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## FACT SHEET Ina Road/Oracle Road Improvement Project

The Pima County Department of Transportation, in conjunction with the Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) and the Arizona Department of Transportation, has initiated a project to increase capacity and enhance safety at the Ina Road/Oracle Road intersection. Funding for this project is being provided through the RTA.

Improving traffic conditions at this intersection is a high priority for a number of reasons:

- ❖ Oracle Road (State Route 77) and Ina Road are critical roadways in the metropolitan Pima County transportation system, serving regional mobility and commerce.
- ❖ Traffic volume at the Ina Road/Oracle Road has increased 58% over the past 10 years (56,000 ADT in 1999). Today, over 96,000 vehicles pass through this intersection each day, the 7th highest in the region.
- ❖ This daily volume of traffic is expected to swell to 126,000 vehicles over the next 20 to 30 years as Oro Valley, Catalina, and Pinal County continues to develop.
- ❖ The current capacity of the Ina Road/Oracle Road intersection is woefully inadequate, creating a bottleneck in the regional transportation system and causing:
  - ✓ lengthy delays and backups
  - ✓ limited access to businesses in the area
  - ✓ undesirable cut-through traffic in nearby neighborhoods
  - ✓ reduced air quality

The Ina Road/Oracle Road improvement project is currently in the preliminary engineering phase. Improvement alternatives have been evaluated and the results and recommendations are being presented to the public for comments. Once the improvement concept has been finalized, preparation of construction documents will begin. It is anticipated that construction could begin in the summer of 2011.

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*This is a project of the Regional Transportation Authority. The voter-approved, \$2.1 billion RTA plan will be implemented through 2026. Details about the full plan are available at [www.RTAmobility.com](http://www.RTAmobility.com). The Regional Transportation Authority has a nine-member board with representatives from local, state and tribal governments. This project will be managed by Pima County.*