

SOUTHERN BLVD

STOP

PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING

Southern Blvd. Final Design Phase I

Golf Course Road to NM 528

PW1625 (CN A301041)

October 5, 2016



CONTACT INFORMATION

For project information visit:

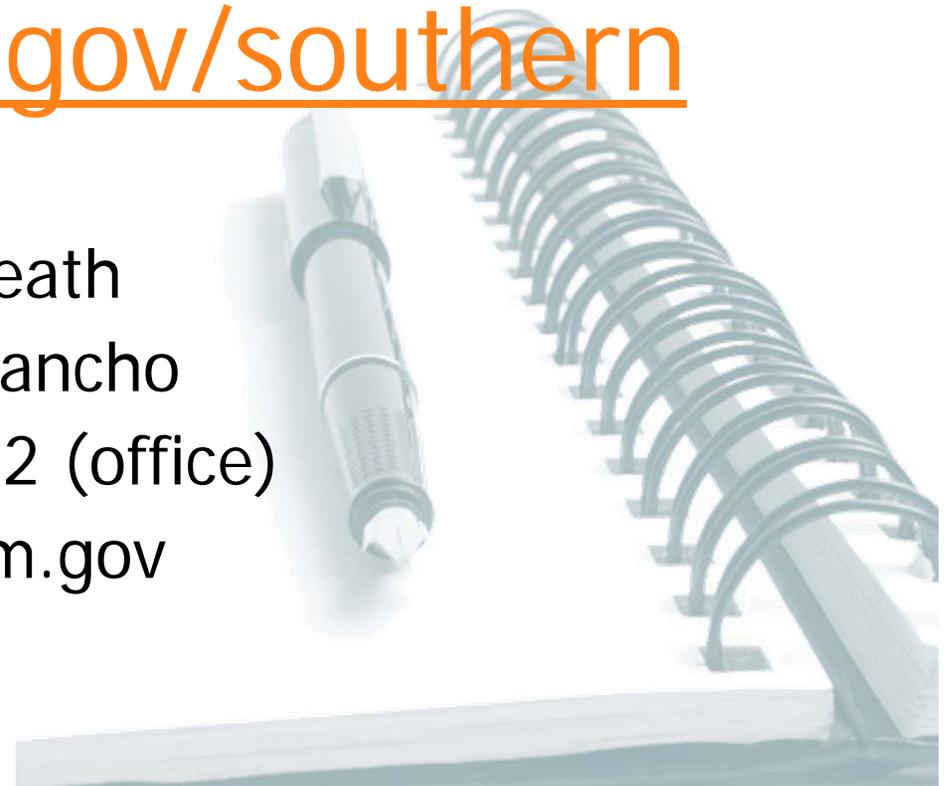
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AGENDA

Open House

➤ 6:00 – 6:30 pm

Presentation

➤ 6:30 – 7:15 pm

Questions and Answers

➤ 7:15 – 8:00 pm



INTRODUCTION

➤ **City of Rio Rancho**

- Kelly Heath, Project Manager
- Mathew O'Grady, Public Works Director
- BJ Gottlieb, City Engineer
- Jamie Marrufo, Capital Improvements Section Manager

➤ **Wilson & Company**

- Savina Garcia, Project Manager
- Audra Gallegos, Roadway Engineer

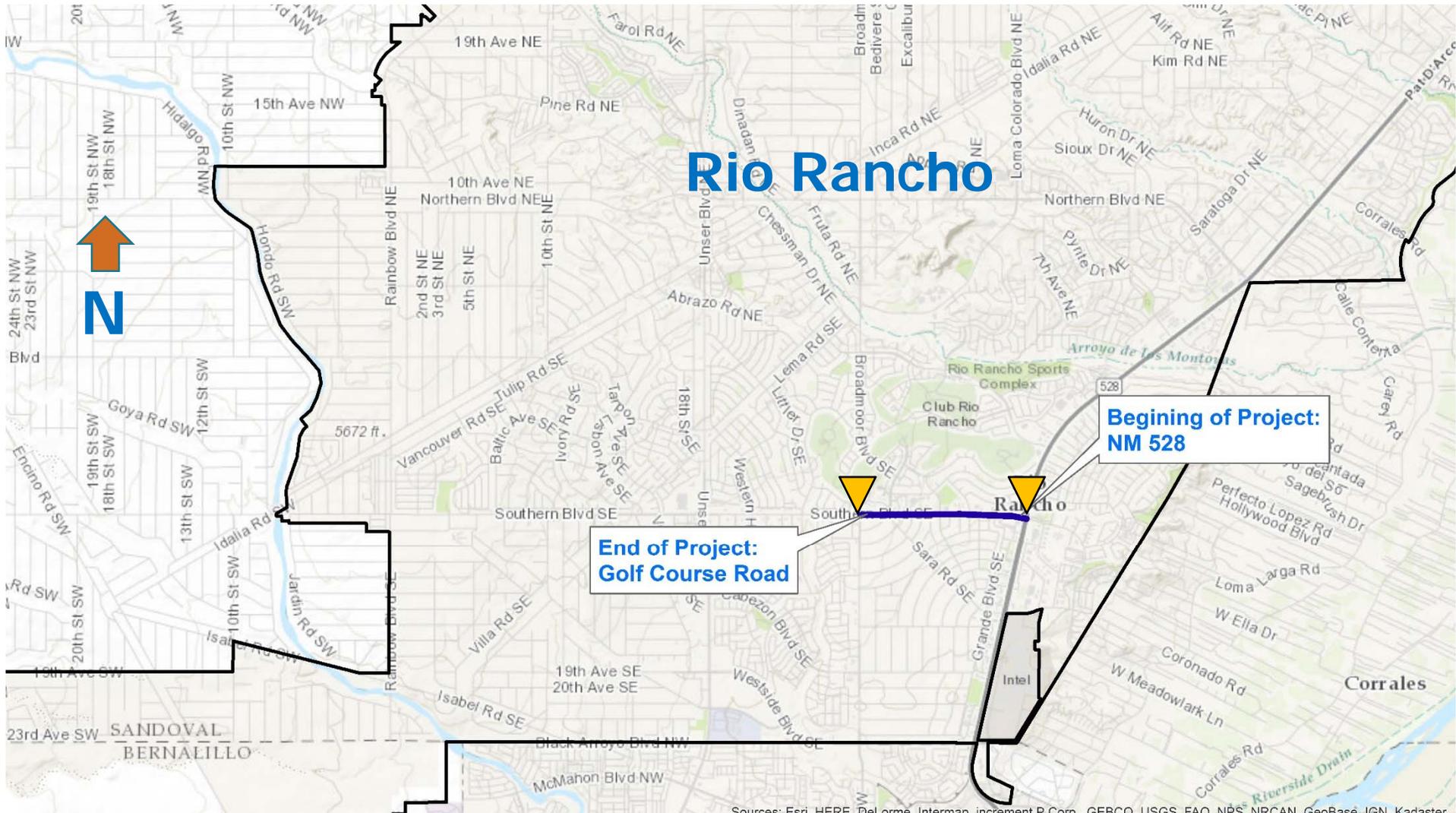
➤ **Marron and Associates**

- Eric Johnson, Environmental Project Manager

PROJECT TEAM

- City of Rio Rancho
- New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT)
- Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)
- Wilson & Company
- Marron and Associates - Environmental
- Morrow Reardon Wilkinson Miller, Ltd. (MRWM) - Landscaping

VICINITY MAP



Sources: Esri, HERE, DeLorme, Intermap, increment P Corp., GEBCO, USGS, FAO, NPS, NRCAN, GeoBase, IGN, Kadaster



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PHASE 1 PROJECT LIMITS



(FUTURE) PHASE 2 PROJECT LIMITS



(FUTURE) PHASE 3 PROJECT LIMITS



OVERVIEW OF ACTIVITIES TO DATE

- Project Initiation – Nov/Dec 2013

- Identification of Alignment Alternatives
 - Public Meeting #1: January 29, 2014

- Alignment Review
 - Public Meeting #2: April 22, 2014

- Final Alignment Selection
 - Public Meeting #3: April 29, 2015



OVERVIEW OF ACTIVITIES TO DATE

➤ Phase I Final Design

- **60% Construction Plans – September 2016**
- 90% Construction Plans – February 2017
- Final Construction Plans – July 2017

NEED

Evaluation of Conditions

- Important economic and residential area
- Condition of roadway
- Existing roadway features
- Existing traffic conditions
- Safety



PURPOSE

- Correct existing physical deficiencies
- Facilitate traffic flow
- Improve traffic safety conditions
- Making the corridor multi-modal – pedestrians, bicyclists, transit, & vehicles
- Supporting business viability through safe access points
- Provide visual enhancements along the project corridor

FUNDING

➤ Final Design – City Funded

2015 General Fund

- Original Funding = \$1.7 million - **CASH**

➤ Construction – Federally Funded

- Original Funding = \$7.0 million
- Additional Funding = \$ 700,000
- TOTAL = \$7.7 million

PROPOSED ROADWAY TYPICAL SECTION

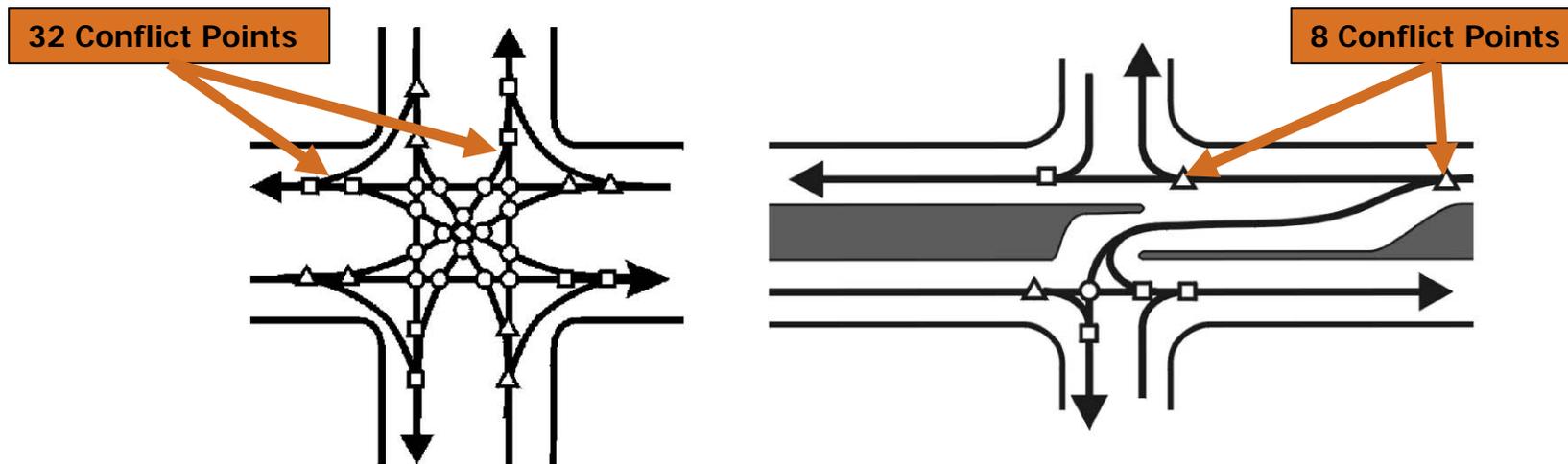


- 15' Raised Median
- 4 Driving Lanes
- 2 Bike Lanes

- 6' Sidewalk
- 12' Trail

PROPOSED ACCESS MANAGEMENT ALTERNATIVES

- Benefits of Access Management
 - Reduces number of crashes (safer corridor)
 - Reduces delays and travel time (faster commute)
 - Improves capacity by 20% to 30%



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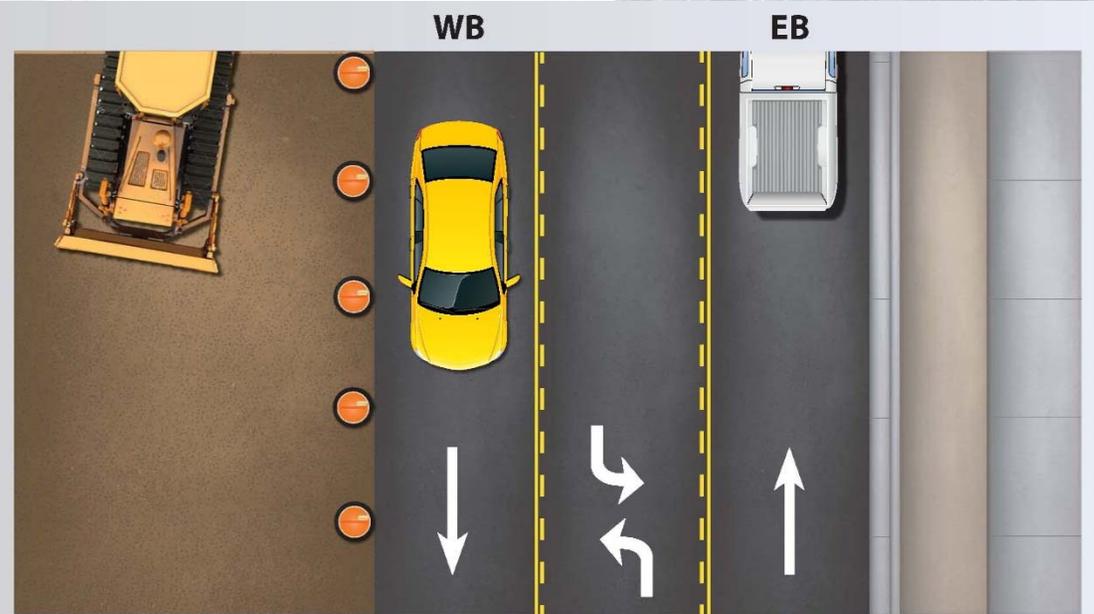


DESIGN PLAN VIEW



TRAFFIC CONTROL

- Build north side of Southern Blvd. first
- Maintain accesses to businesses



ENVIRONMENTAL PROCESS

- National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)
- NMDOT Location Study Procedures
 - Phase 1-A/B
 - Phase 1-C
 - Phase 1-D
- Public and Stakeholder Involvement
- Environmental Analysis

NATURAL ENVIRONMENT

- Water – stormwater and arroyos
- Geology – alluvial deposits and Santa Fe Group
- Soils – wind/water erosion and sediment transport
- Vegetation – native vegetation and landscaping
- Wildlife – migratory birds and protected species

HUMAN ENVIRONMENT

- Cultural Resources – archeological sites and historic buildings
- Land Use – Current uses and planned development
- Socioeconomics – population, income, employment, economic development, and environmental justice
- Noise – traffic volume, speed, and proximity to receptors
- Hazardous Materials – service stations, dry cleaners, and illegal dumping

CONTEXT SENSITIVE SOLUTIONS

- Business Viability
- Key Corridor
- Historic Role in Rio Rancho
- Visual Character
- Community Preferences (completed)
- Transportation Modes
 - Pedestrians
 - Bicycles
 - Buses
 - Vehicles

SCHEDULE

- Environmental Documentation
 - Complete in September 2017

- Final Design
 - Complete in September 2017

- Construction - Phase IA
 - Begin in early 2018
 - Estimated Completion – 12 months

- Construction - Phase IB
 - To Be Determined

PUBLIC REVIEW & COMMENTS

- **We want to hear from you!**
- Please submit your comments via:
 - Comment cards are provided at tonight's meeting – place in Comment Box
 - Email your comments to eric@marroninc.com
 - Fax your comments to 505.897.7847
 - Mail your comments to:
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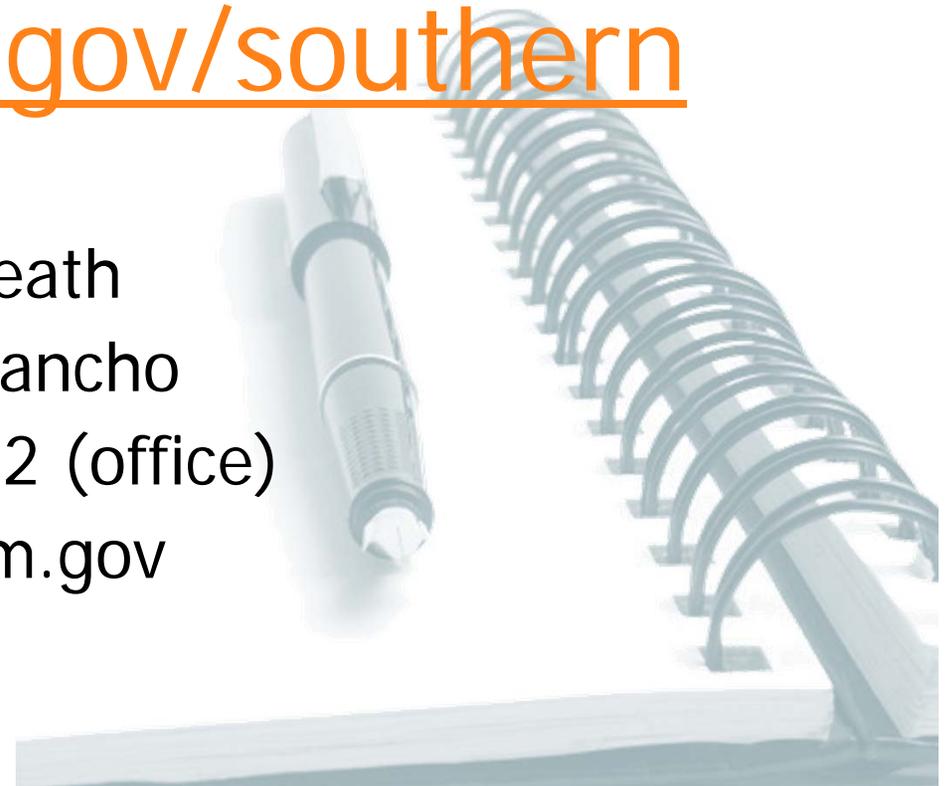
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