ADOT Passenger Rail Corridor Study
Tucson to Phoenix

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Status

- Scoping
- Initial Screening of Alternatives
- Next Steps
What did the public tell us during Scoping

- The more frequently people travel, the more likely they are to prefer a train option.
- Alignments with the least environmental impacts are preferred.
- Travel time is more important than frequent stops.
- Rail is viewed as spurring economic development.
- Concerns about getting around at the end of trip.
1st Level Evaluation - Initial Screening

- Independent Assessment of Project Elements
  - Route Location
  - Service Type
    - Mode/Frequency
    - Connections
  - Stations
Range of Alternatives –

Routes
- Land Use / Gen Plans
- Institutional / Ownership
- Environmental Overview
- Length / Cost

Stations
- Densities (Pop/Emp)
- Network Connectivity

Modes
- Rail
- Transit (Bus)
Alternative Example - A Complete Corridor Alternative Accounting for End of Line, Route Location, and Connections
Bundled Alternatives - Alternatives Will Be Evaluated to Establish a Range of Final Alternatives

Final Alternatives Subjected to Detailed Environmental Analysis
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- Notice of Intent
- Scoping
- Purpose and Need
- Alternatives Analysis
- Locally Preferred Alternative and Draft Service Development Plan
- Tier 1 Draft Environmental Impact Statement
- Tier 1 Final EIS
- Record of Decision

Late 2011

We are here

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