Community Advisory Committee Meeting
September 20, 2016
Meeting Topics

- Introductions
- Project Status Update
- Review of Draft Design Concept Report
- Environmental Assessment & Mitigation Report Basics
- Art Selection Update
- Upcoming Meetings
- Open Discussion
Draft Design Concept Report

- Roadway Design
- Drainage
- Pedestrian Movements
- Intersection/Signalization
- Landscape/Re-vegetation
- Other (mailboxes)
Roadway Design

Valencia Road
Typical Section
Roadway Design

- A majority of the new roadway widening will be along the south side of the existing Valencia Road pavement
- Street Lighting
- ADA Compatible
Drainage – Diablo Channel
Drainage – Iberia
Pedestrian Movements - East

- 5 Feet Wide Concrete Sidewalk
- 8 Feet Wide Asphalt Path
Vahalla Lighting – Future Signals

Iberia Lighting – Future Signals
Pedestrian Movements – Eagles Talon

- 700’+ west of Vahalla
  “mid-block crossing”
Landscape/Re-vegetation

- Criteria based on previous section with the exception of the existing developed areas

- Approach to **developed** areas
  - Rock mulch with accent planting – **no seed mix**

- Approach to **undeveloped** areas
  - Rock mulch with seed mix
  - Revegetation using native plant species found in the project area
Other Possible Issues

- Mailboxes (determined by USPS)
Environmental Assessment & Mitigation Report (EAMR) Basics

- Biological
- Drainage & Floodplain - Clean Water Act
- Air Quality
- Noise
- Hazardous Materials
- Historic & Cultural Resources
- Visual Resources
- Neighborhood Impacts
Biological

- A Biological Evaluation (BE) is a project-level document to evaluate the presence of, and potential impacts to, federal and state listed plants and animals.
- USFWS and AZGFD species lists were consulted and field survey conducted.
- No Threatened or Endangered species were present, including Pima Pineapple Cactus (PPC).
Drainage & Floodplain

Clean Water Act - Section 404/401 Permitting
- Preliminary Jurisdictional Delineation to determine Waters of U.S. is underway.
- Project expected to meet Nationwide Permit #14 - Linear Transportation Projects criteria as non-notifying.

Clean Water Act Section 402 Permitting
- Preparation of Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan will occur during final design.
Air Quality

- Project is included in the PAG Transportation Improvements Project List and is in Regional Air Quality Conformity.
Noise

- Noise Analysis was completed following the Pima County Noise Abatement Policy.
- Noise Report (May 2016) documented no projected noise levels exceeding the 67 decibel threshold considered for noise abatement.
- No noise walls are recommended.
Hazardous Materials

- A Preliminary Initial Site Assessment (PISA) was prepared July 2016.
- PISA reviewed Federal and State hazardous materials databases and included a field survey.
- No soil or groundwater contamination issues were found to be present.
Historic & Cultural Resources

- Cultural Resources Report following State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) guidelines was prepared in August 2016.
- Records reviewed noted historic farmstead outside the project limits.
- Field survey noted one Isolated Occurrence, a 1916 General Land Office survey maker.
- Recommendation to BLM, SHPO and Pima County is “no historic properties affected”.
Visual Resources

BEFORE
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Neighborhood Impacts

- Temporary Noise Impacts During Construction
- Emergency Accessibility Maintained During Construction
- Increased Pedestrian Access - Sidewalk and Shared-Use Path
- New Lighting - Enhance Safety at Intersections
- Access Restrictions by Median
  - Victor Drive
  - Eagles Talon Pkwy
  - De Concini Drive
  - Via Diego De Rivera
Art Selection Update

- Coordinated by Arts Foundation
- Panel Members
  - Can add one more if interested
- Initial Meeting Date (TBD)
- Two Step Artist Selection Effort
Upcoming Meetings

- October 18 (6 – 7:30 PM)
- November 15 – CAC & Open House - Discuss Timing
Open Discussion

- Questions
- Other Concerns
- Next Steps

Documents from First Phase (Including EAMR)