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# MEMORANDUM

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Date: August 27, 2013

To: The Honorable Chairman and Members  
Pima County Board of Supervisors

From: C.H. Huckelberry  
County Administrator *CHH*

Re: **Flyer Regarding Yuma County Concern over the Lack of Adequate Highway User Revenue Funds to Maintain their Streets and Highways**

Attached are copies of flyers being circulated by Yuma County explaining their dilemma over the lack of adequate Highway User Revenue Funds (HURF) for highway maintenance and development.

Yuma County shares our position regarding the gross inadequacy of HURF revenues to assist counties in maintaining, operating and building transportation systems for which they have a legal obligation. Yuma County's issues are identical to those in Pima County and reflect a growing statewide concern over the inadequacy of HURF revenues and state diversions of same.

CHH/dph

#### Attachments

c: Martin Willett, Chief Deputy County Administrator  
John Bernal, Deputy County Administrator for Public Works  
Priscilla Cornelio, Director, Transportation Department  
Michael Racy, Racy Associates, Inc.  
Craig Sullivan, Executive Director, County Supervisors Association  
Robert Pickels, Yuma County Administrator

**DOUBLE VISION**  
Cost Doubled Last 10 yrs

**LEFT FOR DEAD**  
HURF Funding Swept Away

**NO HELP IN SIGHT**  
We Need Legislators' Help

# ARIZONA

**HIGHWAYS**  
ESCAPE ♦ EXPLORE ♦ EXPERIENCE

AUGUST 2013

## **NO HURF HELP** **Rough Roads** **for Rural Counties**

### IN THIS ISSUE

- COSTS HAVE DOUBLED FROM 2003 - 2013
- HURF FUNDING DIVERTED
- YUMA COUNTY NEEDS \$7.6M RESTORED JUST TO MAINTAIN '03 FUNDING LEVELS

"A safe and convenient road system is critical to our local citizens, military presence, 70,000 winter visitors and our three billion dollar agriculture and produce industry."

Ken Rosevear,  
President, Yuma County Chamber of Commerce



**SEE THE  
NUMBERS  
GRAPHS  
AND STATS**

# CAUTION ROUGH ROADS

## PUT HURF FUNDS BACK WHERE THEY BELONG

COUNTIES, CITIES AND TOWNS NEED YOUR HELP. OVER TEN YEARS, STATE FUNDING DECREASED WHILE ROAD USE INCREASED AND COSTS HAVE DOUBLED WHILE LOCAL GOVERNMENTS STRUGGLE TO MAINTAIN A MINIMAL STANDARD.

### OVER THE LAST TEN YEARS

#### DOUBLE THE COST

OVER THE LAST 10 YEARS, CONSTRUCTION COSTS HAVE NEARLY DOUBLED  
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MOTORGRADER



**194% INCREASE**  
EVERY 3 YEARS

PICKUP TRUCKS



**117% INCREASE**  
1 OR 2 A YEAR

FRONT LOADERS



**254% INCREASE**  
AS NEEDED

#### CONSTRUCTION COSTS ARE UP

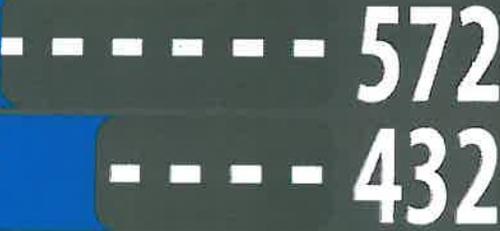
- ASPHALT **UP 279%**
- DIESEL **UP 297%**
- TIRES **UP 179%**

#### USE IS UP

THE AMOUNT OF ROADS MAINTAINED BY COUNTIES HAS INCREASED...

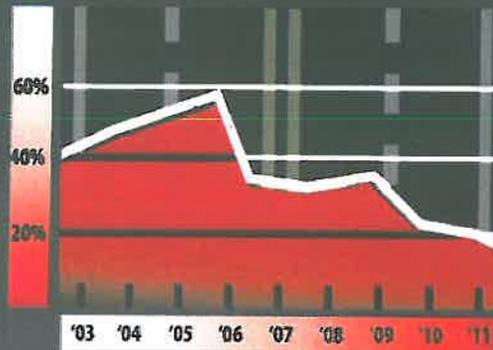


2013  
2003



**32% INCREASE**  
+1,500 MILES OF GRAVEL ROADS

#### "MINIMUM" ROAD CONDITIONS ARE WORSE



OVER THE LAST 10 YEARS, THE PERCENTAGE OF STREETS THAT ACHIEVE AT LEAST AN 80% RATING HAVE DROPPED IN HALF - DOWN TO:

**20% DECREASE**

#### TO FIND OUT MORE, CONTACT:

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The reduction of HURF funds has severe impacts on our ability to maintain existing roads and completely eliminated the capacity to construct new corridors for industrial users - in a community where industries rely on the movement of commercial trailers and tractors.  
Julie Engel, CEO of Greater Yuma EDC

