

Quarterly Gold Canyon Transportation & Safety Update

GCCI – December 2023

Thank you for taking the time to read about transportation and safety progress and upcoming plans for Gold Canyon. This is a quick summary of planned and recent activity in our Community.

Please let us know of other transportation items you would like to hear about or discuss in future updates.

Planning Items - Transportation

1. There will be a community meeting on **December 14, 5:00 pm** at the **Gold Canyon Golf and Country Club** to review the progress and early results of the very important **Gold Canyon Transportation Study**.

- The study will include a review of the need for safer **eastbound left turn lanes** at Superstition Mountain; Mountainbrook and Kings' Ranch Road intersections.
- It will include safety and circulation improvements within Gold Canyon such as the concept to **widen Kings' Ranch Road** northward beyond Alhambra to provide end-to-end shoulders with striping to make it safer for pedestrians and cyclists.
- It will address options to improve traffic flow during the **Renaissance Festival**.

2. The site planning for the new **Maverik service station** at the corner of Kings' Ranch Road and US-60 is progressing and includes:

- A second northbound lane on Kings' Ranch Road, starting at Walgreen's .
- A median along Kings' Ranch Road between the station and Walgreen's
- Traffic studies indicate a 2nd left turn lane off eastbound US-60 at Kings Ranch Road is needed.

3. Planning has begun for another service station on the south side of US-60

4. The **Peralta Trail paving project** from Peralta Canyons to the Peralta Trailhead is scheduled for 2025-6. This will be completed with Federal funds.

5. Funding to **provide overpasses along SR-24** from Ellsworth to Ironwood is taking priority over funding to extend SR-24 to connect US-60 south of the Renaissance property.

6. The North-South corridor highway being planned from US-60/Goldfield to Picacho Peak will be designated **Hwy 505**.

Planning Items - Trails

1. A request is being developed to request a **safe right-of-way pedestrian and cycling trail** from the Peralta School to the new Regional Park.
2. GCCI is partnering with Apache Junction and the County to develop a **multi-use trail between S. Goldfield Road and S. Superstition Mountain Drive.**

Gold Canyon - Safety Items

1. A community meeting was held to explain the options for speed and safety improvement along Sleepy Hollow. The next step is a targeted neighborhood survey.
 - The design for a **right-hand turn lane off Kings' Ranch Road** to Sleepy Hollow is completed.
 - There is a need to expand the shoulder at the west end (north side) of Sleepy Hollow towards Kings' Ranch Road to improve pedestrian and cyclist safety
2. The new "pedestrian – activated" signal crosswalk **between the United Methodist Church and their Mission Center** and Food bank on Kings' Ranch Road is in its final stages
3. The proposal for a roundabout or other traffic solutions was not approved at the intersection **between the 2 Peralta Trails HOA's**. Is this a candidate for a flashing pedestrian activated signal crosswalk?
4. A known safety issue at the Intersection of **Don Donnelly and Superstition Boulevard** will be brought to the TAC (Transportation Advisory Committee) for intersection redesign.
5. ADOT has brought on a new contractor to provide **litter cleanup** along US-60 and other Pinal and Maricopa highways.

Please reach out to me or any member of the GCCI team if you have any questions or traffic and safety issues you are concerned with.

Don't forget, **you can also request Pinal County to do road or safety maintenance in your neighborhood by filling out the form on their website.**

Road Maintenance Request: [\[Pinal County\] Report Road Maintenance Issue \(seamlessdocs.com\)](#)

Happy Holidays!

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