PROJECT INTRODUCTION

This is the second newsletter distributed by the Flood Control District of Maricopa County (District) and the City of Goodyear (City) as part of the Bullard Wash Channel Improvements Phase II project. The project includes the creation of a recreational greenbelt facility as well as a channel in the existing floodplain. Landscaping, irrigation, trails, and other multi-use facilities will be provided within the channel alignment. The purpose of this newsletter is to inform residents of the latest developments in the Bullard Wash Phase II project and the upcoming public open house.

PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE

- Alignment

The alignment of the Bullard Wash Channel Phase II predominantly follows the existing wash alignment, which runs north-south between Estrella Parkway and Bullard Avenue, bounded by I-10 and Lower Buckeye Road. See the adjacent graphic for the preferred alternative channel alignment.

- Base Contract Channel Elements

The project is planned for phased construction. Elements of the project that would be installed initially include flood control components. This would be followed by landscaping and irrigation, basic park signage, drinking fountains, benches, and security lighting.

- City-Funded Elements

Several elements will be constructed at a later date, as City funds become available. Planning for these elements has been accommodated in the overall design of the project. Elements that will be constructed at a later date include play structures, ramadas, basketball and volleyball courts, exercise stations, secondary entries to the channel, an urban plaza at Yuma Road, a primary park entry, park lighting, restrooms, additional park signage, and vehicle parking.

- Construction Time Frame

The project is currently scheduled to be constructed in a series of reaches. The tentative construction schedule is:

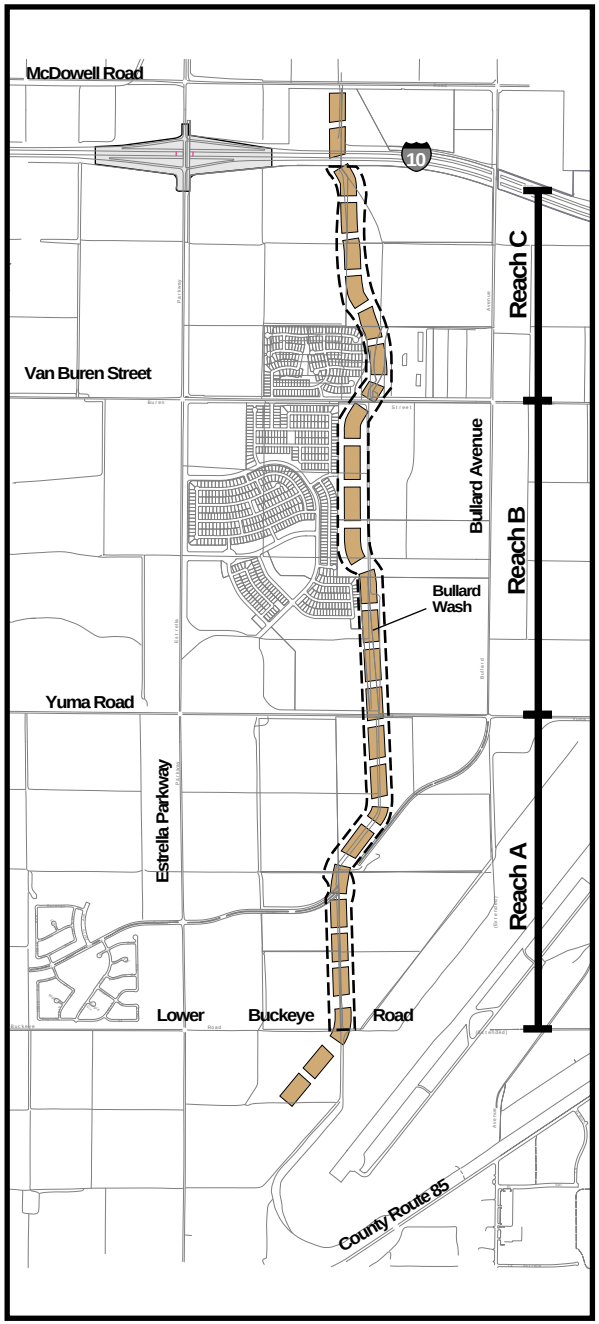
- Reach A Construction
  Lower Buckeye Road to Yuma Road
  Completed 2005
- Reach B Construction
  Yuma Road to Van Buren Road
  Completed 2006
- Reach C Construction
  Van Buren Road to Interstate 10
  Completed 2007

This schedule is preliminary and could change based on design parameters and funding availability.

PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE

A public open house for Bullard Wash Phase II is scheduled for Tuesday, October 21, 2003, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Goodyear City Hall in the main conference room, 190 N. Litchfield Road in Goodyear.

The purpose of the open house is to present the preferred alternative for Bullard Wash Phase II. We invite you to share your comments on this important community asset.

A portion of this open house will also be devoted to the Loop 303 Area Drainage Master Plan which is an adjacent project being developed by the District.

CHANNEL ALIGNMENT