



# DBE News & Events

February 5, 2020

## Somerton Seeks Hwy to Link City to Port of Entry

By Cesar Neyoy for Yuma Sun

Somerton officials are lobbying for construction of a new highway that would link their city with the Area Service Highway and the **San Luis II** commercial port of entry.

Under the proposal backed by Somerton officials, the route of the highway would extend from the commercial port of entry north on what is now Avenue E, jog to the right onto what is Avenue D and continue to County 18th Street in Somerton.

Somerton Mayor Gerardo Anaya said the proposed highway would be compatible with a separate proposal to modify San Luis II to be a border gate for private vehicles as well as commercial vehicles traveling between the United States and Mexico.

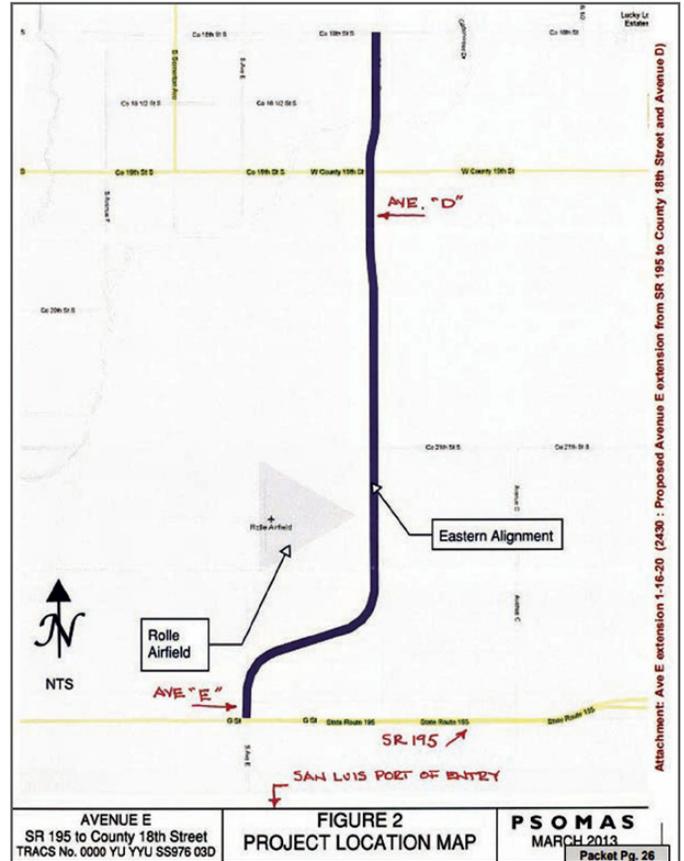
San Luis officials have asked the federal government to allow San Luis II to serve as a crossing for

private cars as a way to help shorten wait times to cross the border at the port of entry in that city's downtown.

Samuel Palacios, Somerton's public works director, said the conceptual design for the project has yet to be completed. The next phase would be to complete the final design and determine what improvements would have to be made on Avenue D between County 18 and Highway 95 to handle an increased volume of traffic.

Yuma County Supervisor Martin Porchas, whose district includes Somerton, says he will help the city try to convince the board of supervisors to proceed with work on the highway.

Read more at [YumaSun.com](http://YumaSun.com). (Subscription required.)



## HAVE YOU REGISTERED FOR THIS FREE EVENT?

March 12, 2020  
from 7am-12pm

## 2020 ADOT DBE & SMALL BUSINESS TRANSPORTATION EXPO

If you're a small business in the transportation sector, then this event is for you! Network with exhibitors and officials in the following public agencies:



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**For ADOT Freeway Aesthetics Are No Afterthought**

By David Woodfill / ADOT Communications

Designing a freeway includes quite a bit of thought about how it will look beyond the travel lanes. That’s why we make sure Valley freeways have designs that reflect the history and natural beauty of the areas they pass through.

The Loop 202 South Mountain Freeway is the latest reflection of that commitment. When designing the 22-mile freeway, ADOT took care in picking how sound walls, bridges and more would look, down to the lines, paint colors, landscaping and ground cover, including land-form graphics.

As we shared last week, ADOT’s designers drew inspiration from the work of modern architect Frank Lloyd Wright, architect, urban designer and artist Paolo Soleri, cholla cactuses, agriculture, the Salt River, South Mountain and more. You’ll also see similar themes reflected in the choice of vegetation using, in some cases, native plants that were removed from the freeway’s path, kept in temporary nurseries and replanted.

ADOT developed these concepts, which were presented for public input, in collaboration with the Frank Lloyd Wright Foundation and Cosanti Foundation.



Credit: ADOT

“Design choices are an important part of providing quality freeways for today and for future generations,” said LeRoy Brady, ADOT’s chief landscape architect. “They enhance the experience of those who use the South Mountain Freeway.”

Next time you’re heading down the South Mountain Freeway, we hope you’ll take the time to appreciate how its design incorporates flavors from different areas along its path. •

**‘Disruptive’ Major I-10 Project Planned in Metro Phoenix**

Source: Associated Press via Pinal Central

Planners are spreading the word that the start of a multiyear project to rebuild a critical freeway corridor in the heart of the metro area is only about a year off.

The project includes adding traffic lanes and building new bridges on parts of an 11-mile stretch of Interstate 10.

Work is expected to begin in spring 2021 and take about four years to complete, according to the **Arizona Department of Transportation**.

Primary funding for the \$700M project comes from a half-cent sales tax approved by Maricopa

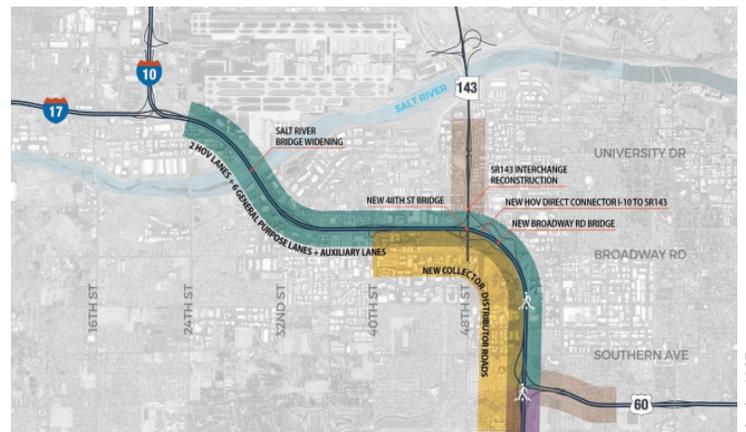
County voters in 2004, ADOT spokesman Tom Herrmann said.

Herrmann said officials anticipate completing the final environmental assessment and receiving a favorable finding of “no significant impact” within the next 60 days.

The project could save up to 2 million hours of travel time a year.

Much of the reconstruction will center around a segment where five bridges will be built in the vicinity of **State Route 143**.

In the northern part of the project area, a collector-distribution



Credit: ADOT

road system will be built to reduce the number of lane changes on the main portion of I-10 and improve traffic flow.

Other work includes expanding interchanges with SR 143 and U.S. 60.

Read more at [Pinal Central](#).

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**Yavapai County Eyes Bridge Project over Verde River**

By Jason W. Brooks for Daily Courier

One of the most heavily discussed Verde Valley road projects of the past few years has cleared a few more hurdles, and one county supervisor is hoping work on the road will begin later this year.

**Verde Connect** is a 9.4-mile road that will extend Beaverhead Flat Road from Cornville Road to Coury Drive, providing a continuous paved crossroad that will connect State Route 179, south of the Village of Oak Creek, with a portion of State Route 260, between Camp Verde and Cottonwood.

The route will connect to Middle Verde Road, ending the dead-end nature of that road, and will involve a new, expensive bridge over the Verde River.

District 3 Yavapai County Supervisor Randy Garrison is hopeful work on the project will start in the fall of 2020. He said most of the studies have been completed.

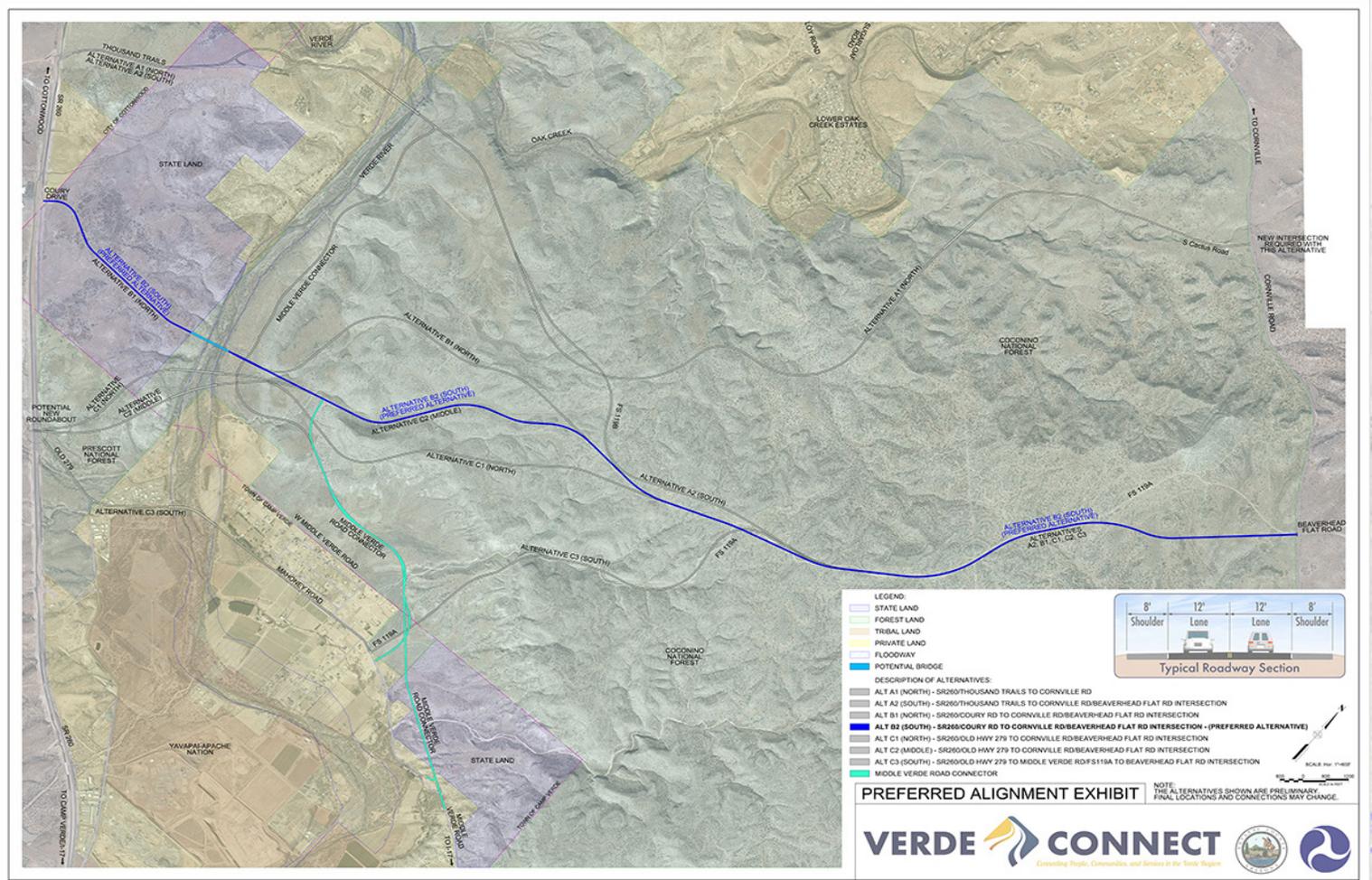
Garrison expects the supervisors will be able to vote on awarding a contract and beginning the project by August.

A \$25M federal grant was sought in 2018 and received as part of the Fiscal 2019 federal grant cycle.

The project has received some public opposition, especially those concerned about environmental impact, increased rural traffic, whether it is really needed or if costs will soar well beyond the \$25M in the grant and be passed along to taxpayers.

The **Camp Verde Town Council** unanimously approved a resolution on June 19th to oppose the project.

Read more at [Daily Courier](#). (Subscription required)



**Business & Industry Events**

February 5, 2020

**February**

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**APWA February Luncheon**  
 Location: 2901 N. 7th Street, Phoenix  
 Time: 11:30am - 1:00pm
- 21

**ABA 2020 Chairman's Installation Dinner & Auction**  
 Location: 860 N Riverview, Mesa  
 Time: 5:30pm-9:00pm
- 25

**AAED: Economic Development Hacks**  
 Location: 4215 Arts Village Drive, Sedona  
 Time: 9:30am-1:15pm
- 25

**ACEC: Street Transportation Update**  
 Location: 532 W McDowell Rd., Phoenix  
 Time: 7:30am-9:30am

**March**

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**USACE LA District AZ Business Opps. Open House**  
 Location: 3636 N Central Ave., Ste. 805, Phoenix  
 Time: 8:30am-12:30pm
- 19

**LAI: Planned & Future Expansion of Fwy Systems**  
 Location: 11500 N Hayden Rd, Scottsdale  
 Time: 11:30am-1:00pm
- 26

**MPA:Cocktails & Connections**  
 Location: 4450 N 12th St., #228, Phoenix  
 Time: 5:00pm-7:00pm

**April**

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**ABA Member Mixer**  
 Location: 2210 S Roosevelt St., Tempe  
 Time: 8:30am-12:30pm

ADOT/ BECO      Other Associations

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 Need help preparing DBE Affidavits?  
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["Preparing DBE Affidavits"](#)



BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT

ADOT's Business Development program is designed to provide DBEs with general and firm-specific training and technical assistance to help them to become more competitive within the transportation industry. This program will give DBE firms an opportunity to gain a competitive edge within and outside the highway industry.

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May 20-22, 2020

Arizona Biltmore, Phoenix AZ



SAVE THE DATE

April 13-15, 2020

201 W Butler Ave., Flagstaff

ADOT DBE & SMALL BUSINESS TRANSPORTATION EXPO

March 12, 2020

at the Glendale Civic Center

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**Project Opportunities**

February 5, 2020

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- [Bidding Opportunities Around the State](#)

**Did You Know?**

Arizona has the largest percentage of land designated as Indian lands, and 21 federally recognized American Indian tribes.

ADOT Multimodal Planning Division (MPD), who also work as ADOT department-wide tribal liaisons, provide planning support and inter-governmental coordination for ADOT's statewide and regional planning projects and programs as they impact tribal governments and communities. Special emphasis is placed on conducting coordination efforts to improve tribal participation in the state-wide transportation planning and programming processes.

[www.aztribaltransportation.org](http://www.aztribaltransportation.org)

**Featured Federal-Aid Projects**

**General / Subcontractors Opportunities**

Due Date	Project Valuation	DBE Goal	Solicitation / Project Number	Type	Project Owner and Description	Contact
2/21/20 11am MST	\$360K	6.11%	TEA-ITO-0(204)T; SL69801C	<a href="#">IFB</a>	ADOT - Construct Multi-Use Pathway Re-Bid, San Xavier Road: Little Nogales Drive to I-19, San Xavier District of the Tohono O'odham Nation. The work consists of constructing a new asphaltic concrete pathway & concrete sidewalk, landscaping, signing & striping.	Kristin Huston, Engineering Specialist, <a href="mailto:khuston@azdot.gov">khuston@azdot.gov</a> or Daniel Casmer, Construction Supervisor, at <a href="mailto:dcasmer@azdot.gov">dcasmer@azdot.gov</a>
2/28/20 11am MST	\$2.2M	2.78%	NHPP-069-A(220)T; F027401C	<a href="#">IFB</a>	ADOT - Pavement Rehabilitation, Main Street - Prescott Lake Pkwy, Cordes Junction-Prescott Hwy (SR 69). The work consists of repairing asphaltic concrete pavement spots by microsurfacing & applying fog coat, including milling & filling & pavement marking.	Farhana Jesmin, Engineering Specialist, at <a href="mailto:FJesmin@azdot.gov">FJesmin@azdot.gov</a> or James Bramble, Construction Supervisor, at <a href="mailto:JBramble@azdot.gov">JBramble@azdot.gov</a>
3/20/20 11am MST	\$3.9M	7.05%	CMAQ-GIL-0(216)T; T011801C	<a href="#">IFB</a>	ADOT - Construct UPRR/Trail Grade Crossing, Western Canal Powerline Trail & Neely St. Gilbert. The work consists of constructing new grade separated crossing of the UPRR, including constructing sidewalk, retaining walls, bridge structure, signing, & striping.	Layth Al Obaidi, Engineering Specialist, at <a href="mailto:LAlobaidi@azdot.gov">LAlobaidi@azdot.gov</a> or Micah Hannam, Construction Supervisor, at <a href="mailto:Mhannam@azdot.gov">Mhannam@azdot.gov</a> . First published on 12/31



**WORKSHOP**  
*Co-sponsored by the*  
**ARIZONA PAVEMENTS/MATERIALS  
CONFERENCE COMMITTEE**  
**Holiday Inn & Suites Phoenix Airport**  
**Tuesday, February 18, 2020**

**Subject:** **Pavement Preservation: Benefit, Timing and Practice**

**Objective:** The workshop is designed to help road and highway engineers, supervisors and crews become familiar with the concept of preventive maintenance, selection of most cost-effective maintenance treatment, maintenance materials, and various maintenance treatments for both asphalt and concrete pavements.

**Instructors:** Mike Mamlouk, Professor, Arizona State University  
Mo Rahman, Ergon Asphalt & Emulsions  
Rob Duvall, City of Phoenix  
Bob Erdman, Cutler Repaving  
Larry Scofield, American Concrete Pavement Association

**When:** Tuesday, February 18, 2020, 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. *Lunch and breaks will be provided.*

**Where:** **Holiday Inn & Suites Phoenix Airport**, 3220 South 48th Street Phoenix, Arizona 85040, (480) 543-1700.

**Fee:** \$95.00 includes all workshop materials, lunch and breaks. Workshop materials will be uploaded at <https://pavement.engineering.asu.edu/>. *All profits will go to the Witzak Endowment at ASU, which pays for student scholarships and other scholarly activities.*

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**Who Should Attend:**

The target audience for this workshop is state and local highway personnel dealing with design, construction, maintenance, and rehabilitation of asphalt and concrete pavement.

**Topics:**

1. The Case for Preventive Maintenance
2. Engineering a Preventive Maintenance Program
3. Materials for Preventive Maintenance
4. Crack Treatments for Asphalt Pavements
5. Fog Seals and Rejuvenators
6. Chip Seals
7. Slurry Seals and Microsurfacing
8. Thin Hot-Mix Asphalt Overlays (Conventional, Asphalt Rubber, Ultrathin Bonded Wearing Course, Hot In-Place Recycling)
9. Concrete Pavement Preservation (Diamond Grinding, Seal & Reseal, Full & Partial Depth Repair)

**Registration:**

Pre-registration is required at <https://www.eiseverywhere.com/500519>. The registration fee is \$95 and will include workshop materials, lunch and breaks. **The deadline to register is February 10, 2020.** Registration fees are non-refundable. If you are unable to register online, please complete the form below and return it along with your check or money order **made payable to Arizona State University.** Unfortunately, we are unable to accept cash.

**Return to:**

Arizona State University  
Attn: Meg Pratt, SSEBE  
660 S College Avenue, Ste 507  
Tempe, AZ 85281  
Fax: 480-965-0557

**Contact:**

Meg Pratt  
Administrative Specialist  
(480) 965-5166  
[meg.pratt@asu.edu](mailto:meg.pratt@asu.edu)

*ASU Federal Tax ID # 86-0196696*

**Be sure to mark your calendar, as you will not receive a reminder.**

<https://pavement.engineering.asu.edu/>

Please complete bottom portion if you are not able to register online.

**PAVEMENT PRESERVATION: BENEFIT, TIMING AND PRACTICE – February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

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Will you be attending lunch?  Yes  No

Will you be requesting a vegetarian lunch?  Yes  No

# ADOT'S **FREE**

## **Highway Construction ACADEMY**

**Highway Construction - Jump Start - Women Only**

**Full Time: 2 Weeks, 8 hours/day - 5 days/week**

**Phoenix, AZ**

**March 2 - March 13, 2020  
8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

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2630 South 20th Place  
Phoenix, AZ 85034**

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**OJT Supportive Services Program Manager: Steve Navis**  
E-mail: [constructionacademy@azdot.gov](mailto:constructionacademy@azdot.gov)

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# Highway Construction ACADEMY

## Prerequisites:

1. Must be authorized to work in the US
2. Must pass a **Federal D.O.T. Drug Test**
3. Have reliable transportation to and from class, as well as to job site field trips
4. Must be at least 18 years old
5. Dress in an appropriate professional manner to perform construction work:



**GOAL:** To provide craftsmen a career path to Full Journeyman Level

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Students with 100% attendance will earn **\$200 in free tools** upon completion:



Hand tools  
Hard hat



Class 2 work shirt or vest

## Ready to Participate?

Step One:



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Step Two:



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Step Three:



It will be your responsibility to complete a **C.D.L. Physical** and **Federal D.O.T. Drug Test**  
Once your results are verified, your seat will be secured.

Example of seats available on our website:



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