

Jonathan Crowe

From: Arlan Colton
Sent: Tuesday, March 24, 2015 6:03 PM
To: Jonathan Crowe
Subject: FW: Pima Prospers Feedback Form 2015-03-24 04:18 PM Submission Notification

One more too....

From: notification@pima.gov [mailto:notification@pima.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, March 24, 2015 4:18 PM
To: Arlan Colton
Subject: Pima Prospers Feedback Form 2015-03-24 04:18 PM Submission Notification

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Name	Value
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First Name	Rick
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Last Name	Furrier
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Email	[REDACTED]
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Address	3545 s richey blv
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City	tucson
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State	AZ
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Zipcode	85713
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Message Subject Palo Verde road widening

We are opposed to the Palo Verde road widening project between Ajo and the Palo Verde overpass if any of the widening or property acquisition would be on the East side of Palo Verde. There is a major safety concern with the limited space and access for large trucks pulling in and out of our property from Palo Verde. This would be dangerous and

Comment detrimental to our business. There are other safety concerns with losing space on the East side of the road too as we have people who work with our customers in our parking lot and the further away we can keep the traffic from them the safer they will be. The West side of the street may make a lot more sense if the road ever did have to be widened.

Thank You, Rick Furrier

Response requested No

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Thank you, Pima County, Arizona

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Name	Value
First Name	Bill
Last Name	Nelson
Email	Bill@billnelsonauto.com
Address	3515 s. Palo Verde
City	Tucson
State	AZ
Zipcode	85713
Message Subject	The widening of Palo Verde
Comment	<p>I see that the county would like to utilize 15 more feet on each side of Palo Verde in the area where my business is located. I would like to know if the county is looking for 15 more feet of easement or to utilize 15 feet if existing easement? I have a drainage issue that runs between my building and The building next door. I would like to know how the drainage under Palo Verde would be restructured, and how that would impact the ingress to the property. I already have a steep drop off to get into the property. There is much more useable property on the west side of the road. Maybe it would make Palo Verde more interesting if it had some gentle curves? Thanks, Bill Nelson</p>
Response requested	Yes
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Thank you, Pima County, Arizona

Jonathan Crowe

From: Jonathan Crowe
Sent: Thursday, March 26, 2015 4:39 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Sanders Road

Hello Ms. Holzman-Cox,

Thank you for contacting Pima County. As described in the letter you received, the county is proposing to designate Sanders Road as a major street from Orange Grove Road to Manville Road with a future roadway right of way of 80 feet. The existing roadway right of way adjacent to your property is already 75 feet wide, so the county is proposing to increase the future right of way by 5 feet from what already exists. This wouldn't mean that the county would ask to buy or condemn any additional property along Sanders Road. It only would require that any new buildings along Sanders Road would need to be at least 70 feet from the roadway centerline. Your house appears to be about 120 feet away from the centerline.

This proposal is intended to accommodate any future improvements on Sanders Road if they are ever needed. There are no plans to widen Sanders Road or to acquire additional right of way. The county does not plan to encourage more traffic through this sensitive area, or construct any other roadways in this vicinity. If you have any other questions, please feel free to give me a call or send me an email. Thank-you.

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Name

Value

First Name Sharon

Last Name Holzman-Cox

Email [REDACTED]

Address 5250 N Sanders RD

City Tucson

State AZ

Zipcode 85743

Message Subject New Route 7: Sanders Road from Orange Grove to Manville

Comment

We'd like to voice our strong objections for the changes on Sanders Road. Sanders is a rural residential road with little traffic. The boundaries to the south and north are Saguaro National Park. The western boundary from Manville to Rudasill is the Arizona state land set aside for the CAP. The northern terminus, Orange Grove, is a poor, lightly traveled road to the east and an unmaintained county road west. As our neighbor said, "it's a road to nowhere." The only traffic (and it is light) is early morning during the school year,

hardly enough traffic to warrant spending scarce transportation funds. We understand the county must absorb \$23 million kicked to the county from the state. Spending precious transportation dollars on a project that would benefit no one is a waste of tax payers money. The money could be better spent repaving Rudasill from Sandario to Picture Rocks Elementary, a road that sees far more traffic than does Sanders. Additionally, the higher density road would impact the wildlife who cross from the Saguaro National Monument to the AZ CAP land. We have seen bobcats, javalina, jack rabbits and many bird species. A "better" road means faster drivers and that is not appropriate in a rural, residential environment. Since zoning is restricted to 3.5 acres (Suburban Ranch), the land is at full capacity and no additional development can be projected, this is a waste of so many resources: money, effort, staff planning. I am a county employee. As such, I fully understand and appreciate the hard choices that must be made in each department. This is one project that is not necessary and is wasteful. Please reconsider this project. Thank you.
Jack and Sharon Cox

Response requested Yes

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Thank you, Pima County, Arizona

Jonathan Crowe

From: Mark Pugh <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Thursday, March 26, 2015 12:25 PM
To: Jonathan Crowe
Cc: Michael Bends
Subject: Question on proposed Pima County Development Services Letter on Major Streets & Scenic Route Plan Update (Case #Co14-14-02) concerning Los Reales Road
Attachments: 031015-carla blackwell ltr-pima county major streets and scenic routes plan.pdf; 031015-carla blackwell ltr-notice of public hearing.pdf; 031015-carla blackwell ltr-fact sheet.pdf

March 26, 2105

Jonathan,

I hope you are doing well. I saw your name as the contact person at the bottom of the Pima County Development Services Letter attached concerning the Major Streets & Scenic Route Plan Update (**Case #Co14-14-02**) concerning **western Los Reales Road**, which is in part on the **San Xavier District**. I recall several years ago in the **Pima County's SWIP** (Southwest Infrastructure Plan) there was a proposal to extend Los Reales Road through the San Xavier District over to Interstate 19, of which the San Xavier District strongly opposed. I wanted to understand currently what Pima County's reasons are behind this request to expand the current ROW on Los Reales Road? Has there been any new discussion that any possible roadway widening may lead to another attempt at extending western Los Reales Road to I-19. Before the San Xavier District officially comments on this proposed update on the Major Streets and Scenic Route Plan, I want to make sure we understand the reasoning for this. Also, is there a deadline for when comments are due in writing? As always, thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Mark C. Pugh
Principal Planner
San Xavier District
[REDACTED]

From: Austin G. Nunez
Sent: Wednesday, March 25, 2015 3:35 PM
To: Michael Bends
Cc: Jerry Carlyle; Velma Begay
Subject: FW: Pima County Development Services Letter

Michael,

Please review the attached and follow up with Pima County if needed, attend the public hearing, and get back to me with any recommendations or concerns. Thank you.

Austin

From: Gerald Fayuant [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, March 25, 2015 3:29 PM
To: Austin G. Nunez; Jerry Carlyle

APR 03 2015

Graham and Alison Davey
11145 W. Picture Rocks Road
Tucson AZ 85743

28th March 2015

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Planning Division
Pima County Planning and Zoning Commission
130 W. Congress, Tucson, AZ 85701
Attn. Johnathon Crow

BY:

We appreciated your presentation on the 25th March concerning increased right of way on Picture Rocks Road.

In 2001 this section of road was considered for Gateway Corridor status, thus protecting "property values and vegetation". (Roadway Frontage Standards Sec.18.77.040) and (Gateway Development Guidelines Manual 2007)

Now Pima Prosperis is proposing new roadway changes that will remove valuable scenic mature palo verde, sahuaro and ironwood that provided the justification to make this a scenic or 'Gateway' route in the first place.

It seems also valid that as most of the traffic coming through the National Park does so on a two lane highway. Why increase the width of your right of way if it will never be required?

If anything really needs to be done perhaps some control of traffic violations should be enforced. For example noisy motorcycles and cars including high volume radios. I'm sorry that's not your department!

Please keep Picture Rocks Road as it is, we have lived on this road for 34 years and are pleased with our choice of location. We would prefer that the County spend it's money on far more important issues.

Graham & Alison Davey

Graham Davey

Neighbor Darla Phelps
11141 W. Picture Rocks Road

Darla L. Phelps



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Friends of Ironwood Forest

Friends of Madera Canyon

Friends of Saguaro National
Park

Friends of Tortolita

Gates Pass Area Neighborhood
Association

Native Seeds/SEARCH

Neighborhood Coalition of
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Education Team

Save the Scenic Santa Ritas

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Chapter

Sierra Club-Rincon Group

Silverbell Mountain Alliance

Sky Island Alliance

Sky Island Watch

Society for Ecological
Restoration

Sonoran Arthropod
Studies Institute

Sonoran Permaculture Guild

Southwestern Biological
Institute

Tortolita Homeowners
Association

Tucson Audubon Society

Tucson Herpetological Society

Tucson Mountains Association

Wildlands Network

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April 7, 2015

Chair Jenny Neeley and Members
Pima County Planning and Zoning Commission
201 N. Stone Avenue, 2nd Floor
Tucson, AZ 85701

R E: Co14- 14- 02 Pima County Major Streets and Scenic Routes Plan

Dear Chair Neeley and Commission Members:

The Coalition for Sonoran Desert Protection appreciates the opportunity to provide comments on the Major Streets and Scenic Routes Plan. The Coalition has reviewed the recommended changes and agrees with the majority of what has been presented to you by County staff.

We do respectfully request a few changes to the staff's recommendations. The purpose of these recommendations is to ensure that road designations are consistent with conservation values throughout the County.

As you know, the purpose of Pima County's Scenic Route designation is to "preserve and enhance the visual resources of the natural and built environment from and along scenic routes in order to: 1) Protect property values and the character of neighborhoods, 2) Protect and enhance the unique character of a community, including vegetation, architecture and geology, 3) Protect and enhance the economic value of tourism, and 4) Protect natural resources."

There are additional routes in the Major Streets and Scenic Routes Plan that warrant Scenic Route designations, both Major and Not Major. As such, we request the following changes:

DESIGNATE AS SCENIC

- Linda Vista –Thornydale to Marana town limit
- Thornydale – Magee to Ina
- Camino de Oeste – Ina to Naranja
- Pima Farms – Camino de Oeste to Interstate 10
- Lambert – Thornydale to Marana town limit
- Overton – Thornydale to Oro Valley town limit
- Shannon – River to Cortaro Farms / Magee
- Picture Rocks – from currently designated Scenic to Wade
- Avra Valley Road – Scenic to Interstate 10
- Camino del Norte – Thornydale to Shannon

- Orange Grove – Sanders to Sandario
- Sunset Road – add realignment section RTA funding
- Sanders – Manville to Orange Grove
- Hartmann – Cortaro to Lambert
- La Cholla – Gardiner to Oro Valley town limit; also Tangerine to Moore
- La Canada / Flowing Wells – Roger to Oro Valley town limit
- Marana – Santa Cruz River to Silverbell
- Mile Wide Road from Sandario to Reservation, to
- Reservation from Mile Wide to Manville
- Manville from Sandario to Anway
- Anway from Manville to El Tiro
- Trico from Avra Valley to county line
- El Tiro from Pump Station to Trico
- Pump Station from Avra Valley to Silverbell
- Wilds Road – SR 77 to Lago del Oro
- Twin Lakes – Golder Ranch north to end
- Escalante – Houghton to Freeman
- Pistol Hill - entire
- Los Reales – Cardinal to Mission
- Los Reales – Ajo Way to Yedra
- Los Reales – Wade to Mark
- Yedra – Los Reales to Camino Verde
- Camino Verde – Bopp to Yedra
- Tanque Verde Loop – Speedway north to Tanque Verde Road
- Melpomene – Old Spanish Trail north to Speedway
- Andrada – entire
- Wetmore – County section
- Roger – County section
- Bopp – San Joachin to Kinney
- Irvington – Ajo Way to Joseph
- Joseph – Ajo Way to Pascua Yaqui boundary
- Camino de Oeste – Ajo Way to Irvington
- Cardinal – Irvington to Los Reales
- Drexel – Cardinal to Mission
- Drexel – Ajo Way to Joseph
- Vahalla – Valencia to Drexel
- Viviana – Valencia to Los Reales
- Wade – Valencia to Camino Verde
- Airline – Valencia to Los Reales

We understand that it may not be possible for Scenic designation to be recommended by the Commission at your April 8th meeting, due to public notice requirements. If that is the case, we present those for the public record. We do urge you, however to adopt the following changes to the plan.

DOWNPLAN

- Freeman Road from Old Spanish Trail to Speedway, to 90' ROW
- Picture Rocks Road from Wade to Sandario, to 60' ROW
- Sandario Road -from Ajo Way to Marana town limit, to 80' ROW

Again, the Coalition wants to thank the Planning and Transportation staff for presenting a Major Streets and Scenic Routes Plan that values a sustainable future for unincorporated Pima County. With the changes recommended above, we can support *Co14-14-02 Pima County Major Streets and Scenic Routes Plan*.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Carolyn Campbell". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Carolyn" and last name "Campbell" clearly distinguishable.

Carolyn Campbell
Executive Director

Cc: Jonathan Crowe, Principal Planner, Pima County Department of Transportation
Arlan Colton, Planning Director, Pima County Development Services Department

Jonathan Crowe

From: Jonathan Crowe
Sent: Wednesday, April 22, 2015 4:40 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Overton Road plans

Hello Mr. Casagrande,

Thank you for contacting Pima County regarding the proposed changes to Overton Road. Yes, Pima County is proposing to add this western section of Overton Road (from Thornydale Road east to the CDO wash) to the Major Streets and Scenic Routes Plan. The eastern section of Overton (from the CDO wash east to Hardy Road) is already designated as a major street and scenic route with a 150 ft right-of-way. However, we are proposing to "down-plan" this eastern section Overton Road to 90 feet. We are also proposing to designate the western section of Overton Road with 90 feet of future right-of-way on the Major Streets and Scenic Routes Plan.

Contrary to your assertions, the county has no plans to widen Overton Road, or to encourage more traffic or higher speeds. The reason for classifying this western section of Overton Road as a "major" street is simply to ensure that future infill development is setback a sufficient distance from the road. There are several remaining vacant lots which may become developed in the future. In fact, the primary purpose of designating "major" streets is to regulate setbacks. As mentioned above, the proposed future roadway right-of-way width is 90 feet. Currently, there is approximately 120 feet of right-of-way on Overton Road in the vicinity of La Cresta Road. So there is obviously no need for the county to seek additional right-of-way. Whatever roadway improvements may be needed in years to come (turn lanes, paved shoulders, multi-use paths for example) can be accommodated within the proposed 90 feet and certainly within the existing 120 feet.

Your email also indicated that the intersection of La Cresta and Overton is dangerous due to the traffic speeds. I will forward this concern to our traffic engineering division for further evaluation – they may be able to conduct a speed study that may recommend a lower speed limit or other measures.

Please feel free to call me if you have questions or want to discuss further. Thank-you.

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Name

Value

First Name Tony

Last Name Casagrande

Email [REDACTED]

Address 2222 W La Cresta Road

City Tucson

State AZ

Zipcode 85742

Message Subject Protest - Not In Favor of Overton becoming a Major Road

Your plan shows that you want to make Overton a Major Route, and increase the set back related to my property. I wish to protest this action, convey that I am not in favor, and register my concerns as follows: 1) This is ill conceived at best, as Overton is not a through street given the wash just east of La Cholla and the fact that it is regularly closed and not all weather passable. Making Overton a major street serves no purpose given that major arteries already exist immediately to the north and south. Overton is not a grid aligned road to the east of La Cholla and would serve little to no purpose other than to create congestion at the intersection of Overton and La Cholla. 2) The "bottom of the hill" intersection of La Cresta road with Overton is both an impact to my means of egress and dangerous now given the speeds attained by both eastbound traffic coming down the hill, and westbound traffic speeding up to "make the hill". There is effectively no law enforcement control, and I have seen no sheriff presence in 10 yrs, nor any traffic stops -

Comment zero - and I live here. This also applies to the entrances/exits to the two subdivisions (North Portulaca Dr and N Majestic Mountain Dr). This situation will get worse should Overton become a major road. 3) As a taxpayer and engineer, this make no sense at all given that this would be some of the most expensive construction in Tucson for the short stretch of Overton between Shannon and La Cholla. There is not only no grid aligned road east of La Cholla, but the "hill", topography, elevation difference, and existing infrastructure including cut slopes don't lend themselves cost effective widening of this roadway. The drainage on Overton just west of the intersection at La Cholla has not been taken into account in current design/installation and has shut down Overton at times in this area (i.e could not even get to La Cholla heading eastbound, and I can't imagine what drainage control would look like in this area. 4) To my way of thinking, this has all the makings of a "takings" action on the part of Pima County. Without my agreement, how can you increase my setback and decrease my usable land area?

Response requested Yes

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Thank you, Pima County, Arizona