



Pinal Regional Transportation Authority

Community Open Houses: March-April 2017





DID YOU KNOW

- **THERE IS A LACK OF FEDERAL AND STATE FUNDING AND NO GASOLINE TAX INCREASE SINCE 1991?**
- **STATE TRANSPORTATION FUNDS ARE USED PRIMARILY FOR PRESERVATION AND MAINTENANCE OF EXISTING ROADWAYS?**
- **SINCE 2001, THE STATE HAS DIVERTED \$1.8 BILLION IN HIGHWAY USER REVENUE FUNDS (GASOLINE TAXES DEDICATED TO ROADWAYS) FOR OTHER GOVERNMENTAL PROGRAMS?**



DID YOU KNOW

- **POPULATION IN PINAL COUNTY HAS GROWN FROM 180,000 IN 2000 TO 400,000 IN 2015?**
- **A TOTAL OF 19,159 CRASHES, WITH 323 FATAL AND 878 SERIOUS INJURY, OCCURRED WITHIN THE PINAL REGION OVER THE LAST 10 YEARS?**
- **THERE ARE LIMITED NORTH - SOUTH AND EAST – WEST ROADWAYS TO TRAVEL AROUND PINAL COUNTY?**



DID YOU KNOW

- MORE THAN 15 TRANSPORTATION STUDIES DOCUMENTING TRANSPORTATION NEEDS WITHIN THE PINAL REGION WERE COMPLETED OVER THE LAST 10 YEARS?
- TRAFFIC PROJECTIONS STATE WITH A “NO BUILD” SCENARIO THAT 47% OF VEHICLES WILL ENCOUNTER CONGESTION BY THE YEAR 2040?
 - IMPLEMENTING REGIONAL IMPROVEMENTS WILL IMPROVE THAT PERCENTAGE TO 20%.
- THERE IS A NEED FOR A REGIONAL SOLUTION?



DID YOU KNOW

- APPROVAL OF THIS REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN AND HALF-CENT TAX WILL BE DETERMINED BY PINAL COUNTY VOTERS IN NOVEMBER 2017?
- CURRENT SALES TAX RATES RANGE FROM 8.7% TO 10.7% THROUGHOUT PINAL COUNTY?
- THE AVERAGE COST IMPACT TO PINAL COUNTY RESIDENTS IS \$88.00 A YEAR OR \$7.33 A MONTH (THE COST OF ONE FAST FOOD MEAL)?



Transportation History

Small Area Transportation Studies

- Apache Junction
- Maricopa
- Pinal County
- Casa Grande
- Coolidge-Florence Regional
- Eloy

Regional Transportation Studies

- North-South Corridor Study
- Regionally Significant Routes for Safety & Mobility Study
- Hidden Valley Framework Study
- CAG Regional Transportation Plan
- East-West Corridor Study
- Southern Pinal Regional Corridors PARA Study

Local Agency Transportation Studies

- Coolidge Comprehensive Transportation Feasibility Study
- Maricopa Area Transportation Plan
- Apache Junction Comprehensive Transportation Study



Background

Regional Transportation Authority

Arizona Revised Statute 48-5302

- May be established in a county with a population of 400,000 or fewer.
- Is a public, political, tax levying improvement subdivision of the state.
- Membership consists of each municipality in the county, the county and other members of the regional council of governments (Central Arizona Governments) from the county in which it was established.
- The executive director of the regional council of governments (Central Arizona Governments) acts as the executive director.

Board of Directors

Arizona Revised Statute 48-5303

- The government is vested in a board of directors composed of the members of the regional council of governments (Central Arizona Governments).
- The board of directors have one vote each when determining transportation policy.



Purpose

1. Provides the governance for the county, cities, towns, and tribal communities to work collaboratively in developing a seamless countywide transportation system.
2. Requires a strong focus on developing a balanced regional transportation system.
3. Stipulates the development of a 20-year regional transportation plan (subject to voter approval).
 - [Arizona Revised Statutes 48-5309](#)
4. Provides a dedicated funding source to implement the regional transportation plan through an excise tax (subject to voter approval).
 - [Arizona Revised Statutes 42-6106](#)
5. Improves regional coordination and management of the transportation system.



Community Open Houses



SaddleBrooke
March 21, 2016
68 Stakeholders
10 Comments



Apache Junction
March 22, 2016
19 Stakeholders
2 Comments



Coolidge
March 29, 2016
41 Stakeholders
27 Comments



San Tan Valley
March 31, 2016
16 Stakeholders
8 Comments



Maricopa
April 5, 2016
23 Stakeholders
3 Comments



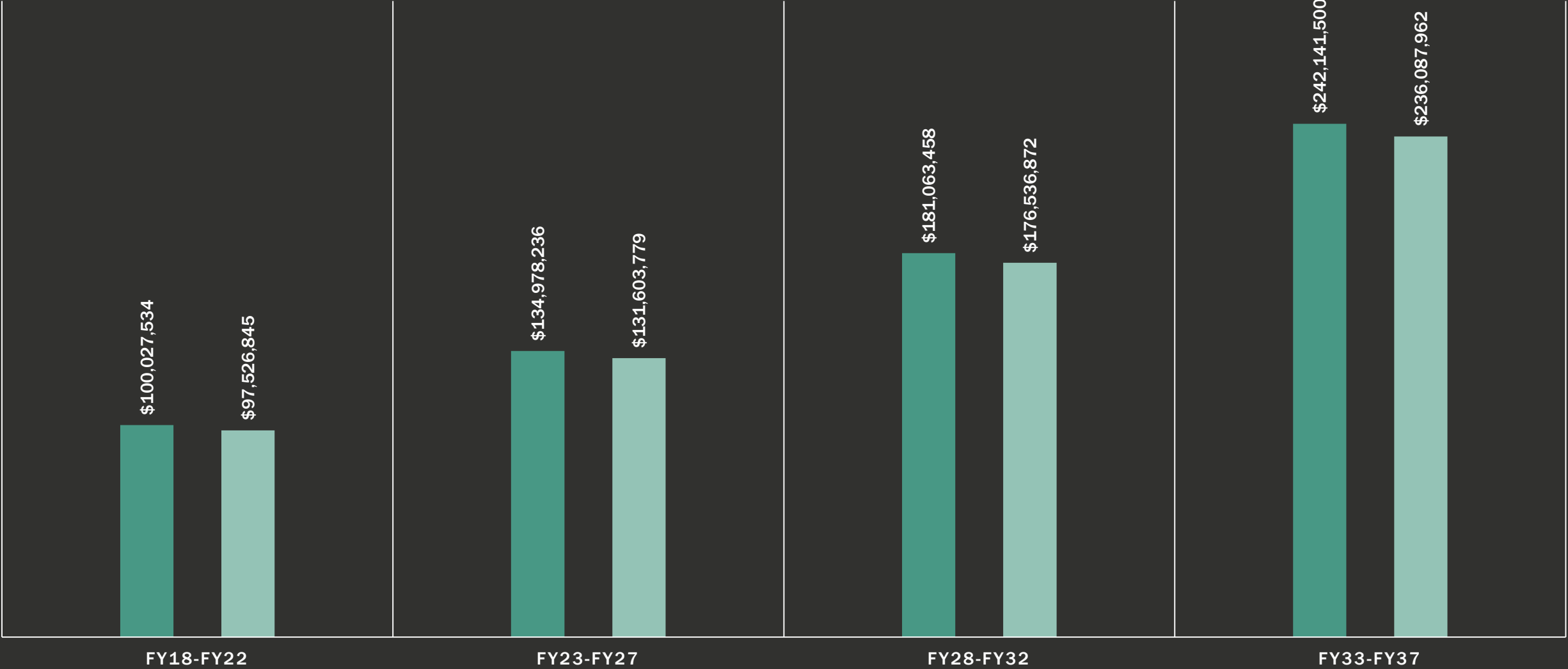


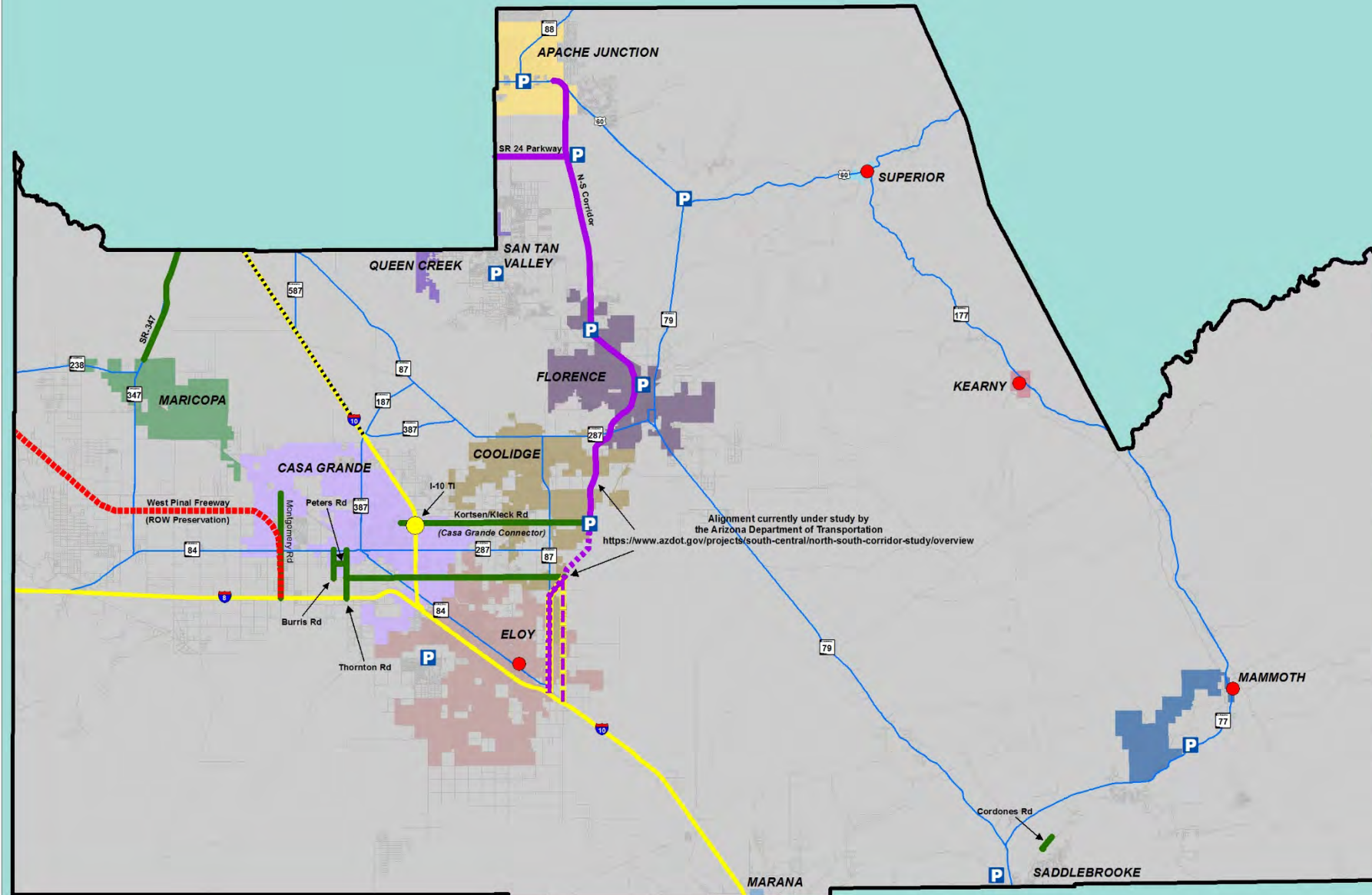
Open House Comment Themes

- Additional Access and Priority for SaddleBrooke Area
- Additional Access to Maricopa
- Additional Connections to I-10
- North-South Corridor Access and Priority
- Kortsen-Kleck Road Support
- Hunt Highway-Attaway Road Capacity Improvements
- Rittenhouse-Combs Road Intersection Improvements
- SR 84 and SR 238 Widening
- 11-Mile Corner Extension to SR87
- Bella Vista Road Pedestrian Improvements
- Pavement Preservation Funding
- Dirt Road Surfacing
- Local Project Funding (Support and Opposition)
- Additional Public Transportation and Parking and Ride Funding (Support and Opposition)
- Regional Transportation Plan (Support and Opposition)

PROJECTED REVENUES

■ Revenue ■ Revenue with Variable Tax





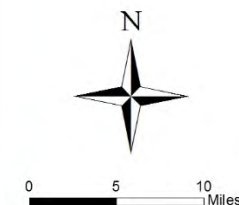
Proposed RTA Projects

Legend

RTA Projects

- P Park and Ride
- Traffic Interchange
- Local Project Funding
- Roads
- West Pinal Freeway (ROW)
- N-S Corridor
- N-S Corridor (ROW)
- Coolidge Council Resolution
- Eloy Council Resolution
- Pre-Construction Activity

<http://www.cagaz.org/rta.html>



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Map Date: February 15, 2017



Time Line



Community Open Houses

• March – April 2017

Approval of Regional Transportation Plan-Resolution by Pinal RTA

• April 2017

Call for Election by Pinal County Board of Supervisors

• June-July 2017

Preparation for Election by Pinal County Elections Department

• July-September 2017

General Election

• November 2017



Your Input Is Needed!

Please submit your comments on the regional transportation plan and tax tonight or on-line:

http://bit.ly/pinalcountyPRTA_info

Thank you for your participation in the community open house.



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Pinal Regional Transportation Authority (RTA)

On August 5, 2015, the Pinal County Board of Supervisors established the Pinal Regional Transportation Authority (RTA). In accordance with Arizona State Statute §48-5302, the Pinal RTA is a public, political, tax levying improvement subdivision of the state. The Regional Council of Governments for Pinal County, which is currently the Central Arizona Governments, will provide administration and oversight for the activities of the Pinal County RTA, whose membership consists of each member government within Pinal County and other members of the Central Arizona Governments. The Pinal RTA was established to provide a strong focus on developing a balanced regional transportation system for the citizens of Pinal County; and to provide a mechanism for the County, its cities, towns, and Indian Communities to collaborate in developing a seamless

RTA Links

- [Meeting Schedule](#)
- [Pinal County Resolution](#)
- [Sales Tax Forecast](#)
- [Final Report](#)
- [Report Appendix 1](#)
- [Report Appendix 2](#)
- [Map of Proposed Projects](#)

