

# Grand-35 Study

US 60 (Grand Ave)/35th Ave/Indian School Road  
Intersection Improvements

Public Hearing

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Any person, who believes his/her Title VI or ADA rights have been violated, may file a complaint. Any such complaint must be in writing and filed with the ADOT Civil Rights Office within one hundred eighty (180) days following the date of the alleged discriminatory occurrence. For additional information about ADOT's Civil Rights programs and the procedures to file a complaint contact ADOT Civil Rights Office via the information listed below:

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# Aviso público de la ley de no-discriminación de ADOT

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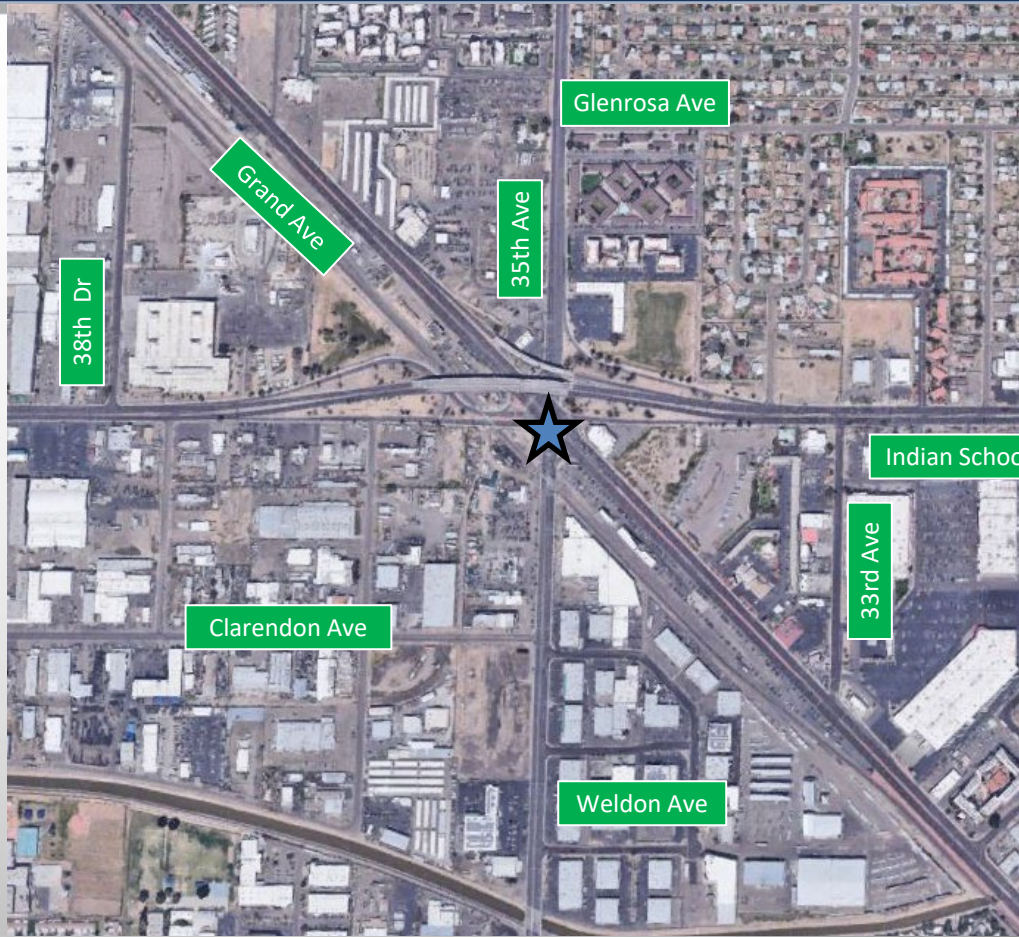
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# Hearing Purpose

- Preferred Alternative
- Study Schedule
- Public Comments



# Project Location





# Study Purpose

- Improve traffic flow and reduce delays at the intersection
- Reduce crashes
- Reduce vehicle-train conflicts



# Study Goals

- Prepare engineering concepts of options for improvements
  - Includes a No-Build option in which no improvements are made
- Prepare an Environmental Assessment (EA) to evaluate impacts of the options
- Seek input on the options from the public and affected agencies
- Select a Preferred Alternative that best meets the study goals and has agency and public support

# NEPA Requirements

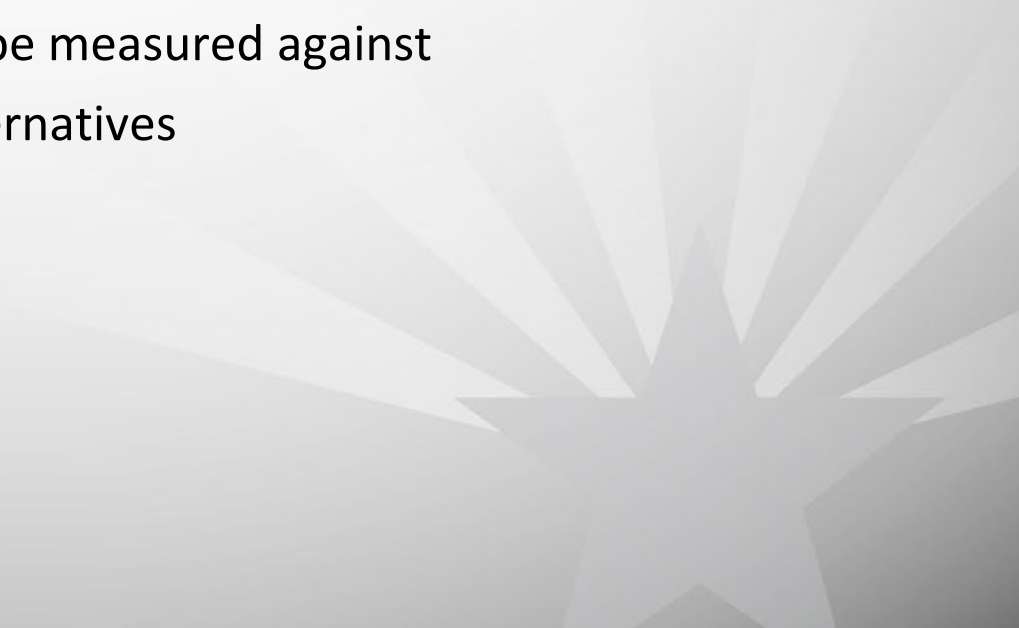
- National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requires agencies to analyze, disclose, avoid, minimize, or mitigate adverse environmental impacts for projects with federal involvement.
- NEPA requires that applicable federal agencies review the project's impacts and mitigations documented during the NEPA process.
- An Environmental Assessment (EA) is the NEPA document that has been prepared to evaluate potential impacts of the Grand-35 Study.
- The EA describes the need for the proposed action, alternatives developed for the proposed action and the environmental impacts for the Preferred Alternative and No-Build Alternative.



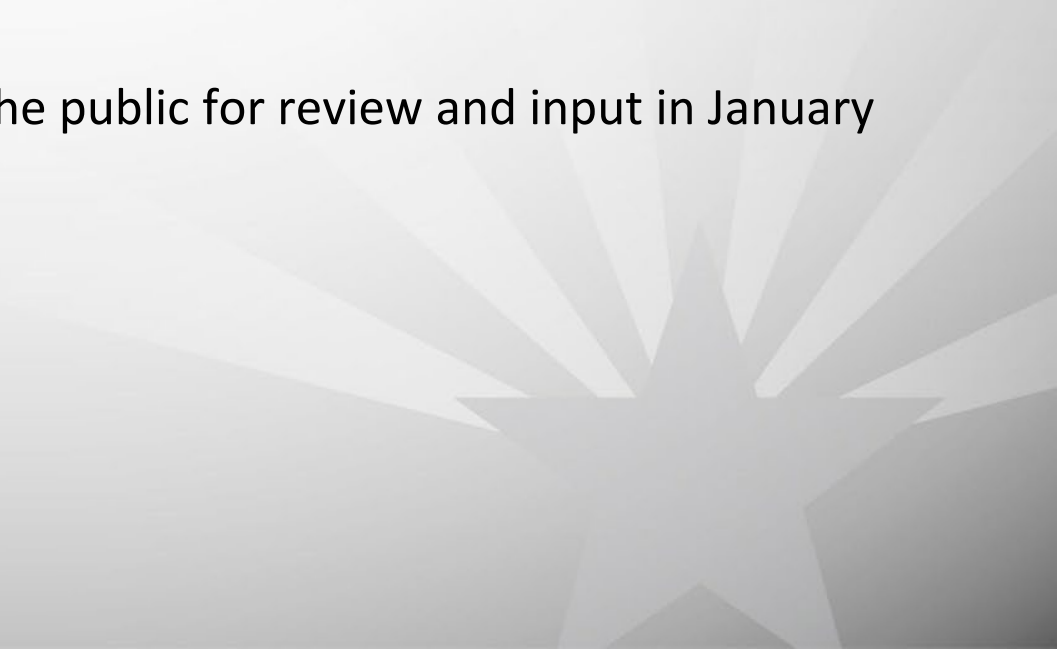
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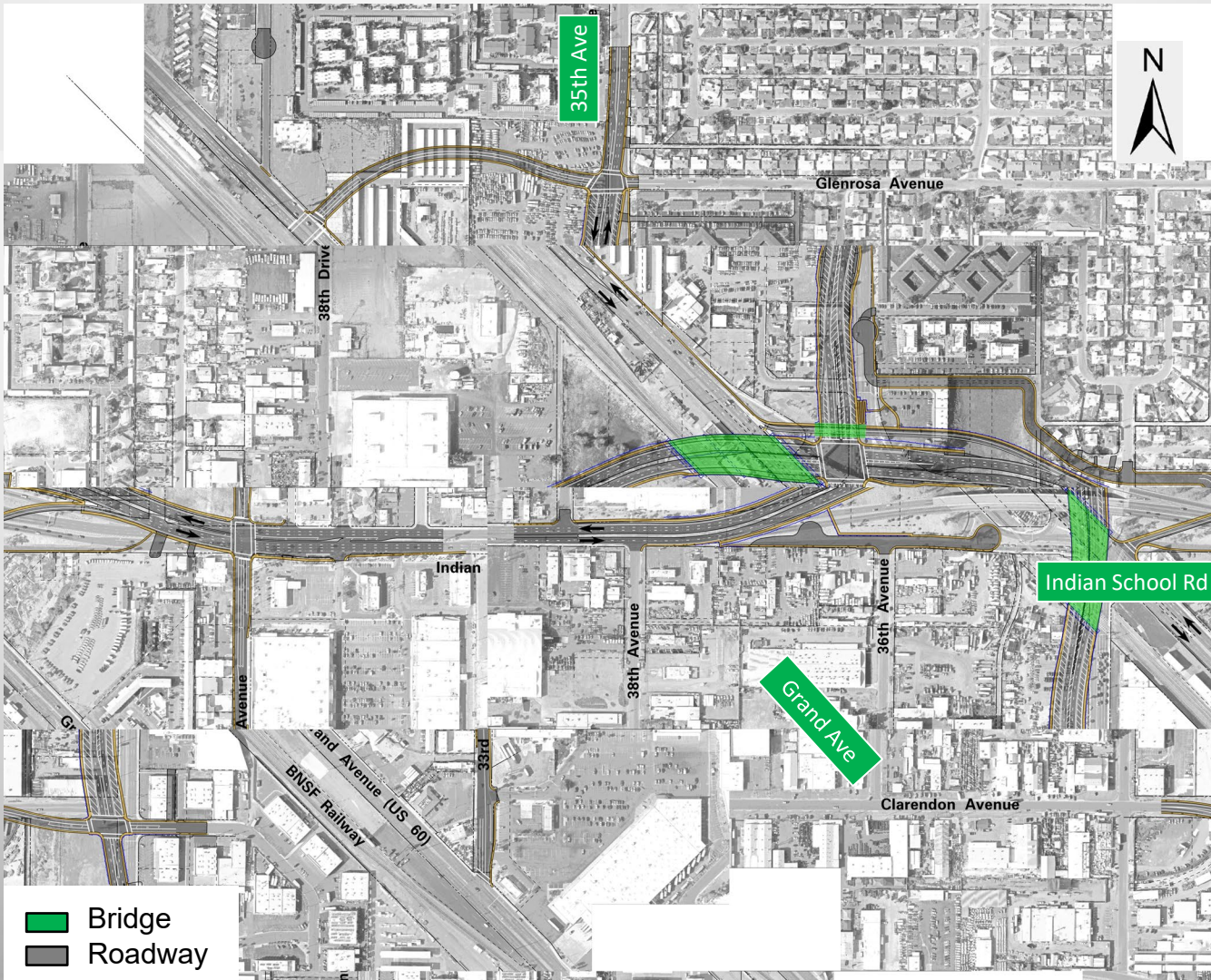
*The environmental review, consultation and other actions required by applicable Federal environmental laws for this project are being or have been carried out by ADOT pursuant to 23 USC 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated 04/16/2019 and executed by FHWA and ADOT.*



# No-Build Alternative

- Represents the existing transportation system plus other funded projects
  - Provides a basis for impacts to be measured against
  - Compared against the build alternatives
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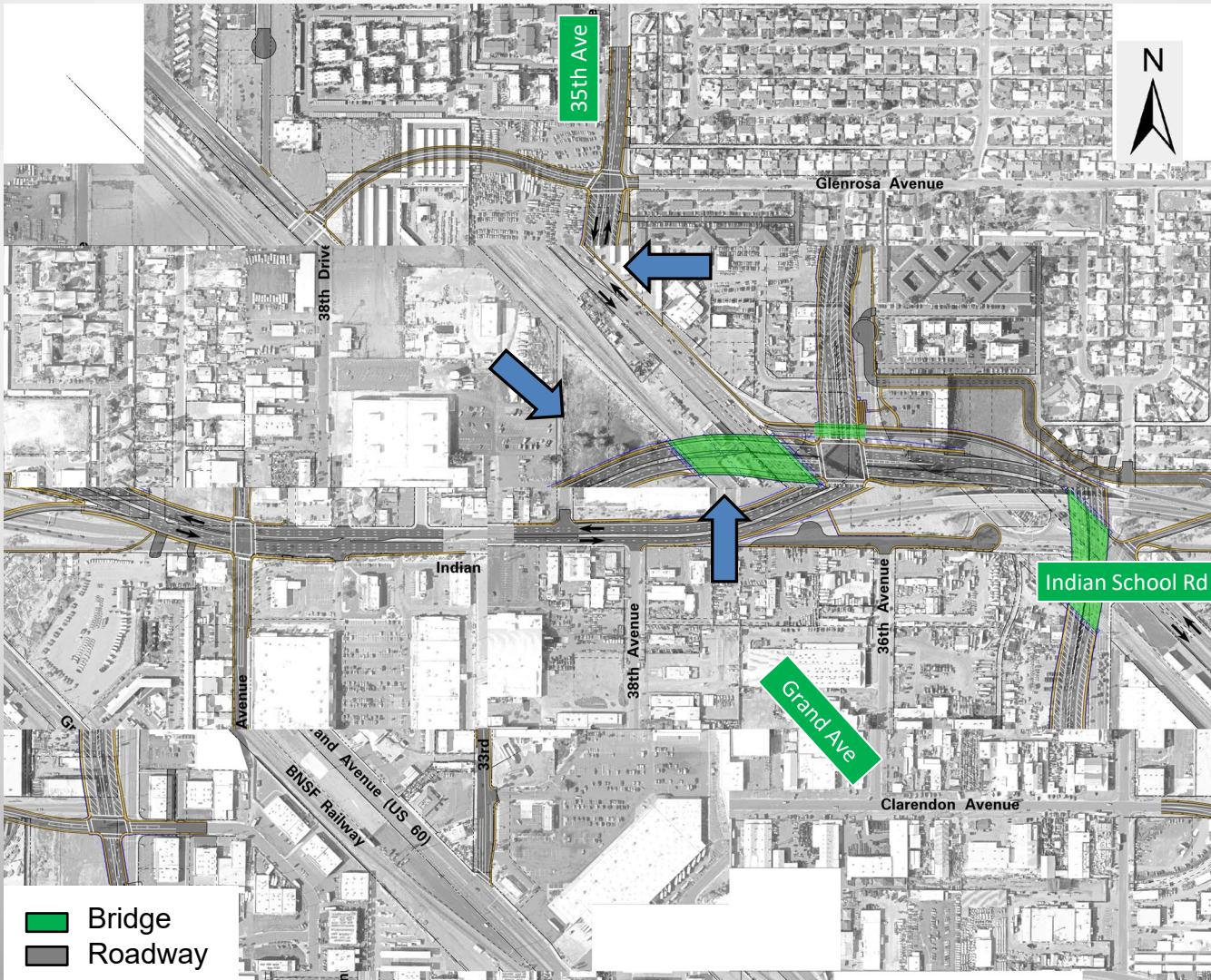
# Preferred Alternative

- Developed from technical analysis and agency & public input on the range of alternatives
  - Two alternatives presented to the public for review and input in January 2023
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-  Bridge
-  Roadway





35th Ave



Glenrosa Avenue

38th Drive



Indian

38th Avenue



Indian School Rd

36th Avenue



Grand Ave

Avenue

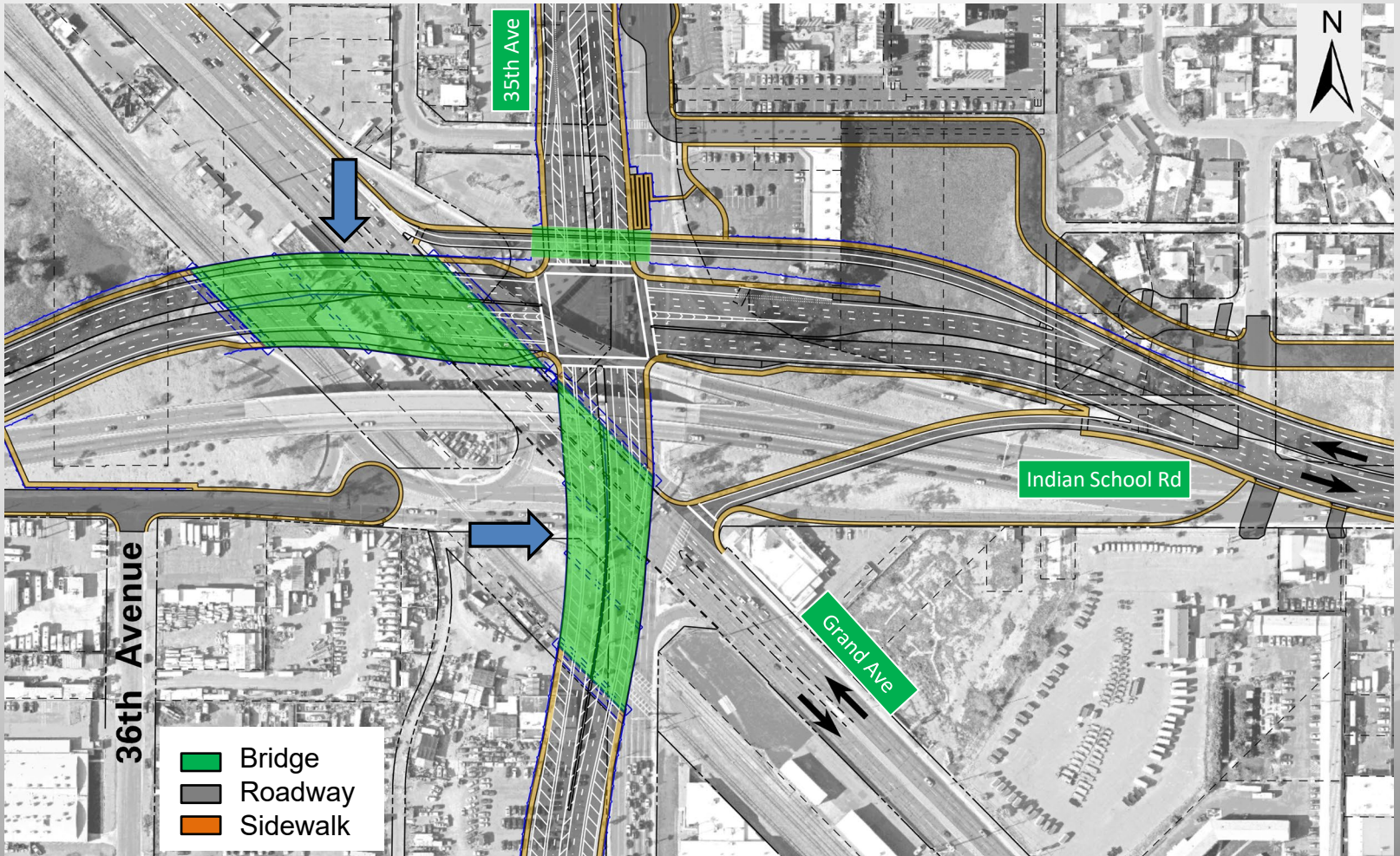
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BNSF Railway

33rd

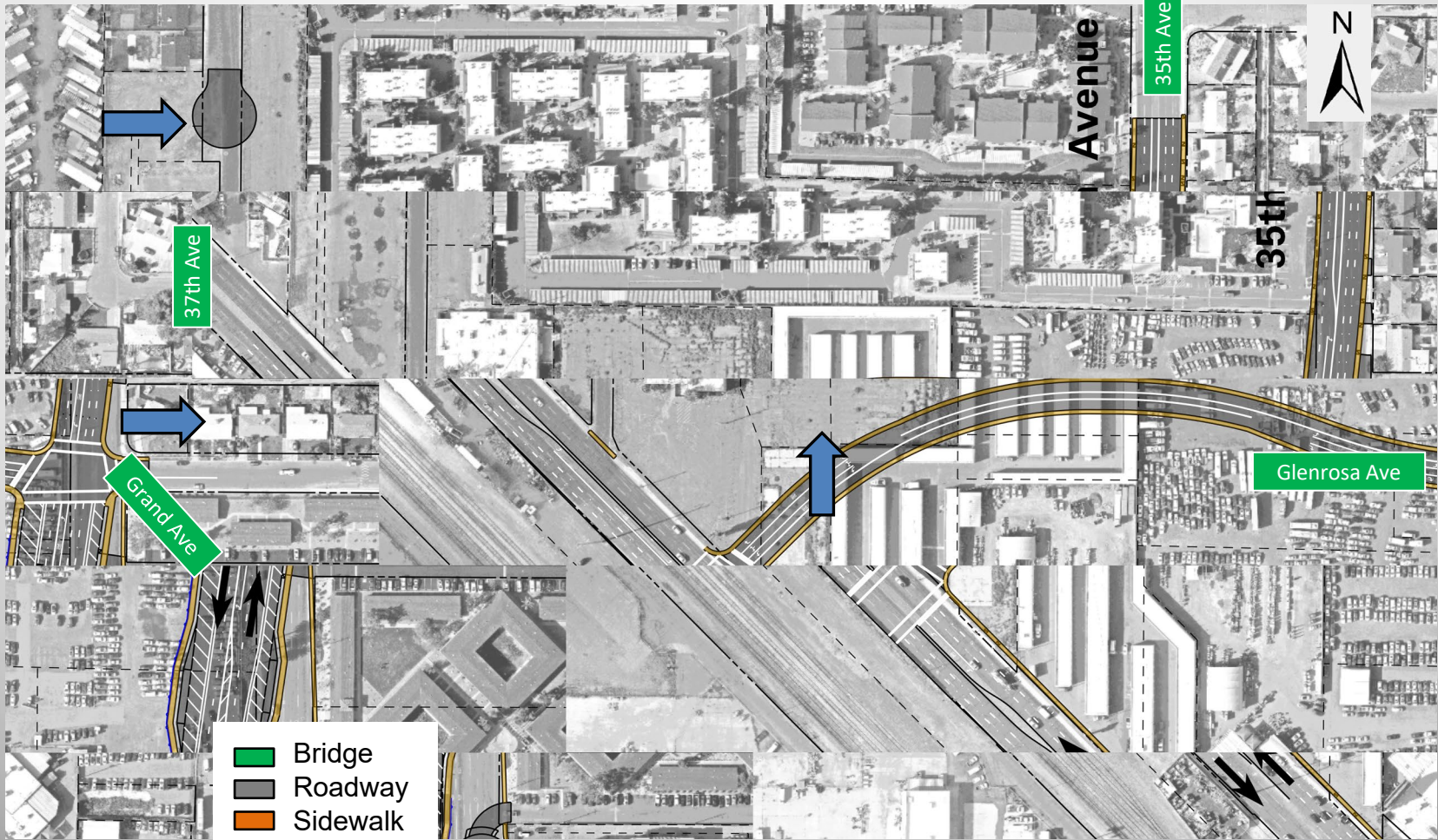
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-  Bridge
-  Roadway









- Bridge
- Roadway
- Sidewalk

Avenue

35th Ave

37th Ave

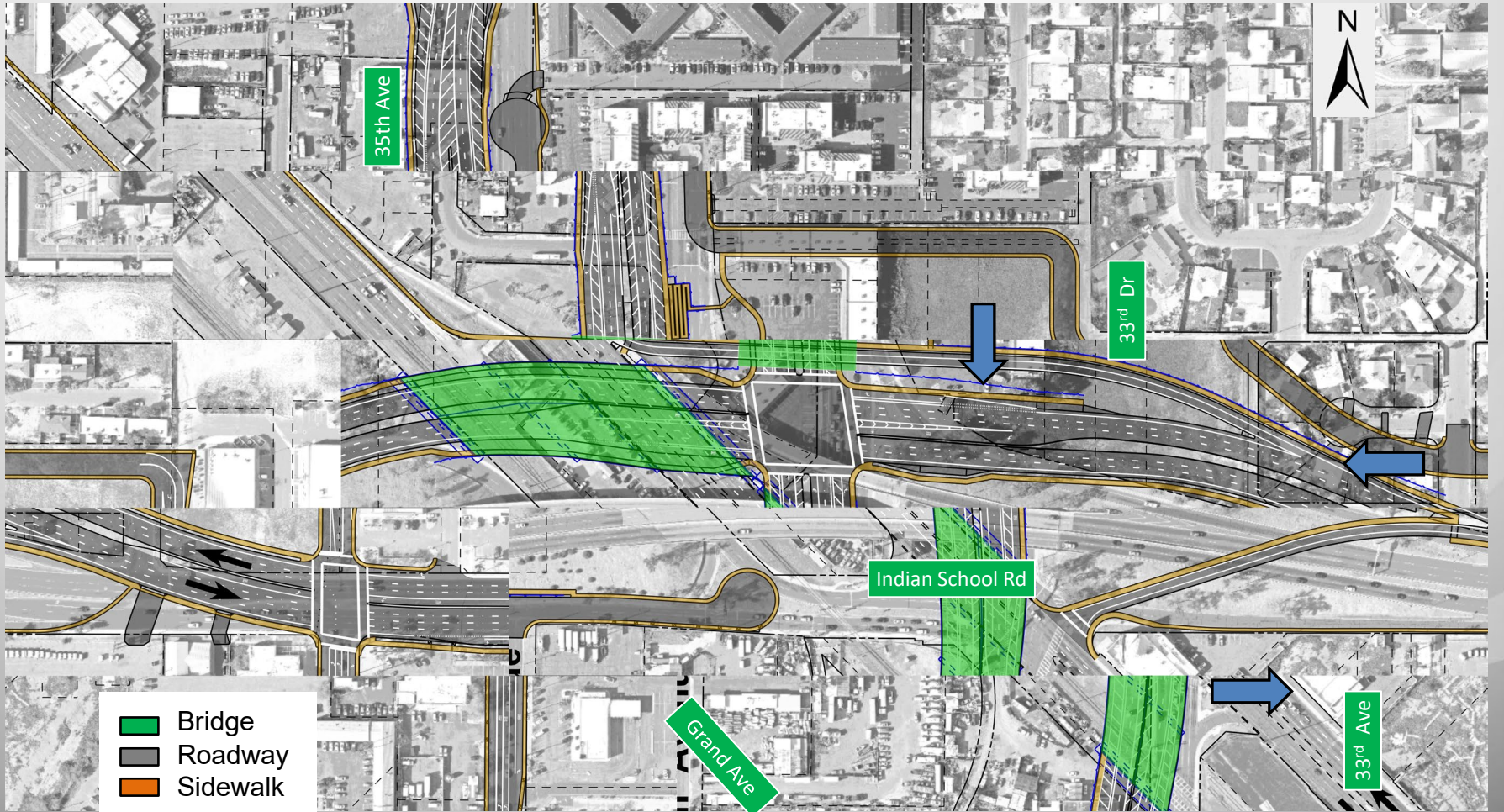
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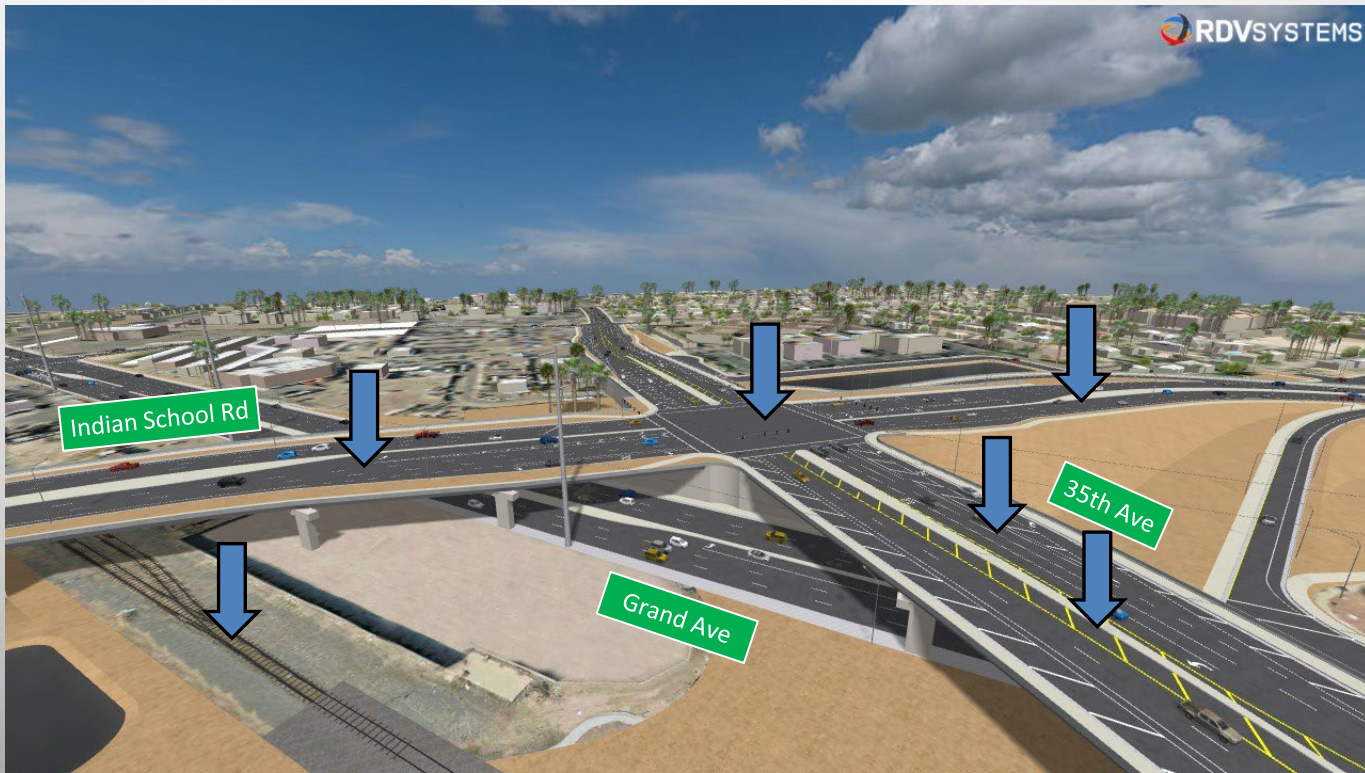
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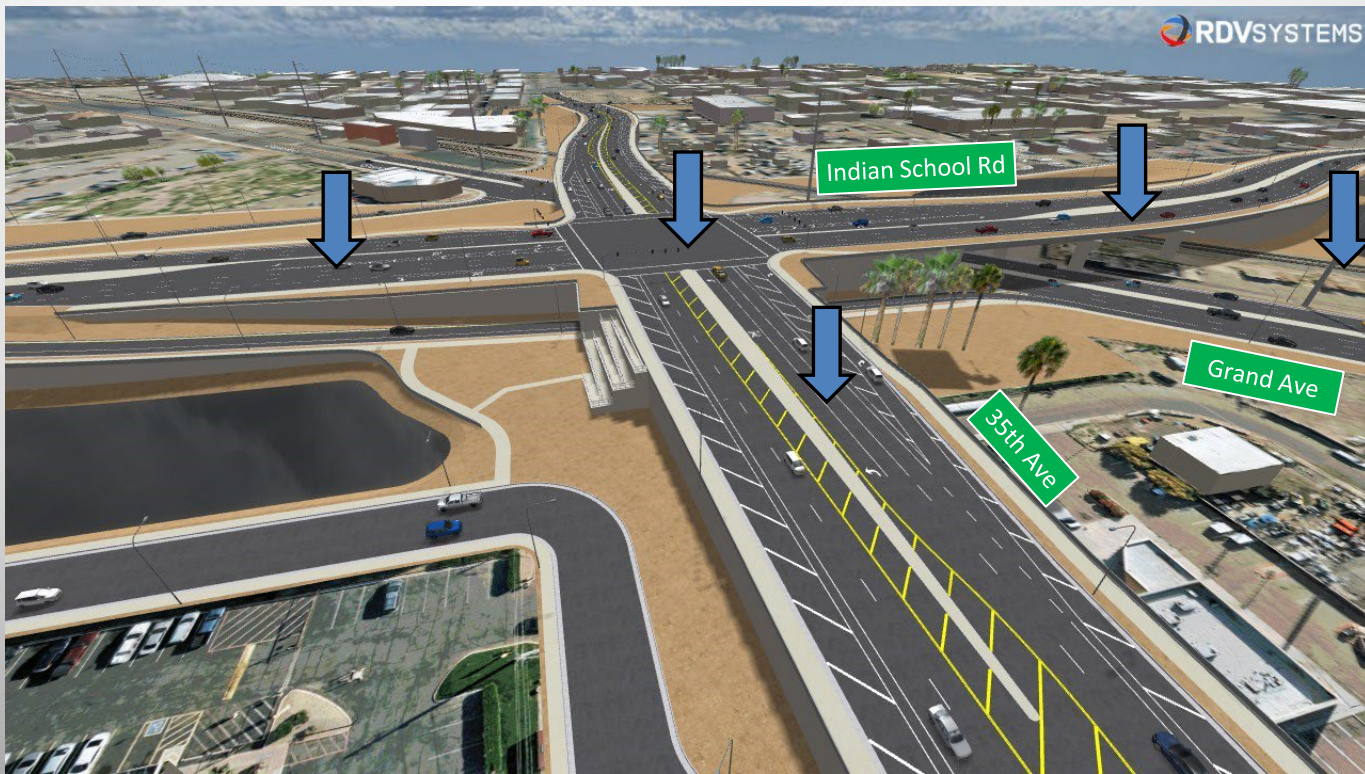


# Looking North along 35<sup>th</sup> Avenue





# Looking South along 35<sup>th</sup> Avenue






# Looking Northwest along Grand Avenue



# Preferred Alternative Findings

- Improves traffic flow
  - Eliminates crossings of the railroad
  - Enhances pedestrian and bicycle facilities
  - Provides all traffic movements between three major roadways
  - Enhances safety
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# Preferred Alternative Findings

The Draft Environmental Assessment and supporting technical documents are available for public review on the ADOT project website. These include:

- Air quality analysis
- Visual Impacts
- Short-term impacts and long-term benefits

A transportation air quality conformity analysis was prepared, and a technical report documenting this analysis is included as Appendix C in the Draft EA.

# Preferred Alternative Findings

## Traffic Noise

- A noise analysis was conducted following federal guidelines and ADOT's *2017 Noise Abatement Requirements*.
- Noise barriers were evaluated but are not warranted based on noise abatement criteria.

See Section 4.9 and Appendix D in the Draft EA.

# Preferred Alternative Findings

## Section 4(f) de minimis

- Section 4(f) protects the use of specific public lands unless specific requirements are met.
- ADOT intends to make a *de minimis*\* impact determination for one historic parcel.

See Section 4.6 in the Draft Environmental Assessment.

\* A *de minimis* (or negligible impact) is one that would not adversely affect the features, attributes, or activities that qualify the property for 4(f) protection.



# Preferred Alternative Findings

## Social & Economic

- The Preferred Alternative would impact approximately 78 parcels.
- Approximately 60 businesses and 5 residences would be displaced.
- Adverse effects to low income and minority populations and socioeconomic resources would be minimized through a mitigation plan, developed by ADOT.

See Section 4.3, Section 4.4, and Appendix C of the Draft EA.

# Project Funding

- Federal funding and Highway User Revenue Funds through the Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG)

# Next Steps



# How to Comment

Commenting deadline is **Nov. 27th, 2023**

- Submit written comments online at [www.adotgrand35study.com](http://www.adotgrand35study.com).
- Submit location-specific comments through our online comment map tool at [www.adotgrand35study.com](http://www.adotgrand35study.com).
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