

Transportation – Bus and Bus Facilities



HAPPY VALLEY ROAD/I-17 PARK-AND-RIDE

Subcommittee – Transportation – Housing Urban Development (HUD)
and Related Agencies

Request: Appropriate \$1,800,000 to construct the Happy Valley Road/Interstate 17 (I-17) Park-and-Ride.

Community Value:

The Happy Valley Road/I-17 Park-and-Ride will be constructed on approximately 7.7 acres of land located in the southwest quadrant of the Happy Valley Road/I-17 interchange. The facility will provide approximately 500 parking spaces for transit users connecting with local, express, RAPID and circulator service along with a direct connection to the southbound I-17 on-ramp. The facility is part of a citywide system of park-and-rides, primarily located in freeway corridors. The project is currently in the design phase with the land acquisition process continuing with the state of Arizona.

Background:

As the city of Phoenix grows in land area and population, congestion in the freeway corridors will continue to worsen. Due to these roadway conditions, the city is working to expand commuter service and the passenger facilities in the North I-17 Corridor, north of Bell Road. The city is attempting to address existing capacity problems while at the same time programming for new passenger facilities to correspond with RAPID (bus rapid transit) service in high growth areas. As the transit system expands and the area population increases northward, the next park-and-ride in the system is to be constructed at Happy Valley Road and I-17. When this facility opens for operation, it will help alleviate the overcrowding at the Bell Road/I-17 Park-and-Ride, currently exceeding capacity.

The project is in the current Regional Transportation Plan and was one of the 20 regional park-and-rides identified in the Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG) Regional Park-and-Ride Study. The project is included within the Fiscal Year 2008 - 2012 MAG Transportation Improvement Plan.



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