

# Interstate 10 and Ruthrauff Road TRAFFIC INTERCHANGE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

### **PROJECT OVERVIEW**

The Interstate 10/Ruthrauff Road traffic interchange will be reconstructed to improve traffic operations on both roadways.

Key elements of the project:

- ▶ Lower I-10 to go beneath Ruthrauff Road
- ▶ Raise Ruthrauff Road to go over Davis Avenue/Highway Drive, the Union Pacific Railroad and I-10
- ▶ Widen I-10 to four lanes in each direction
- ▶ Widen Ruthrauff Road to two lanes in each direction
- Reconstruct the I-10 frontage roads to connect to the elevated Ruthrauff Road

During the interchange closure, motorists will need to use alternate routes to access I-10.

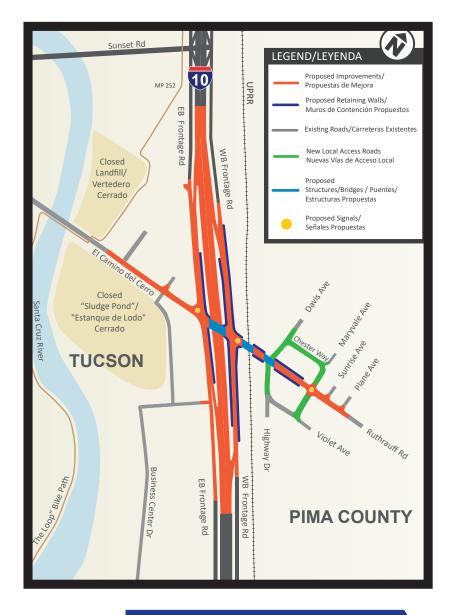
ADOT will maintain access to businesses throughout the project. The Chuck Huckleberry Loop will remain open throughout the project.

#### PROJECT PURPOSES

The project is designed to improve safety on both Ruthrauff Road and I-10.

Currently, passing trains stop all traffic on Ruthrauff Road, which causes backups onto I-10. In the new configuration, traffic on Ruthrauff Road will pass over the railroad and I-10, eliminating the at-grade railroad crossing.

In addition, the interchange reconstruction is part of a series of projects to increase capacity on I-10 between Ruthrauff and Ina roads.



## **ANTICIPATED TIMELINE**

▶ Mid-Jan. 2020: Construction begins

▶ Winter/Spring 2020: Interchange closure begins

▶ Late Summer 2021: Ruthrauff Road/El Camino del Cerro reopens over

I-10 (the interchange/ramps will not be open)

▶ Late 2021: Interchange reopens to traffic

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