

MEMORANDUM

Date: March 21, 2016

To:

The Honorable Ally Miller, Member

Pima County Board of Supervisors

From: C.H. Huckelberry/

County Administra

Foothills Clusters Petition Re:

We are in receipt of the petition from the Foothills Clusters forwarded by your office (Attachment 1). As shown on the attached map (Attachment 2), the majority of the roads in the Foothills Clusters subdivision (shown in blue on the map) are private roads not maintained by the County. As noted on the recorded subdivision plat filed with Pima County at the time these lots were created (Attachment 3), the roadways were not constructed to County standards and thus were not eligible for expenditure of public funding in accordance with Arizona law.

The local collector roads displayed in red (Evans Mountain and Ventana Canyon) are maintained by the County. The condition of these collector roads are rated as Poor. Unfortunately, as we have regularly reported to the Board of Supervisors, the vast majority of such subdivision streets in the unincorporated area are in the same or worse condition. You may recall we received petitions from other areas in the past (Moondance, Oracle Foothills Estates 6, Sabino Town and Country, and Golden Heritage Village).

The cost to rehabilitate the County-maintained collector roads in the Foothills Cluster subdivision with a two-inch mill/fill treatment is estimated at \$361,600. The funding challenges faced by the Department of Transportation due to a lack of revenue associated with the continuing sweeps of Highway User Revenue Funds by the State Legislature and the lack of political will to increase the current motor fuel tax prevent us from addressing the dire condition of our roadway network.

These roadways could have been improved using future bond funding from the nowdefeated November 2015 election. County General Funds could be used, but such would require budget approval from the Board of Supervisors.

The Department of Transportation encourages residents and homeowners associations to contact them at 520.724.2639 to report potholes, sight distance issues, and safety hazards that need to be addressed. These matters of traffic safety are addressed expeditiously, with priority given to arterial streets, which have high volumes.

CHH/mik **Attachments**

The Honorable Chair and Members, Pima County Board of Supervisors c: John Bernal, Deputy County Administrator for Public Works Priscilla Cornelio, Director, Department of Transportation Petition Signers