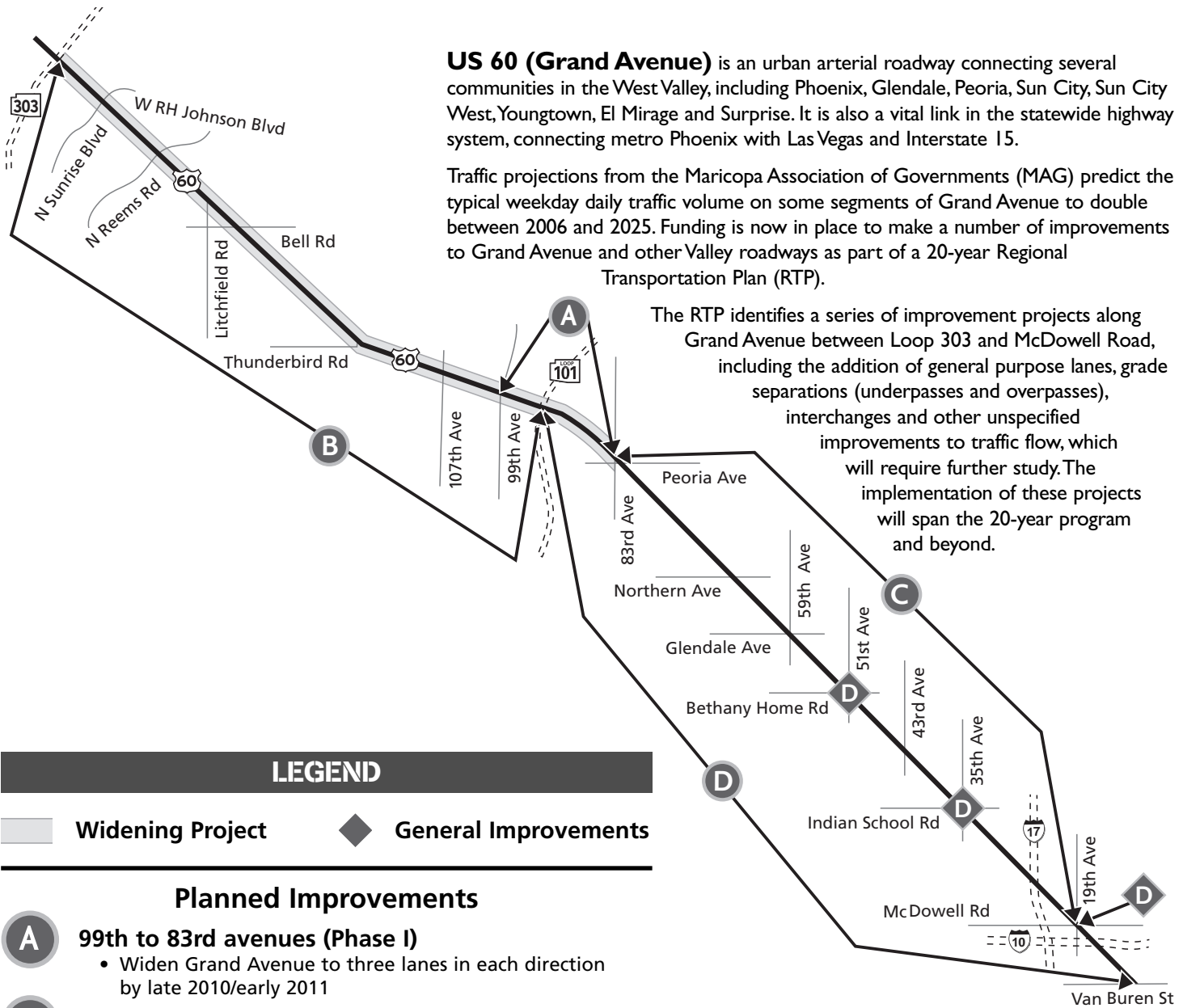


# FACT SHEET

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## US 60 (Grand Avenue)



**US 60 (Grand Avenue)** is an urban arterial roadway connecting several communities in the West Valley, including Phoenix, Glendale, Peoria, Sun City, Sun City West, Youngtown, El Mirage and Surprise. It is also a vital link in the statewide highway system, connecting metro Phoenix with Las Vegas and Interstate 15.

Traffic projections from the Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG) predict the typical weekday daily traffic volume on some segments of Grand Avenue to double between 2006 and 2025. Funding is now in place to make a number of improvements to Grand Avenue and other Valley roadways as part of a 20-year Regional Transportation Plan (RTP).

The RTP identifies a series of improvement projects along Grand Avenue between Loop 303 and McDowell Road, including the addition of general purpose lanes, grade separations (underpasses and overpasses), interchanges and other unspecified improvements to traffic flow, which will require further study. The implementation of these projects will span the 20-year program and beyond.

### LEGEND

- Widening Project
- General Improvements

### Planned Improvements

- A** **99th to 83rd avenues (Phase I)**
  - Widen Grand Avenue to three lanes in each direction by late 2010/early 2011
- B** **Loop 303 to Loop 101 (Phase I and III)**
  - Widen Grand Avenue to three lanes in each direction from Loop 303 to 99th Avenue by late 2011
  - Additional improvements from Loop 303 to Loop 101 under study to be constructed in Phase III of the RTP
- C** **Loop 101 (Agua Fria Freeway) to McDowell Road (Phase II)**
  - Various improvements to be constructed beginning in early 2011
- D** **Loop 101 (Agua Fria Freeway) to Van Buren Street (Phase V)\***
  - Potential grade separations and other improvements

### Regional Transportation Plan Phases

Phase I	2006 -2010	Phase IV	2021-2025
Phase II	2011-2015	Phase V	2026-2031
Phase III	2016-2020		

*\*Project pending environmental process*



## Planned Improvements

The Regional Transportation Plan includes funding to widen Grand Avenue by one lane in each direction between 83rd Avenue and Loop 303 by 2011, resulting in a continuous six-lane arterial between downtown Phoenix and the far West Valley. Funding for other projects to improve traffic flow on Grand Avenue, which may include grade separations (underpasses and overpasses), will be evaluated in current and future studies; construction of these enhancements is identified in later phases of the Regional Transportation Plan.

### US 60 (Grand Avenue)–99th Avenue to 83rd Avenue

- **Schedule:** Phase I (2006-2010)–Construction began in October 2009 and is expected to take 12-18 months to complete.
- **Project summary:** Widen Grand Avenue by one general-purpose lane in each direction to create a six-lane arterial roadway.

### US 60 (Grand Avenue)–Loop 303 to Loop 101

#### I. LOOP 303 TO 99TH AVENUE WIDENING PROJECT

- **Schedule:** Construction began in early 2010 and is expected to be completed in late 2011.
- **Project summary:** Widen Grand Avenue by one general-purpose lane in each direction to create a six-lane arterial roadway. Includes intersection improvements to enhance traffic flow along Grand Avenue.

#### II. OTHER IMPROVEMENTS\*

- **Schedule:** Phase III (2016-2020)
- **Project summary:** Make proposed improvements to traffic flow and other general improvements. Improvements have been recommended to the Maricopa Association of Governments as part of a feasibility study for possible inclusion in the RTP.

### US 60 Grand Avenue - Loop 101 (Agua Fria Freeway) to McDowell Road

- **Schedule:** Phase II (2011-2015). Construction is scheduled to begin in early 2011.
- **Project summary:** Funding is included in the Regional Transportation Plan for improvements to traffic flow and other general improvements.

### US 60 Grand Avenue–Loop 101 (Agua Fria Freeway) to Van Buren Street\*

#### I. GENERAL IMPROVEMENTS

- **Schedule:** Phase V (2026-2031)\*
- **Project summary:** Funding has been deferred to Phase V of the RTP for grade separations (underpasses and overpasses) to improve traffic flow and other general improvements.

#### Regional Transportation Plan Phases

Phase I 2006 -2010	Phase IV 2021-2025
Phase II 2011-2015	Phase V 2026-2031
Phase III 2016-2020	

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