

# ADOT Interstate 11 Corridor Tier 1 Environment Impact Statement NOGALES TO WICKENBURG

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## **ABOUT INTERSTATE 11**

In partnership with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and regional planning agencies, the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) has launched a three-year environmental study to select a corridor alternative for Interstate 11 (I-11) between Nogales and Wickenburg.

## **STUDY GOALS**

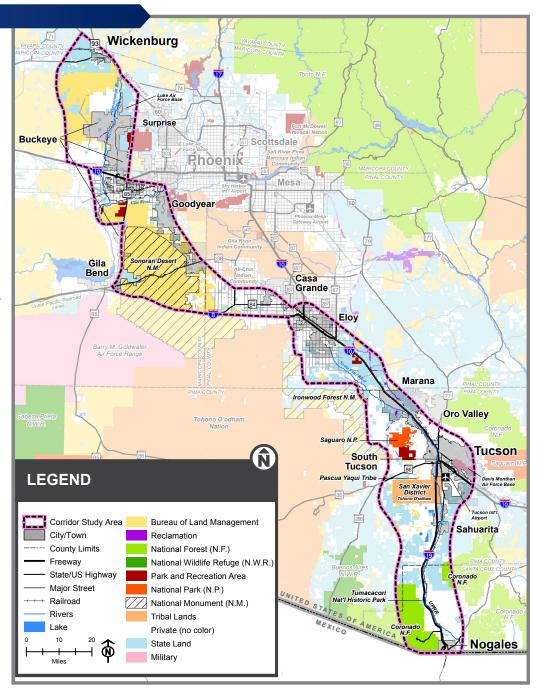
- I-11 is envisioned as a continuous high-capacity transcontinental trade and transportation corridor extending from southern Arizona to northern Nevada, and possibly north toward Canada.
- As a multimodal corridor, I-11 has the potential to support large-scale manufacturing, enhance movement of people and freight, and be a corridor for trade, communications and technology.
- To reach consensus on a Selected Corridor Alternative as part of the NEPA process.

## **ABOUT THE CORRIDOR STUDY AREA**

The Corridor Study Area is 280 miles long and traverses four counties—Maricopa, Pinal, Pima and Santa Cruz—and is anywhere between five and

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50 miles wide. The purpose of the study will be to identify a Selected Corridor Alternative within this area.



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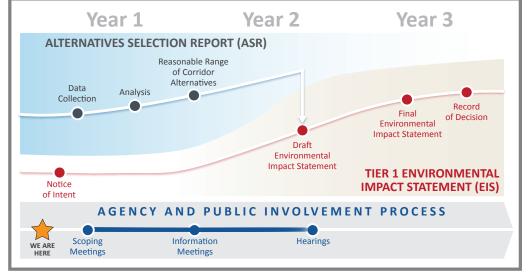
## **HOW WE GOT HERE**

In November 2014, ADOT, the Nevada Department of Transportation, FHWA, Federal Railroad Administration, Maricopa Association of Governments, Regional Transportation Commission of Southern Nevada, and other key stakeholders, completed an initial two-year feasibility study known as the Interstate 11 and Intermountain West Corridor Study (IWCS). Upon completion of this first step in the I-11 development process, FHWA and ADOT are continuing to advance the project in Arizona for the approximate 280-mile section between Nogales and Wickenburg. (*See reverse side for a map of the Corridor Study Area*.) For additional information on the IWCS, please visit: i11study.com/IWC-Study.

### **ABOUT THE TIER 1 EIS PROCESS**

The three-year environmental study will be completed in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and other regulatory requirements, and will consider possible routes between Nogales and Wickenburg. The first step is developing an Alternatives Selection Report

assessing a wide range of corridor alternatives and options, along with opportunities and constraints. A Draft Tier 1 Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) will evaluate in greater detail a smaller number of corridor alternatives, including segments that may advance as independent projects. A no-build alterative will also be evaluated in the Draft EIS.



## **Study Process and Schedule**

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#### HOW YOU CAN GET INVOLVED

As part of the study process, ADOT and FHWA will engage and involve stakeholder agencies, organizations and members of the community throughout the study process. Opportunities to comment will be available through meetings, community events and other forums. Formal public outreach opportunities will be announced throughout the study process.

To be added to the study notification list, or to provide comments at any point during the process, please contact us: i11study.com/Arizona i-11ADOTStudy@hdrinc.com



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