

# SR 347 Grade Separation Project

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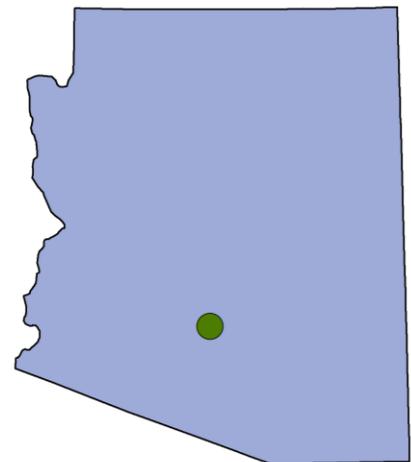
**APPLICANT/SPONSOR:** Arizona Department of Transportation

**TIGER GRANT AWARD:** \$15,000,000

**TOTAL PROJECT COST:** \$55,000,000

## PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

This TIGER grant will provide funding to create a four-lane highway overpass on SR 347 over a double track rail line. Additionally, the project will relocate an existing Amtrak station and construct designated, separate areas for safer and more efficient loading/unloading sites for rail passengers.



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## PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS AND BENEFITS:

SR347 carries more than 30,000 vehicles per day. The main corridor connects the city of Maricopa and the Phoenix metro area. The double track rail line bisects the city with schools and emergency services located on one side and residential areas on the other. Over the years, a steady growth in both road and rail traffic up to 60 trains daily has led to staggering delays and increased vehicular accidents. This project will greatly increase the safety of commuters and residents by eliminating a dangerous, high-volume grade crossing and fully separating commercial traffic from high-speed trains. The construction of an overpass will eliminate the frequent traffic delays and accidents, and the existing barrier that severs the community from essential emergency services. The project also enhances freight movement by increasing capacity and efficiency and eliminating unanticipated delays.



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