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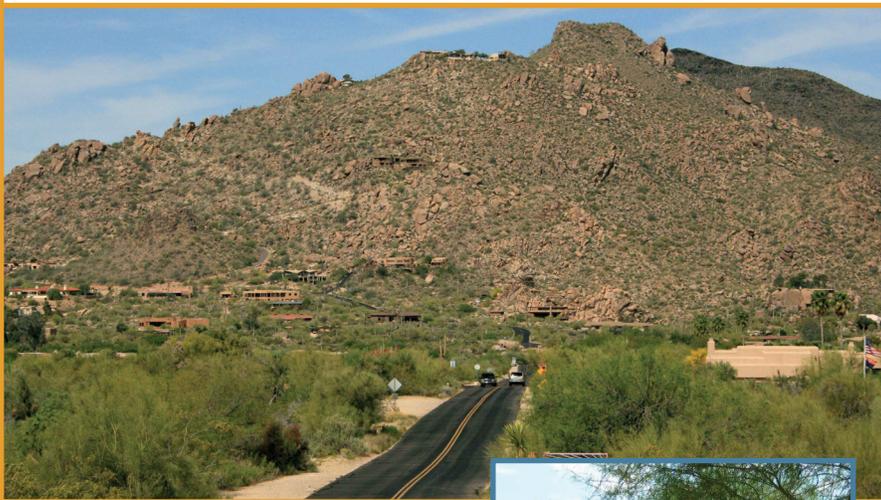
Cave Creek | Carefree

Transportation Framework Study

Study to Guide Future Transportation Development in Cave Creek and Carefree

How should the transportation system in the neighboring Towns of Cave Creek and Carefree evolve to meet the needs of residents and businesses, address future growth and accommodate visitors attracted to the area for special events, unique dining and shopping, and outdoor recreation?

The Cave Creek/Carefree Transportation Framework Study is currently under way to address these questions by evaluating transportation issues and needs in the Towns and developing a comprehensive transportation master plan (or framework) designed to guide future local and regional planning.



The study is being conducted by the Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG), the regional planning organization for Maricopa County, in partnership with the Towns of Cave Creek and Carefree and Maricopa County. The study area also includes a portion of the adjoining community of Scottsdale along the southern boundary of the study area near Carefree Highway.

ATTEND PUBLIC MEETING

Wednesday, October 30 • 6-8 p.m.
Holland Community Center
34250 N. 60th St., Scottsdale

Learn more about the study and initial study findings, and provide input on transportation issues and needs important to you.

TAKE OUR ONLINE SURVEYS

Two online surveys are currently available - one for local residents and business owners and another for cyclists - to learn their views about transportation needs. The surveys are available at <http://CaveCreekCarefree.azmag.gov>.

QUESTIONS/MAILING LIST

For questions or comments about the study or to sign up for the study mailing list, contact:

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STUDY WEB PAGE

<http://CaveCreekCarefree.azmag.gov>



A FOCUS ON BICYCLES, PEDESTRIANS AND SPECIAL EVENTS

The area's natural beauty and recreational opportunities are a mecca for outdoor enthusiasts. Spur Cross Ranch Conservation Area and Cave Creek Regional Park are both located within the study area, and nearby Seven Springs and Bartlett Lake are only accessible through roads in the study area. Due to the popularity of the area with cyclists and other non-motorized recreational users, the study will have an emphasis on improving local and regional bicycle and pedestrian linkages and safety.

In addition, the Towns host numerous popular events throughout the year - many of which generate more attendees

than the combined local population. Improving traffic flow and parking for these large events will also be an important focus area of the study.

KEY OBJECTIVES OF THE STUDY INCLUDE:

- Continuing development of the regional bike network on Cave Creek Road, Tom Darlington Road and Pima Road, developing a community bike loop around Black Mountain, and enhancing economic activity associated with cycling,
- Developing bicycle and pedestrian linkages between the Cave Creek and Carefree Town Centers while accommodating equestrian use in the Cave Creek Town Core and
- Developing strategies to improve access, parking and safety for the multiple special events in the Towns.

ADDITIONAL STUDY GOALS AND OBJECTIVES INCLUDE:

- Evaluating improvement needs to the regional road networks on Cave Creek Road, Tom Darlington Road and Pima Road and
- Recommending improvements for safe pedestrian crossings and business access.

The study will inventory existing conditions, identify deficiencies, forecast needs, develop transportation policy and identify and analyze alternative solutions to improve safety, mobility and access for residents and visitors.

While each town has unique and distinctive attributes and community values that will be acknowledged in the study, their mutual needs will be integrated to form a seamless transportation framework.

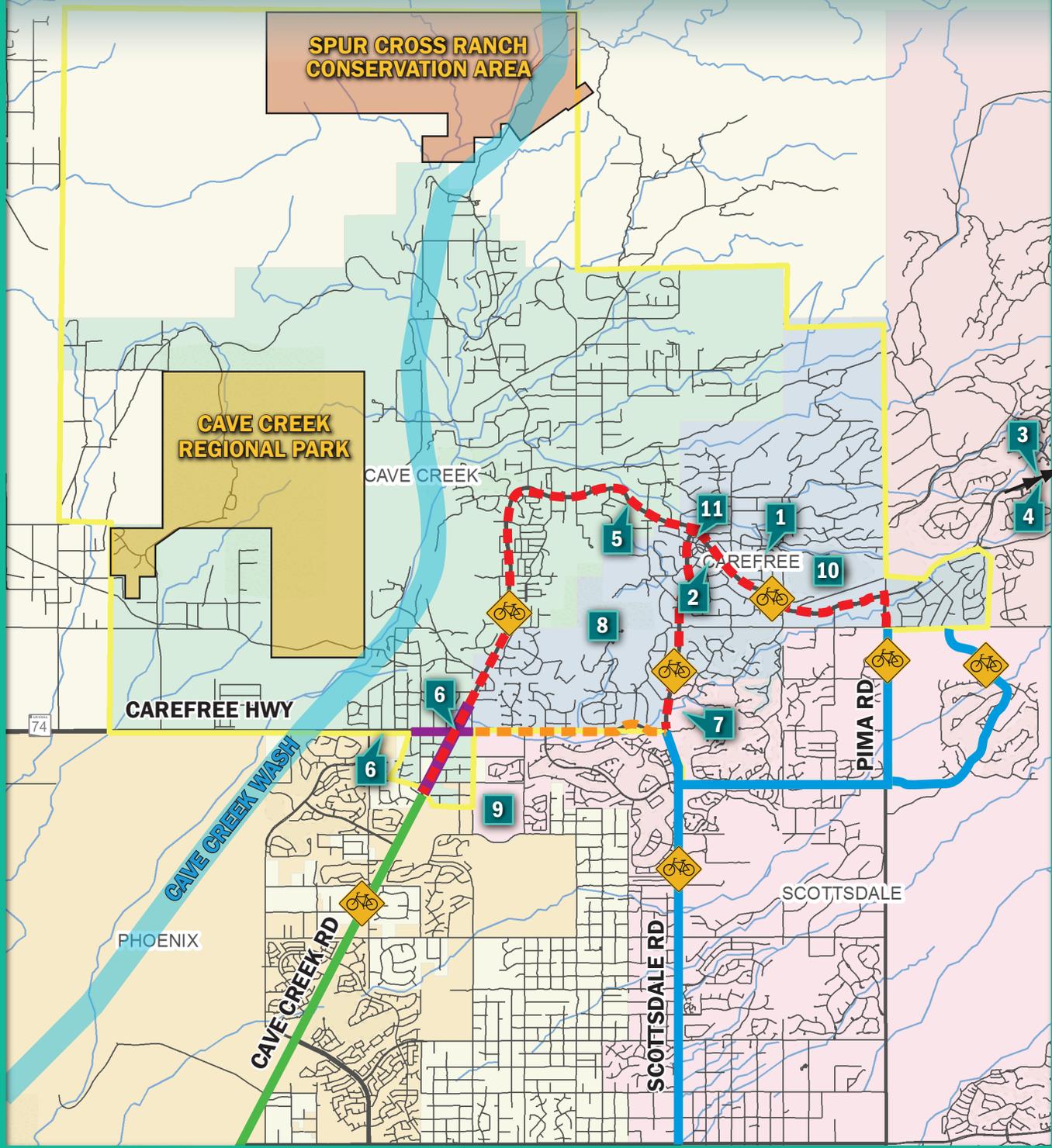


STUDY AREA MAP

- 1 – Carefree Resort
- 2 – Spirit in the Desert
- 3 – Seven Springs
- 4 – Bartlett Lake
- 5 – Cave Creek Town Center
- 6 – Commercial Services Area

- 7 – The Boulders
- 8 – Black Mountain
- 9 – Cave Creek Schools
- 10 – Sky ranch
- 11 – Carefree Town Center

- Phoenix Sonoran Bikeway
- Scottsdale Shared Use Path
- Future Bike Lane
- Future Bike & Roadway Improvements
- Commercial Services Area
- Study Boundary





HOW WILL THE COMMUNITY BE INVOLVED?

MAG and its partners will provide several opportunities throughout the study process for local residents, business owners, community organizations, recreational users, visitors and other interested parties to participate by identifying specific community and user issues, needs and wants, and providing input on study recommendations. These will include public meetings, workshops, surveys and presentations to the Town Councils during key phases of the study.

WHEN WILL IDENTIFIED IMPROVEMENTS BE MADE?

The intent of the study is to develop a master transportation plan that includes recommended transportation policies and improvements that could be made in the near and long term. There is no funding currently identified for these types of improvements. The study is a planning-level document that will guide transportation planning in the Towns of Cave Creek and Carefree, and will lay the foundation to secure potential future local, regional and federal funding for improvements.

