SIERRA VISTA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

EMERGENCY PRE-EMPTION SIGNAL PROJECT

In partnership with ADOT's SouthCentral District, the Town of Huachuca City and the Whetstone Fire Dept., emergency pre-emption signals will be installed on Highway 90 to alert, slow and stop high-speed traffic on Highway 90, to allow faster response times for emergency services. This project will include advance signs, alerting the traveling public to the presence of two fire stations, and combine existing street lighting with new mast arms.

Solar emergency beacons in the Whetstone area were activated the summer of 2020. Activation of the signal at School Drive occurred in December 2020.

Final inspections are expected to be completed by March of 2021.

Photo Credit: Dennis Donovan, P.E. SVMPO Civil Engineer

PROJECT TIMELINE:

Design and Scoping: January 2019
Contractor Selection: Spring 2019
Installation of Emergency Beacons: Summer 2020
Activation of Pre-Emption Signal: December 2020
Completion of Final Inspections: March 2021

PROJECT FUNDING:

Project Funded by State Transportation Program Funds Project selected for HURF Exchange Program allowing for Local Jurisdiction implementation of project. Whetstone Fire Dept. and Town Police Dept. also contributed funds to this project.

$170,000 (STBG and Local Contribution)

PROJECT SCHEDULE SUBJECT TO CHANGE DUE TO WEATHER CONDITIONS, AVAILABILITY OF MATERIALS, SHIPPING SCHEDULE FOR MAST ARMS & ELECTRIC BOX

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

An emergency pre-emption signal is a way for emergency vehicles to obtain safe access to a roadway or highway prior to their arrival to an intersection. This allows those emergency vehicles to have faster response times and decreases conflicts with emergency services and the traveling public.

QUESTIONS?

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