



# GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND ELECTION 09

## Bell/Grand interchange Fact Sheet

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- In 2003, the MAG\* led Grand Avenue Northwest Corridor Study evaluated the need for improvements in the segment between SR 101L and SR 303L.
- The study observed that the intersection of Grand Ave. and Bell Rd. would operate at an unacceptable level of congestion by 2025 without a grade separation.
- In 2004, voters in Maricopa County approved the Regional Transportation Plan, which included funding intersection and interchange improvements along Grand Ave. from 101 to the 303.
- A 2008, the Arizona Department of Transportation study identified a grade separation at Grand Ave. and Bell Rd. as the highest priority improvement.
- The second and third priority improvements were a grade separation at 103rd Avenue and Grand Avenue in Sun City and an intersection reconstruction at Thunderbird/Thompson Ranch Rd. and Grand Ave. in El Mirage.
- Regional funding in the amount of \$64 million is available for these three projects in Phase Two (2011-2015) of the Regional Transportation Plan.
- The projects are expected to cost at least \$88 million to complete, the difference to be made up by local community matching funds.
- General Obligation Bond funds would be utilized for the local match.
- The schematic on the back shows the recommended approach to the grade separation intersection.

\* *Maricopa Association of Governments*

# Grand Ave (US-60)/Bell Road Intersection

Figure Not To Scale  
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**Option 3 - Overhead SPUI**  
Bell Rd overcrossing Grand Ave (US-60)

**OVERCROSSING OF BELL ROAD PROVIDES:**  
Grade Separation with BNSF Railway  
Full Access for Bell Road and US-60  
Three-Phase Signal on Bell Rd instead of existing  
Eight-Phase Operation

No Access between  
Grand Ave and West Point Pkwy  
both sides of Bell Rd

