

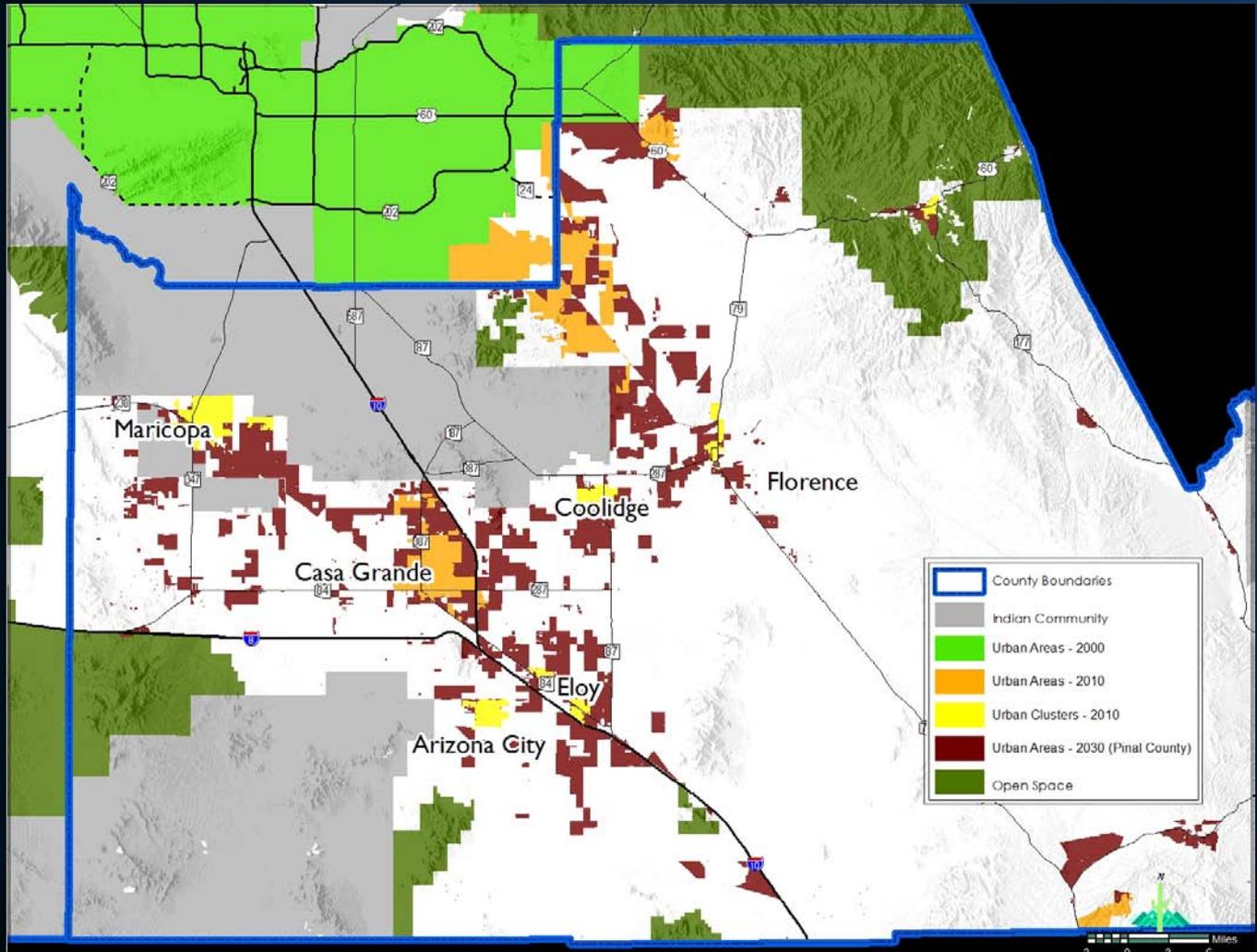
MAG Metropolitan Planning Area Boundary



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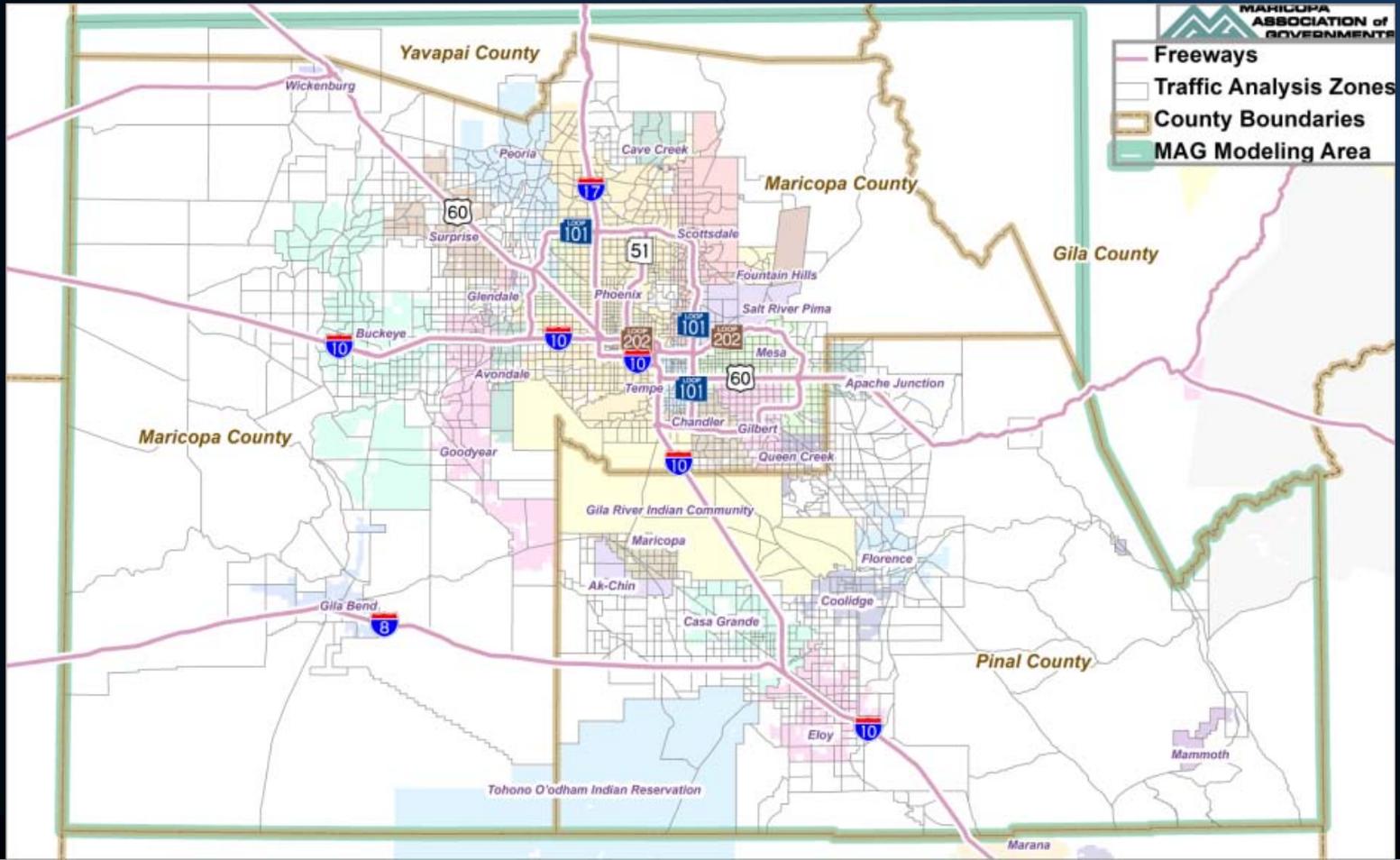
Federal Regulations

- **Federal Regulation 23 CFR 450.312(a) requires boundaries of a metropolitan planning area to be determined by agreement between the MPO and the Governor.**
- **Each metropolitan planning area shall encompass at least the existing urbanized area and the contiguous area expected to become urbanized within a 20-year forecast period and may encompass the entire metropolitan statistical area or consolidated metropolitan statistical area, as defined by the Bureau of the Census.**
- **Federal regulations (23 CFR 450.312(d): MPA boundaries may be established to coincide with the geography of regional economic development and growth forecasting areas.**

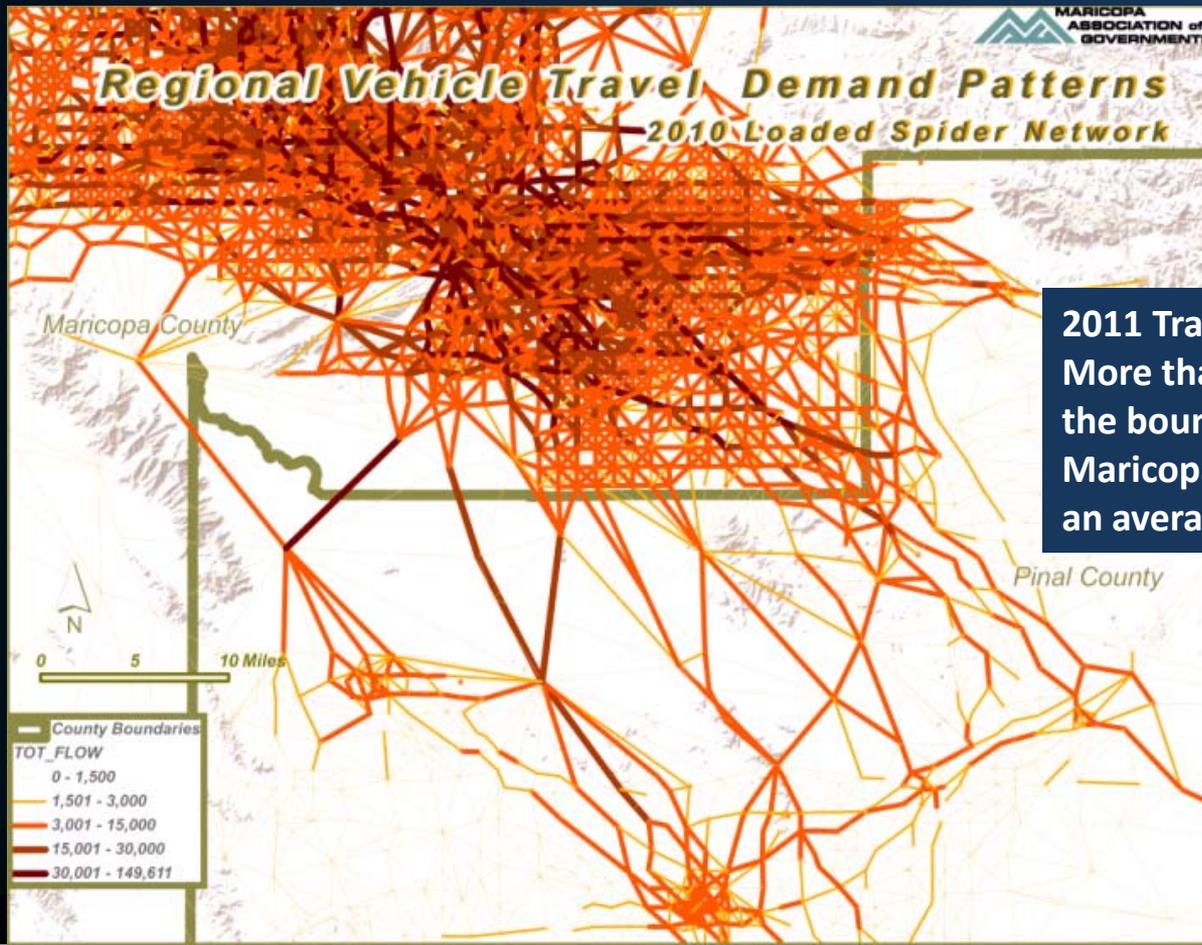


Source: Census 2000, Census 2010, CAAG Projections 2010

MAG 2012 Traffic Analysis Zone System Includes Entire Maricopa and Pinal Counties in Order to Properly Model Regional Projects

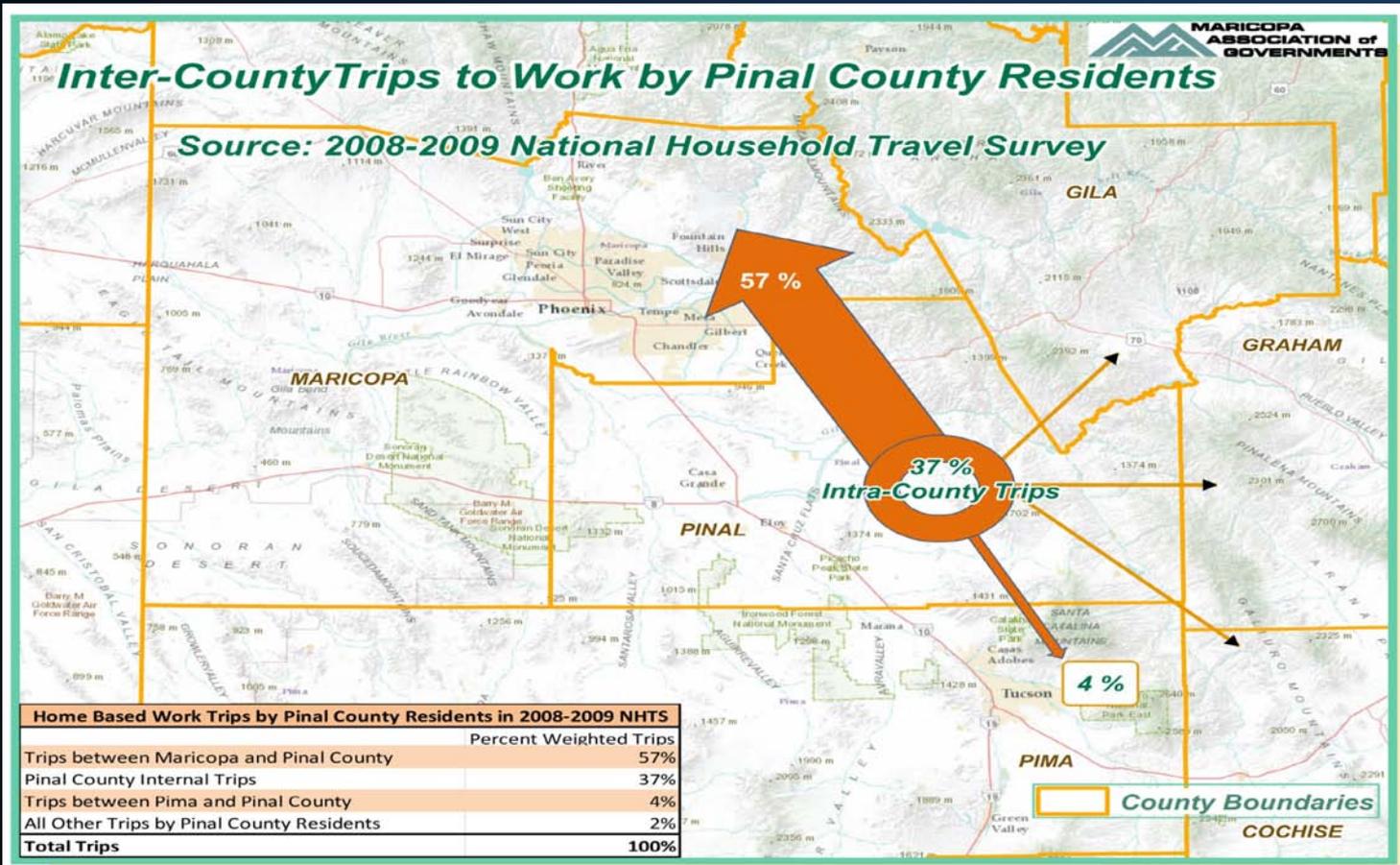


Extensive Travel Demand Linkages Between Maricopa and Pinal Counties in the Observed and Modeled Travel Data



2011 Traffic Counts:
More than 285,000 vehicles cross the boundary between Maricopa and Pinal Counties on an average weekday

More than Half of All Commuter Trips by Pinal County Residents are to Maricopa County

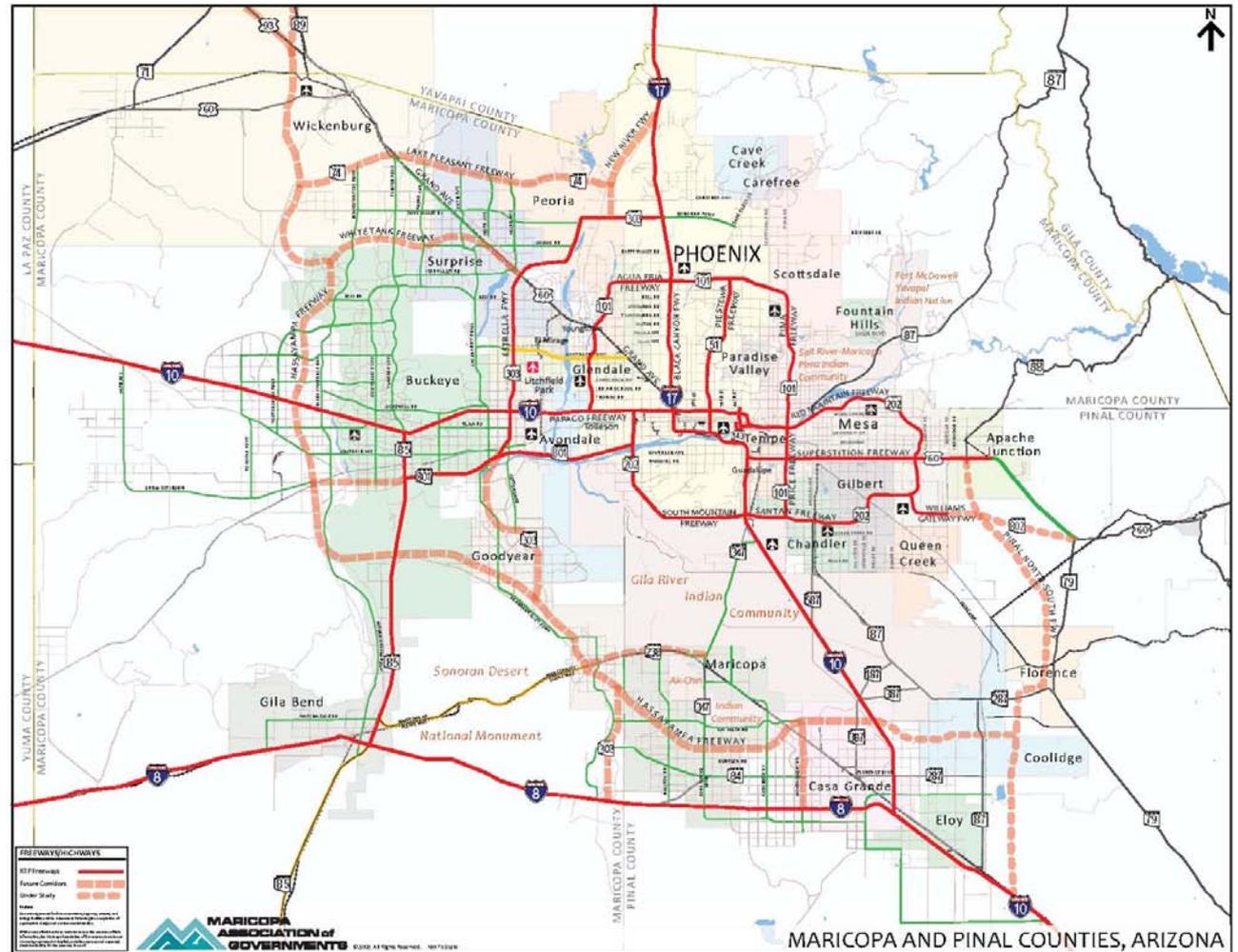


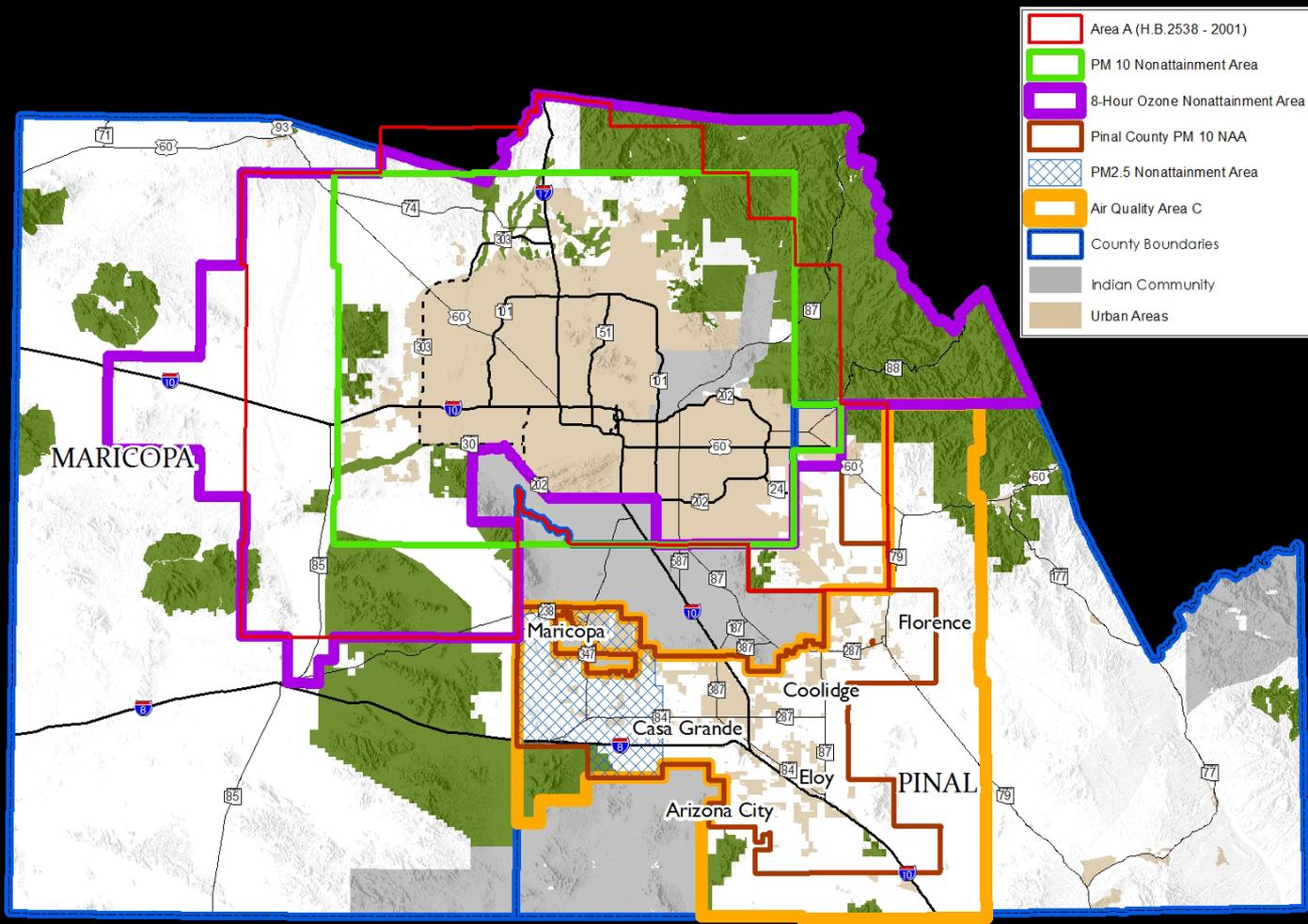
Home Based Work Trips by Pinal County Residents in 2008-2009 NHTS	
	Percent Weighted Trips
Trips between Maricopa and Pinal County	57%
Pinal County Internal Trips	37%
Trips between Pima and Pinal County	4%
All Other Trips by Pinal County Residents	2%
Total Trips	100%

Long Range Planning

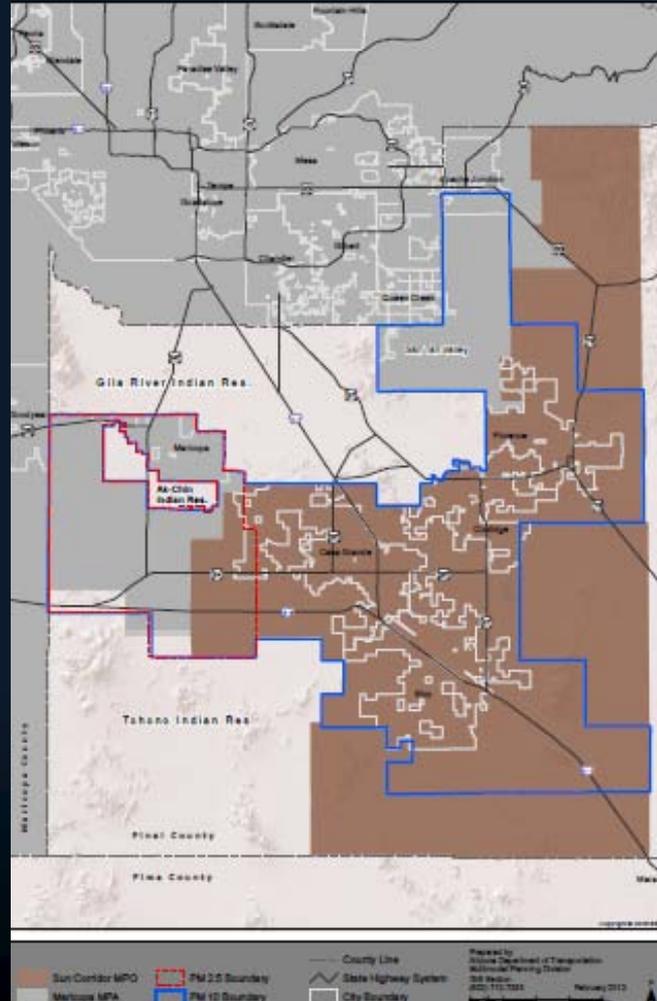
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Valley Framework Studies

Highway & Parkways



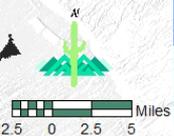
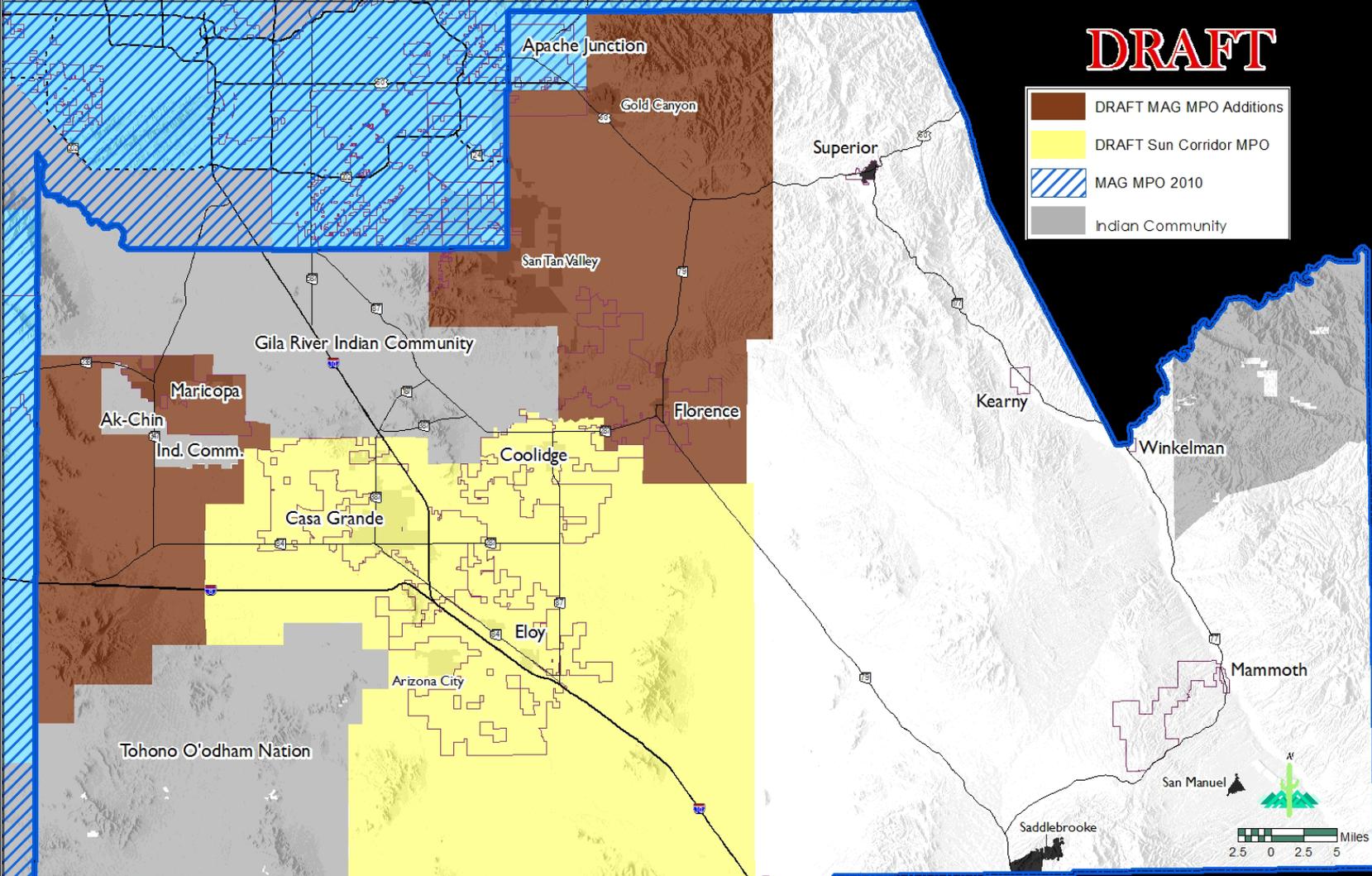


Previous Proposed Boundary



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-  DRAFT MAG MPO Additions
-  DRAFT Sun Corridor MPO
-  MAG MPO 2010
-  Indian Community



Proposed MAG By-Laws Changes

- **14 changes to the By-Laws - of these, 6 are to clean up other provisions not related to the MPA Boundary.**
- **Defines the Pinal County area in the MAG Metropolitan Planning Area Boundary as the Pinal County Area.**
- **Provides that the local governments in the Pinal County Area are eligible to join MAG i.e. the City of Maricopa, the Town of Florence and Pinal County.**
- **Describes voting for new members within Pinal County. State law controls certain voting, such as MAG members in Maricopa County vote on Maricopa County sales tax issues. Some issues such as 208 Water Quality Management Planning are designated by the Governor as exclusive to the Maricopa County boundary.**

Next Steps

- **Governor approves a Metropolitan Planning Area Boundary for MAG and Casa Grande (expected by the end of March).**
- **Amendment to the MAG By-laws is contingent upon a new boundary being approved by the Governor.**
- **Amendment to the By-laws requires a fifteen day written notice to the MAG members before being approved.**
- **Action by the Regional Council needed to send out the written notice.**
- **With a new boundary, the Regional Council would be requested to approve the By-laws amendment and membership resolutions.**
- **Membership certificates would be issued to the new members of the Regional Council.**
- **New members would be included in the July dues/assessments.**

Tentative Timeline



February

Bylaws amendment reviewed by Regional Council and written notice sent out to member agencies

March

Governor approves new Metropolitan Planning Area boundary

April

Regional Council approves:

- Bylaws amendment
- New members
- Member certificates

May

Regional Council approves new MAG budget with new members included in dues / assessments

June

July

MAG sends out invoices to all members for dues / assessments





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