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Minutes Matter For First Responders

# Sheriff Lamb and County Attorney Volkmer Say New Roads and Freeways Will Help Improve Public Safety

(Casa Grande, Ariz.) Propositions 416 and 417 would create a network of new roads and freeways throughout Pinal County. In addition to solving current and future traffic problems all over Pinal County, this project will also help reduce response times for sheriff's deputies, firefighters, police officers, and ambulances.

That's why this plan has been endorsed by Pinal County Sheriff Mark Lamb and Pinal County Attorney Kent Volkmer. A yes vote on both propositions 416 and 417 on November 7th will make the transportation plan a reality.

County Attorney Volkmer said, "This new infrastructure will help to reduce the number of fatal crashes in our county, enable first responders to arrive at our homes and businesses faster, and make it easier for them to reach medical facilities when minutes matter. This is a comprehensive travel plan that addresses transportation needs all over Pinal County.â€

Sheriff Lamb said, "When a motorist gets stuck in traffic, it can be a frustrating and time consuming experience. When a first responder gets stuck in traffic, it can be a matter of life and death. Not only will these new roads and freeways help reduce vehicle crashes, they will enable deputies to respond faster in emergencies. They will allow fire fighters and police officers to steer clear of traffic jams. Ambulance drivers will be able to take patients to medical facilities faster.â€

Sheriff Lamb and County Attorney Volkmer have joined dozens of leaders in filing ballot statements in support of Propositions 416 and 417. Supporters include mayors from every corner of Pinal County as well as Democrats, Republicans, elected officials and business leaders.

For a partial list of supporters click here.

For a detailed list of the projects to be built by Props 416 and 417 click here.

The projects would be paid for with a half cent increase in the sales tax, which means those visiting Pinal County will fund the new roads and freeways, as well as residents. The cost to the average Pinal County Household is \$7.37 per month or 24 cents per day.

Propositions 416 and 417 will not raise property taxes.

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# **Projects**

#### Selma Highway

A four-lane roadway in Casa Grande from Thornton Road to the west to the future North-South Parkway to the East, located near the City of Coolidge and connecting to Florence, San Tan and Apache Junction/Gold Canyon. The project scope involves design and construction, and the purchase of right of way for various segments of the corridor. Project includes approximately four miles of new construction over graded non-paved roadway segments, and a crossing over a drainage canal and railroad tracks at State Route 84. The estimated cost of this roadway project is approximately \$51.2 million.

#### State Route 347 in Maricopa

Expansion of the principal roadway from four lanes to six lanes into Maricopa between the Pinal-Maricopa County line to the North, and the municipal boundary of the City of Maricopa to the south. This represents a linear distance of approximately nine miles. The new construction of a north traveling lane and a south traveling lane along State Route 347 represents a total of 18 additional lane miles of construction. The project scope involves design and construction. The estimated cost of this

roadway project is approximately \$28.8 million. If the allocated funds are unable to be used for this project, they are to be designated for other road projects within Maricopa.

#### State Route 24 Parkway through San Tan Valley

A new four-mile long four-lane east-west parkway between State Route 24 at Ironwood Road to the West, and the future alignment of the North-South Parkway to the East. The project scope involves the purchase of land to establish a 300-foot wide right of way corridor, to include design and construction. The estimated cost of this roadway is approximately \$38.4 million.

#### Kortsen/Kleck Road Alignment

Also referred to as the "Casa Grande Connector," this 14 mile project involves the widening of this road from two lanes to four lanes from Henness Road to the West, located in the City of Casa Grande, to the North-South Parkway to the East connecting Coolidge and Florence and Apache Junction/Gold Canyon. The widening of the Casa Grande Connector will involve a 14 mile corridor, and represents a total of 28 additional lane miles of roadway construction. The estimated cost of this roadway project is approximately \$44.8 million.

#### I-10 Traffic Interchange

The Kortsen/Kleck Road Alignment in Casa Grande involves a new traffic interchange at I-10 to better facilitate traffic. The estimated cost of the traffic interchange is approximately \$15 million.

#### **Cordones Road**

The new road, located in the southern Pinal County community of Saddlebrooke, is a 1.5 miles long, north-south, two-lane minor arterial roadway facility to alleviate existing traffic concerns. The project scope involves the purchase of necessary right of way, design and construction. The estimated cost of this roadway project is approximately \$2.5 million.

#### **Thornton Road**

Four mile widening of Thornton Road in Casa Grande from two lanes to four lanes, from State Route 84 to the north, to Interstate 8 to the south. Thornton Road will involve a 3.5 mile linear corridor, representing a total of seven additional lane miles of roadway construction. The project scope involves the purchase of necessary right of way, design and construction. The estimated cost of this roadway project is approximately \$11.2 million.

#### Peters Road

Important one mile road improvement in Casa Grande to assist additional "regional" economic development project in a high job growth area. A widening roadway project consisting of two more additional lanes from Burris Road to the west, to Thornton Road to the east, located in the City of Casa Grande. The widening of Peters Road will involve a one mile linear corridor, and represents a total of two miles of additional lanes of roadway construction. The project scope involves the purchase of necessary right of way, design and construction. The estimated cost of this roadway project is approximately \$3.2 million.

### East-West Corridor Between Maricopa and Casa Grande

The 21 mile four-lane project will begin at State Route 347 in the city of Maricopa and extend east through northern Casa Grande to I-10. The 21 mile corridor will be constructed by new and existing roadways. The estimated cost of project is approximately \$67.2 million. If the allocated funds are unable to be used for this project, they are to be designated for State Route 347 and Parking Lot Projects.

#### Montgomery Road

Eight miles of improvements to the Montgomery Road Corridor from the East-West Corridor to the North, located in the City of Casa Grande, to Interstate 8 to the South. The project corridor is ten miles in length, and will call for the construction of approximately four miles of new roadway. The intent is to develop a connective, north-south, two-lane roadway facility that is fully improved. The project scope involves the purchase of necessary right of way, design and construction. The estimated cost of project is approximately \$25.6 million.

# North-South Parkway between Apache Junction/Gold Canyon/Florence/Coolidge/Casa Grande and I-10

New construction of a 36 mile, north-south, four-lane highway between U.S. Highway 60 in the City of Apache Junction to the north and connecting to the I-10 via the 14 mile corridor to Kortsen/Kleck Road south of Coolidge to Casa Grande. The estimated cost of the design and construction of the principal arterial is approximately \$326.4 million. Pinal County will contribute \$30 million in additional funding towards the project.

#### North-South Parkway Right of Way

Purchase of additional right of way for the remainder of the North-South Parkway by purchasing 15 miles from Kortsen/Kleck Road to the north to I-10 on the south near Eloy to connect with I-10. The purchase of land will establish a 300-foot wide right of way corridor. The estimated cost of the preserved right of way is approximately \$2.25 million.

### West Pinal Freeway/ROW Preservation

Right of way acquisition for the West Pinal Freeway corridor, from the Pinal-Maricopa County line to the west, and Interstate 8 to the south. The project would require a total of 31 miles. The estimated cost approximately \$4.65 million.

## Superior, Mammoth, Kearny, and Eloy Transportation Projects

Six million dollars will be allocated to each of these smaller communities in Pinal County for local road projects. The annual appropriation will be \$300,000 to each community for 20 years.

#### Dial-a-Ride for Seniors and the Disabled

Provision of annual funding for Dial-a-Ride services to assist people with disabilities, seniors, and members of the general public.

#### **Parking Lot Projects**

New Park and Ride lots will be constructed to ease commutes.

#### Citizens' Oversight Committee

If Propositions 416 and 417 pass, a Citizens' Oversight Committee will be appointed to ensure accountability that the funds will be used to ensure maximum accountability that the funds will be effectively used to timely complete the projects.



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