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Commission Approves Significant Upgrades to Railroad Crossings Across the State

(Phoenix)—Corporation Commissioners approved upgrades to several railroad crossings across the state. The upgrades will help improve safety and traffic flow.

Five crossings will be placed on the 2016 array for upgrades with improved signal protection. The Commission's Railroad Safety Section along with ADOT, railroads, and municipalities conduct annual inspections of crossings that have been identified for safety upgrades. The crossings identified for the array are funded through the Federal Highway Administration.

The Commission approved; new gates and flashing lights where Camelback, 43rd Avenue, and Grand Avenue intersect in Phoenix, a surface upgrade at 18th Street in Parker, AZ, signal upgrades at Court Street in Nogales, signal upgrades in Pinal County on the Gila River Indian Community at Della Road North of SR 87-SR 287 along Arizona Boulevard, and in Coolidge on Storey Road.

In a separate project, the Commission also approved the construction of a bridge overpass in Navajo County at Kerr McGee Road/N2007, which is a north south arterial roadway that has an interchange at I-40. That project will span both the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad tracks and the Rio Puerco River. It will take 20 months to build and will cost \$15.5 million dollars. It will be funded by the Highway Trust Fund through the Federal lands Highway Tribal Transportation Program.