



Regional Transportation Plan

Improvements by Subarea: **East Valley**

Freeways and Highways



- Construct a new freeway (Williams Gateway Freeway) to serve communities in far eastern Maricopa County. This freeway extends from the Santan Freeway at Hawes Road and proceeds east, with the Maricopa County portion ending at Meridian Road. This highway will be extended into Pinal County using non-Maricopa dollars.
- Add new lanes to Loop 202 (Red Mountain Freeway and Santan Freeway) and add high occupancy vehicle (HOV) lanes.
- Add new lanes to Loop 101 (Price Freeway and Pima Freeway) and add HOV lanes.
- Add new lanes to US 60 (Superstition Freeway) from I-10 to Loop 101 and from Val Vista Drive to Meridian Road. Add HOV lanes from Val Vista Drive to Meridian Road.
- Improve bottleneck conditions at Loop 101 (Pima Freeway)/Loop 202 (Red Mountain Freeway) interchange.
- Add new lanes to I-10 from Baseline Road to Riggs Road and add HOV lanes from Loop 202 to Riggs Road.
- Improve bottleneck conditions along I-10 from Baseline Road to State Route (SR) 51 Freeway.
- Construct a new freeway (South Mountain Freeway/Loop 202) from the Santan Freeway to I-10 in West Phoenix, providing an alternative link to the East Valley.
- Add ramps to provide direct connections for HOV lanes at the following interchanges:
 - I-10/Loop 202 (Santan Freeway)
 - Loop 101 (Price Freeway) and Loop 202 (Santan Freeway)
 - Loop 202/US 60 (Superstition Freeway)
- Add new interchanges, including Chandler Heights/I-10 and Meridian Road/US 60.

Arterial Streets



- Construct or widen approximately 150 miles of major arterial streets in the East Valley area. This includes sections of:

- Arizona Avenue	- Hawes Road	- Queen Creek Road
- Baseline Road	- Higley Road	- Ray Road
- Broadway Road	- McKellips Road	- Signal Butte Road
- Crismon Road	- Meridian Road	- Shea Boulevard
- Elliot Road	- Mesa Drive	- Southern Avenue
- Germann Road	- Pecos Road	- Thomas Road
- Gilbert Road	- Pima Road	- University Drive
- Greenfield Road	- Power Road	- Val Vista Drive
- Guadalupe Road	- Price Road	
- Construct new bridges over the Salt River at Dobson Road, Gilbert Road and McKellips Road.

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- Improve 34 major arterial street intersections in the East Valley area. This includes intersections at various points along:
 - Arizona Avenue
 - Chandler Boulevard
 - Country Club Drive
 - Dobson Road
 - Elliot Road
 - Gilbert Road
 - Guadalupe Road
 - Higley Road
 - Kyrene Road
 - Lindsay Road
 - Ray Road
 - Stapley Drive
 - Warner Road

Transit



- Provide approximately 140 route miles of new or expanded express bus/bus rapid transit service in the East Valley area. This includes new or enhanced service along segments of:
 - I-10 Freeway
 - Price/Pima Freeway
 - Red Mountain Freeway
 - Santan Freeway
 - Superstition Freeway
 - Arizona Avenue/Country Club Drive
 - Baseline Road
 - Chandler Boulevard/Williams Field Road
 - Main Street (Mesa)
 - Rural Road/Scottsdale Road
 - University Drive

- Provide approximately 260 route miles of regional bus service in the East Valley area. This includes new or enhanced service along segments of:
 - Alma School Road
 - Arizona Avenue/Country Club Drive
 - Baseline Road
 - Broadway Road
 - Chandler Boulevard/Williams Field Road
 - Dobson Road
 - Elliot Road
 - Gilbert Road
 - Greenfield Road
 - Main Street (Mesa)
 - McClintock Drive/Hayden Road
 - McDowell Road
 - McKellips Road
 - Power Road
 - Queen Creek Road
 - Ray Road
 - Rural Road/Scottsdale Road
 - Southern Avenue
 - University Drive

(Certain routes within the regional bus system are being paid for with local funds.)

- Construct support infrastructure for regional light rail transit, which extends from downtown Phoenix, east through Tempe on Apache Boulevard, to Main Street/Sycamore.
- Construct light rail extension along Rural Road from Apache Boulevard to Southern Avenue.
- Construct high capacity transit extension along Main Street from Sycamore to Mesa Drive.
- Provide ADA Dial-a-Ride paratransit services that meet the needs of residents, who because of a physical disability, cannot use express or local bus service. (Some paratransit services are also paid for with local funds.)
- Assist in the formation of commuter vanpools in the East Valley area.
- Construct new park-and-ride lots.
- Construct or upgrade bus transit centers in Mesa, Tempe and Chandler.
- Provide enhanced transit security, additional bus pullouts and other passenger amenities.

