

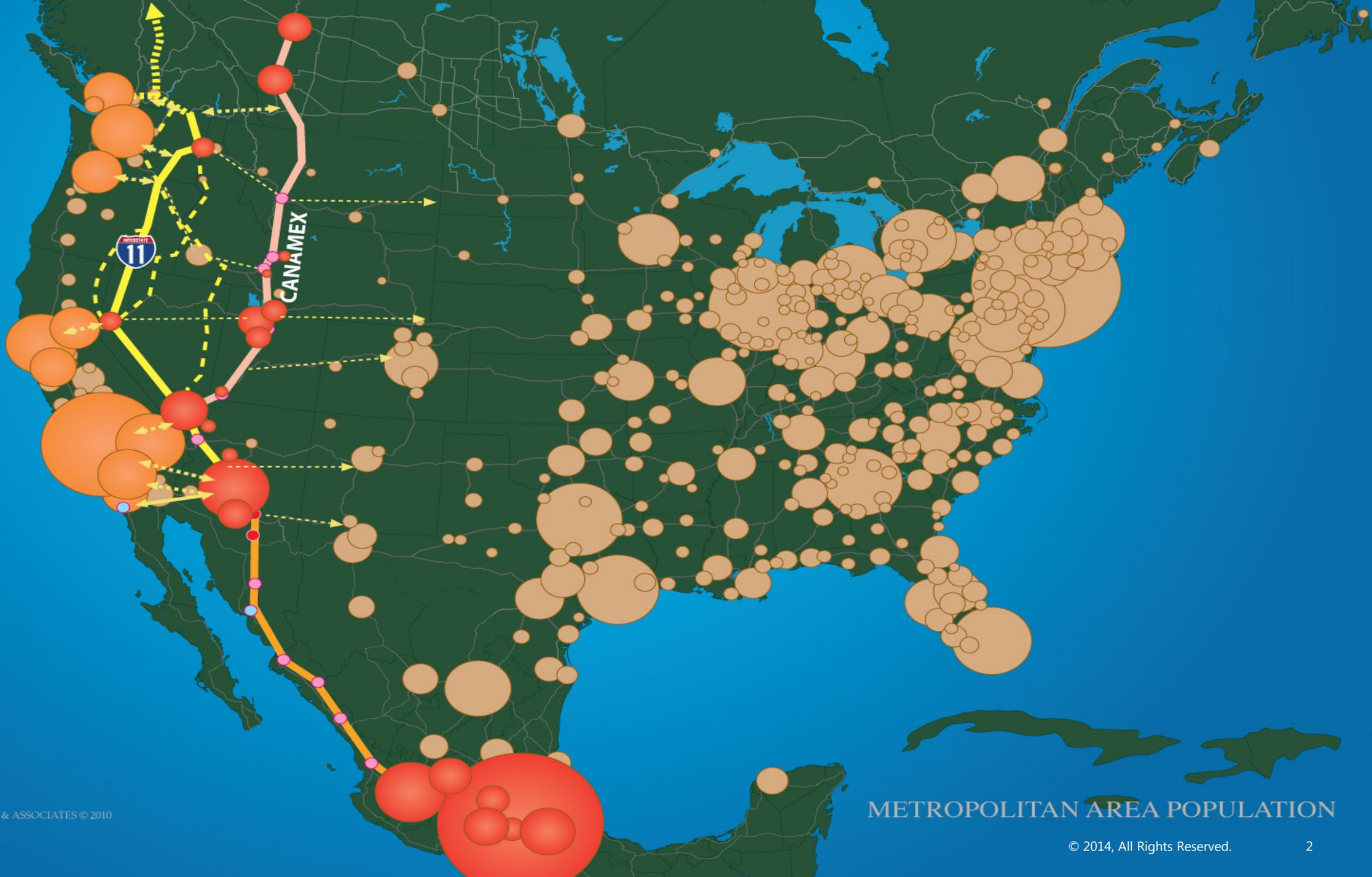
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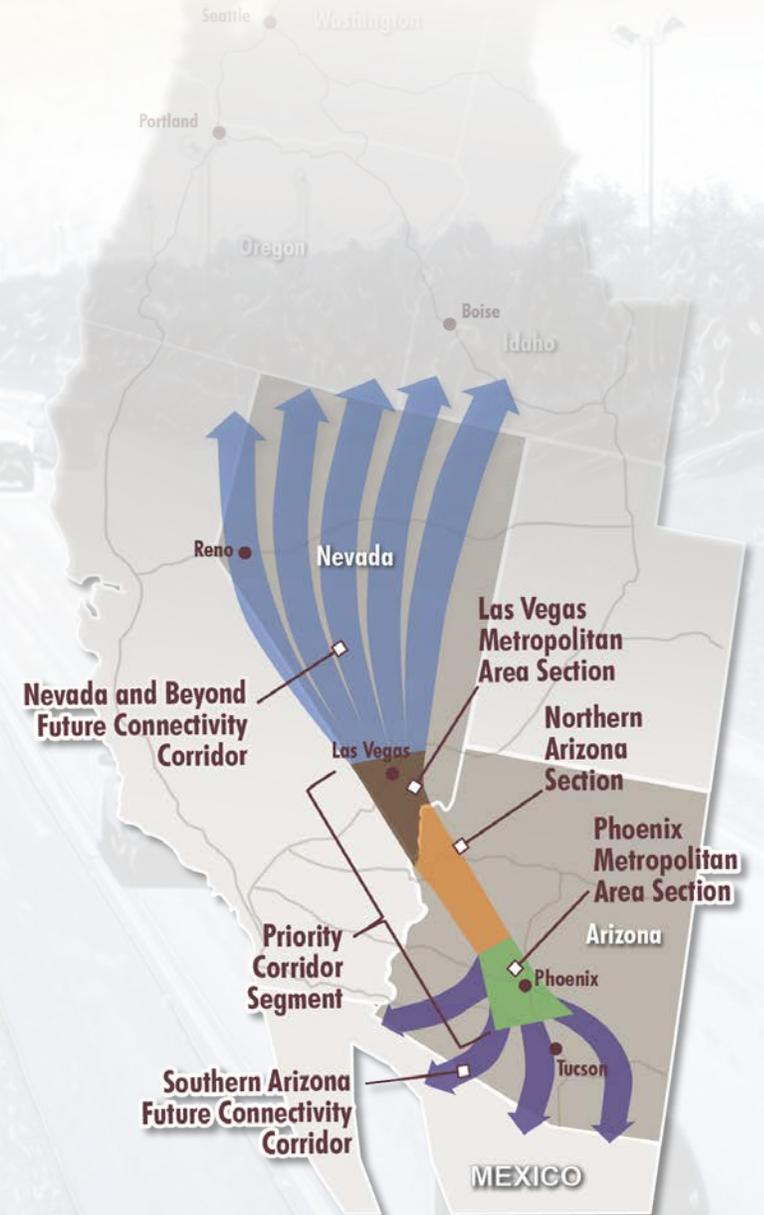
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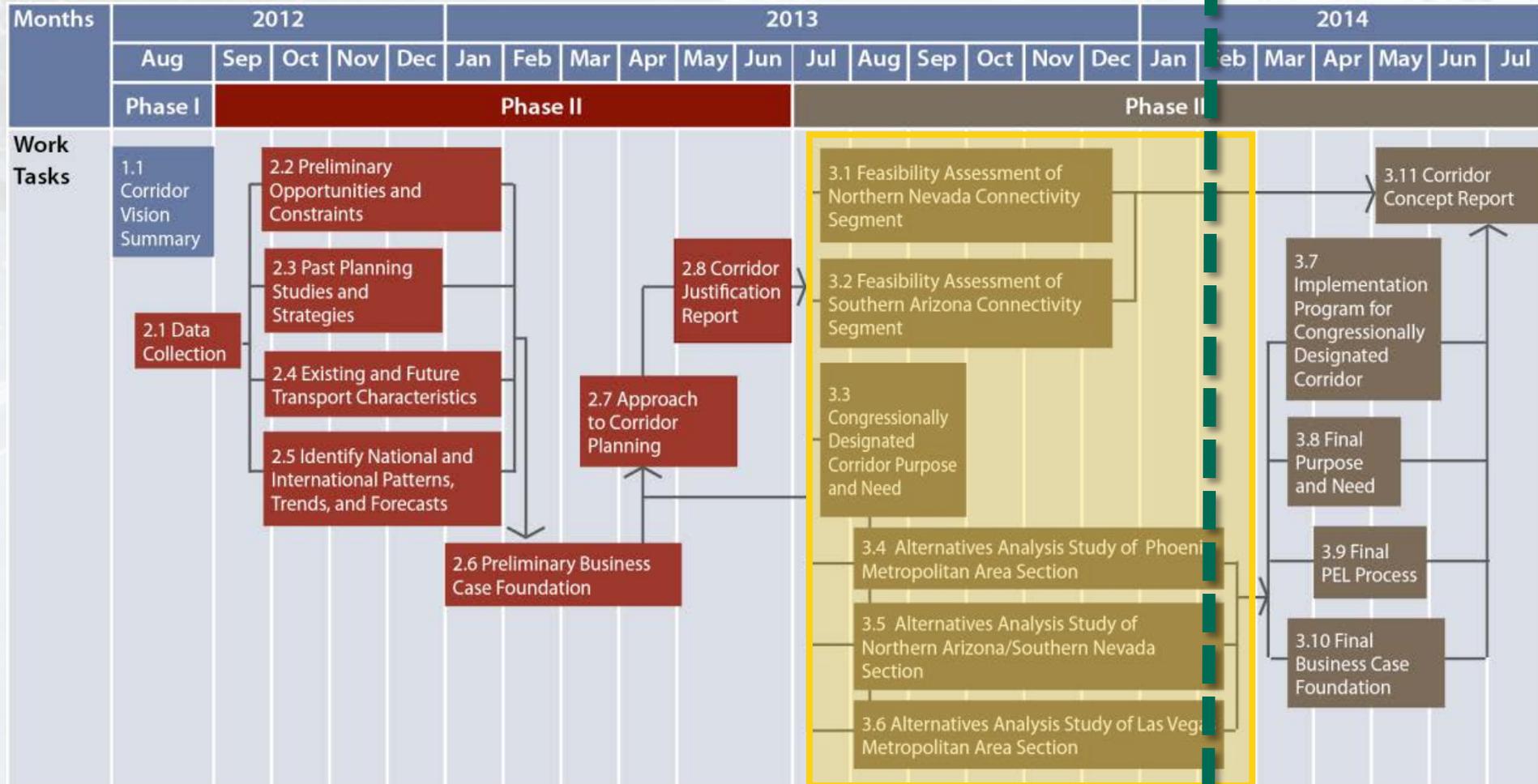


# Interstate 11 and Intermountain West Corridor Study

- **Two levels of investigation:**
  - Detailed corridor planning between Las Vegas and Phoenix.
  - High-level visioning from Las Vegas to Canada, and from Phoenix to Mexico.
- **Multimodal consideration:**
  - Interstate/highway, freight rail, passenger rail, and public transportation.
  - Power, telecommunication, and other infrastructure needs.

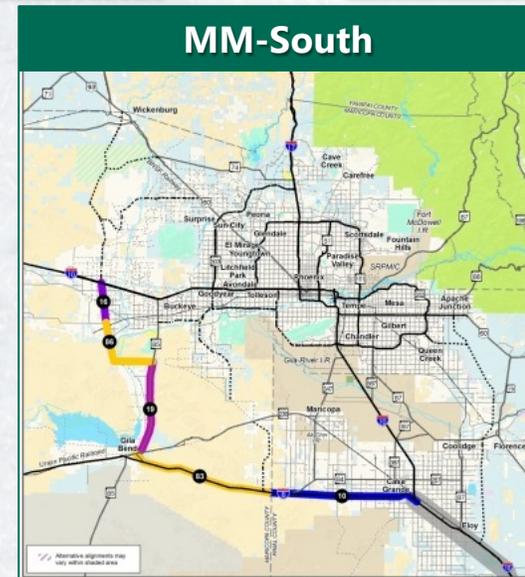
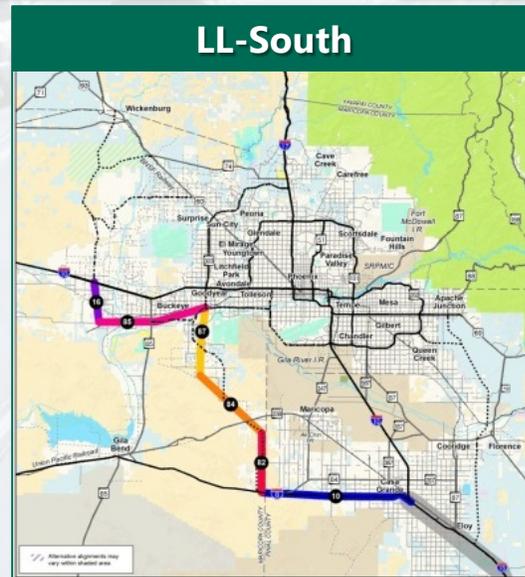
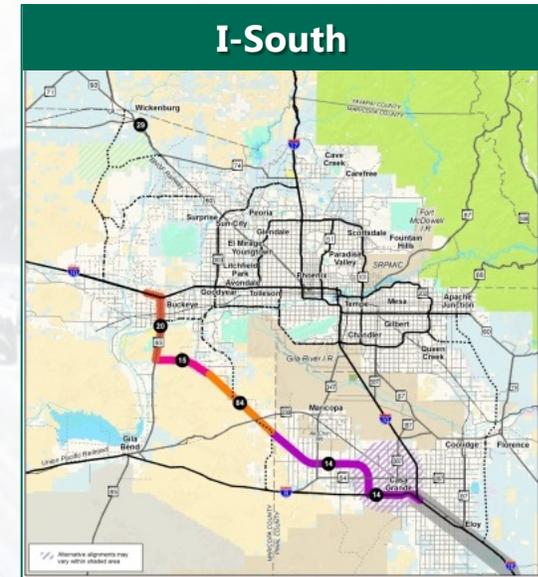
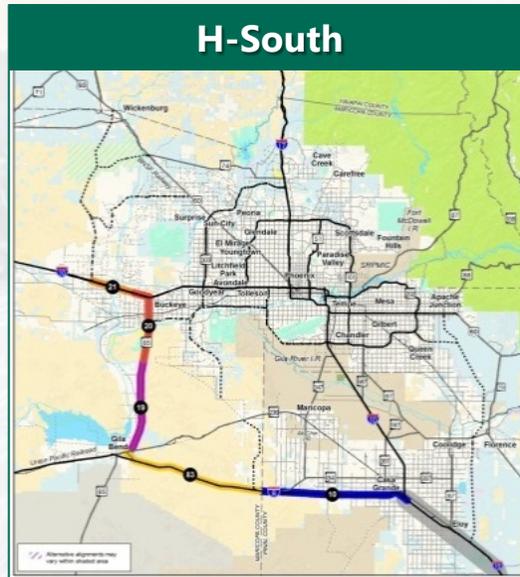
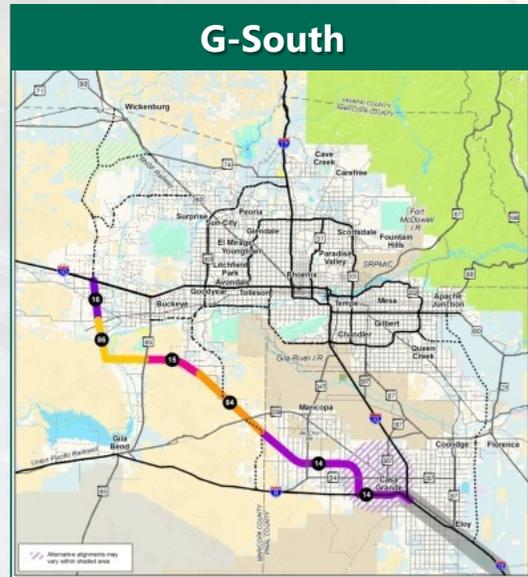


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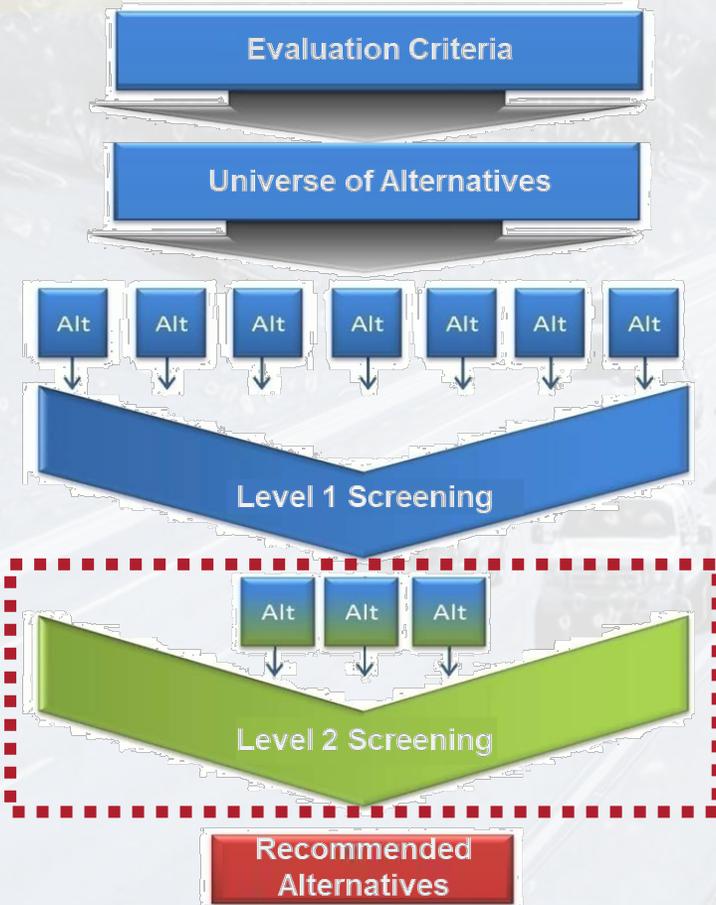




# Level 2 Alternatives – South of Interstate 10



# Alternatives Development Process and Level 2 Screening Criteria



Evaluation Category	Proposed Criteria	Proposed Approach
Modal Interrelationships	1A How well does this corridor provide sufficient opportunity for a multi-use corridor?	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Identify if multiple modes can be accommodated within current alignment alternative</li> <li>If not, identify alternate rail corridors that will meet the same need for future modal implementation</li> <li>Identify implications of each multimodal corridor option</li> </ol>
	2A What are the estimated travel time savings over No-Build (2035)?	Quantitative analysis: based on travel times for each corridor using regional models compared to No-Build
Capacity/ Congestion	2B What are the total long distance vehicles miles traveled (VMT)?	Quantitative analysis: based on corridor VMT using statewide model for long distance trips (>50 miles)
	2C What are the total vehicle hours of delay?	Quantitative analysis based on a comparison of corridor VHD between alternatives
	2D What is the average travel speed on the corridor?	Quantitative analysis: based on estimated 2035 corridor average PM peak period peak direction travel speeds
Economic Vitality	3A What are the expected short-term impacts to the regional economy, as measured by the number of jobs (direct, indirect and induced) and economic output from construction related activities?	Quantitative analysis: based on input from IMPLAN model
	3B What is the cost of delay?	Quantitative analysis: based on delay from the regional model multiplied by accepted factor for cost of delay
Transportation Plans and Policies	4A How well is this alternative consistent with short-term programmed transportation projects?	Qualitative analysis: based on how much of the alternative is documented in transportation plans
	4B How well is this alternative consistent with long-term transportation visions and plans?	

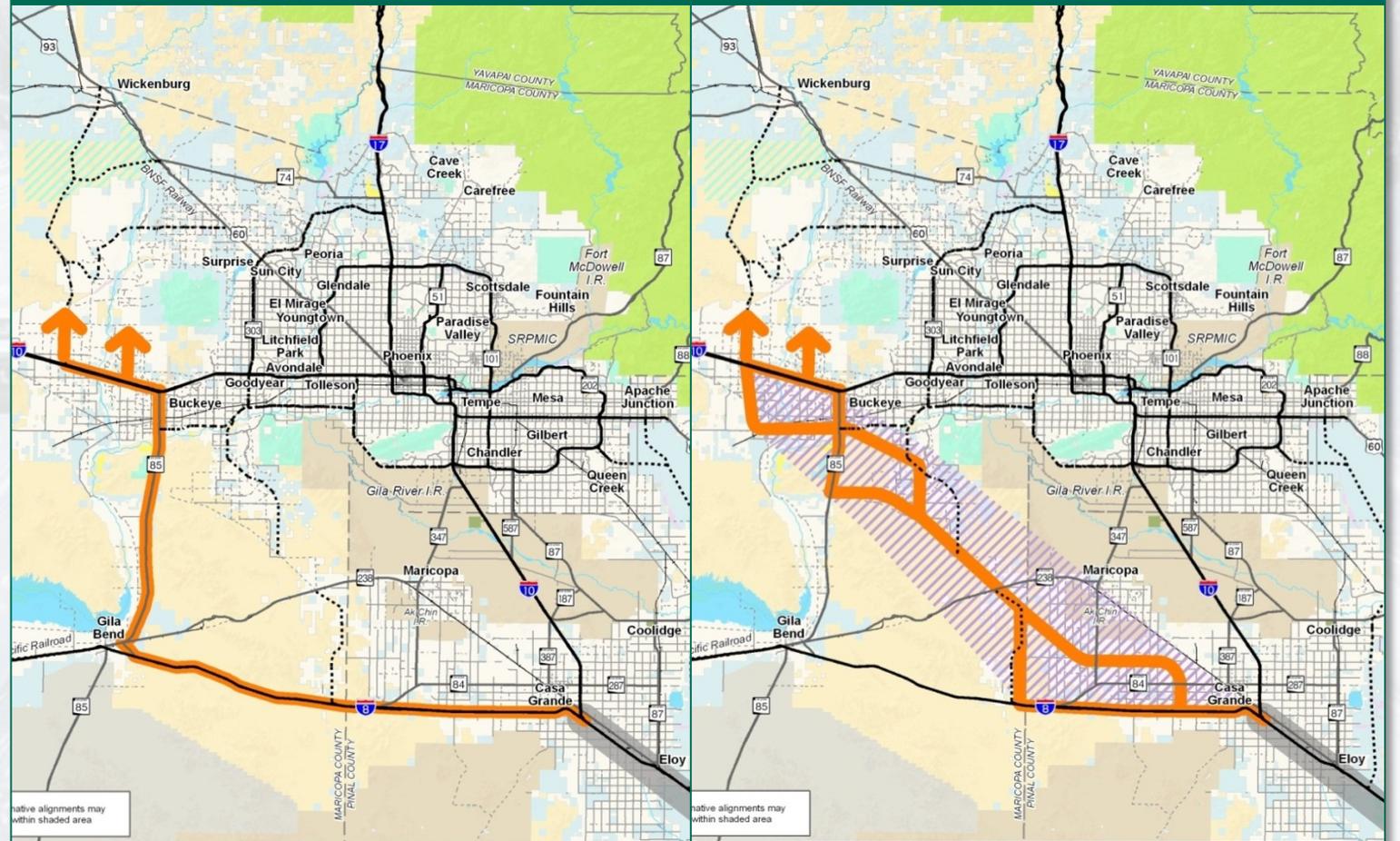
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Environmental Sustainability	5A What is the impact to wildlife corridors and/or habitat blocks?	Quantitative analysis: based on GIS data layers and environmental data availability
	5B What is the impact to land managed for conservation or wildlife purposes?	
	5C How many linear miles of undisturbed waterways/ floodplains are impacted?	
	5D What is the general impact to air quality conditions with this alternative?	Qualitative analysis: high-level, based on quantitative factors such as vehicle miles traveled and congestion
	5E What additional environmental concerns were identified by stakeholders?	Qualitative analysis: based on data or input received from resource agencies.
Land Use and Ownership	6A How consistent is this alternative with regional and local land use plans (including tribal plans, if available)?	Qualitative analysis: based on consistency with land use and resource plans (high/medium/low)
	6B How compatible is this alternative with major land ownership patterns and resource plans?	Qualitative analysis: based on compatibility with land ownership patterns using GIS data layers (high/medium/low)
Community Acceptance	7A How well is this alternative accepted by the Core Agency Partners?	Qualitative analysis: based on review of comments received on the alternative corridors
	7B How well is this alternative accepted by the Stakeholder Partners?	
	7C How well is this alternative accepted by the general public?	
Cost	8A What is the order of magnitude cost for this alternative, including construction, maintenance, operations, and right-of-way?	Quantitative analysis: based on ADOT/ NDOT cost estimating tools plus an order of magnitude cost for right-of-way and a factor for operations and maintenance

# Level 2 Recommendations

## North of Interstate 10

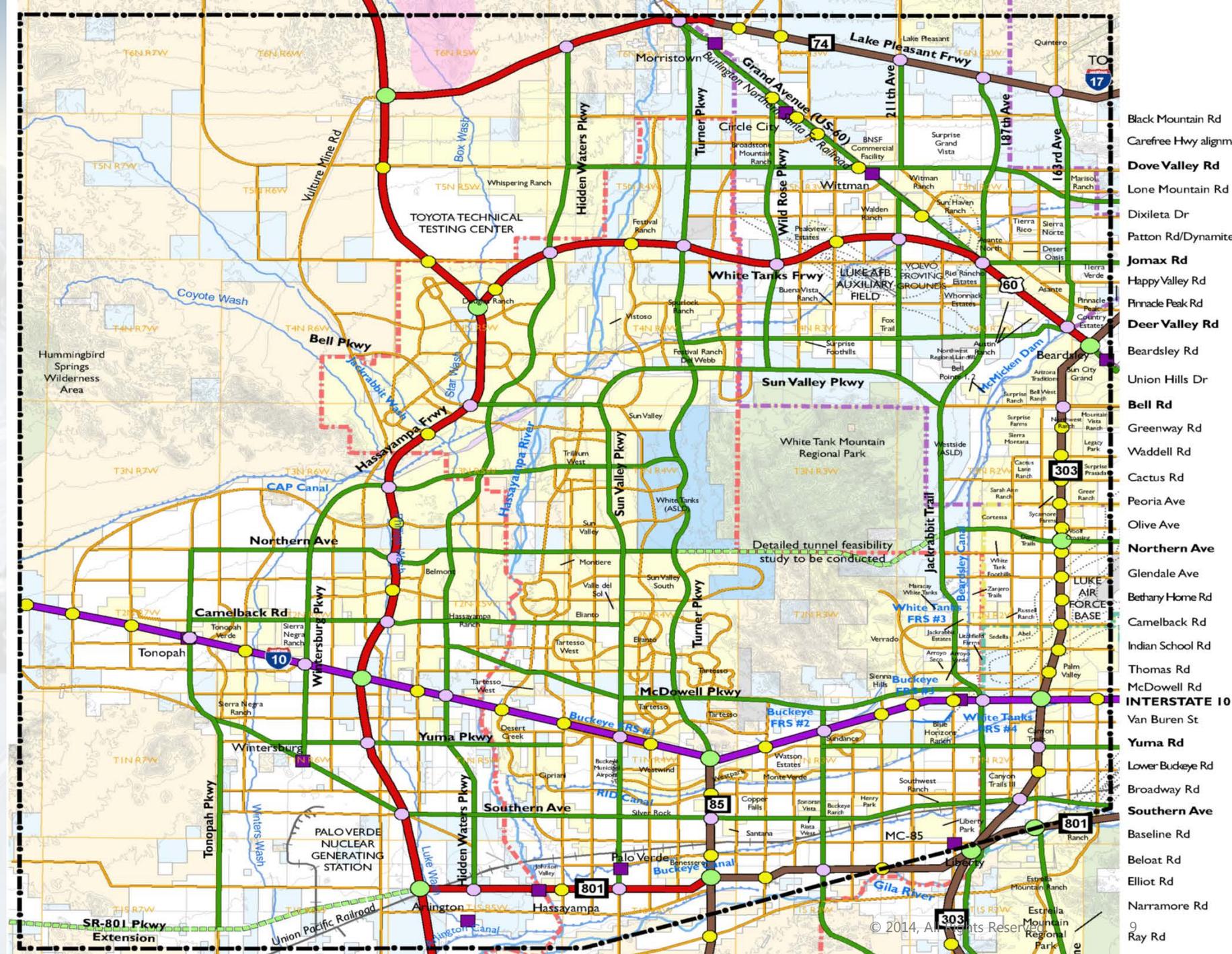


## South of Interstate 10



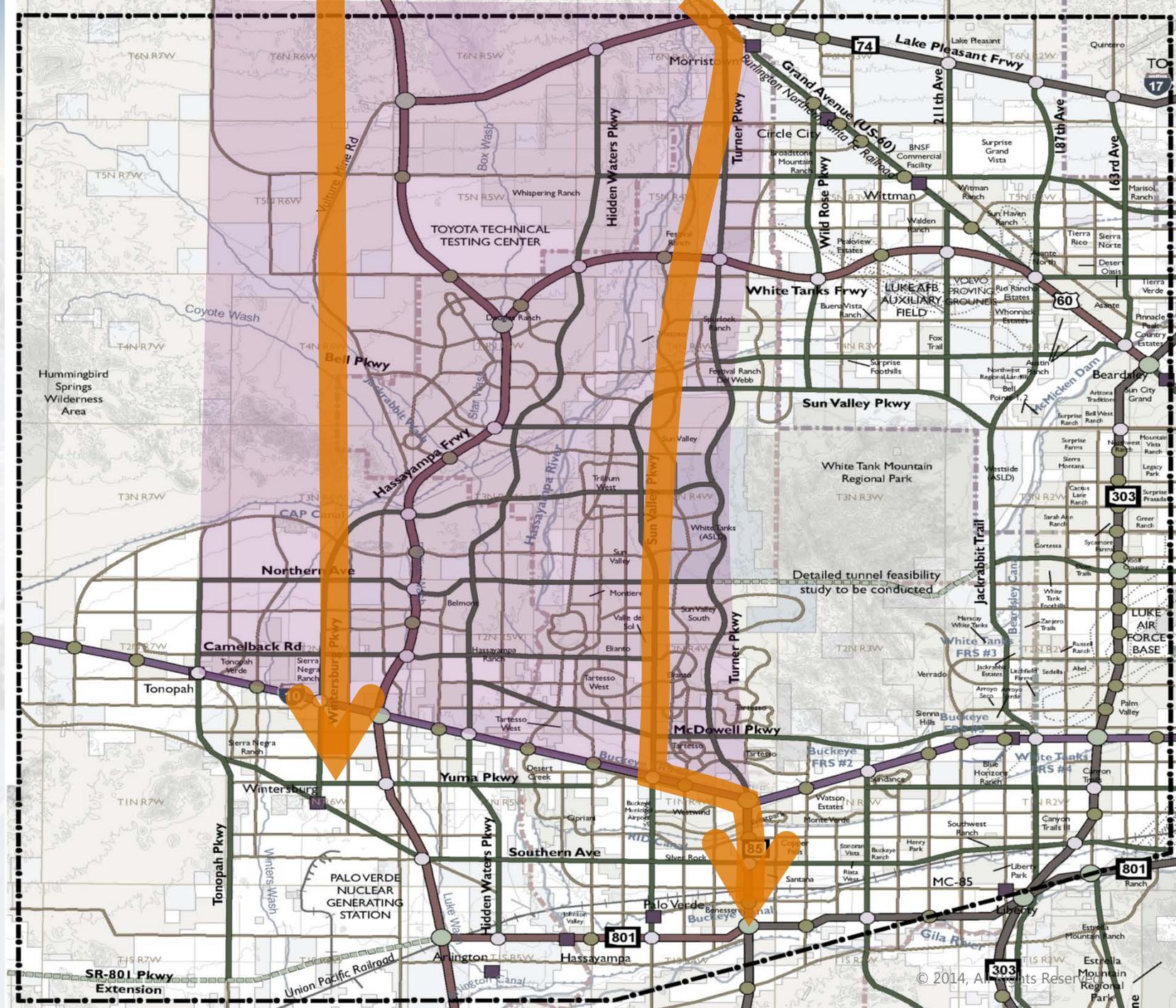
# Interstate 10/ Hassayampa Valley Roadway Framework Study

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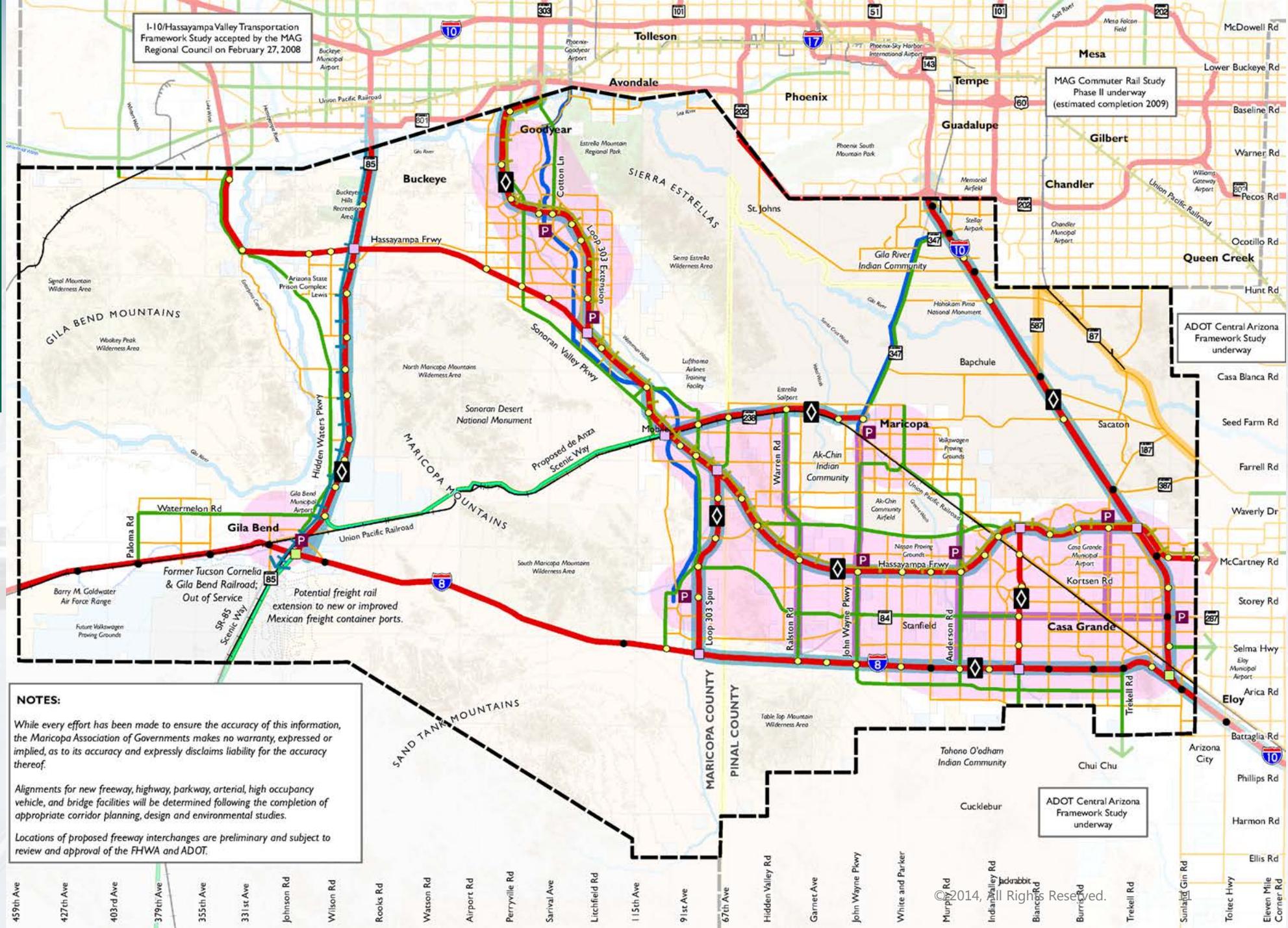
# Level 2 Alternative Overlaid North of Interstate 10



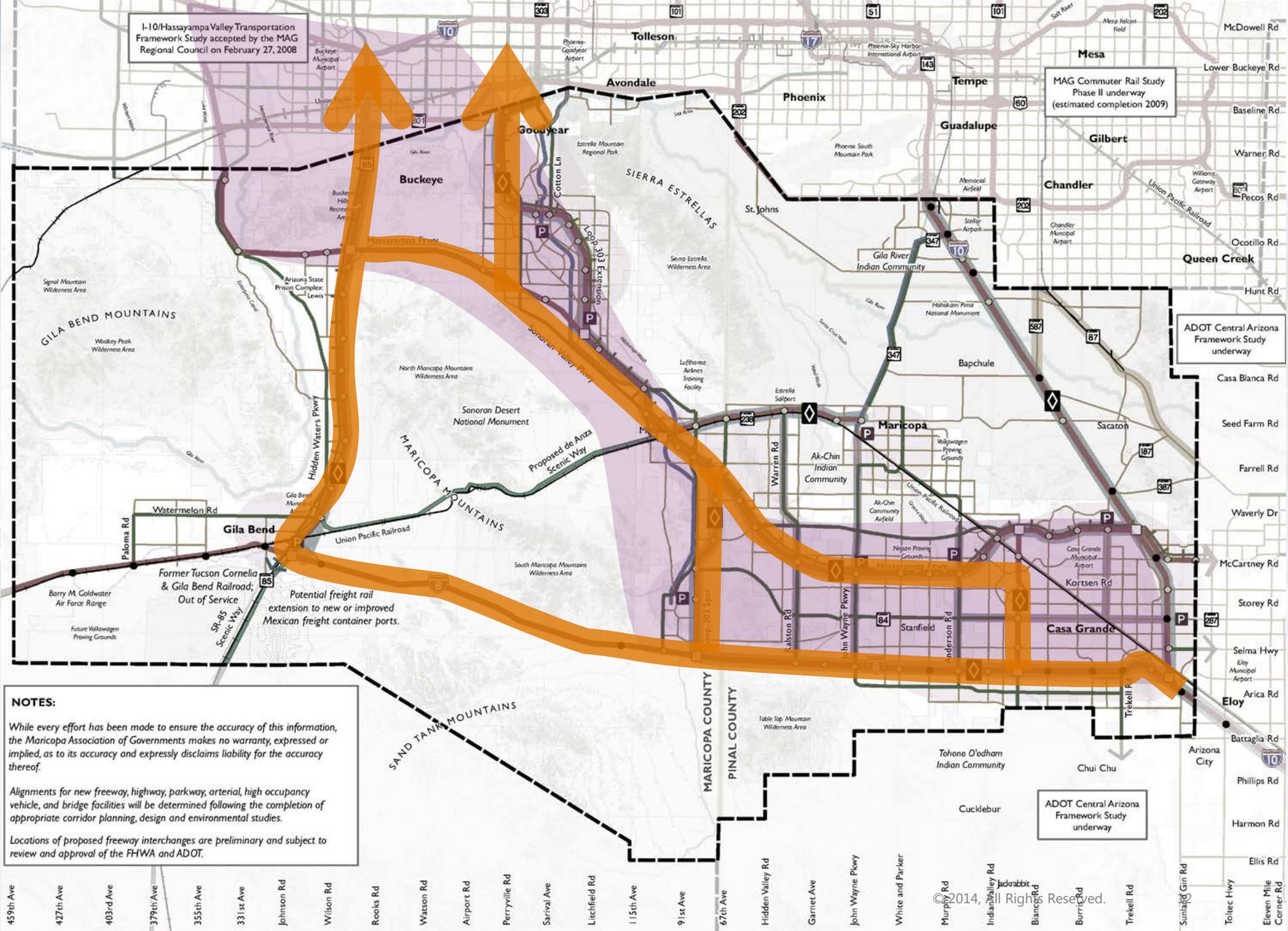
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# Interstates 8 and 10/ Hidden Valley Transportation Framework Study

February 2009



# Level 2 Alternatives Overlaid South of Interstate 10



**NOTES:**

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Alignments for new freeway, highway, parkway, arterial, high occupancy vehicle, and bridge facilities will be determined following the completion of appropriate corridor planning, design and environmental studies.

Locations of proposed freeway interchanges are preliminary and subject to review and approval of the FHWA and ADOT.

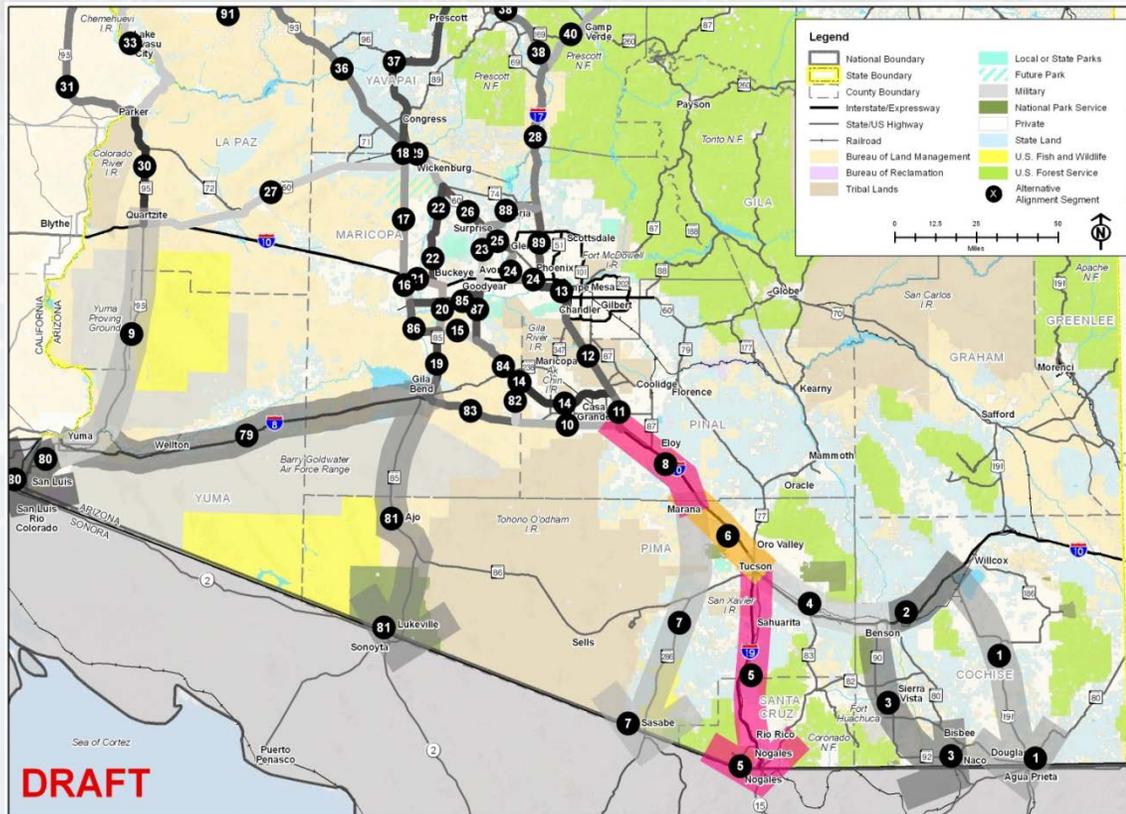
# MAG Staff Overall Comments and Concerns

- **Support decision** for US-93 to be Interstate 11 from Wickenburg to Colorado River.
- Overall **study products and outcomes**. Emphasis on “business case” when the U.S. Congress has already made the case.
- Distractions for segments outside the **Phoenix to Las Vegas congressional designation**.
- Accurate **portrayal of the Regional Council adoption of the illustrative Hassayampa Freeway corridor** from the Framework Studies. Too many alternatives moving forward.
- Focus on **narrow** (e.g., Vulture Mine Joint Recreational Management Area) **versus broader goals for construction**.

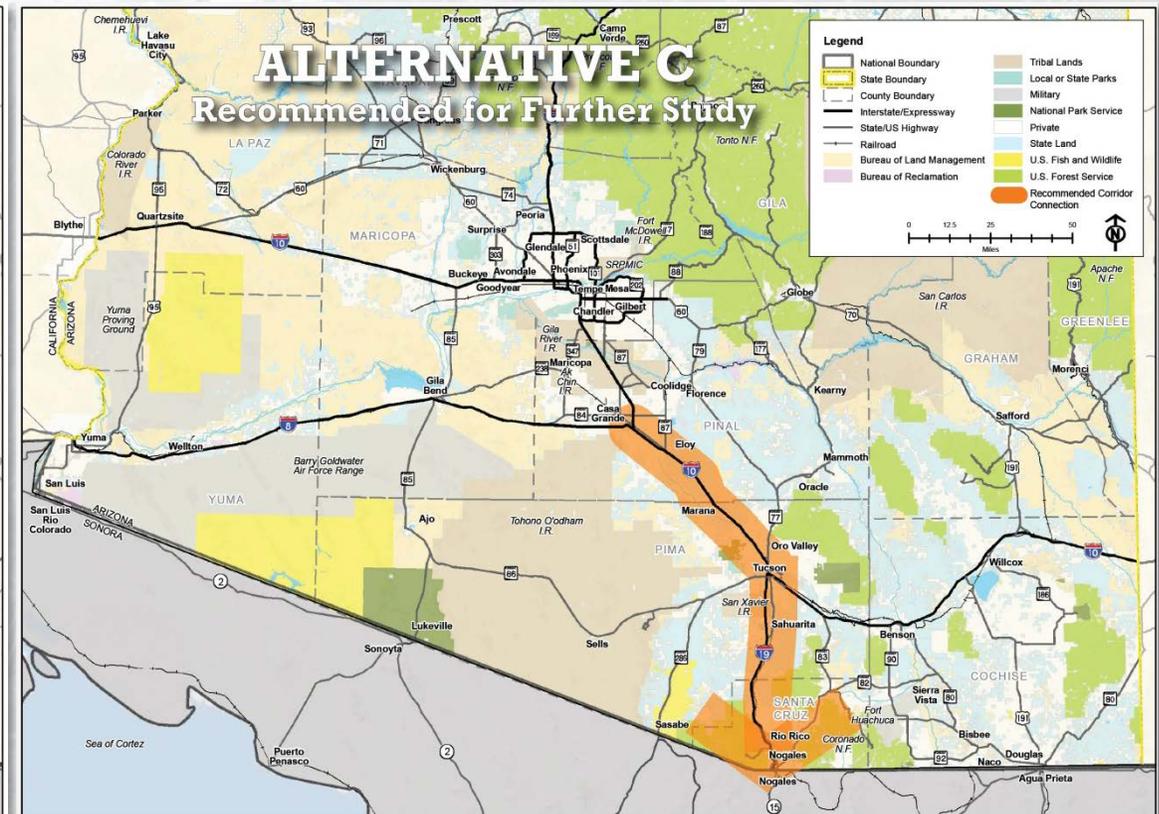


# Southern Arizona Connectivity

## Level 1 Alternatives

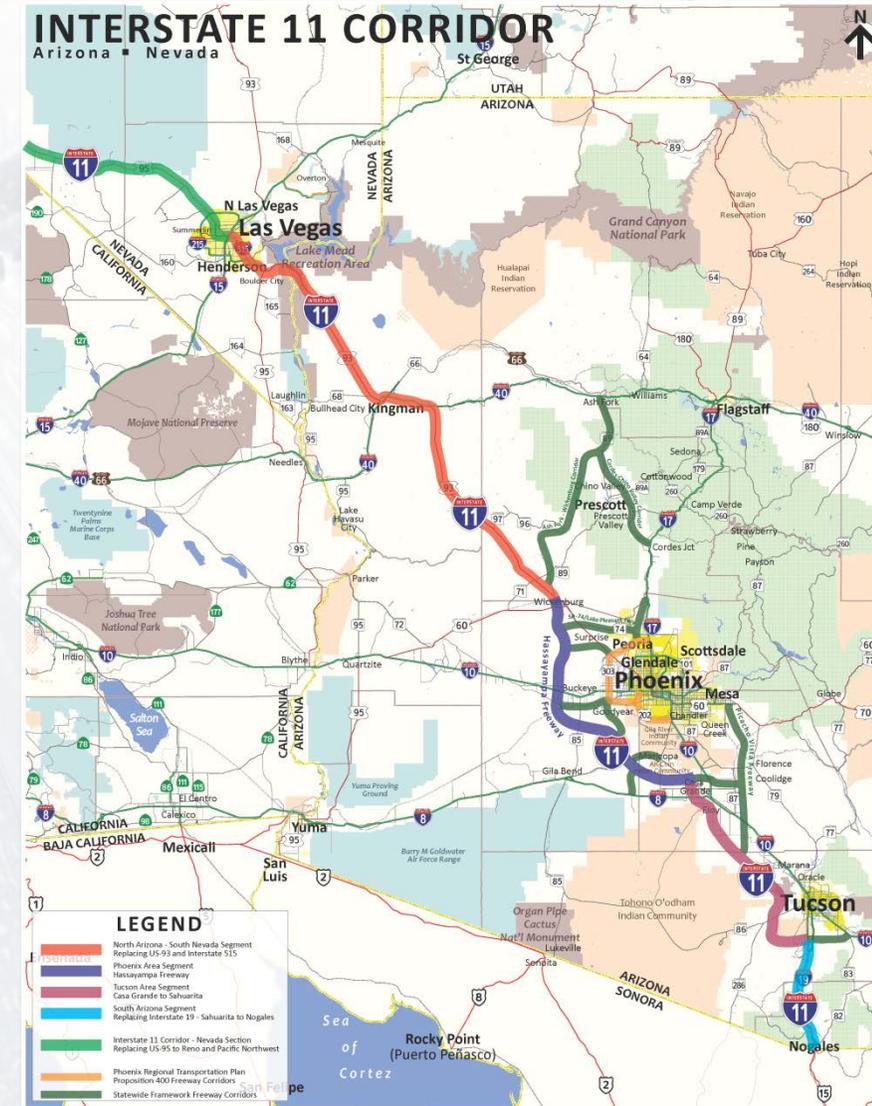


## Level 2 Alternatives



# Resolution

- The MAG Regional Council understands that the I-11 and Intermountain West Corridor is **an important surface transportation facility for trade, economic development, economic expansion, and mobility.**
- The MAG Regional Council respectively requests that the MAG **adopted, illustrative corridors**, including the Hassayampa and Hidden Valley studies, be shown on all of the relevant maps of study alternatives and as part of the I-11 studies.
- The MAG Regional Council requests that the current I-11 study also identify I-11 **segments that are of independent utility with logical termini** that will allow subsequent environment assessments for each segment to move forward as soon as possible.
- The MAG Regional Council supports the draft recommendation for the Southern Arizona Connectivity Segment calling for further study of Alternative C through eastern Pima County. Such further study should integrate efforts with those of the Phoenix to Las Vegas segment, **resulting in a contiguous corridor from Arizona's southern border with Mexico to the state's northern border with Nevada.**
- The MAG Regional Council understands that detailed analysis of the Southern Arizona Connectivity Segment's Alternative C must involve examining a range of feasible alternatives as required by the **National Environmental Policy Act.**



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