



# SR 86: Sandario Road to Kinney Road

## PUBLIC HEARING

[www.azdot.gov/highways/projects/SR86Sandario-Kinney](http://www.azdot.gov/highways/projects/SR86Sandario-Kinney)

**February 2, 2010**

**6:00 to 8:00 p.m. (presentation at 6:30)**

Ryan Airfield - Conference Room  
9698 West Ajo Highway  
Tucson, AZ 85735

### ABOUT THE RECOMMENDED PROJECT

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) are evaluating proposed improvements to State Route 86 (SR 86) between milepost (MP) 156.9 and MP 166.6 (map, right). The purpose of the study is to evaluate and propose improvements to the existing roadway to meet traffic demand for the next 20 years.

The existing SR 86 roadway is an undivided two-lane facility west of Kinney Road. Due to increased traffic volumes and growth in the area, the existing roadway cannot carry enough vehicles to provide a desirable traffic flow. To kick off the study process, a public scoping meeting was held on November 14, 2005. The public input from this meeting as well as input from government agencies and local stakeholders was used to develop and evaluate three roadway options as well as a No Action Option.

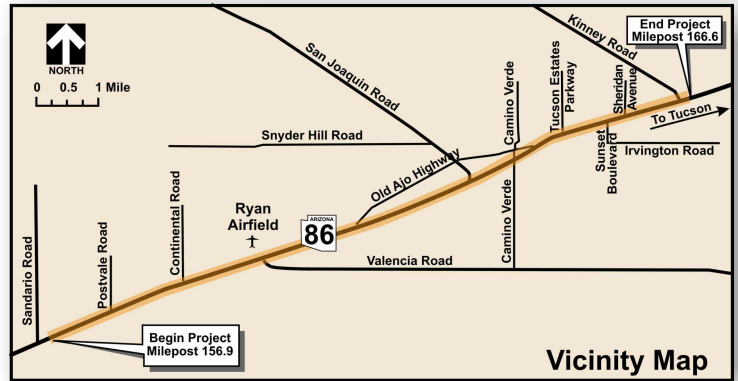
Alternatives examined include:

- Option A – Widening to the North for entire length of project
- Option B – Widening to the South for entire length of project
- Option C – Alternating widening to North and South
- No-Build Option - Maintaining existing configuration.

These options were compared based on engineering criteria and potential environmental impacts. As a result of the study, a Draft Environmental Assessment has been prepared and Option C has been identified as the Preferred Option. Option C will be carried forward for further study because it minimizes impacts to natural and manmade resources by shifting alignment as needed while utilizing the existing roadway as much as possible.

Other recommended improvements in the area include:

- Constructing new bridges at Black Wash (MP 162.1) and Snyder Hill Wash (MP 162.3)
- Improving drainage structures throughout the length of the project
- Improving intersections located within the project
- Adjusting cross-streets as needed to align with the proposed improvements on SR 86



### ABOUT THE HEARING TONIGHT

Tonight's hearing will begin as an open house. Please examine the informational maps, boards and materials presented about the recommended project. Project representatives will be present to discuss project details and answer questions.

A presentation with a general overview of the recommended project will begin at 6:30 p.m. Following the presentation, the public will be provided an opportunity to speak in front of the audience for the project record. Please fill out a yellow Speaker Request Card prior to the presentation if you wish to participate during this session. Comments will be limited to three minutes to allow opportunity for all to speak.

Comments may also be submitted at the hearing on Comment Forms provided or by speaking directly to a court reporter who will be available after the presentation and comment session.

**Send hearing comment forms and other comments via:**

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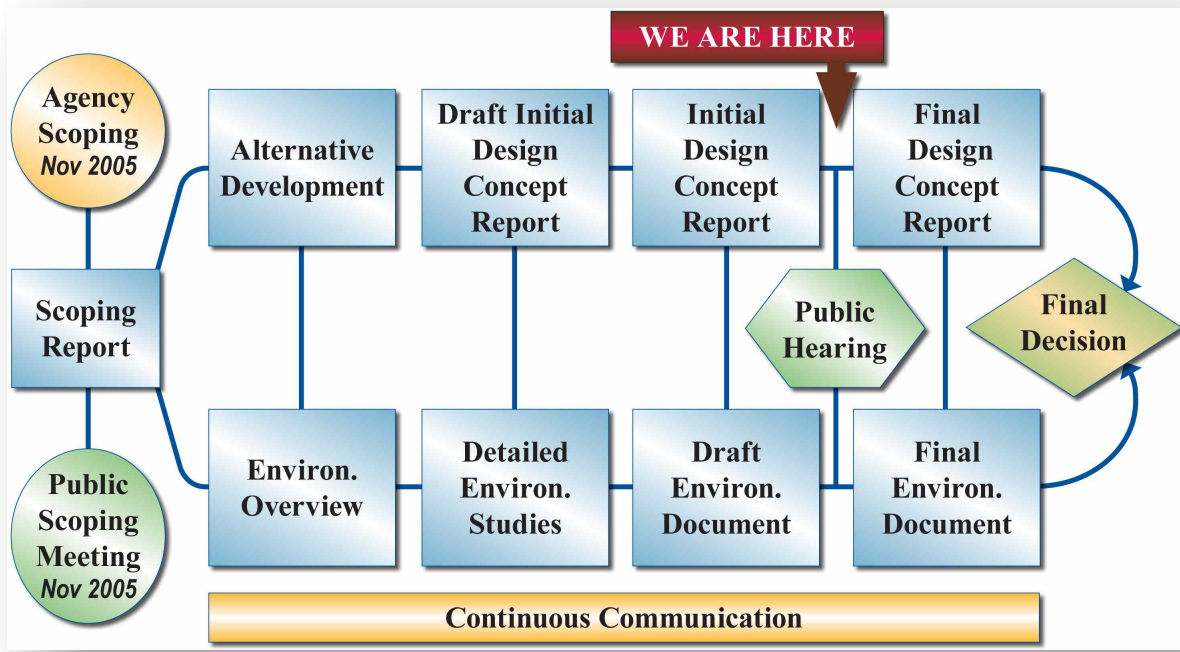
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***To be included in this project record, comments must be submitted no later than March 2, 2010***

***Thank you for your participation***

## PROJECT DEVELOPMENT PROCESS



SR 86: Sandario Road to Kinney Road has completed the Detailed Study stage of the project development process, during which design concept alternatives have been developed and evaluated, resulting in a Preferred Option which has been selected for further development. Input from previous public and agency scoping meetings are included in the examination process along with environmental impacts and engineering criteria.

During the study, the No-Build Option has also been taken into consideration as a potential option and examined concurrently with the other alternatives. These are all detailed in the Draft Environmental Assessment.

After tonight's hearing and following the public comment period, comments received both tonight and up to March 2, 2010, will be compiled and included in the Final Environmental Assessment (EA). ADOT and FHWA will review the comments on the recommended alternative and determine if any modifications are required. The final EA will be sent to FHWA for final review and approval. If a Finding of No Significant Impacts (FONSI) is issued, then the project will move to the final design phase. The FONSI would be published in the Federal Register and on the Environmental Planning section of ADOT's Website at: [www.adotenvironmental.com](http://www.adotenvironmental.com).

**Copies of the Draft EA are available for review at the following locations until February 19, 2010:**

**Southwest Library**  
6855 South Mark Road  
Tucson, AZ 85757

**Ryan Airfield**  
Administrative Office  
9698 West Ajo Highway  
Tucson, AZ 85735

**Tucson Mountain Baptist Church**  
Administrative Office  
5757 West Ajo Highway  
Tucson, AZ 85735

**ONLINE AT: [www.azdot.gov/highways/projects/SR86Sandario-Kinney](http://www.azdot.gov/highways/projects/SR86Sandario-Kinney)**

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