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## **New Traffic Configuration for Interstate 10: Prince Road to 29th Street**

TUCSON – The Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) has implemented new speed limit and traffic signs and has a new lane configuration following the opening of the newly constructed section on Interstate 10 between Prince Road and 29th Street. Originally scheduled to open in 2010, the project is now scheduled for substantial completion by the end of September 2009. All east- and westbound entrance and exit ramps, and all lanes of I-10 between Prince Road and 29th Street will be open. The traveling public will be readjusting to new traffic patterns and will be cited by law enforcement if safety guidelines are not followed.

- **Traffic Patterns and Conditions After Complete Ramp and I-10 Opening**
  - On I-10, motorists have access to four lanes in each direction with an auxiliary lane between ramps and 16 new bridges/underpasses for seven cross streets: Grant Road, Speedway Boulevard, St. Mary's Road, Congress Street, Granada Avenue/Cushing Street, 18th Street and 22nd Street. The speed limit on I-10 in this area is 65 mph.
  - On the frontage roads, motorists have access to two lanes in each direction with yield signs at the points where exit-ramp traffic enters the frontage roads. The speed limit on the frontage roads is 45 mph.
- **Law Enforcement** – Motorists who do not abide by the speed limit and yield signs will be cited by the Arizona Department of Public Safety (DPS) on the interstate and by the Tucson Police Department (TPD) on the frontage roads.
- **Transitioning to New Traffic Patterns** – The public should expect a transition period while motorists adjust to new traffic patterns. Please exercise patience, caution, courtesy and safety.
- **Final Construction Work and Completion** – The landscaping and final construction work remaining after the full opening of I-10 is anticipated to be completed by the end of November. Until then, the public will continue to be informed of temporary ramp closures and traffic impacts through weekly traffic alerts, updates and the project Web site.
- **Interim Traffic Operations Center (ITOC)** – The ITOC will continue to be in operation under ADOT direction.
- **To Stay Informed** – The public may continue to check on current traffic impacts online or by phone. For online updates, go to [www.i10tucson.com](http://www.i10tucson.com) or [twitter.com/I10tucson](http://twitter.com/I10tucson). The I-10 Hotline number is (520) 327-6444 or toll-free (877) 961-1010.

The I-10 widening project will be completed ahead of schedule and ADOT gratefully acknowledges the patience, cooperation and support of the City of Tucson, the community at large and its many other partners during the largest highway transportation project in southern Arizona history to date.

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