



New “State-of-the-Art” Casa Blanca Community School Constructed Utilizing Innovative Leaseback Program

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On Aug 7, the Community held a virtual opening for the completed Casa Blanca Community School, located in District 5, live on Gila River Broadcasting Corp and streamed Live on Facebook. The program for the opening showcased the new location of the school, state-of-the-art technology improvements, cultural performances, and a blessing by former Lt. Governor Robert Stone.

The opening ceremony also featured guest speakers from GRIC Leadership, the Casa Blanca Community School Owners Team and other dignitaries, including U.S. Senators Kyrsten Sinema and Mark Kelly, U.S. Congressmen Ruben Gallego, Greg Stanton, Tom O’Halloran, and U.S. Dept. of Interior Principal Deputy Asst. Bryan Newland, who all shared congratulatory remarks.

Planning and construction for this school began approximately 18 months ago and construction was completed in time for the 2021-2022 school year. The construction for this school was completed utilizing the innovative leaseback program that was developed by the Community when it constructed the Gila Crossing Community School which allows the Community to construct the school and lease



An aerial view of the new Casa Blanca Community School located in District 5. Photo courtesy of Reuben Ringlero

it back to the Department of the Interior.

The completion of the project represents the accomplishment of a goal to build three new schools in the Community.

“During these times, we have to look forward to the future,” said Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis in his opening remarks. “There is no brighter future than the one we have for our students, who have a world-class learning environment

where they can thrive.”

Gov. Lewis stressed his pride in the school’s 21st century features, and especially at how much O’otham art, culture and language is on display throughout the site, including in murals, gardens, and in the curriculum. The Governor said he looks forward to how future generations will benefit from the tireless efforts to construct another state-of-the-art school in the Community.

In addition to its learning features, the entire school is outfitted with a new air filtration system meant to enhance safety. The system can sanitize classroom air at the molecular level to ensure staff and students breathe safe, clean air within every classroom and building.

“The opening of our new Casa Blanca Community School is a true investment to our children.”, said Lt. Governor Monica Antone.

In her remarks, she stressed that the former school, built in the 1960’s, was vastly inadequate and outdated. With the opening of the school, Lt. Gov. Antone said the day was a “historic” occasion since it was completed in a little over 12 months. Lt Gov. credited the success to the collaborative efforts of the Casa Blanca Owners Team, GRIC Community Council, GRIC legal advisors, parents, and children.

As COVID Infections Rise, Executive Orders Mandate Masks, Encourage Vaccines

Christopher Lomahquahu
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In response to rising COVID-19 infections, Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis has announced revised Executive Orders to urge Gila River Indian Community members to get vaccinated against the coronavirus and its Delta variant. In video addresses to GRIC members aired Aug. 6 and 13, Gov. Lewis stressed the importance of getting vaccinated.

“I want to inform you of a new executive order that I signed today, the twelfth executive order of the pandemic. This will address the rising threat of the Delta variant in our community,” Gov. Lewis explained.

“To put this into perspective, the number of cases in just July

is higher than the previous four months combined,” said Gov. Lewis, who added that the Delta variant has been aggressive among the unvaccinated. Statistics show that statewide in Arizona, unvaccinated people account for 99.5 percent of COVID-related hospitalizations and deaths.

Executive Order No. 12 restricts gatherings to no more than 15 people, including funerals. It also includes mandatory face masks worn by all persons over the age of two years old while inside public buildings in the Community regardless of vaccination status.

The mask mandate applies to teachers, staff, students and visitors to any school within the Community. In the Aug. 13 video, Gov. Lewis said schools within the Community will look to virtual

learning based on the alarming trend of COVID-19 positivity rates among GRIC youth under 19 years old.

“I made the decision to move schools to virtual learning starting Aug. 16,” said Gov. Lewis. He explained that he will work with schools to meet the new virtual learning conditions, including for students with special needs for instruction. Lewis said students who require specialized instruction will be able to receive in-person lessons, while maintaining safety protocols.

Gov. Lewis emphasized that infections rates have surged after a slowdown throughout the spring. “The rising number of cases and the fact they’re happening among our youth ... means we need to

put back into place some of those protections that will lessen the transmission of the virus.”

The Governor encouraged all Community members eligible for vaccines to get one as soon possible. He described the mask mandates as a necessary step to ensure that all Community members are protected against the virus – especially the unvaccinated. Masks have been shown to prevent the spread of the virus to others.

Gov. Lewis said the Community eviction moratorium has been continued for any new evictions initiated by the Department of Community Housing. The executive orders also maintain testing for unvaccinated GRIC employees and resumes

testing for Community employees who are fully vaccinated.


He said the revised executive orders also apply to GRIC employees seeking to take personal trips, which will be reviewed on a case by case basis that considers the destination and the traveler’s vaccination status.


“Community Members, please show that love by getting vaccinated. This is the greatest gift you can provide to your families, our students and teachers, your children and parents, and the whole Community. Help us stay Gila River Strong – because each and every one of you has a valuable place within the Community,” said Gov. Lewis.

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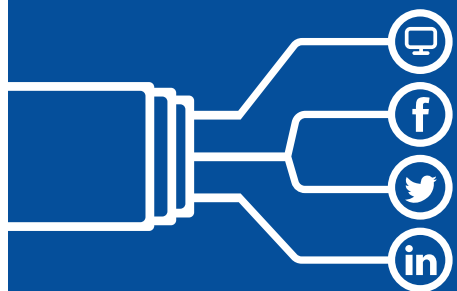
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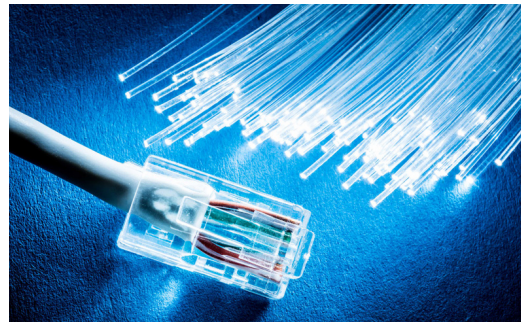
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Read the full press release at: www.rd.usda.gov/newsroom

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Monday, 9/19 Noon-10:00pm

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In the Golden Age of Hollywood, a Local Pee-Posh Woman Makes Her Mark on the Silverscreen

Submitted by

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More than 65 years ago, a local Pee Posh woman made a successful career in Hollywood.

Beulah Archuletta, née Donahue, became an actress long before today's "Rutherford Falls" and "Reservation Dogs" featured Native Americans.

Beulah made her most notable appearance in the 1956 Western "The Searchers." She not only worked with renown director John Ford, but she also acted alongside cowboy star John Wayne.

Beulah portrayed "Wild Goose Flying in the Night Sky," or "Look" in the movie. One of the characters unwittingly purchases Look as his bride, and she initially appears to supply comic relief. But quite shockingly "Look" becomes a victim of the soldiers' ruthless massacre of an Indian village.

The Searchers was shot during the summer of 1955 in Monument Valley and became one of the greatest Westerns ever made.

But for decades, no one acknowledged that Beulah was Pee-Posh from the Gila River Indian Community or that her career included background and minor roles in 34 movies and TV shows. In fact, she worked with some of Hollywood's biggest names.

Her first acting opportunity was for a small part in "Unconquered" (1947), directed and produced by the formidable Cecil B. DeMille. Beulah played a Seneca woman in the movie's rousing story about Pontiac's Rebellion. She also had a brief appearance in "Key Largo" (1948) starring Humphrey Bogart and featuring Jay Silverheels, later Tonto of TV's "The Lone Ranger."

Before Beulah's Hollywood career took off, she had spent most of her life in Arizona. Her birth certificate shows that she was born in Phoenix on August 24, 1909, to Lillian Johns (1886-1981) and Lawrence "Loren" Milton Donahue (1886-1922). Beulah's mother was Pee Posh,



Beulah Archuletta as "Look" in *The Searchers* (1956). Screenshot provided Angela Aleiss.

and her father was Klamath from the small town of Forks of Salmon in northern California. Lillian and Lawrence married in 1908, and the 1920 U.S. Census shows that the family lived on the Gila River Indian Community where Lawrence was a farmer.

Beulah was the eldest of eight kids, and along with her family she attended the Presbyterian Church. Sadly, she lost her father to typhoid fever in 1922.

But through education and hard work, Beulah was able to build a life for herself. BIA records at the National Archives show that she first attended Grant Public School in Phoenix and later enrolled at the Maricopa Day School, a one-story adobe schoolhouse located on the extreme western part of the reservation. The school had opened in 1901, and its capacity was only about 44 students.

But at the Phoenix Indian School, Beulah was among hundreds of students. She enrolled in 1921, and four years later the BIA boarding school had 939 students packed into its overcrowded and underfunded facilities. Along with her classmates, Beulah was subject to "de-Indianization" and forced to assimilate through a harsh military-style regiment and mandatory classes emphasizing Anglo values.

Despite these many

challenges, Beulah excelled in all her classes. Her BIA school records show outstanding marks in a wide variety of subjects, from algebra and chemistry to music and writing. She was rarely absent during her eight years even though major epidemics of measles, influenza, whooping cough, and tuberculosis regularly swept the campus.

Beulah's many activities reveal her strong skills in communication and leadership. The school's publication, *The Native American*, shows that she was a student advisor for the Junior YWCA, president of the Home Economics Club, and vice president of the Willamette (Literary) Society. In the ninth grade, she impressed many when she recited "Mark Antony's Oration" from Shakespeare's *Julius Caesar*.

Beulah graduated from the Phoenix Indian School in 1929 and a year later moved to Los Angeles to work as a cook for an attorney and his family. She returned to the reservation and in 1934 married Santiago "Sandy" Archuletta from New Mexico's San Juan Pueblo, now Ohkay Owingeh. Several years later she moved back to Los Angeles with her husband and their two children, James (1935-2003) and Arlene (1939-2010).

While Sandy was a mechanic

for a trailer company, Beulah kept busy raising two kids and working as an actress. Besides her notable appearance in *The Searchers*, she played in two episodes of the popular TV series "Wagon Train" (1957-1965) starring Ward Bond and John McIntire. She was also a guest on TV's *Rawhide* in 1960 with Eric Fleming and a very young Clint Eastwood. Her last role was as an Arapaho woman in the epic 1962 movie "How the West Was Won" with an all-star cast featuring James Stewart, John Wayne, and Gregory Peck.

Beulah wasn't the only Hollywood actress from Gila River. Edith Mills (1894-1962) was born Edith Morago in Arizona and was Akimel O'otham. She appeared in eight movies and TV shows including a guest in the series *The Adventures of Jim Bowie* (1958) with Scott Forbes. Her nephew was Jay Roe Morago, Jr. (1917-2008), the first Governor of the Gila River Indian Community.

Beulah remained in Los Angeles until she died in 1969 and was buried in Resurrection Catholic Cemetery, just east of downtown Los Angeles. But she left a legacy as one of the few Native American women who more than half a century ago had carved her own niche in Hollywood.



Edith Mills (woman at far left), an Akimel O'otham from the Community had a minor role in "Cherokee Uprising," a 1950 movie. Photo courtesy of Marc Wanamaker/Bison Archives.

BetMGM Expands into Arizona, Partnering with Gila River Hotels & Casinos, Arizona Cardinals

Agreement establishes BetMGM's sports betting presence in Arizona

Submitted by

Gila River Hotels & Casinos

PHOENIX, Ariz (Aug. 9, 2021) – BetMGM announced today partnerships with Gila River Hotels & Casinos and the Arizona Cardinals for retail and online sports betting, establishing its first relationships in the state of Arizona. BetMGM plans to bring its industry leading platform online once legalized sports betting launches in Arizona. The company also plans to open retail sportsbooks at the three Arizona Gila River properties and at State Farm Stadium, home of the Cardinals.

“Arizona sports fans are extremely passionate and we’re confident they’ll enjoy the BetMGM experience,” said BetMGM CEO Adam Greenblatt. “Gila River Hotels & Casinos and the Arizona Cardinals represent the state’s premier casino destinations and sports franchise, making them the

ideal partners for us.”

Gila River Hotels & Casinos operates three Arizona locations, all owned by the Gila River Indian Community: Wild Horse Pass, Lone Butte, and Vee Quiva. All three will feature custom built BetMGM Sportsbooks, set to open near football season, reflective of its sports-centric brand.

Gila River Hotels & Casino CEO, Kenneth Manuel, said, “Gila River Hotels & Casinos and the Arizona Cardinals have an everlasting partnership, offering guests exclusive experiences and remarkable rewards. As we explored our partner in sports betting, the unity with BetMGM, The King of Sportsbooks, ensures we deliver beyond all expectations. There is no doubt in my mind these three industry leading brands unifying will deliver the ultimate experience in Arizona sports betting, solidifying Gila River Hotels & Casinos as



Gila River Hotels & Casinos at Wild Horse Pass will be one of three casino properties to offer sports betting. Photo courtesy of Gila River Hotels & Casinos

Arizona’s Sports HQ.”

Stephen Lewis, Governor of the Gila River Indian Community, said, “This is an excellent development, and I want to thank Ken and his team for leading the way again for our Community on this innovative partnership with our great friends, the Cardinals, and our new partner BetMGM. Building

on the successful launch of our new table games at Wild Horse Pass, this new sportsbetting operation will now continue our successful implementation of our historic new Compact arrangement.”

BetMGM plans to open a BetMGM Sportsbook at State Farm Stadium, with a targeted opening in time for the 2022 NFL season.

Cardinals owner Michael Bidwill said, “This is a tremendous opportunity to build upon our long-standing relationship with Gila River and launch a new one with BetMGM. They are best-in-class partners whose excellence and expertise in this emerging space will provide a new and innovative way to engage and interact with our

fans.” As BetMGM continues to expand its sports betting platforms to new states, responsible gaming education remains a key focus. BetMGM is proud to provide resources to help customers play responsibly. For more information on BetMGM follow @BetMGM on Twitter.

Conservation Program Offers GRIC Youth An Opportunity to Preserve History



The Casa Grande National Monument will be one of three sites Native youth will have the chance to work in conservation preservation. Christopher Lomahquahu/GRIN

Christopher Lomahquahu
Gila River Indian News

A special opportunity for Community members to build connections with the past is being offered by the National Park Service (NPS). The Traditional Trades Apprenticeship Program (TTAP) has created positions that allow Native individuals from a local tribal community to work alongside NPS staff at the Casa Grande Ruins National Monument located in Coolidge.

“This is the first program of its kind that has reached out to tribal youth. It is our pilot year and we hope to recruit local Native youth from community’s close to the park,” said Bianca Wahkinney, Conservation Member Coordinator with American Conservations Experience, another partner in the effort.

Wahkinney, who is of



Traditional Trades Apprenticeship Program members will have a chance to work at the site of the large Sivan Vah-Ki “Great House.” Christopher Lomahquahu/GRIN

Oneida Kiowa Comanche and Ottawa descent, said positions like the TTAP brings individuals from tribal community’s closer to their peoples’ history.

“The idea is to get young people out in the NPS system and become stewards of nature, but in this case history,” said Wahkinney. “We want young people and members who have a connection to these places.”

Each of the parks’ national monuments will have different projects for TTAP members, with the work based on rehabilitation of structures, restoration and trail maintenance. Members will be to suggest their own project as well.

The ATTAP member opportunities will also be offered through the Tuzigoot and Montezuma Castle National Monuments. There, ATTAP members

will be tasked with work at the Tuzigoot Pueblo and the Cavate site at the Montezuma Castle National Monument.

“The great thing about these opportunities, there is no experience necessary. We are hoping to expose them to cultural preservation, so that they can apply their skills in other places in this kind of work,” said Wahkinney.

She said the opportunity is way for youth to gain

exposure working with the NPS, DOI and other partners in a unique environment – one closely related to the recruits’ culture and history.

“We want them to get work exposure working with different agencies, but most of all in conservation preservation,” said Wahkinney. “We have been working on this for months and now that we officially opened the applications, it is time to reach out to tribal

communities that are local to the National Monuments.”

For more information about the TTAP position description and compensation, please go to <https://usaconservation.applicantpool.com/jobs/618158-41468.html> to apply. You can also contact Bianca Wahkinney at bwahkinney@usaconservation.org.

Shopol Es'big Mashath – Short Planting Month

Submitted by
The Huhugam Heritage Center

The name for this month refers to the time of year when farmers and gardeners can plant one last short season crop before the summer growing season is over. This month normally marks the beginning of our children's return back to in-person learning on many of our Community's school campuses. Recent developing trends have required students and families to return to remote learning under the directive of amended Executive Order number-twelve. In time, our schools will slowly return to normal, as we contend with the ongoing emergency.

In this article, we will talk about school items used in your daily school lessons.

In your home virtual classrooms, you probably have some of these items in your desks and bookshelves. We will go through these items and give hints as to what these O'otham words mean. The first is Hamashchamtham, this person still gives you instruction virtually. Hashpakuḍ, you use this white liquid to bind things together. Thapial-ki'ishpakuḍ, with this tool you cut things like paper and fabric. I-ma:sicthakuḍ, these items come in a box and are of many shades.

Kosthal, this accessory you wear on your back to carry school items. Kuintakuḍ, with this tool, you measure things. Ohonakuḍ, you probably have several of these items in your desk, some contain graphite lead and others

different colors of ink. Thapial-si:shpakuḍ, with this small metal object, you temporarily bind sheets together. I-wa:nakuḍ, this object is made of rubber and you use it to remove your mistakes. Ohon, you probably have a lot of these in your home on a shelf. E-mashchamtham, this person learns things and they can be of any age. Thapial, some of these items have lines so you can write on them, others are blank so you can draw on them.

This month's crossword puzzle will test your memory of school items used in home virtual classrooms. We encourage you to learn and speak these O'otham words in your everyday lives. Speak with an Elder or Speaker and learn how to say the words. Words

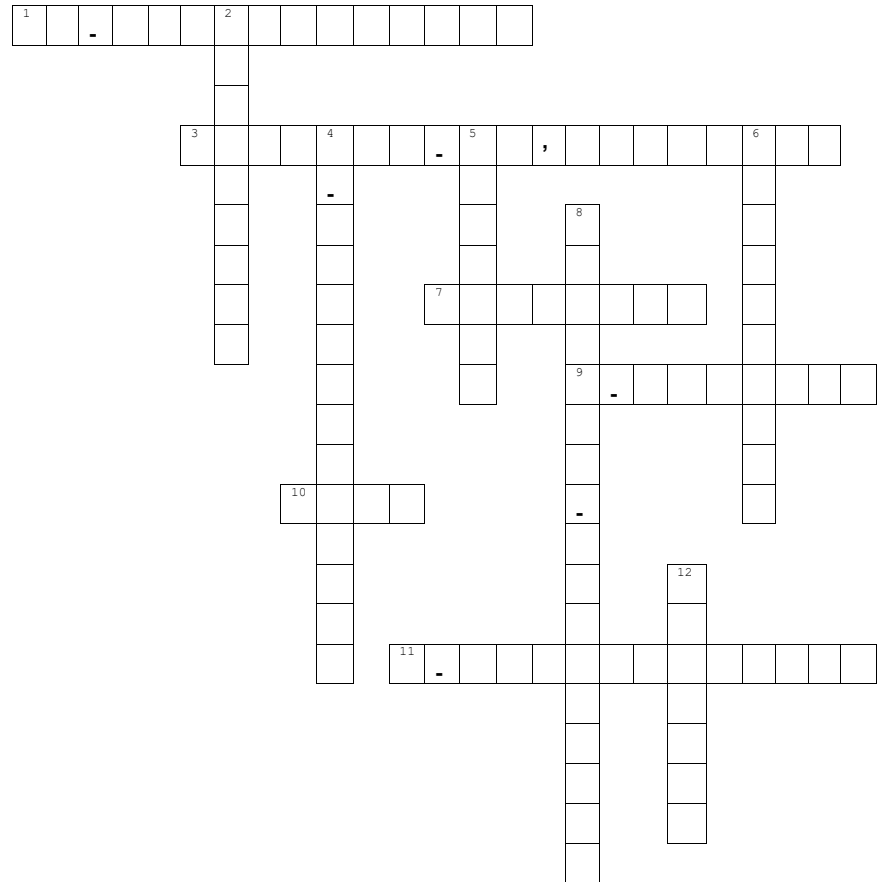
may be slightly different between villages. See if you can match the O'otham word with its English name in the crossword puzzle.

A special Thank You to the Vah-Ki Kekel for sharing their knowledge of items used in the classroom.

Answer to crossword puzzle can be found on page 7.



August 2021, School & Classroom Items Crossword Puzzle



Across

- 1. Teacher
- 3. Scissors
- 7. Pen, Pencil
- 9. Eraser
- 10. Book
- 11. Student

Down

- 2. Glue
- 4. Crayons
- 5. Backpack
- 6. Ruler
- 8. Paper Clip
- 12. Paper

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ACTION SHEET
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CALL TO ORDER
The First Regular Monthly Meeting of the Community Council held Wednesday, August 4, 2021, by WebEx Platform was called to order by Governor Stephen R. Lewis at 9:02 a.m.

INVOCATION
Provided by Councilman Joey Whitman

ROLL CALL
Council Secretary Shannon White called the roll

Executive Officers Present:
Governor Stephen R. Lewis
Lt. Governor Monica Antone
Council Members Present:

D1- Joey Whitman, Arzie Hogg; D2-Carol Schurz; D3-Avery White, Rodney Jackson(10:03); D4-Jennifer Allison, Delmar Jones, Regina Antone-Smith, Christopher Mendoza; D5-James De La Rosa, Marlin Dixon, Brian Davis, Sr., Wahlean Riggs; D6-Anthony Villareal, Sr., Charles Goldtooth(11:42), Terrance Evans; D7-Devin Redbird

Council Members Absent:
APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO TABLE NEW BUSINESS #3 FOR NON-SUBMITTAL OF MATERIAL

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ACCEPT REPORT #4; ACCEPT AND APPROVE RESOLUTION #1 THROUGH #12; AND NEW BUSINESS #1 AND #5 ON THE CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE THE REGULAR AGENDA AS AMENDED

PRESENTATIONS/INTRODUCTIONS

1. Introduction – Communications & Public Affairs Office Director, Roberto Jackson

Presenters: Suzanne Jones; Roberto Jackson
MS. SUZANNE JONES INTRODUCED MR. ROBERTO JACKSON WHO BEGAN EMPLOYMENT WITH THE COMMUNITY IN 2002 AS A WIA WORKER, REPORTER, AND HAS WORKED HIS WAY TO WHERE HE IS NOW. THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL CONGRATULATED MR. JACKSON ON HIS SUCCESSFUL CAREER AND LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH HIM IN HIS NEW ROLE

2. GRHC Introduction of Chief Operating Officer, Carolyn Thompson

Presenters: Board of Directors; Dr. Anthony Santiago; Carolyn Thompson

MR. ROBERT PABLO INTRODUCED MS. CAROLYN THOMPSON PROVIDING AN OVERVIEW OF HER 20 YEARS OF LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE IN OPERATIONAL MANAGEMENT, STRATEGIC PLANNING, PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT AND CONSTRUCTION, REGULATORY COMPLIANCE AND CUSTOMER SERVICE. MS THOMPSON IS A COMMUNITY MEMBER AND RESIDENT OF DISTRICT 3. MS. THOMPSON IS EXCITED TO WORK WITH GRHC. VARIOUS COUNCIL WELCOMED MS. THOMPSON AND LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING FOR THE COMMUNITY.

3. Introduction of Dr. Lynnette Michalski, Mrs. Stephanie Celis and Mr. Brightstar Benson

Presenters: Karen White; Dr. Lynnette Michalski; Stephanie Celis; Brightstar Benson

DR. LYNETTE MICHALSKI, SUPERINTENDENT PROVIDED AN OVERVIEW OF HER BACKGROUND IN WORKING WITH THE NAVAJO AND TOHONO O'ODHAM RESERVATIONS. DR. MICHALSKI EARNED HER BACHELOR AND MASTER'S DEGREES FROM NORTHERN ARIZONA UNIVERSITY AND HER DOCTORAL DEGREE FROM GRAND CANYON UNIVERSITY. DR. MICHALSKI LOOKS FORWARD TO WORKING WITH THE FAMILIES IN THE COMMUNITY.

MS. STEPHANIE CELIS, ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PRINCIPAL COMES WITH 21 YEARS OF EXPERIENCE FOR TEACHING AND LEARNING. SHE EARNED HER BACHELOR'S IN ELEMENTARY EDUCATION AND TWO MASTER'S DEGREES AT ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY. SHE IS EXCITED TO BEGIN THE SCHOOL YEAR.

MR. BRIGHT BENSON, MIDDLE SCHOOL PRINCIPAL WAS NOT PRESENT; DR. MICHALSKI PROVIDED AN OVERVIEW OF HIS EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND WORKING FOR THE

TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION AS A TEACHER, ATHLETIC DIRECTOR, AND ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL.

VARIOUS COUNCIL PROVIDED WORDS OF WELCOME AND LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH DR. MICHALSKI, MS. CELIS, AND MR. BENSON.

REPORTS

1. BGCGRIC 3rd Quarterly Report

Presenters: Jason Jones; Mark Clavell; Jocelyn Young; Nancy House; Anita Leon; Soyet Antone; Tamara Peters; Travis Jack

ITEM HEARD

2. FY2021 Third Quarter Report for Four Rivers Indian Legal Services

Presenter: Diana Lopez-Jones

ITEM HEARD

3. COVID – 19 Update

Presenters: COVID-19 Task Force

ITEM HEARD

>4. FY 21 Office of the Prosecutor's April 1, 2021-June 31, 2021 (Third Quarterly Report)

Presenters: Lando Voyles; Carleton Giff; David Williams

ITEM ACCEPTED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

5. WHPDA Monthly Report

Presenters: David White; WHPDA Board; Alex Yazza; Martin Sepulveda; Michelle Bowman; Mark Grado; Jason Croxton

ITEM HEARD

6. Gila River Gaming Commission Department Report to the Community Council June 2021 (Executive Session)

Presenters: Dale Enos; Gaming Commission Board; Melvin Sanderson

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ACCEPT REPORT #6, #7, #8

7. Gila River Gaming Enterprises, Inc. Monthly Report June 2021 (Executive Session)

Presenters: Kenneth Manuel; Tony DeMark; Richard Strafella; Dominic Orozco; Interim Oversight & Planning Committee

ACCEPTED AT REPORT #6

8. FY2021 3rd Quarter Treasurer's Report ending June 30, 2021 (Executive Session)

Presenter: Treasurer Robert Keller

ACCEPTED AT REPORT #6

RESOLUTIONS

>1. A Resolution Authorizing The Exchange Of Community Trust Land For Interest In An Allotment Located Within The Exterior Boundaries Of The Gila River Indian Reservation (Community Trust Land And Allotment 2793A) (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda, NRSC concurs)

Presenters: Eugene Blackwater; Kimberly Antone; Javier Ramos

ITEM ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>2. A Resolution Authorizing The Purchase Of Allotted Trust Land Within The Exterior Boundaries Of The Gila River Indian Reservation (Allotments 4562 And 4562) (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda, NRSC concurs)

Presenters: Eugene Blackwater; Kimberly Antone; Javier Ramos

ITEM ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>3. A Resolution Authorizing The Purchase Of Allotted Trust Land Within The Exterior Boundaries Of The Gila River Indian Reservation (Allotments 4235, 4236, 4237A, And 4237) (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda, NRSC concurs)

Presenters: Eugene Blackwater; Kimberly Antone; Javier Ramos

ITEM ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>4. A Resolution Approving And Authorizing Funding Between The City Of Phoenix And The Gila River Indian Community For Fixed-Route Transit Services For Fiscal Year 2021 – 2022 (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenters: Steve Johnson; Gregory McDowell

ITEM ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>5. A Resolution Authorizing The Governor Or Lieutenant Governor Of The Gila River Indian Community To Enter Into An Agreement To Extend Gaming Device Operating Rights Transfer Agreement With The Kaibab Band Of Paiute Indians On Behalf Of The Gila River Indian Community (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenters: Eric Dahlstrom; Linus Everling

ITEM ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>6. A Resolution Authorizing The Governor Or Lieutenant Governor Of The Gila River Indian Community To Enter Into An Agreement To Extend Gaming Device Operating Rights Transfer Agreement With The Zuni Tribe On Behalf Of The Gila River Indian Community (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenters: Eric Dahlstrom; Linus Everling

ITEM ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>7. A Resolution Authorizing The Governor Or Lieutenant Governor Of The Gila River Indian Community To Enter Into An Agreement To Extend Gaming Device Operating Rights Transfer Agreement With The Zuni Tribe On Behalf Of The Gila River Indian Community (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenters: Eric Dahlstrom; Linus Everling

ITEM ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>8. A Resolution Approving The Administrative Services Agreement Between The Gila River Indian Community And Health Smart Benefits Solutions (H&SSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenters: Robert Yoder; Zachary Picciotti

ITEM ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>9. A Resolution Approving The Petition For Membership For Kelly Renae Joaquin Into The Gila River Indian Community (LSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Sheila Valenzuela

ITEM ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>10. A Resolution Approving The Petition For Membership For Alexis Angela Allison Into The Gila River Indian Community (LSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Sheila Valenzuela

ITEM ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>11. A Resolution Approving The Petition For Membership For Jordan Laura Autaubo Into The Gila River Indian Community (LSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Sheila Valenzuela

ITEM ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>12. A Resolution Approving An Intergovernmental Agreement Between Maricopa County And The Gila River Indian Community Police Department For Participation In Maricopa County Sheriff's Office Sworn Officer Basic Training Academy (LSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda with corrections)

Presenters: Timothy Chavez; Tamantha Villar

ITEM ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

13. A Resolution Approving An Agreement With The Arizona Board Of Regents For And On Behalf Of The Arizona State University And Its Southwest Interdisciplinary Research Center For Services to Be Provided Under The Accessing

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Choices In Education Grant (ESC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval)

Presenters: Isaac Salcido; Rebecca Hall

APPROVED

ORDINANCES

1. The Gila River Indian Community Council Hereby Amends The 2009 Gila River Indian Community Code By Rescinding Ordinance GR-03-10, The 2010 Trespass Code, And Enacting The Amended Code As The 2021 Civil Trespass Code, To Be Codified At Title 8, Chapter 2 (NRSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval; LSC and CRSC concur)

Presenters: Mandy Cisneros; Cody Cerna; Kyle Woodson; Wally Jones; Barnaby Lewis; Paul Shorthair; Kimberly Antone; Timothy Chavez; Lando Voyles; Leonard Bruce; Willard Antone III

APPROVED

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

>1. BJA FY 2021 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program – Local Solicitation | Grants Solicitation Number: O-BJA-2021-135004 (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and for placement on the consent agenda; LSC concurs)

Presenter: Timothy Chavez

ITEM ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

2. WHPDA Notice of Board Vacancies (G&MSC forwards

to Council to declare the vacancies and advertise for 60 days subject to the Code of Conduct)

Presenter: David White

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO DECLARE THE VACANCIES AND ADVERTISE FOR 60 DAYS SUBJECT TO THE CODE OF CONDUCT

3. Assistant General Manager Mentee and Irrigation Master Mentee – Completion of Mentee Ship (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval; NRSC concurs)

Presenters: Ronald Allison; Casaundra Wallace

TABLED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

4. Back to School Status (ESC forwards to Council under New Business as FYI)

Presenters: Stephen Lewis; Monica Antone; Suzanne Jones; Candalerian Preston; Bruce Harvey; Isaac Salcido; Roberto Jackson; Susanna Osife; Tom Murphy; Laurie Thomas

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ACCEPT AS FYI

>5. GRTI Local Exchange and Intrastate Access Tariff Revisions (EDSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval and placement on consent agenda)

Presenters: Courtney Hogancamp; Pam Thomas

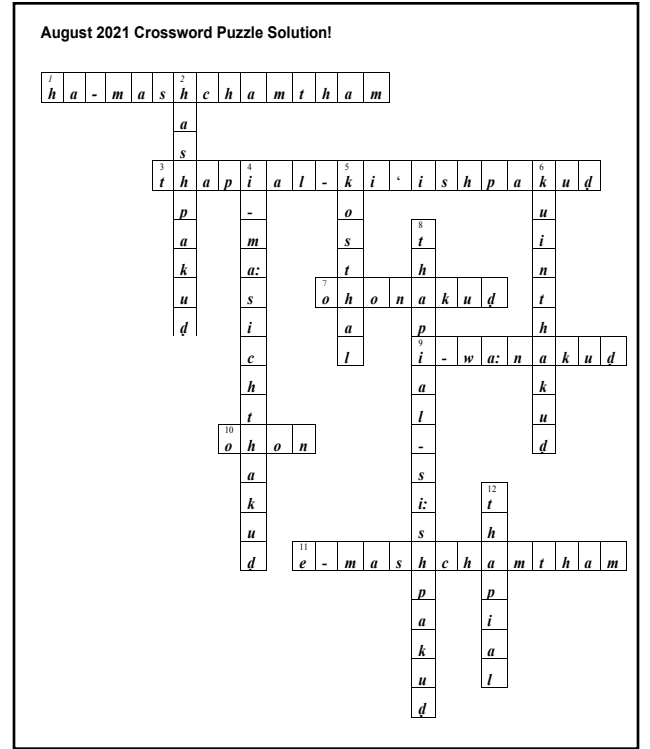
ITEM ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

6. Community Manager Status (Executive Session) (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval under New Business in Executive Session)

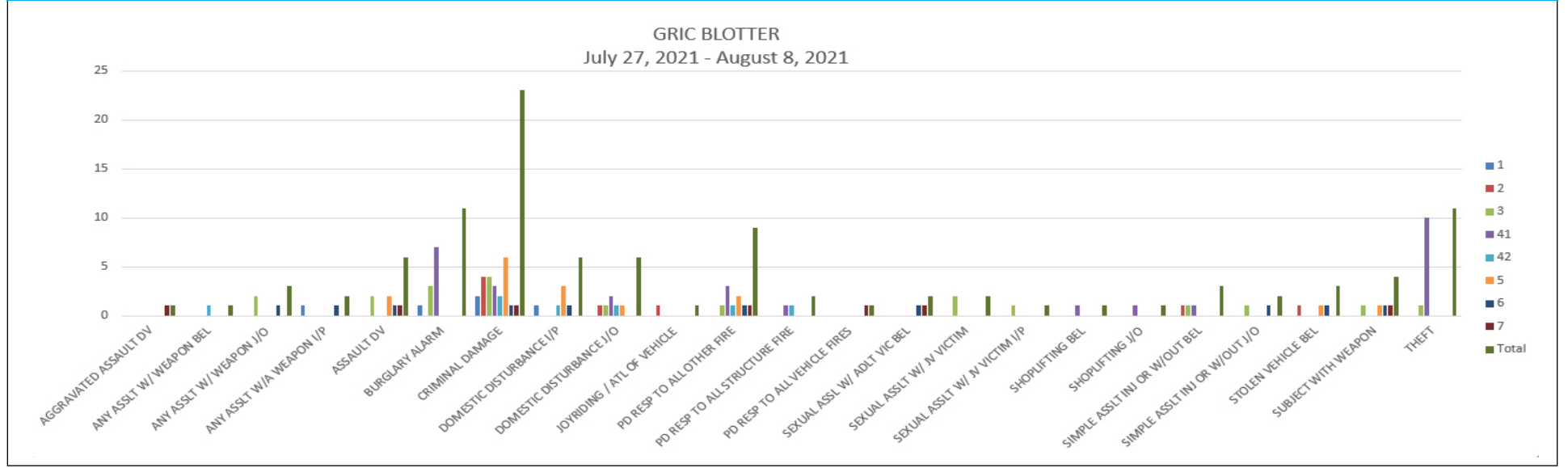
Presenter: Stephen R. Lewis

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE MINUTES

- 1. July 7, 2021 (Regular)
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE
 - 2. July 21, 2021 (Regular)
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE ANNOUNCEMENTS
ADJOURNMENT
MEETING ADJOURNED AT 1:08 P.M.
- * Denotes Tabled from previous meeting(s)
> Denotes a CONSENT AGENDA ITEM



Gila River Police Department Incident Logs



PUBLIC NOTICE

The Gila River Indian Community (GRIC) Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) is announcing the 30-day public comment period for the renewal of the air quality operating permits for the following facilities:

Facility Name	Facility Type	District
BASF Maricopa	Cottonseed Processing	6
Gila River Sand & Gravel - Maricopa	Aggregate Processing	4
Gila River Sand & Gravel - Santan	Aggregate Processing	4

Air Contaminants Emitted: Nitrogen Oxides (NOx)
Carbon Monoxide (CO)
Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC)
Particulate Matter (PM)
Particulate Matter <10 Microns (PM10)
Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs)

Public Notice Start Date: **August 6, 2021**
Public Notice End Date: **September 4, 2021**

Public comments will be accepted in writing until the public notice end date, after which staff will review and respond to all the comments received.

Any person may submit a written comment or a request to the DEQ to conduct a public hearing for the purpose of receiving oral or written comments on the -proposed air quality operating permits. Such comments and requests shall be received by the DEQ within 30 days of the date of the first publication notice. A written comment shall state the name and mailing address of the person, shall be signed by the person, his agent or his attorney and shall clearly set forth reasons why the permit should or should not be issued. Grounds for comment are limited to whether the proposed permit meets the criteria for issuance prescribed in the GRIC Code: Title 17, Chapter 9 of the Air Quality Management Plan. Only persons who submit written comments may appeal a permit decision.

Copies of the permit application, the proposed permit, and relevant background material will be available for review on the AQP website at:

<http://www.gricdeq.org/index.php/education--outreach/public-notices>.

Requests and written comments may be delivered or mailed to:

Gila River Indian Community
Department of Environmental Quality
Attn: Ryan Eberle
Physical Address: 168 Skill Center Rd, Sacaton, AZ 85147
Mailing Address: P.O. Box 97, Sacaton, AZ 85147

For further information or to schedule an in-person review, please contact Ryan Eberle at (520) 796-3781 / ryan.eberle@gric.nsn.us.

GILA RIVER FARMS

Is currently accepting applications for the following positions:

- 1. *Human Resources Manager
- 2. *Relief Foreman (2)
- 3. *Irrigation Foreman (2)
- 4. *Mechanic – Heavy Equipment
- 5. *Propane Truck Driver
- 6. *Propane Laborer (2)
- 7. *Security (2)
- 8. Irrigator (6)
- 9. Tractor Driver (1)

***THIS POSITION REQUIRES A 39-MONTH DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLE DRIVING RECORD TO BE SUBMITTED WITH APPLICATION**

Apply online @ www.gilariverfarmssales.com or at the
Gila River Farms Office
Located at 212 N. Old Highway 93
Sacaton, AZ 85147

Office Hours:
Monday thru Friday
7:00 am – 4:00 pm
Phone: 520.315.3965 Fax: 520.562.3775

Note: Position is open until filled.

Thank You!

August 05, 2021

North-South Corridor Study FINAL TIER 1 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT AND RECORD OF DECISION

On August 20, 2021, the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) published the North-South Corridor Study Final Tier 1 Environmental Impact Statement (Final Tier 1 EIS). The Final Tier 1 EIS was prepared and issued in combination with a Record of Decision (ROD). The ROD represents the final decision on the Tier 1 EIS; therefore there is no formal comment period for the Final Tier 1 EIS and ROD.

The Final Tier 1 EIS process, conducted in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act, identifies a Selected Corridor Alternative for the proposed North-South Corridor between US 60 in Apache Junction and Interstate 10 near Eloy.

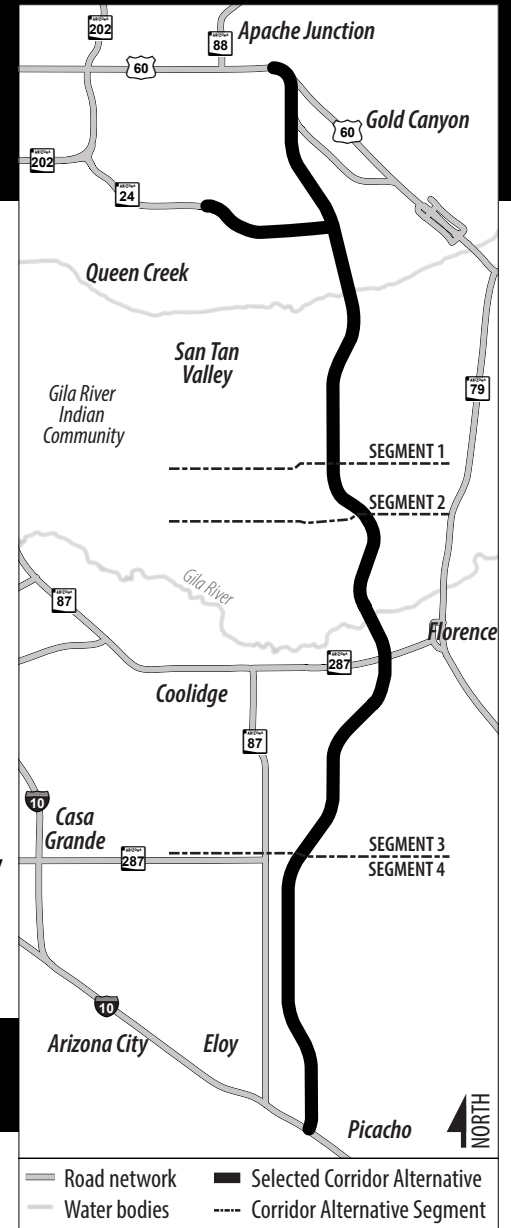
THE FINAL TIER 1 EIS DOCUMENT

The Final Tier 1 EIS/ROD is available on the study website at azdot.gov/NorthSouthStudy. Hard copies are also available during normal business hours at the following repository locations:

- **Eloy Santa Cruz Library**
1000 N. Main St.
Eloy, AZ 85131
520.466.3814
- **Florence Community Library**
778 N. Main St.
Florence, AZ 85132
520.868.7500
- **Queen Creek Library**
21802 S. Ellsworth Rd.
Queen Creek, AZ 85142
602.652.3000
- **Coolidge Public Library**
160 W. Central Ave.
Coolidge, AZ 85128
520.723.6030
- **Apache Junction Public Library**
1177 N. Idaho Rd.
Apache Junction, AZ 85119
480.474.8558
- **Ira H. Hayes Memorial Library**
94 North Church Street
Sacaton, AZ 85147
520.562.3225

The Draft Tier 1 EIS was published on Sept. 6, 2019 and made available for review and comment from Sept. 6 through Oct. 29, 2019. Three public hearings were held in October 2019 in Florence, Eloy and San Tan Valley.

**For more information go to:
azdot.gov/NorthSouthStudy**



The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable Federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried out by ADOT pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated April 16, 2019, and executed by FHWA and ADOT.

Pursuant to Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and other nondiscrimination laws and authorities, ADOT does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability. Persons who require a reasonable accommodation based on language or disability should contact Gaby Kemp, ADOT Community Relations, at 480.215.7178 or gkemp@azdot.gov. Requests should be made as early as possible to ensure the State has an opportunity to address the accommodation.

De acuerdo con El Título VI de la Ley de Derechos Civiles de 1964 y la Ley de Estadounidenses con Discapacidades (ADA por sus siglas en inglés), el Departamento de Transporte de Arizona (ADOT por sus siglas en inglés) no discrimina por raza, color, nacionalidad, o discapacidad. Personas que requieren asistencia (dentro de lo razonable) ya sea por el idioma o por discapacidad deben ponerse en contacto con la Gaby Kemp al 480.215.7178 o gkemp@azdot.gov. Las solicitudes deben hacerse lo más pronto posible para asegurar que el equipo encargado del proyecto tenga la oportunidad de hacer los arreglos necesarios.

Coming soon: a better Valley.

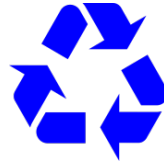
ADOT's I-10 Broadway Curve improvement project is in the works. When complete it will improve access to Sky Harbor, improve travel time and help support our growing economy. Stay #AheadOfTheCurve with traffic updates at i10BroadwayCurve.com or download "The Curve" app for your phone.

An eleven-mile stretch of Interstate 10 between Loop 202 and I-17.

- Existing Freeway
- 2 HOV Lanes
+6 General Purpose Lanes
+Auxiliary Lanes
- 1 HOV Lane
+4 General Purpose Lanes
+Auxiliary Lanes
- New Collector-Distributor Roads:
EB 48th St to Baseline Rd
WB Baseline Rd to SR143 & 40th St
- New Lanes on SR 143 & US 60
(to connect to I-10 improvements)
- New Pedestrian Bridges
- Improved Sun Circle Trail Connection



GRIC RECYCLING CALENDAR 2021



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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS (520) 562-3343

ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY (520) 562-2234

****D3 RECYCLE PICK UP IS ON MONDAYS****

****ALL OTHER DISTRICTS ARE EVERY OTHER WEDNESDAY****

****SCHEDULES MAY CHANGE DUE TO HOLIDAYS OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES****

Local Telecommunications Firm Awarded \$14.8 million to provide access to high-speed internet

Press Release

U.S. Dept. of Agriculture & Alluvion Communications

Phoenix, Ariz., Aug. 11, 2021 – Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack today announced that the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) is investing \$14.8 million in Arizona to deploy broadband infrastructure in rural areas without sufficient access to high-speed internet.

“Generations ago, the federal government recognized that without affordable access to electricity, Americans couldn’t fully participate in modern society and the modern economy. Broadband internet is the new electricity. It is necessary for Americans to do their jobs, to participate equally in school learning and health care, and to stay connected,” Secretary Vilsack said.

“This is why President Biden’s American Jobs Plan prioritizes building ‘future-proof’ broadband infrastructure – like the investments we’re announcing today – in areas without sufficient access to broadband, so that we

finally reach 100 percent high-speed broadband coverage.”

Gila Local Exchange Carrier, Inc., which does business as Alluvion Communications, headquartered in Chandler, Ariz., will use funds to deploy a fiber-to-the-premises network in rural Arizona. The funded service area includes 5,547 households, 22,645 people, 142 businesses, three fire stations, a police department, a school, a health care facility and six farms.

Access to high-speed internet connectivity will improve the health and safety and quality of life for residents in these rural communities. The network will extend roughly 59 square miles and will be strategically placed to service both near-term and future developments in parts of rural Arizona.

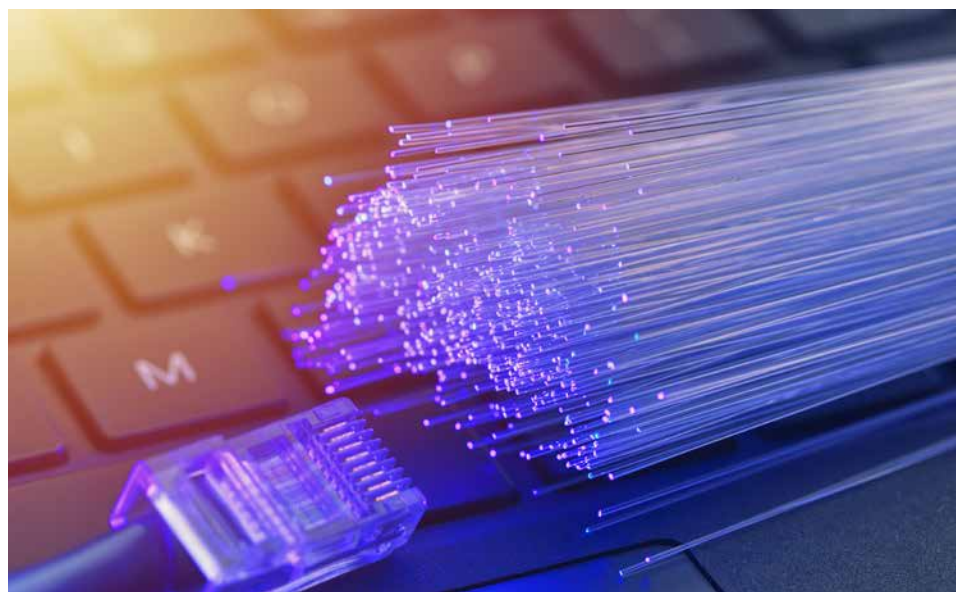
“I would like to begin by thanking the USDA for their continued commitment to deploying high-speed internet service to rural communities across the United States. Your support has enabled distance learning, telemedicine, and precision agriculture

technology for some of the most under-served communities in the nation,” said David Ackerman, Alluvion General Manager in a Alluvion press release.

He added, “The funding will allow Alluvion to establish a fiber-optic line that will extend broadband access across Pima County, Pinal County, and Gila County. The project will greatly improve the quality of life of and create opportunity for rural Arizonans across portions of the state that likely wouldn’t be serviced at fiber speeds by other broadband providers, even though many of these areas could see significant growth in the future.”

The Alluvion press release said the network will be capable of providing service to all premises in the area at a speed of at least 100 Megabits per second (Mbps) downstream and 100 Mbps upstream.

Ackerman said, “Our fiber will also increase the bandwidth capabilities and fiber networks of tribally-owned telecommunications providers in Tribal communities, including the Tohono O’odham Tribe in Southern Arizona



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and the Gila River Indian Community.”

The investment being announced today is part of the \$550 million Congress allocated to the second round of the ReConnect Program as well as other funds made available for the program since 2018. USDA expects to begin inviting applications for a third round of program funds in the coming weeks.

Background:

USDA’s ReConnect Program provides loans and grants to construct, improve or acquire facilities and equipment needed to provide broadband service

in eligible rural areas. To learn more about ReConnect Program eligibility, technical assistance and recent announcements, visit www.usda.gov/reconnect.

Under the Biden-Harris Administration, Rural Development provides loans and grants to help expand economic opportunities, create jobs and improve the quality of life for millions of Americans in rural areas. This assistance supports infrastructure improvements; business development; housing; community facilities such as schools, public safety and health care; and high-

speed internet access in rural, Tribal and high-poverty areas. For more information, visit www.rd.usda.gov. If you’d like to subscribe to USDA Rural Development updates, visit our GovDelivery subscriber page.

In summing up the USDA’s announcement Ackerman said, “Alluvion remains committed to becoming Arizona’s premier provider of data and communications by building and supporting robust networks and creating opportunity and economic growth in our community.”



What does the Amended Executive Order No. 12 include?

- Gatherings are restricted to no more than 15 people, including funerals.
- All persons over two years of age on the Reservation shall wear a face mask inside any public building, regardless of vaccination status.
- All schools on the Reservation shall provide education to the students enrolled in school only through virtual classes or distance learning, and not through in person, on-site classes, from August 16, 2021 until further notice.
- Urge all Community members to receive the COVID-19 vaccine at the earliest opportunity possible in order to ensure the health and safety of our entire Community.

To view the full Executive Order, visit mygilairver.com or [Facebook.com/gilariver](https://www.facebook.com/gilariver).

Declaration Of Candidacy

for the Office of: Gila River Indian Community Tribal Courts

Chief Judge

Declaration Period:

August 23, 2021 - August 27, 2021, 5:00 p.m.

Qualifications for Office:

CONSTITUTION & BYLAWS OF THE GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY

ARTICLE VI - Qualifications of Officers:

Section 1. No person shall be elected or hold office as Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Chief Judge or Associate Judge unless he:

1. Is a member of the Gila River Indian Community;
2. Has reached the age of twenty-five (25) years;
3. Has been living in the particular district he is to represent for at least sixty (60) days preceding the election;
4. Has been living on the reservation for at least one year immediately preceding the election; additional qualifications may be prescribed by ordinance.

Section 2. No person who, within the year preceding the election, has been convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude shall be eligible to hold office in the Community.



GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY CODE, TITLE 2

Section 2.117. Candidates for General Office

Any member of the Gila River Indian Community who possesses the qualification of office, as defined in Article VI, of the Constitution & Bylaws of GRIC (1960) or which may be prescribed by subsequent laws and ordinances, may file a declaration of candidacy for the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Chief Judge or Associate Judge.

A person may not file a declaration for more than one office.

A member presently holding office may declare for the same or other office without forfeiting his present office.

DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY forms can be requested by email: TEP@gric.nsn.us on the opening date.

Completed forms must be notarized and submitted to the

Tribal Elections Office, located @ 315 W. Casa Blanca Road, Bldg. 9, Sacaton, Arizona, 85147

For any questions call the office @ 520-562-9735

Court Notices

IN THE CHILDREN'S COURT OF THE GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY IN THE STATE OF ARIZONA

COURT DATE NOTICE

In the Matter of: **H. Minos**

Docket Number:

JC-2016-0439-JC, JC-2016-0440-JC

Parent(s):

Nichole Vavages and Anthony Hobbs

This case has been scheduled and **YOU ARE ORDERED TO APPEAR** on the date, time and place designated below. IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR a warrant may be issued for your arrest or judgment entered in favor of the other party or if you fail to appear as an interested party you may be found in contempt of Court.

CINOC Review Hearing:

DATE: October 12, 2021 TIME: 1:00 PM

LOCATION:

AKIMEL O'OTHAM LODITHA KUD KI - 721 West Seed Fann Road Sacaton, AZ 85147

IN THE COURT OF THE GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY IN THE STATE OF ARIZONA

COURT DATE NOTICE

TO: **Keisha Rose Lewis**

In Re Case: In the Matter of the Estate of Marlon Joe Patrick

Docket Number: PB-2020-0001-DE 443

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Status Hearing

AKIMEL O'OTHAM LODITHA KUD KI, 721 West Seed Farm Road, Sacaton, AZ 85147

24th day of August, 2021 at 10:00 AM

in Courtroom I before the Honorable Sheri L Cassa

IN THE COURT OF THE GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY IN THE STATE OF ARIZONA

COURT DATE NOTICE

TO: **Josie Armstrong**

In Re Case: Daniel Bustamante Cachola vs. Josie

Armstrong
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Motion Hearing

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23rd day of August, 2021 at 2:30 PM
in Courtroom I before the Honorable Sheri L Cassa

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JUSTIN SHANDOR

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