
24 azdot.gov/koliroad. You can also visit the website to view
25 additional documents and locate additional project



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1 information. Again, thank you for your attendance. We
2 appreciate your -- your being here tonight.

3 It looks like we do have a question that just
4 came in from Alicia Urquidez. Pardon me if I -- forgive me
5 if I did not pronounce that correctly. But the question
6 is: Good evening, Ms. Marcy. This is Alicia U with ADOT
7 Right of Way. Her question is: How did the community
8 public meeting go last night? Was there a large group in
9 attendance?

10 Thank you for your question, Alicia. We had
11 14 community members sign in at yesterday's in-person Gila
12 River Indian Community Public Meeting at the Wild Horse
13 Pass so thank you for asking, Alicia.

14 We are going to stay on until about 7 o'clock
15 tonight because that is when this meeting does end so if
16 anyone at any point has a question and joins us late, the
17 team will be here online waiting for any possible comments
18 or questions that may come in.

19 Hi, there. I see that Anthony joined in. My
20 name is Marcy McMacken with ADOT. I just wanted to let you
21 know that we are accepting public comments for the I-10
22 Koli Road Interchange Study so if you have any comments you
23 can -- or questions that we can answer in the Q&A section
24 we can hear your question. We will remain online until
25 7 o'clock p.m. That is how long this meeting is scheduled



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1 for.

2 Hello. Good evening. I see that Steve
3 Jimenez has joined. Good evening, Steve. Thank you for
4 joining us. We have completed our formal presentation for
5 the I-10 Koli Road Interchange Study, but we are currently
6 accepting questions or formal public comments for the
7 study. If you have any questions for our project team
8 members, you can click on the Q&A button at the bottom of
9 your screen and submit your question and comment that way.
10 So welcome and thank you. Thank you for joining.

11 All right. Well, it looks like it's
12 7 o'clock. This concludes our meeting for tonight's I-10
13 Koli Road Interchange Traffic Study. Again, thank you to
14 everyone who attended and thank you to those who provided
15 comments. Thank you again. Have a good evening, everyone.

16 (Hearing concludes at 7:00 p.m.)
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<p>I dont see how this would really help alleviate any traffic on 347/i10. When accidents do happen, 347 gets shut down or traffic will pile up no matter what due to riggs road intersection so no build is what i would like to see.</p>	<p>Thank you for taking the time to share your concerns regarding the proposed I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange. The purpose and need identified in the I-10/Koli Road TI Study is to provide access to and from I-10 and the Wild Horse Pass area. Improvements to the I-10/SR 347 and I-10/Riggs Road interchanges are moving forward as part of the ADOT I-10 Gila River Indian Community Project. Refer to the project website https://i10wildhorsepasscorridor.com/segments/loop-202-gila-river for more information. In addition, improvements to SR 347 from I-10 to the City of Maricopa are moving forward as part of a separate project. More information about the planned improvements can be found on the website (https://azdot.gov/sr347).</p>
<p>This is an unnecessary option. Move forward with the Queen Creek/SR347 Diverging Diamond at the I10 interchange. Move forward (as already approved)with widening the SR347 from I10 to Maricopa town line and correcting Riggs Rd, Cement Plant Rd and Casablanca intersections. Another exit will do absolutely nothing to mitigate traffic congestion and more than likely will cause more problems. We've all been through enough with delays and pushback, stop throwing more confusing alternatives into this issue and move on. Thank you!!</p>	<p>Thank you for taking the time to share your concerns regarding the proposed I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange. The purpose and need identified in the I-10/Koli Road TI Study is to provide access to and from I-10 and the Wild Horse Pass area. Improvements to the I-10/SR 347 interchange are moving forward as part of the ADOT I-10 Gila River Indian Community Project. Refer to the project website (https://i10wildhorsepasscorridor.com/segments/loop-202-gila-river) for more information. In addition, improvements to SR 347 from I-10 to the City of Maricopa are moving forward as part of a separate project. More information about the planned improvements can be found on the website (https://azdot.gov/sr347).</p>

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<p>I am concerned about the previous studies done, that considered demolishing Firebird Motorsports Park for this new interchange. I think the interchange is a good idea and necessary for the amount of traffic from the 347, however, I feel that we must find a way to do it without destroying the historic Firebird Motorsports Park. Year after year, it brings in millions of dollars of commerce to the area through the events hosted. Many of these events have not been welcomed at other racetracks in the Valley, or flat out there just aren't racetracks that have a capable facility for hosting them, and these events would choose other cities to visit. Demolishing this racetrack for this interchange would be a great loss in revenue and in culture to Phoenix and the Gila River Indian Community.</p>	<p>Thank you for taking the time to share your concerns regarding the proposed I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange and its potential impact on Firebird Motorsports Park. Firebird Motorsports Park is working closely with ADOT and the Gila River Indian Community to ensure this project has minimal impact on operations and the ability to deliver premier racing events in the Valley.</p>
<p>Hard pass, you take away the drag strip you will give kids, teenagers, adults nowhere to go for racing. Racing on the streets will increase from this. Use some common sense. Investigate who came up with this nonsense cause in the end someone is getting a kick back somewhere. Need Doge to investigate ADOT and Gila River since the tribe receives federal funding.</p>	<p>Thank you for taking the time to share your concerns regarding the proposed I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange and its potential impact on Firebird Motorsports Park. Firebird Motorsports Park is working closely with ADOT and the Gila River Indian Community to ensure this project has minimal impact on operations and the ability to deliver premier racing events in the Valley. There is no federal funding related to the project. It is fully funded using local funding.</p>
<p>This is a road that is not solving any real problem while at the same time removes a very valuable recreation area in Firebird Raceway. With Arizona Motorsports Park going away, this is the last real option in the area.</p>	<p>Thank you for taking the time to share your concerns regarding the proposed I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange and its potential impact on Firebird Motorsports Park. The purpose and need identified in the I-10/Koli Road TI Study is to provide access to and from I-10 and the Wild Horse Pass area, including the Motorsports Park. Firebird Motorsports Park is working closely with ADOT and the Gila River Indian Community to ensure this project has minimal impact on operations and the ability to deliver premier racing events in the Valley.</p>

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<p>For the love of god please stop spending tax dollars on unnecessary projects. Why do you need 3 interchanges within 3 miles? Also the race tracks that are impacted have been long standing and are far more important than slightly changing the exit ramps here. You will be forcing a lot of stupid kids into street racing rather than them having a safe place to race. Arizona Motorsports park already closed this year, you're just asking for street hoodlum activity.</p>	<p>Thank you for taking the time to share your concerns regarding the proposed I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange and its potential impact on Firebird Motorsports Park. The purpose and need identified in the I-10/Koli Road TI Study is to provide access to and from I-10 and the Wild Horse Pass area. The I-10/Koli Road TI would help meet the demands of this growing area of the Community. Firebird Motorsports Park is working closely with ADOT and the Gila River Indian Community to ensure this project has minimal impact on operations and the ability to deliver premier racing events in the Valley.</p>
<p>The Koli Road traffic interchange project should take into consideration the racing venues just south of Wild Horse Pass Boulevard. If the construction of this interchange means the end of Firebird Motorsports Park and Radford Racing School, there would be zero road racing tracks within or adjacent to the greater Phoenix area. Easily accessible tracks are great for everyone, car enthusiast or not, it reduces the amount of incidents on the road related to reckless driving, like serious accidents, fatalities, etc. . When people have the option to enjoy spirited driving in a controlled, safe, and accessible track, they will surely choose the track over the serious outcomes of driving dangerously on the streets.</p>	<p>Thank you for taking the time to share your concerns regarding the proposed I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange and its potential impact on Firebird Motorsports Park. The purpose and need identified in the I-10/Koli Road TI Study is to provide access to and from I-10 and the Wild Horse Pass area. Firebird Motorsports Park is working closely with ADOT and the Gila River Indian Community to ensure this project has minimal impact on operations and the ability to deliver premier racing events in the Valley.</p>
<p>You shut down this race track we WILL be on the street. Cannot shut down something for a useless road. If it was there before you were born or got into the admin you will not shut the track down. Can't catch us all</p>	<p>Thank you for taking the time to share your concerns regarding the proposed I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange and its potential impact on Firebird Motorsports Park. The purpose and need identified in the I-10/Koli Road TI Study is to provide access to and from I-10 and the Wild Horse Pass area. Firebird Motorsports Park is working closely with ADOT and the Gila River Indian Community to ensure this project has minimal impact on operations and the ability to deliver premier racing events in the Valley.</p>

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<p>Hello, I'd like to shine the light on an issue that has always been present and the repercussions of your actions. Firebird Raceway is a place where teens and adults alike can enjoy their passion without potentially putting others in harms way. Taking this place away won't take away the passion for racing and will only make this take place more often on the road ways, thus more accidents and more of your, sons, daughters, mothers, fathers in the hospital all for more space for traffic to pile up. This may seem insignificant but taking a place like this away will haunt you for the rest of your life. Imagine the pain you will carry knowing that you could've prevented the loss of a loved one. Thank you, Signed a concerned multi decade Chandler Arizona Resident</p>	<p>Thank you for taking the time to share your concerns regarding the proposed I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange and its potential impact on Firebird Motorsports Park. The purpose and need identified in the I-10/Koli Road TI Study is to provide access to and from I-10 and the Wild Horse Pass area. Firebird Motorsports Park is working closely with ADOT and the Gila River Indian Community to ensure this project has minimal impact on operations and the ability to deliver premier racing events in the Valley.</p>
<p>Not a good idea.</p>	<p>Thank you for your comment.</p>
<p>Please do not remove one of the last motorsports complex in Phoenix. It's critical to the automotive industry and provides a safe location for enthusiast.</p>	<p>Thank you for taking the time to share your concerns regarding the proposed I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange and its potential impact on Firebird Motorsports Park. Firebird Motorsports Park is working closely with ADOT and the Gila River Indian Community to ensure this project has minimal impact on operations and the ability to deliver premier racing events in the Valley.</p>
<p>We know you are working closely with Firebird Raceway/ Wild Horse Pass Motorsports Park, and if you're not, you should. Any proposal that takes away land from the Motorsports park would be detrimental in a few way. Even just traffic challenges getting into the Motorsports park changing, will be enough to upset a lot of people. Do what you need to do but don't touch a single [expletive] inch of the raceway! We are all losing tracks at such a high rate due to an influx of transplants from other states, and spike of residential homes being built near tracks will almost certainly kill off what's left of a track. Stay the [expletive] away. Take away our tracks and we take to the streets.</p>	<p>Thank you for taking the time to share your concerns regarding the proposed I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange and its potential impact on Firebird Motorsports Park. Firebird Motorsports Park is working closely with ADOT and the Gila River Indian Community to ensure this project has minimal impact on operations and the ability to deliver premier racing events in the Valley.</p>

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<p>I feel adding an completely new I-10 interchange with a connection to Koli Road doesn't make much sense. It seems it would make more sense to upgrade the existing HWY 347/Queen Creek interchange with a better design, integrating an improved junction to South Maricopa Road & new junction to Koli Road in the process. Adding a third I-10 interchange in this vicinity between 347/Queen Creek & Wild Horse Pass Blvd doesn't make sense when these interchanges already exist & can be expanded & improved. Koli Road seems to currently have limited expansion capability to the West of I-10 & would have very limited expansion capability to the East of I-10 due to existing infrastructure. Where is the intended traffic from the Koli Road expansion supposed to go or come from? If it is to provide a better junction into the GRD WHP property then I believe improvement projects to the existing HWY 347 & Wild Horse Pass BLD would make more sense. Improve, Expand, & provide a better junction at the HWY 347 interchange to S. Maricopa Rd. & Koli as an alternative.</p>	<p>Thank you for taking the time to share your concerns regarding the proposed I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange. The purpose and need identified in the I-10/Koli Road TI Study is to provide access to and from I-10 and the Wild Horse Pass area. Improvements to the I-10/Wild Horse Pass and I-10/SR 347 interchanges are moving forward as part of the ADOT I-10 Gila River Indian Community Project. Refer to the project website (https://i10wildhorsepasscorridor.com/segments/loop-202-gila-river) for more information. In addition, improvements to SR 347 from I-10 to the City of Maricopa are moving forward as part of a separate project. More information about the planned improvements can be found on the website (https://azdot.gov/sr347). Koli Road is planned to extend to the west to connect to Maricopa Road. This extension will be built by the Gila River Indian Community concurrently with the construction of the Koli Road TI if the TI is approved. Koli Road is planned to extend to the east to connect to Kyrene Road as part of a future project that would also be constructed by the Gila River Indian Community.</p>
<p>Please do not disrupt the Radford racing and firebird Raceway area.</p>	<p>Thank you for taking the time to share your concerns regarding the proposed I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange and its potential impact on Firebird Motorsports Park. Firebird Motorsports Park is working closely with ADOT and the Gila River Indian Community to ensure this project has minimal impact on operations and the ability to deliver premier racing events in the Valley.</p>

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<p>I am writing to formally express my strong opposition to the proposed construction of an exit ramp that would cut through the Firebird off-road racing track. This project, if executed as currently planned, would result in the destruction of a vital part of Arizona's off-road racing community.</p> <p>Firebird has been more than just a racing venue, it has been a longstanding hub for enthusiasts, families, and competitors from across the state and beyond. It has hosted countless events, supported local economies, and fostered a safe and organized environment for off-road motorsports. With the steady loss of tracks in recent years, including other closures in the greater Phoenix area, the proposed development would further erode what little remains of Arizona's off-road racing infrastructure.</p> <p>We understand the need for transportation infrastructure improvements. However, it is important to weigh the cultural, economic, and community impact of such decisions. There are viable alternatives for placing a new exit ramp between the Queen Creek Road exit and Riggs Road exit areas that include open desert land that do not currently support community-based recreational use. These alternatives would serve transportation needs while preserving the integrity of Firebird and the off-road community it supports.</p> <p>We respectfully urge ADOT to reconsider the location of this proposed exit and work with the community to find a less disruptive alternative. Preserving spaces like Firebird is not just about racing; it's about protecting a community tradition, supporting youth engagement, and maintaining a responsible outlet for motorsports.</p> <p>Thank you for your time and consideration. I would welcome the opportunity to be involved in any public comment or review processes related to this project.</p>	<p>Thank you for taking the time to share your concerns regarding the proposed I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange and its potential impact on Firebird Motorsports Park. The purpose and need identified in the I-10/Koli Road TI Study is to provide access to and from I-10 and the Wild Horse Pass area, which an additional interchange between Queen Creek Road and Riggs Road would not address. Firebird Motorsports Park is working closely with ADOT and the Gila River Indian Community to ensure this project has minimal impact on operations and the ability to deliver premier racing events in the Valley.</p>

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<p>I live Maricopa the city and I love going to firebirds. Even though Maricopa does need a wider 347 and better access to the road I would be highly disappointed if any changes adot is making did affect the drag strip. In a world where drag strips are getting closed down left and right I feel great pride that Arizona has stood behind this recreational sport and supported it by not hindering it.</p>	<p>Thank you for taking the time to share your concerns regarding the proposed I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange and its potential impact on Firebird Motorsports Park. Firebird Motorsports Park is working closely with ADOT and the Gila River Indian Community to ensure this project has minimal impact on operations and the ability to deliver premier racing events in the Valley. Improvements to SR 347 from I-10 to the City of Maricopa, which include widening, are moving forward as part of a separate project. More information about the planned improvements can be found on the website (https://azdot.gov/sr347).</p>
<p>My family and I have been attending races at WHP / Firebird for decades. It is a place were friends and family can gather to enjoy some of the race racing there is. Is there no alternative routes? After looking at the plans they appear senseless. Please rethink what is being planed and take a different route. Keep this fantastic racing facility open and operating as it has been for decades. Thank you</p>	<p>Thank you for taking the time to share your concerns regarding the proposed I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange and its potential impact on Firebird Motorsports Park. The purpose and need identified in the I-10/Koli Road TI Study is to provide access to and from I-10 from the Wild Horse Pass area. Firebird Motorsports Park is working closely with ADOT and the Gila River Indian Community to ensure this project has minimal impact on operations and the ability to deliver premier racing events in the Valley.</p>
<p>Please do not tear down the drag strip/raceway. My family has made great memories there!</p>	<p>Thank you for taking the time to share your concerns regarding the proposed I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange and its potential impact on Firebird Motorsports Park. Firebird Motorsports Park is working closely with ADOT and the Gila River Indian Community to ensure this project has minimal impact on operations and the ability to deliver premier racing events in the Valley.</p>
<p>This proposed interchange is unnecessary and will only add for more potential traffic collisions in this area.</p>	<p>Thank you for your comment. The purpose and need identified in the I-10/Koli Road TI Study is to provide access to and from I-10 and the Wild Horse Pass area.</p>

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<p>DO NOT APPROVE THIS PROJECT!</p> <p>This interchange at Koli road does not benefit anyone other than the tribe, and will in fact hinder all other I-10 & 347 traffic by causing more congestion in the area. There needs to be a major focus on a new interchange for I-10 and 347, as well as other 347 improvements, long before anything else is even considered. Not only that, this project would be the end of Firebird Motorsports Park, a historic and VITAL part of the racing culture in Arizona. If the track goes away, dangerous street racing will increase! Do not be the final nail in the coffin.</p> <p>NO KOLI ROAD!</p>	<p>Thank you for taking the time to share your concerns regarding the proposed I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange and its potential impact on Firebird Motorsports Park. The purpose and need identified in the I-10/Koli Road TI Study is to provide access to and from I-10 and the Wild Horse Pass area. Firebird Motorsports Park is working closely with ADOT and the Gila River Indian Community to ensure this project has minimal impact on operations and the ability to deliver premier racing events in the Valley. Improvements to the I-10/SR 347 interchange are moving forward as part of the ADOT I-10 Gila River Indian Community Project. Refer to the project website (https://i10wildhorsepasscorridor.com) for more information. In addition, improvements to SR 347 from I-10 to the City of Maricopa are moving forward as part of a separate project. More information about the planned improvements can be found on the website (https://azdot.gov/sr347).</p>
<p>Please do not disrupt the Firebird Motorsports Park facility and/or it's livelihood with your proposed interchange. It's been a staple of this community for almost as long as I've been alive and it's responsible for so many good memories and traditions with my family and friends for decades now. Not to mention, there are so many employees who depend on Firebird Motorsports Park to be able to take care of themselves and their families.</p>	<p>Thank you for taking the time to share your concerns regarding the proposed I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange and its potential impact on Firebird Motorsports Park. Firebird Motorsports Park is working closely with ADOT and the Gila River Indian Community to ensure this project has minimal impact on operations and the ability to deliver premier racing events in the Valley.</p>
<p>Me parece un proyecto muy importante para todos ciudadanos gracias. (Translation: I think it's a very important project for all citizens thank you.)</p>	<p>Thank you for your comment.</p>
<p>I think this is a great idea and is forward thinking in terms of the future expected traffic due to increasing population and traffic demands. This area of the freeway is already very congested and would be expected to increase exponentially.</p>	<p>Thank you for your comment.</p>

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<p>Just what is the purpose for this kilo road interchange? What's the need for it? When you have queen creek and wild horse pass almost within throwing distance, I would suggest doing something with queen creek road interchange so the folks from Maricopa can have an easier access on and off I 10 , all another interchange is going to do is cause more traffic slowdowns in that area just does not make sense, maybe you can explain the purpose of this for me thanks</p>	<p>Thank you for taking the time to share your concerns regarding the proposed I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange. The purpose and need identified in the I-10/Koli Road TI Study is to provide access to and from I-10 and the Wild Horse Pass area and support the planned growth in the area. The proposed I-10/Koli Road TI would be spaced approximately one mile from both the SR 347 and Wild Horse Pass Blvd. interchanges. This spacing is consistent with American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials guidance for interchange spacing in urban fringe areas. Improvements to the I-10/SR 347 interchange are moving forward as part of the ADOT I-10 Gila River Indian Community Project. Refer to the project website (https://i10wildhorsepasscorridor.com/segments/loop-202-gila-river) for more information. In addition, improvements to SR 347 from I-10 to the City of Maricopa are moving forward as part of a separate project. More information about the planned improvements can be found on the website (https://azdot.gov/sr347).</p>
<p>Please leave Firebird Motorsports park alone... The preposed changes (as noted on Page 103 of the Design Memorandum) indicate a section of the i10 redesign will not only take away a section of the motorsports park, but also part of the lake as well. Not only is Firebird Motorsports park iconic but has already been saved once from demolition due to ownership issues between the reservation and the previous owners of the park.I along with many others that have called Firebird our home and see it as a means of encouraging people to take their racing there rather than the streets and freeways.Forcing part of the track to be demolished to build an interchange will only increase illegal street racing and accidents that happen because of that.</p>	<p>Thank you for taking the time to share your concerns regarding the proposed I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange and its relation to Firebird Motorsports Park. Firebird Motorsports Park is working closely with ADOT and the Gila River Indian Community to ensure this project has minimal impact on operations and the ability to deliver premier racing events in the Valley.</p>
<p>Please send me the draft EA and DM evaluate the Recommended Build Alternative as compared to the No-Build Alternative. Also please send the select technical reports associated with the draft EA that will be available.</p>	<p>Thank you for your question. The I-10/Koli Road TI Study documentation is available on the project website at azdot.gov/koliroad.</p>

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<p>There is no reason for this road. Just redesign Wild Horse Pass and Queen Creek exits to make it all flow better. This impacts not only the Heritage Center, Firebird Motorsports Park and all the other entities in this area but it will mess up all of the traffic flow and would basically be a road to no where.</p>	<p>Thank you for taking the time to share your concerns regarding the proposed I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange. The purpose and need identified in the I-10/Koli Road TI Study is to provide access to and from I-10 from the Wild Horse Pass area, including the Heritage Center and Firebird Motorsports Park. Improvements to the I-10/Wild Horse Pass Blvd. and I-10/SR 347 interchanges are moving forward as part of the ADOT I-10 Gila River Indian Community Project. Refer to the project website https://i10wildhorsepasscorridor.com for more information. Koli Road is planned to extend to the west to connect to Maricopa Road. This extension will be built by the Gila River Indian Community concurrently with the construction of the Koli Road TI if the TI is approved. Koli Road is planned to extend to the east to connect to Kyrene Road as part of a future project, that would also be constructed by the Gila River Indian Community.</p>
<p>Let's be realistic about this. There is NO reason for that exit/entry to go in at that location. Due to the increased traffic from Maricopa, all efforts should be on the Queen Creek interchange. No question about it! Any proposal for Koli Rd is ridiculous and should NOT interfere with the racetrack, who has fought hard to keep what they got to keep that institution alive for its interested parties. Also, as a first responder on the Gila River Community, that stretch of highway between Phoenix and Casa Grande is the most dangerous in the nation and adding another interchange in THAT area is futile and will cause more unnecessary traffic in that area. Now the plans for the the Wild Horse Pass Development have changed and at one time, this interchange was necessary, but NO more. Put your efforts on QC and also Riggs Rd for improvements and leave Koli Rd alone</p>	<p>Thank you for taking the time to share your concerns regarding the proposed I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange. The purpose and need identified in the I-10/Koli Road TI Study is to provide access to and from I-10 and the Wild Horse Pass area and to support the growth planned in that area. Widening I-10 and improvements to I-10/SR 347 and I-10/Riggs Road interchanges are moving forward as part of the ADOT I-10 Gila River Indian Community Project. Refer to the project website https://i10wildhorsepasscorridor.com for more information.</p>
<p>The interchange should not be built. There is not enough room for proper acceleration/deceleration if there was another interchange between 347 and Wild Hirse Pass.</p>	<p>Thank you for taking the time to share your concerns regarding the proposed I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange. The proposed I-10/Koli Road TI would be spaced approximately one mile from both the SR 347 and Wild Horse Pass Blvd. interchanges. This spacing is consistent with American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials guidance for interchange spacing in urban fringe areas. The designer would consider acceleration and deceleration distances in accordance with current safety and operational standards.</p>

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<p>with Sun dust Road and Queen Creek Road already existence to put an interchange in between them is only going to create a cluster kind of like you supposedly fixed during the Broadway curve project with 48th Street the 60 and 143 all within a couple hundred feet of each other are you trying to recreate that problem in a different location</p>	<p>Thank you for your comment. The proposed I-10/Koli Road TI would be spaced approximately one mile from both the SR 347 and Wild Horse Pass Blvd. interchanges. This spacing is consistent with American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials guidance for interchange spacing in urban fringe areas.</p>
<p>You shouldn't spend a dime anywhere else until you've widened all of I-10 from Phoenix to Tucson.</p>	<p>Thank you for taking the time to share your concerns regarding the proposed I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange. Construction began on the I-10 Wild Horse Pass Corridor projects in May 2024 to widen I-10 between Loop 202 (Santan/South Mountain Freeway) in south Phoenix to SR 387 near Casa Grande. When construction is complete, the interstate will have three general purpose lanes continuously in each direction between Tucson and Phoenix. If a build alternative is selected, the proposed I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange would be constructed as part of the Corridor project.</p>
<p>I had been studying this project map and its environs, and wondered why a new (Koli Road) interchange would be needed? Koli Road is already so close to the adjacent Freeway interchanges to both the north and south (approximately ~1 mile from each). Interchange construction is Not cheap; moreover, expressway ramps use up a lot of land, and having another interchange so close to the others translates to unnecessary extra traffic and difficulty in merging. I recently moved to Arizona from Southern California, so I know what too many interchanges look like (and it is indeed unsightly). Besides Interstate 10, Koli Road also has a nearby connection with Maricopa Road, so I would definitely say that there is no real requirement for this additional new interchange. Due to the layout of this sector, I would also suggest that S. 48th Street be extended to the east because the route is already somewhat cleared. If it is still desired to extend Koli Road, it should curve southward and tie-in with John Wayne Parkway instead (which has its own existing freeway interchange). Now, if the local Tribal Council consents, why not just spend a bit of ADOT money on improving the appearance of I-10 through this particular little project area -- by adding some native plants, drought-resistant trees and xeriscaping? That might be the best consolation prize for local residents...</p>	<p>Thank you for sharing your thoughts and concerns. The purpose and need identified in the I-10/Koli Road TI Study is to provide access to and from I-10 and the Wild Horse Pass area. The I-10/Koli Road TI would help meet the demands of this growing area of the Community. The proposed I-10/Koli Road TI would be spaced approximately one mile from both the SR 347 and Wild Horse Pass Blvd. interchanges. This spacing is consistent with American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials guidance for interchange spacing in urban fringe areas. Improvements to I-10 are moving forward as part of the ADOT I-10 Gila River Indian Community Project. Refer to the project website https://i10wildhorsepasscorridor.com for more information. Koli Road is planned to extend to the west to connect to Maricopa Road. This extension will be built by the Gila River Indian Community concurrently with the construction of the Koli Road TI if the TI is approved. Koli Road is planned to extend to the east to connect to Kyrene Road as part of a future project, that would also be constructed by the Gila River Indian Community.</p>

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<p>My one question, how will this proposed interchange during construction, and when in operation, affect the Wild Horse Pass Raceway and its operation for scheduled events going forward? If there is no significant affect on the operation of the raceway, then I am all for it. Thanks for your time.</p>	<p>Thank you for taking the time to share your concerns. The purpose and need of the I-10/Koli Road TI Study is to provide access to and from I-10 from the Wild Horse Pass area. Firebird Motorsports Park is working closely with ADOT and the Gila River Indian Community to ensure this project has minimal impact on operations and the ability to deliver premier racing events in the Valley.</p>
<p>Why is this interchange even being considered? There are two adjacent interchange already existing. Whatever the cost would be for this project is simply an unnecessary expense.</p>	<p>Thank you for sharing your comments. The purpose and need identified in the I-10/Koli Road TI Study is to provide access to and from I-10 and the Wild Horse Pass area and support the planned growth in the area. The proposed I-10/Koli Road TI would be spaced approximately one mile from both the SR 347 and Wild Horse Pass Blvd. interchanges. This spacing is consistent with American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials guidance for interchange spacing in urban fringe areas.</p>
<p>Should be a stack interchange with minimum 2 lanes all directions. Get rid of lights, and don't even consider roundabouts. 347 should be 6 lanes plus HOV from I10 interchange to Maricopa. I10 should be minimum 8 lanes through the area continuing with 8-10 lanes between the interchange and Phoenix 202. East bound to casa grande should also be 8 lanes. The 6 planned will certainly help but needs at least another lane each way. As we know what's there right now is totally inadequate. How do you have a 5 Million plus metro area with 4 lanes? Should have been done 30yrs ago</p>	<p>Thank you for taking the time to share your concerns regarding the proposed I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange. The purpose and need identified in the I-10/Koli Road TI Study is to provide access to and from I-10 and the Wild Horse Pass area and support the planned growth in the area. Improvements to I-10, including widening, and I-10/SR 347 interchanges are moving forward as part of the ADOT I-10 Gila River Indian Community Project. Refer to the project website https://i10wildhorsepasscorridor.com/segments/loop-202-gila-river for more information. These improvements are not part of the I-10/Koli Road Study. In addition, improvements to SR 347 from I-10 to the City of Maricopa are moving forward as part of a separate project. More information about the planned improvements can be found on the website https://azdot.gov/sr347. These improvements are independent of the I-10/Koli Road TI Study.</p>

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<p>If no flyover is affordable for 347 to northbound I 10, then single point intersection is most likely my recommendation. Single point allows free eastbound I 10 to 347 and Maricopa has a continuous flow option. 347 to westbound I 10 should be able to transition from two lanes at the fly over or single point left to one lane thru with second/right lane to exit at wild horse. The biggest challenge in this is westbound. I 10 exiting to wild horse crossing the Maricopa traffic to get to the wild horse exit Or so is one person's opinion.</p>	<p>Thank you for taking the time to share your comment. The purpose and need identified in the I-10/Koli Road TI Study is to provide access to and from I-10 and the Wild Horse Pass area. The I-10/Koli Road TI would help meet the demands of this growing area of the Community. Improvements to I-10, including widening, and I-10/SR 347 interchanges are moving forward as part of the ADOT I-10 Gila River Indian Community Project. Refer to the project website https://i10wildhorsepasscorridor.com/segments/loop-202-gila-river for more information. These improvements are not part of the I-10/Koli Road TI Study / NEPA.</p>
<p>The documents were not clear to me why, in God's name, is I10 between Riggs Road and the 202 not being expanded as part of this project?!?! The area is a parking lot EVERY DAY. Once the Maricopans enter the 10 at 347, traffic is backed up for miles. Adding another interchange to add more volume into the 10 will just further clog the freeway! But frankly I don't know why you ask for public comment, it's all for show, and you will do what you want anyway. But good job on the 143 to 10 east interchange.</p>	<p>Thank you for taking the time to share your comment. The purpose and need identified in the I-10/Koli Road TI Study is to provide access to and from I-10 and the Wild Horse Pass area. The I-10/Koli Road TI would help meet the demands of this growing area of the Community. Improvements to I-10, including widening, are moving forward as part of the ADOT I-10 Gila River Indian Community Project. Refer to the project website https://i10wildhorsepasscorridor.com/segments/loop-202-gila-river for more information. These improvements are not part of the I-10/Koli Road TI Study / NEPA.</p>
<p>Just a thought which I am sure you have already considered, the Collector Distributor road and the HOV flyover ramps that were constructed around the airport, I10 interchange with SR143 were a great idea and seem to work beautifully. Maybe something like that could be accommodated in this area specifically around Queen Creek road. Anything to assist with the traffic coming up from Tucson, Maricopa and Sun Lakes that all try and dump on I10 around that area, which is then complicated with the casino/resort/shopping area. Thanks for the opportunity to provide my two cents.</p>	<p>Thank you for taking the time to share your comment. The purpose and need identified in the I-10/Koli Road TI Study is to provide access to and from I-10 and the Wild Horse Pass area. The I-10/Koli Road TI would help meet the demands of this growing area of the Community. Improvements to I-10, including widening, and I-10/SR 347 interchanges are moving forward as part of the ADOT I-10 Gila River Indian Community Project. Refer to the project website https://i10wildhorsepasscorridor.com/segments/loop-202-gila-river for more information. These improvements are not part of the I-10/Koli Road TI Study / NEPA.</p>

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<p>Of the 3 options presented during the public hearing I think do nothing is best. My concern is the effect of this lane addition on Firebird Raceway. During the meeting we were told there would be no effect, however most of the drawings I reviewed in the presentations on the website show these new lanes overlapping some of the road and dirt tracks. We have recently lost Arizona Motorsports Park due to issues with permitting and noise complaints from the community. Most of these home owners moved in well after the track was built. I feel like this addition presented is one set closer to an eventual shutdown of Firebird. People that want to drive their cars to the limit safely, quickly run out of options when local public tracks aren't protected by the cities and communities they reside in. When no safe options are available we've seen driver's take it to public streets and I don't think anyone wants to see that happen here.</p>	<p>Thank you for taking the time to share your comment. Both the no-build and recommended build alternatives will be carried forward in the environmental documentation process. The purpose and need of the I-10/Koli Road TI Study is to provide access to and from I-10 and the Wild Horse Pass area including the Firebird Motorsports Park. Firebird Motorsports Park is working closely with ADOT and the Gila River Indian Community to ensure this project has minimal impact on operations and the ability to deliver premier racing events in the Valley.</p>
<p>Good afternoon, ADOT! I had been studying this project map and its environs, and wondered why a new (Koli Road) interchange would be needed? Koli Road is already so close to the adjacent Freeway interchanges to both the north and south (approximately ~1 mile from each). Interchange construction is Not cheap; moreover, expressway ramps use up a lot of land, and having another interchange so close to the others translates to unnecessary extra traffic and difficulty in merging. I recently moved to Arizona from Southern California, so I know what too many interchanges look like (and it is indeed unsightly). Besides Interstate 10, Koli Road also has a nearby connection with Maricopa Road, so I would definitely say that there is no real requirement for this additional new interchange. Due to the layout of this sector, I would also suggest that S. 48th Street be extended to the east because the route is already somewhat cleared. If it is still desired to extend Koli Road, it should curve southward and tie-in with John Wayne Parkway instead (which has its own existing freeway interchange). Now, if the local Tribal Council consents, why not just spend a bit of ADOT money on improving the appearance of I-10 through this particular little project area -- by adding some native plants, drought-resistant trees and xeriscaping? That might be the best consolation prize for local residents...</p>	<p>Thank you for sharing your thoughts and concerns. The purpose and need identified in the I-10/Koli Road TI Study is to provide access to and from I-10 from the Wild Horse Pass area. The I-10/Koli Rd TI would help meet the demands of this growing area of the Community. The proposed I-10/Koli Road TI would be spaced approximately one mile from both the SR 347 and Wild Horse Pass Blvd. interchanges. This spacing is consistent with American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials guidance for interchange spacing in urban fringe areas. Improvements to I-10, including widening, and I-10/SR 347 interchanges are moving forward as part of the ADOT I-10 Gila River Indian Community Project. Refer to the project website https://i10wildhorsepasscorridor.com/segments/loop-202-gila-river for more information. These improvements are not part of the I-10/Koli Road TI Study / NEPA. Koli Road is planned to extend to the west to connect to Maricopa Road. This extension will be built by the Gila River Indian Community concurrently with the construction of the I-10/Koli Road TI if the TI is approved. Koli Road is planned to extend to the east to connect to Kyrene Road as part of a future project that would also be constructed by the Gila River Indian Community.</p>

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<p>Double the number of lanes on HW 10 and on HW 347 in the area of Wild Horse Pass. That is before the interchange is constructed. HW 10 in that area is always overloaded with slow traffic going 40 MPH.</p>	<p>Thank you for taking the time to share your comment. Improvements to I-10, including widening, and I-10/SR 347 interchanges are moving forward as part of the ADOT I-10 Gila River Indian Community Project. Refer to the project website https://i10wildhorsepasscorridor.com/segments/loop-202-gila-river for more information. These improvements are not part of the Koli Road TI Study / NEPA.</p>
<p>Yes, our area needs this. I-10 is a mess especially when it's closed due to major acci-dents. This gives motorists a way off the interstate for first responders to have their room to work.</p>	<p>Thank you for your comment.</p>
<p>I am in total favor for the creation of the I-10 Koli Road Interchange. It will save lives and improve and reduce traffic congestion between smaller populated towns, cities, Indian Reservations, and non-incorporated communities. The increased population growth within Maricopa and Pinal County has added more cars onto our freeways and state highways, increasing traffic congestion, road rage drivers, and higher vehicle re-lated accidents.</p>	<p>Thank you for your comment.</p>
<p>In TEXAS they have Frontage roads on Interstates IN THE MIDDLE OF NOWHERE. Here, along this I-10 stretch would be a Hell of an area to ADD FRONTAGE ROADS, so that not only the native american community can EASILY ACCESS THE FARMS, but when accidents happen which occur on that stretch frequently, THERES AN ALTERNATE ROUTE. Moreover, when they do happen (accidents), we are told to what : "TAKE AN ALTERNATE ROUTE" The problem is: THERES NO ALTERNATE ROUTE TO TAKE !! Perhaps more frontage roads will help, not that they are a cure-all, but at least its an option.</p>	<p>Thank you for taking the time to share your comment. The purpose and need identified in the I-10/Koli Road TI Study is to provide access to and from I-10 and the Wild Horse Pass area. The I-10/Koli Road TI would help meet the demands of this growing area of the Community. Frontage roads are often considered on interstate highways, however they were not viable to meet the purpose and need due to complex right of way needs, potential environmental and cultural impacts, and costs and feasibility. However, Koli Road is planned to extend to the west to connect to Maricopa Road. This extension will be built by the Gila River Indian Community concurrently with the construction of the I-10/Koli Road TI if the TI is approved. Koli Road is planned to extend to the east to connect to Kyrene Road as part of a future project that would also be constructed by the Gila River Indian Community.</p>

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<p>I am of the opinion that a simple Diamond Interchange will adequately meet the needs of this area. The Double Diamond Interchange is a much more expensive, complex and elaborate alternative. Current and projected traffic in this area do not warrant the additional effort and expense. I have lived in the area and traveled south on the I-10 since 1992 and do appreciate how ADOT has improved the I-10 freeway, but adding another sophisticated (Double Diamond) interchange will not improve throughput on the freeway. Monies saved by choosing the single Diamond Interchange could better be put toward unifying the I-10 freeway into a consistent 3 lane freeway and reduce the current congestion at those 'choke' points.</p>	<p>Thank you for taking the time to share your comments. The study team evaluated both a diamond interchange (DI) alternative and a diverging diamond interchange (DDI) alternative against the no-build alternative. It was found that both build alternatives met the purpose and need for the study. Cost was not a deciding factor between the build alternatives. The decision to select the DDI as the recommended build alternative (RBA) was based on strong Community and stakeholder support, better future traffic operations, and only minor differences compared to the DI alternative.</p>
<p>Please no more on or off ramps to snarl traffic.</p>	<p>Thank you for taking the time to share your concerns regarding the proposed I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange. The planned on- and off-ramps are necessary for the interchange to function properly, and their spacing meets American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials guidelines for interchange spacing in urban fringe areas.</p>
<p>We currently do not have the money to maintain and repair our current state infrastructure. Rail, light rail, rapid bus transit should be prioritized over new freeways, and new interchanges. A private to public spending ratio of 40 to 1 should be in place before we build anything new. A tax base is not established in that area to afford new infrastructure.</p>	<p>Thank you for taking the time to share your concerns regarding the proposed I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange. There are ongoing plans and programs at the regional and state levels. Current plans for new rail, light rail and bus transit can be found at https://www.valleymetro.org. Longterm planning efforts are also found on the Metropolitan Planning Organization (Maricopa Association of Governments) website (https://azmag.gov). ADOT remains consistent in its efforts to support these transit and multimodal initiatives, working closely with regional partners to align projects with long-term transportation and community goals. The purpose and need identified of the I-10/Koli Road Study is to provide access to and from the I-10 and the Wild Horse Pass area. The I-10/Koli Road TI would help meet the demands of this growing area of the community. We recognize the importance of balancing infrastructure investment with a funding base. The proposed project is identified in the region's long-range transportation plan, which was developed through coordination with local governments, regional planning organizations, and the public.</p>

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<p>So I guess it's --they're going to build the -- to the Koli Road, but are they fixing the Koli Road or just up to the certain part?</p>	<p>Thank you for your comments. Koli Road is planned to extend to the west to connect to Maricopa Road. This extension will be built by the Gila River Indian Community concurrently with the construction of the Koli Road TI if the TI is approved. Koli Road is planned to extend to the west to connect to Kyrene Road as part of a future project, that would also be constructed by the Gila River Indian Community. Upgrades to the existing Koli Road would be constructed by GRIC Department of Transportation.</p>
<p>I guess my comment would be the land -- Trent made a comment about the land that's going to be included in the project, if there's going to be a list of those landowners' names, because there's some of us who have -- haven't gone to probate yet to see where the land of our parents, our aunts or uncles or, you know, that may be included in this project, the land, and if it's going to be -- well, he answered my question.· It will be leased, whereabouts for the land would be included at. It's hard to -- hard to make it a comment instead of a question. I hope you know what I'm saying. That's my main concern, because right now, I have an aunt, late aunt who passed away, and she included me in her will, but I don't know where the land is at, and the same with my parents.· They passed away, and we haven't gone to probate either with them, so -- and we don't know where the land is at for them.· So we're just wondering if there's a list, which he said there is, but they can't give it out.· So we will know probably further down the line to see who's on that list and how we'll get notified, even though we haven't gone to probate yet, to be included in this project.· I don't...· But that was my main concern was the landholders who are going to be included in this lease, I guess.· That's about it, I think.</p>	<p>Thank you for your comment and questions. If a build alternative is selected, some right of way acquisition will be needed for the construction of the proposed I-10/Koli Road TI. The Gila River Indian Community will be sending letters out to the property owners of the effected properties based on the Tribal Status Report from BIA, the letters will be sent to the address in the Tribal Status Report. BIA is able to grant consent to an easement on the right of way under several conditions per CFR 169.107, one of which is "An individual Indian landowner, if the owner is deceased, and the heirs to, or devisees of, the interest of the deceased owner have not been determined".</p>

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<p>This project proposal to connect Koli Road to the I-10 offers minimal public benefits over-all. Instead, resources should be allocated to upgrading existing interchanges at Wild Horse Pass and Queen Creek Road to manage the anticipated traffic increases. Enhancing Maricopa Road and its interchanges with Wild Horse Pass and Queen Creek roads would improve emergency access and provide a more significant overall benefit to the region compared to the Koli Road extension. I hope these simple comments assist the project team in making the right decision to reject the Koli Road extension project. Instead, they should explore alternative options, such as upgrading existing infrastructure, to enhance traffic flow and improve emergency access response times.</p>	<p>Thank you for taking the time to share your comment. The purpose and need identified in the I-10/Koli Road TI Study is to provide access to and from I-10 and the Wild Horse Pass area. The I-10/Koli Road TI would help meet the demands of this growing area of the Community and benefit the plan for future development. Improvements the I-10/Wild Horse Pass and I-10/SR 347 interchanges are moving forward as part of the ADOT I-10 Gila River Indian Community Project. Refer to the project website https://i10wildhorsepasscorridor.com/segments/loop-202-gila-river for more information. These improvements are not part of the I-10/Koli Road TI Study / NEPA.</p>
<p>I'm concerned that the placement of the interchange with a bit under two miles between SR-347 and WHP will cause even more weaving issues than is seen today. Despite adding more lanes, placing an interchange so close in such a congested area is likely to cause more weaving. ADOT is aware of this issue, as it is currently eliminating interchanges in Tucson due to spacing issues. Currently, traffic comes to a complete stop between Riggs and 347 on NB I-10, with stop and go persisting up to WHP, and same between L-202 and WHP SB, with stop and go persisting until south of SR-347. ADOT recently put great effort into putting in a C/D at I-10 and Broadway Curve, as it was learned that more lanes alone doesn't solve issues. So adding more lanes *and* a new interchange seems like a recipe for more problems.</p>	<p>Thank you for taking the time to share your concerns regarding the proposed I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange. The proposed I-10/Koli Road TI would be spaced approximately one mile from both the SR 347 and Wild Horse Pass Blvd. interchanges. This spacing is consistent with American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials guidance for interchange spacing in urban fringe areas. The designer would consider acceleration and deceleration distances in accordance with current safety and operational standards to make exiting and interstate easier.</p> <p>As you have noted the purpose and need identified in the I-10/Koli Road TI Study is to provide access to and from the I-10 and the Wild Horse Pass area and support the planned growth in the area. Widening I-10 and improvements to I-10/Wild Horse Pass Blvd., I-10/SR 347, and I-10/Riggs Road interchanges are moving forward as part of the ADOT I-10 Gila River Indian Community Project. Refer to the project website https://i10wildhorsepasscorridor.com. These improvements are not part of the I-10/Koli Road TI Study, however they will add capacity to I-10. In addition, improvements to SR 347 from I-10 to the City of Maricopa, including improvements to the SR 347/Riggs Road interchange are moving forward as part of a separate project. More information about the planned improvements can be found on the website https://azdot.gov/sr347. These improvements are not part of the I-10/Koli Road TI Study.</p>

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<p>The problem isn't getting over the highway I10. The problem is getting through I10. I don't see traffic jams on the bridges getting to the casino. But I do see jams on I10.</p> <p>You have too many cars getting on I10 from Maricopa and not enough lanes to handle it. Just add 2 lanes on both sides on i10 and widen the exits and entrance for 347.</p> <p>Run the extra 2 lanes on i10 to Riggs road and improve that road to take more traffic. It is really rough. A large turning lane from 347 to Riggs with a tar overlay. Would take a lot of traffic. That way you will not disrupt the racetrack with a bridge.</p> <p>This solution would be much cheaper than a fancy bridge and multiple lanes.</p> <p>This is all Caused by the 'build homes fast as possible then put in roads later once we have tax money' policy. Every new home needs to have a funds put into an infrastructure fund to build home once road capacity reaches a certain level before the house can get permitted for occupancy. Is my suggestion.</p>	<p>Thank you for taking the time to share your comment. The purpose and need identified in the I-10/Koli Road TI Study is to provide access to and from I-10 and the Wild Horse Pass area. Improvements to I-10, including widening and adding lanes, and improvements to I-10/SR 347 and I-10/Riggs Road interchanges are moving forward as part of the ADOT I-10 Gila River Indian Community Project. Refer to the project website https://i10wildhorsepasscorridor.com/segments/loop-202-gila-river for more information. These improvements are not part of the I-10/Koli Road TI Study. In addition, improvements to SR 347 from I-10 to the City of Maricopa, including improvements to the SR 347/Riggs Road interchange are moving forward as part of a separate project, more information about the planned improvements can be found on the website https://azdot.gov/sr347. These improvements are not part of the I-10/Koli Road TI Study / NEPA.</p>
<p>There is no space for this interchange at the proposed location. The amount of traffic exiting and entering the freeway between Wild Horse Pass and SR347 makes it hard to get on and off the freeway at the SR347 exit. Adding another exit in that short space will make things more dangerous and difficult. Adding an exit or lanes of through traffic will not alleviate this issue.</p>	<p>Thank you for taking the time to share your concerns regarding the proposed I-10/Koli Road Traffic Interchange. The proposed Koli Road TI would be spaced approximately one mile from both the SR 347 and Wild Horse Pass Blvd. interchanges. This spacing is consistent with American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials guidance for interchange spacing in urban fringe areas. The designer would consider acceleration and deceleration distances in accordance with current safety and operational standards to make exiting an interstate easier. As you have noted the purpose and need identified in the I-10/Koli Road TI Study is to provide access to and from the I-10 and the Wild Horse Pass area and support the planned growth in the area. Improvements to the I-10/Wild Horse Pass and I-10/SR 347 interchanges are moving forward as part of the ADOT I-10 Gila River Indian Community Project. Refer to the project website https://i10wildhorsepasscorridor.com/segments/loop-202-gila-river for more information. These improvements are not part of the Koli Road TI Study/NEPA.</p>