



I-11 & Intermountain West Corridor Study

Northern Arizona / Southern Nevada Segment


Level 2 Preliminary Evaluation Results



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Presentation Format and Feedback Opportunity


- This presentation provides an overview of the latest analysis completed for the Northern Arizona/Southern Nevada Segment of the Congressionally Designated Corridor.
- After viewing this presentation you can provide feedback using an online questionnaire designed for this segment.
- A presentation providing a thorough overview of the I-11 and Intermountain West Corridor Study is available.
- The online questionnaire will be available through February 28, 2014.

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Presentation Outline

- Project overview and background
- Evaluation process
- Results of Level 1 screening
- Preliminary Draft results of Level 2 screening
- How you can provide feedback



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Alternatives and the Evaluation Process

I-11 Intermountain West Corridor Study Universe of Alternatives

- Future Connectivity Segments: broad arrows that could include various existing and/or new corridors.
- Congressionally Designated Segments: generalized corridor alternatives.

Legend:

- County Boundaries
- State Boundaries
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- Interstate Highways
- State Highways
- State Routes
- Local State Parks
- Water
- Urban
- Suburban
- Open Space
- Wilderness
- Wilderness Study Area
- U.S. Forest Service
- Public Lands
- Other
- Other

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I-11 Intermountain West Corridor Study Evaluation Process

- “Alternative” is a corridor containing one or more modes (e.g., highway, rail)
 - Alternatives could consist of a new or existing transportation facility, or a combination of both
- Alternatives were evaluated using criteria that was measured qualitatively (Level 1) and quantitatively (Level 2)

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Level 1 Evaluation Recommendations

Evaluation Process

- Evaluation Criteria
- Universe of Alternatives
- Level 1 Screening
- Level 2 Screening
- Recommended Alternatives

Move two corridor alternatives to Level 2 screening.

Alternative Q

Alternative UU

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Level 2 Evaluation Results: Q

**Northern AZ/Southern NV:
Alternative Q**

All information presented is preliminary and subject to revision. Specific alignments, routing and definitions would occur in future, detailed analysis.

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Opportunities

- Consistent with local and statewide planning efforts
- Clustered nodes of planned land uses oriented toward commerce activities
- Minimal environmental constraints

Constraints

- Limited ability to accommodate multiple modes/uses

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Level 2 Evaluation Results: UU

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Opportunities

- Clustered nodes of planned land uses oriented towards commerce activities


Constraints

- Targeted high impact environmental constraints along Chicken Springs Road/Alamo Road area:
 - Habitat loss and degradation
 - Impact to land managed for conservation
 - Fragmentation of ecologically important areas
- Environmental and financial constraints outweigh the benefits

Level 2 Evaluation Results by Category


Alternative	Evaluation Category							
	Modal Interrelationships	Capacity/ Congestion	Economic Vitality	Transportation Plans / Policies	Environmental Sustainability	Land Use and Ownership	Community Acceptance	Cost
Q							Not yet evaluated	
UU							Not yet evaluated	

Most Favorable	Somewhat Favorable	Moderately Favorable	Less Favorable	Least Favorable
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Preliminary Recommendation: Alternative Q

- Reasonable alternative for the I-11 corridor to be carried into more detailed NEPA analyses in future studies based on the Level 2 Evaluation results
- Pending potential revisions based on additional input received from the Core Agency Partners, Stakeholder Partners and the public




Alternative Q

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How to Provide Feedback



How to Provide Feedback

- Complete online questionnaire regarding this Corridor segment.
- Review other Corridor segment analysis and complete corresponding questionnaires.
- The questionnaires will be available online through February 28, 2014.
- Comments are always welcome throughout the study.



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