

MAG Bike Ped Committee

Funding for Bicycle/Pedestrian Plans for Smallish Communities

City of Apache Junction
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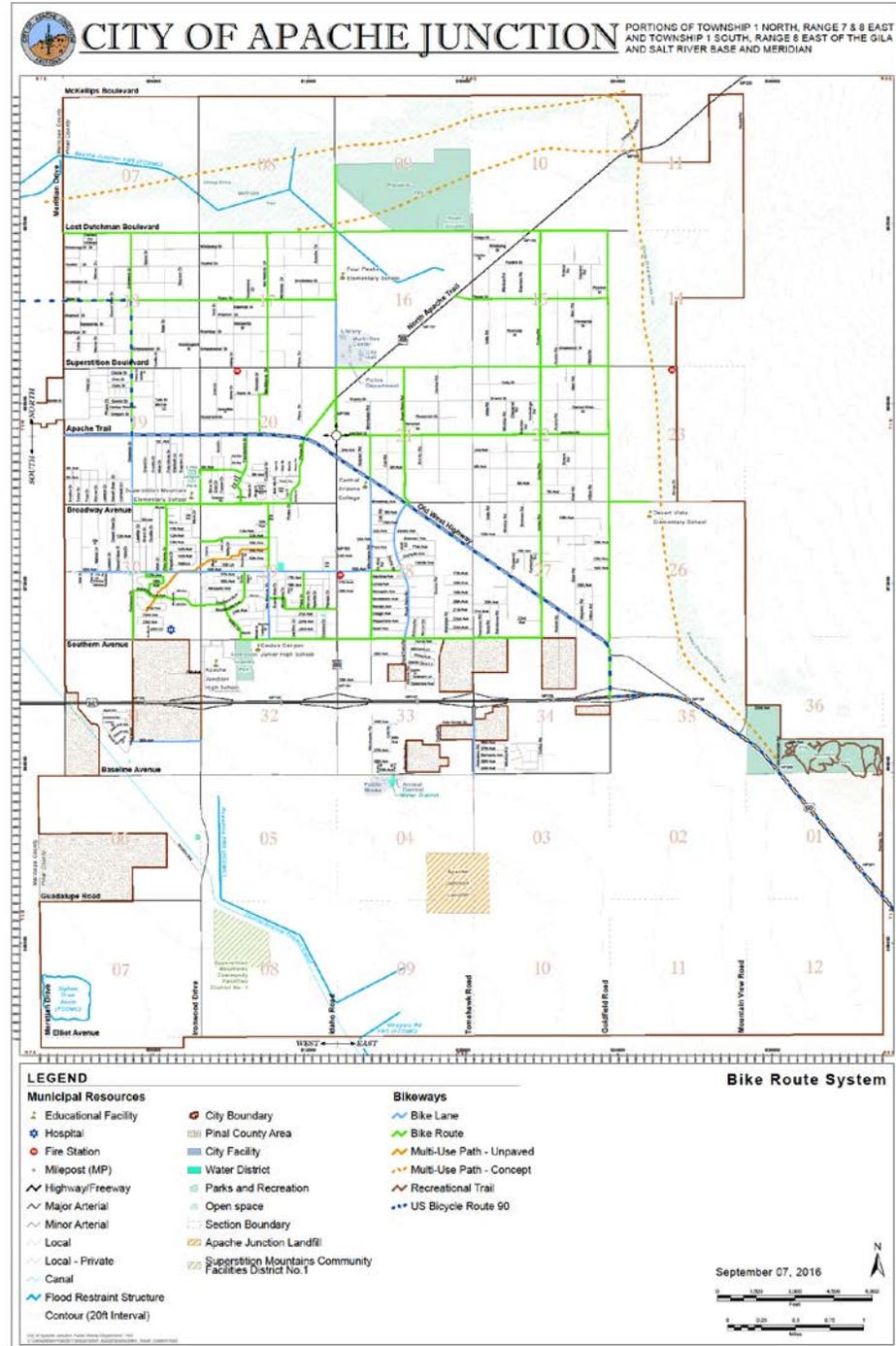


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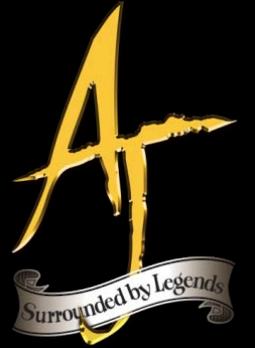


- City has completed the following master plans containing bike components but AJ has no overall specific Bicycle-Pedestrian Plan
 - 2012 Updated Comprehensive Transportation Study
 - 2015 ITS Study
 - 2016 ASU Capstone Study (Connectivity Component)
- Since 2010 AJ went from two miles of dedicated bike lanes to 15 miles in 2016
- City placed bike lanes on Apache Trail in 2015 so we could be part of US Bike Route 90
- City needs a specific plan and 5-year implementation strategy for projects, policy change, programs

AJ Bike Routes/ Lanes Map



Background



- Current Bike-Ped funding through MAG Committee does not fund Plans/Studies
- AJ came into the MAG region as a result of the 2010 Census
 - CAG Region allowed for funding for Planning, Design and Construction using STP funds
- A Plan should precede funding specific projects/programs
- Planning is an eligible activity under MAP 21 (CMAQ)
- AJ 2015 ITS Plan - example of the ITS Committee funding with CMAQ funding
 - Plan - \$141,450 Fed/ AJ Match of \$21,550
 - 1st Phase of Plan Implementation for infrastructure (Cameras/CCTV) =\$267,340 Fed/ AJ Match of \$16,160 - FY 18
- Funding sources limited - AJ is not a Federal CDBG Entitlement Community where we could use CDBG funds for Planning, limited General Fund Revenues

Summary of Request



- City of Apache Junction respectfully requests that the MAG Bike Ped Committee consider allowing smaller communities to utilize TAP funds for Bike – Ped Plans just as the ITS Committee allows funding for ITS Plans
- Thank you for your consideration!
- Larry Kirch, AICP, CTP - Director of Development Services