

## ADOT stimulus money projects are now online

There are now more than 40 American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (stimulus) worksites spread across Arizona.

To illustrate the reach and impact of them, ADOT has launched a revised Recovery Act Web site to help the public learn about these additional projects in their communities. New information, available at [www.azdot.gov/recovery](http://www.azdot.gov/recovery), includes: An interactive Arizona map identifying all 41 Recovery-funded Arizona highway projects approved to date. Projects are shown by location and type of work. The map will be updated over the course of the Recovery program as additional projects made possible by cost savings are added.

- A list of all approved Recovery Act highway projects in Arizona with the project status, be they pre-bid, out for bids, or awarded to a contractor. Construction is under way on the first projects, and progress reports will be added as they are available.
- A breakdown of all Recovery-funded highway projects in Arizona by county and corridor to help Arizonans track improvements to state highways they use or those in which they have an interest.
- An online form to allow community members to share their Recovery Act success stories. ADOT is interested in hearing how these projects improve access, safety, mobility, employment or economic conditions around the state, recognizing that Recovery Act work is about more than just roads. As stories are collected, they will be added to the site.

The site also includes Recovery Act news, links to the federal and Arizona Recovery Web sites, and other useful resources for the public and construction contractors to learn more about economic recovery projects. Most importantly, the ADOT Recovery Web site provides a strong level of transparency and direct involvement with all members of the community. To date, construction contracts have been awarded for 24 Recovery Act highway projects in Arizona, with nearly all of them coming in under ADOT estimates due to increased competition for contracts and decreasing materials costs. Overall, project bids have resulted in approximately \$56 million in savings when compared to ADOT programming estimates. That savings will spur additional Recovery-funded projects for Arizona. ADOT will receive project reimbursements totaling an estimated \$350 million from the Recovery Act for highway projects around the state. The funding is being distributed according to a formula that provides Maricopa County with \$130 million for five projects, Pima County with \$46 million for eight projects, and the 13 other counties of Greater Arizona with \$175 million for 28 projects. ADOT is on track with all requirements for the federal law and is moving quickly to get these projects to construction.

