



Right Road Right Time Right Cost

# El Mirage Road Bell Road to Deer Valley Drive

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## Project Scope

The Maricopa County Department of Transportation (MCDOT) contractor has begun the construction of a new four-mile stretch of El Mirage Road between Bell Road and the newly completed segment of El Mirage Road at Deer Valley Drive. The new road will provide a continuous connection between Bell Road and SR Loop 303.

Improvements include the construction of a new four-lane divided roadway (two travel lanes in each direction with bike lanes and a center median) located between the existing roadway alignment and the Agua Fria River channel. The project will also construct

two "all-weather" crossings of the McMicken Dam Outlet channel and include the installation of additional turn lanes at the northern half of the Bell Road intersection. The installation of a rubberized asphalt surface treatment will also be included. Roadway opening is slated for August 2010.

## Construction Activity Update

This month, crews are clearing the area of the future roadway, surveying the site, rough grading and constructing the box culverts in the McMicken Dam Outlet channel.

## SPECIAL NOTICE

### Early Morning Construction Activity

**On Monday, February 15, 2010, construction activity will begin at 4:00 a.m.** The early morning start time is required to accommodate a 10-12 hour, 400-yard concrete pour to construct the floor of the new cast-in-place box culvert in the north crossing of the McMicken Dam Outlet Channel (east of the Deer Valley Drive connector roadway). Regular construction hours will resume on Tuesday, February 16, 2010.

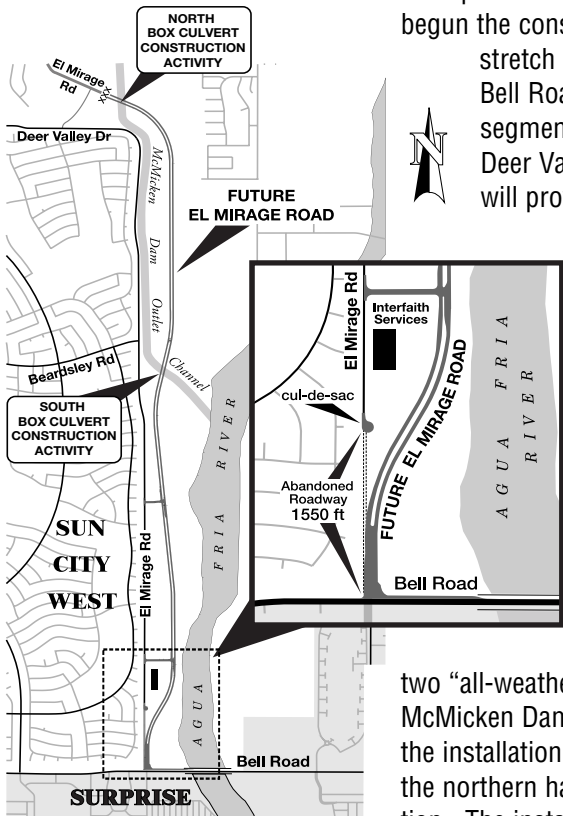
Please be advised that an early (one day only) construction start time may occur later this month or early March (weather permitting) to perform a similar activity where the new roadway crosses the McMicken Dam Outlet Channel at the southern end of the project. We apologize for any inconvenience as the result of this necessary construction activity.

## Traffic Restrictions

Temporary closures or lane restrictions can be anticipated. Access will be maintained at all times for residents and emergency vehicles. Please do not go near the construction work area until the project is completed for your safety and the safety of others. Obey flag persons and special construction signs. Drive cautiously when traveling through the construction work zone. In addition, please allow extra time to travel through the area as there may be traffic delays

## Construction Work Hours:

In accordance with seasonal changes, the MCDOT contractor may begin activities as early as 6:00 a.m. and work until 7:00 p.m. Some evening or weekend work may be required. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause. Thank you for your patience.



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**24-hour Construction Hotline: (480) 350-9288**

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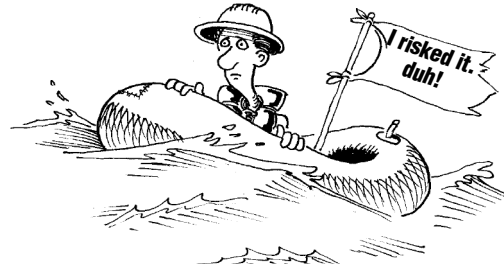
## Safe Driving Tips:

### Inoperative Traffic Light/Power Outage

- Treat the intersection just like a four-way STOP!

### Flooded Roadway and Washes

- Don't Risk It!
- Never cross a rain-swollen wash
- Do not drive around roadway barriers
- Never underestimate the power and force of water
- A vehicle is NOT a flotation device!



### Dust Storms

- Turn your headlights on and slow to a prudent speed
- If you pull off the road, get as far to the right as possible. Turn off the car and headlights, and set the parking brake
- Keep your foot off the brake pedal – other drivers may think you're a car in motion



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