

MAG Transportation Policy Committee

North-South Corridor Study Update



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North-South Corridor Study



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Primary Objective

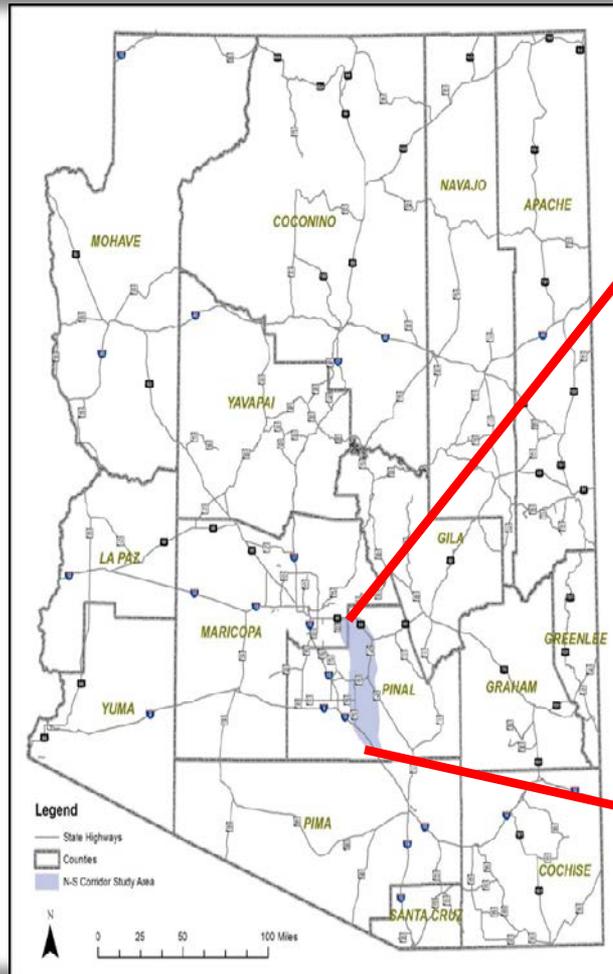
Evaluate a high capacity, access- controlled transportation facility in the central portion of Pinal County

Scope

Prepare a location/design concept report (L/DCR) and an environmental impact statement (EIS) for a proposed 45-mile-long, north-south transportation corridor

Project Overview

- ▶ US 60 to I-10
- SR 24 Study Area
- Superstition Vistas
- Gila River
- Railroads
- CAP Canal



Project Overview

A new high-capacity North-South transportation facility must be supplemented by other improvements:

- ▶ New roads
- ▶ Improvements to existing roads
- ▶ Safety enhancements
- ▶ Enhancements to manage traffic operations
- ▶ Modal choices including Transit



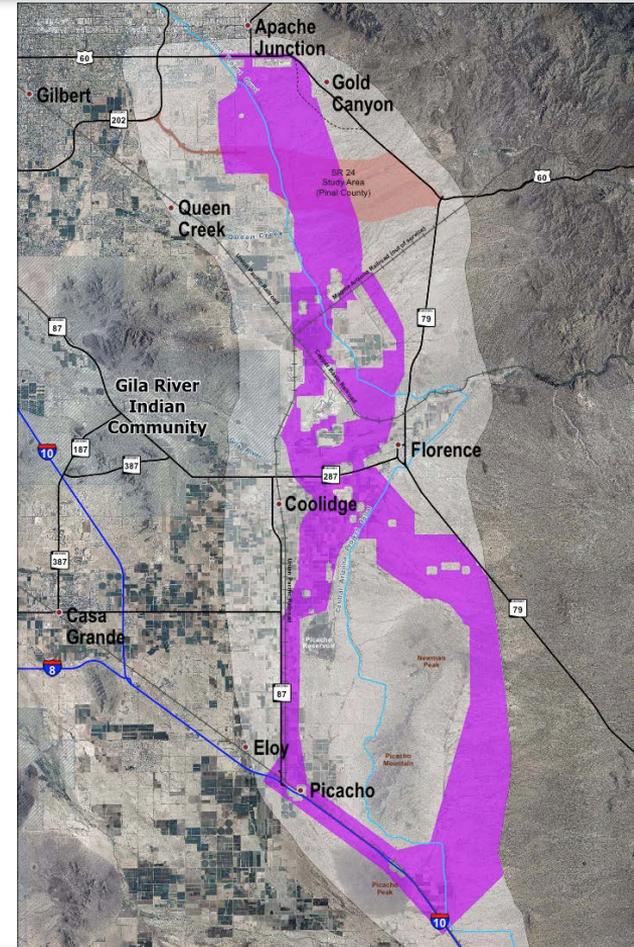
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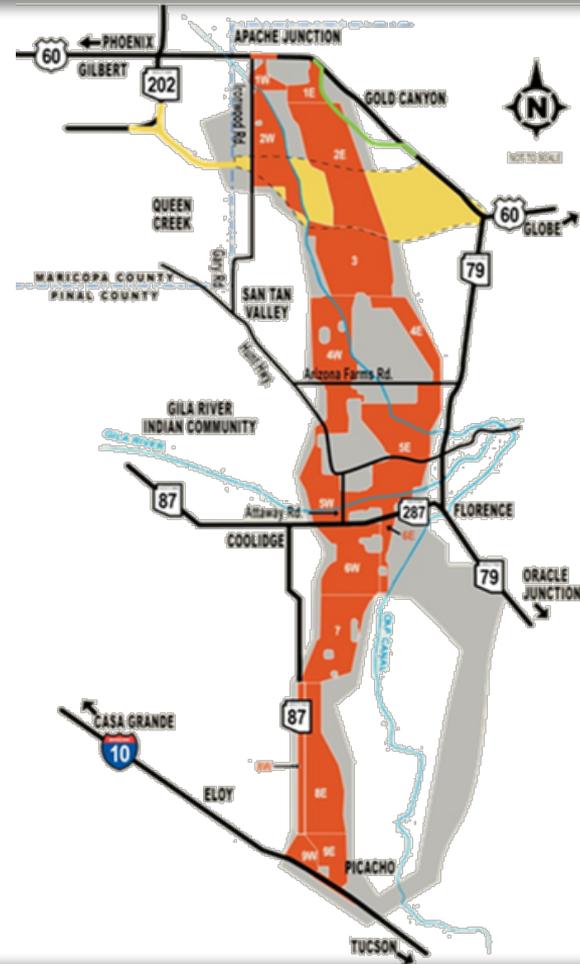
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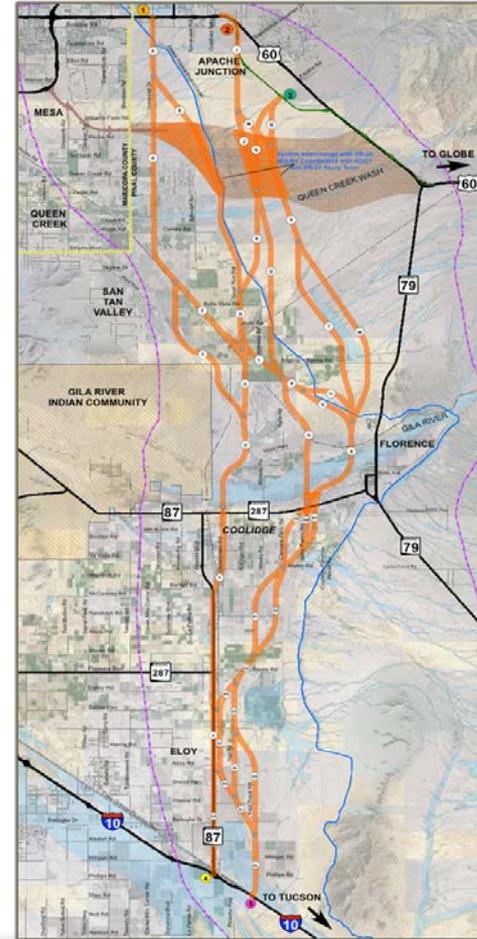
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Northern Route Alternatives

ADOT Project No. 999 FN 000 17464 011

Instructions:

Each **●** with a letter inside it represents a segment of the potential North-South Corridor that would connect US 60 and I-10.

Step 1: Please circle the segments you find favorable on the two maps.

Step 2: Please cross out or X the segments you find unfavorable on the two maps.

Step 3: You can also draw a line anywhere on the map to show where you would like a segment or route.

Step 4: We want to know why you selected these segments. Please find the segments you marked in the list below and explain why you find them favorable or unfavorable.

Comments:

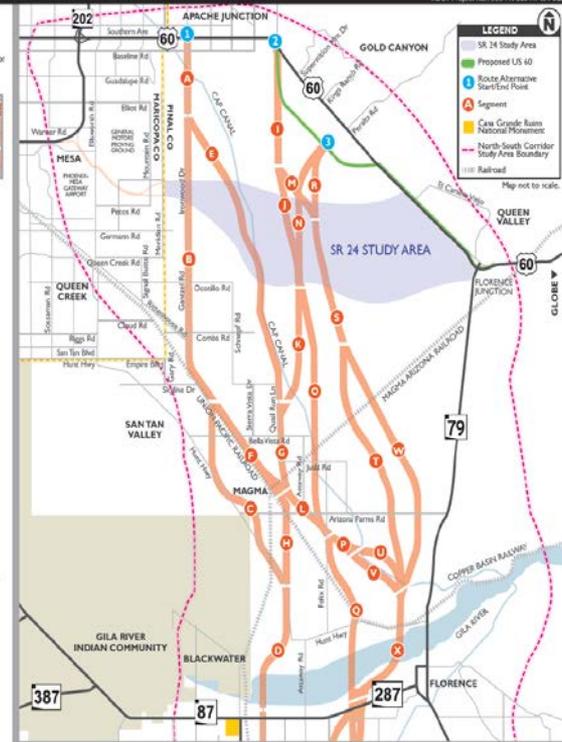
A Follows Ironwood Dr between US 60 and Elliot Rd—crosses CAP Canal
 Favorable Unfavorable
 Why? _____

B Follows Ironwood Dr/Gantzel Rd between Elliot Rd and Skyline Dr; parallels portion of railroad
 Favorable Unfavorable
 Why? _____

C Follows Gantzel Rd/Hunt Hwy—weers around the Gila River Indian Community
 Favorable Unfavorable
 Why? _____

D Follows Hunt Hwy on the west side of Anthem at Merrill Ranch—crosses Gila River on Christensen Rd
 Favorable Unfavorable
 Why? _____

E New route between Ironwood Dr and Quail Run Ln west of CAP Canal
 Favorable Unfavorable
 Why? _____



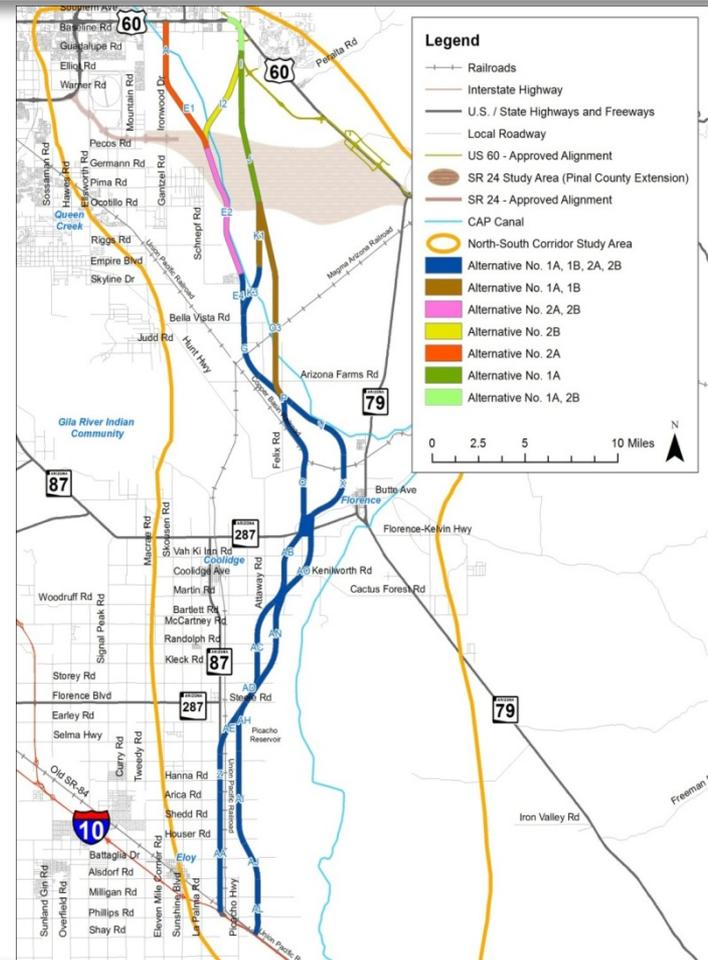
F New route between future extension of Williams Field Rd and Ocotillo Rd on State Trust Land—weers around Powerline, Vineyard, Rittenhouse flood structures and CAP Canal
 Favorable Unfavorable
 Why? _____

G New route between Ocotillo Rd and Fells Rd—crosses Queen Creek Wash, Magma RR and CAP Canal
 Favorable Unfavorable
 Why? _____

H New route west of Magma Dam; impacts future Magma Ranch II and Skyview Farms developments
 Favorable Unfavorable
 Why? _____

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- ▶ Draft Alternatives Selection Report completed in March 2013



Next Steps



- ▶ Alternatives Selection
Report public meetings,
planned for early 2014
 - ▶ Traditional Cultural
Property survey
 - ▶ Toll Feasibility Study
- ▶ Phase 2
 - Environmental Impact
Statement
 - Identify Preferred
Alternative
 - ▶ Targeting Draft EIS in late
2015, Final EIS in 2016

Additional Information

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THANK YOU!