



Arizona lifts hold on highway projects

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PHOENIX (AP) -- Arizona is lifting its hold on six highway projects now that the federal government has approved additional funding.

The state Department of Transportation says it is lifting the hold now that President Bush has signed an 8 billion dollar funding package.

State officials caution that the federal action represents a "one-year fix" that is "only a temporary repair of a broken funding system."

The biggest Arizona project put on hold was widening U.S. 93 near Hoover Dam.

Other widening projects affected involved State Route 85 north of Gila Bend, U.S. 60 between Globe and Superior and U.S. 60 near Wickenburg.

Others are construction of a new Interstate 17 interchange at McGuireville and landscaping of the interchange of Interstates 10 and 19 near Tucson.

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