

Interstate 10 and State Route 210

Phase II Draft Environmental Assessment and Initial Design Concept Report Public Hearing

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Gracias.

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Agenda

5:30-7:30 PM Open House

6:00-6:15 PM Presentation

6:30-7:30 PM Public Statements

Study Milestones

- ▶ 2011-2015 – Phase I
 - 2015 Feasibility Study & Environmental Overview
 - Identification of system alternatives
- ▶ 2016-2019 – Phase II
 - Draft EA and Initial DCR published for public review
 - Identification of recommended alternative

Study Area

- ▶ State Route 210 (SR 210) (Barraza-Aviation Parkway) from Golf Links Road to a future connection with I-10 along Alvernon Way
- ▶ Interstate 10 (I-10) from I-10/Interstate 19 (I-19) interchange to Kolb Road



Project Need

- ▶ Lack of roadway options to downtown Tucson area
- ▶ I-10 traffic interchanges have poor operational performance and higher-than-average crash rates
- ▶ Projected I-10 traffic growth over the next 20 years will exceed the current capacity of the freeway
- ▶ High percentage of travel on I-10 is for local trips rather than through traffic

Corridor Alternatives Considered

System Alternative I

- ▶ Designate Alvernon Way as SR210 from Golf Links Road to I-10 and provide four (4) travel lanes in each direction
- ▶ Add a new system interchange to provide access from SR210 to I-10
- ▶ Add up to two (2) lanes in each direction on I-10 from the I-10/I-19 interchange to Alvernon Way
- ▶ Add up to four (4) lanes in each direction on I-10 from Alvernon Way to Kolb Road

System Alternative IV

- ▶ Designate Alvernon Way as SR210 from Golf Links Road to I-10 and provide four (4) travel lanes in each direction
- ▶ Add a new system interchange to provide access from SR210 to I-10
- ▶ Add up to two (2) lanes in each direction on I-10 from the I-10/I-19 interchange to Alvernon Way
- ▶ Modify I-10 from Alvernon Way to Kolb Road to serve as a collector-distributor roadway, adding up to four (4) lanes in each direction

No-Build Alternative

The No-Build Alternative is used as a baseline, to compare against the build alternatives. It is used to understand the condition of the study area in the future with no proposed improvements, and to understand how the build alternatives could influence the study area—for better or worse. The No-Build Alternative represents the existing transportation system, along with committed improvement projects that are programmed for funding.

Initial Design Concept Report

- ▶ The Initial DCR refined the two build alternatives, System Alternatives I and IV, and evaluated all three alternatives.
- ▶ Information on the three alternatives was presented to the public November 2018. The recommended alternative, System Alternative I, was selected based on public and agency input, as well as technical evaluation information of the alternatives.

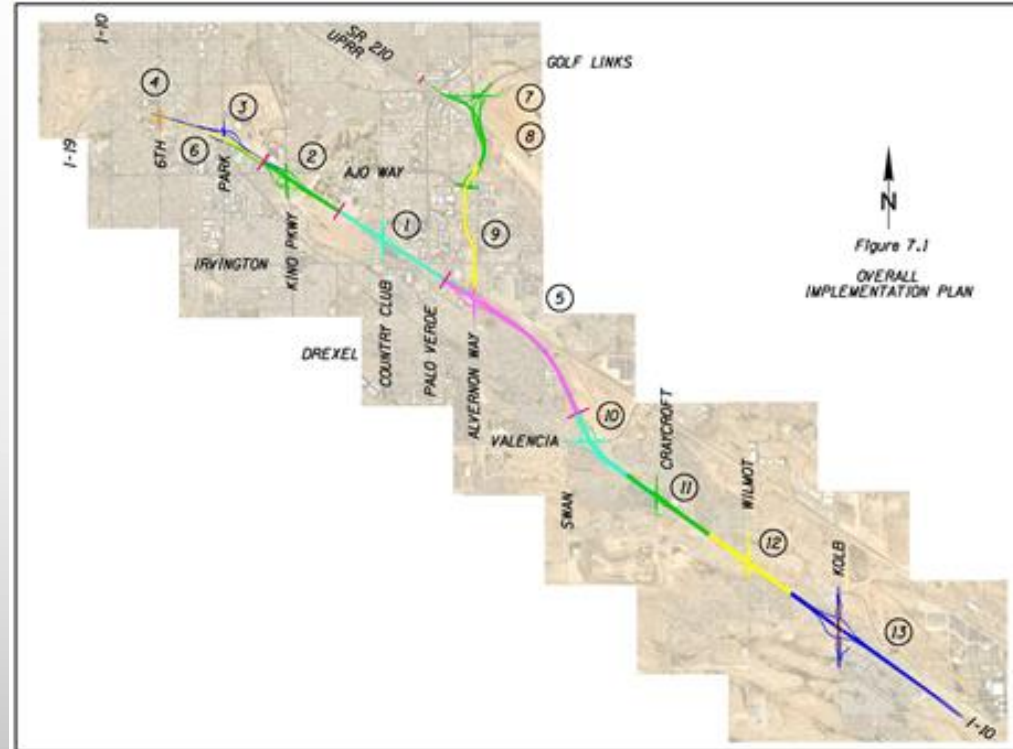
System Alternative I - Recommended Alternative

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Tentative Implementation Plan

- ▶ Proposed plan developed as part of the DCR
- ▶ Recommends 18 projects over 15 to 20 years
- ▶ Timing dependent on availability of funding and coordination with PAG
- ▶ Design of Kino Pkwy and Country Club Rd TIs included in Five Year Plan



Draft Environmental Assessment

The Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) evaluates potential social, economic, and natural environmental impacts on multiple environmental resource categories including air and water quality, biological resources, land use, noise, and neighborhood and community impacts. Ultimately, the Final EA will determine if this study will result in a Finding-of-No-Significant-Impact or not. The Draft EA has been prepared in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act by ADOT under the 327 MOU (NEPA Assignment).

What is NEPA?

- ▶ The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, NEPA was a law written to analyze, disclose, minimize, and mitigate environmental impacts for federally funded projects.
- ▶ NEPA's basic policy requires applicable federal agencies to review impacts and mitigation to NEPA studies.
- ▶ An Environmental Assessment (EA) is the NEPA-level documentation that will be used to evaluate potential impacts for the proposed project.
- ▶ The purpose of this EA is to describe the need for a proposed action, alternatives evaluated (including the No-Build Alternative), environmental impacts of those alternatives, and any necessary mitigation measures.

Section 4(f)

- ▶ Section 4(f) of the U.S. Transportation Act applies to federally-funded transportation projects that have an impact on publicly owned parks and recreation areas, wildlife and waterfowl refuges, and historic sites.
- ▶ New road across the Julian Wash Greenway near Treat or Bentley Ave. to replace existing neighborhood access on Irvington Rd
- ▶ ADOT is presenting a *de minimus* impact finding for public review and comment regarding the changes to this public trail.
- ▶ For more information on this Section 4(f) finding, please see Chapter 4 of the Draft Environmental Assessment (EA)

Next Steps

Public Review

The public review and comment period for the Draft Environmental Assessment started Oct. 29, 2019 and ends on Dec. 12, 2019.

Final Environmental Assessment & Design Concept Report

Both the Draft EA and Initial DCR will be finalized and a build alternative or the No-Build alternative will be selected.

How to Comment

- ▶ Verbal Public Statements at tonight's hearing, recorded by a court reporter
- ▶ Online: www.azdot.gov/i10SR210study
- ▶ Email: i10SR210Study@hdrinc.com
- ▶ Voicemail: 1-888-692-2678
- ▶ Mail: ADOT Community Relations, 1221 S. Second Avenue, Tucson, AZ 85713

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THANK YOU!

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