

# Queen Creek Transit Planning Study

#### Wulf Grote Director, Planning & Development

Janet Strauss Planner II



# Study Background

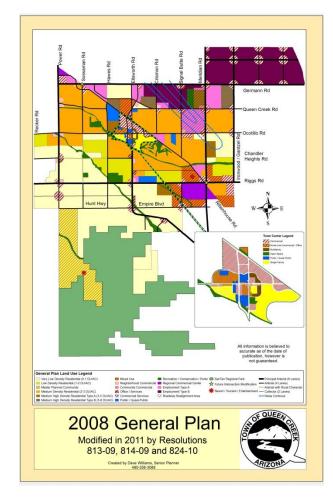
- Queen Creek requested service cost estimates in summer 2012
- Coordination with Valley Metro resulted in using a transit planning study approach to define transit needs
- Study funded by Town's state lottery allocation for transit purposes
  - Valley Metro / Consultant Cost: \$143,140



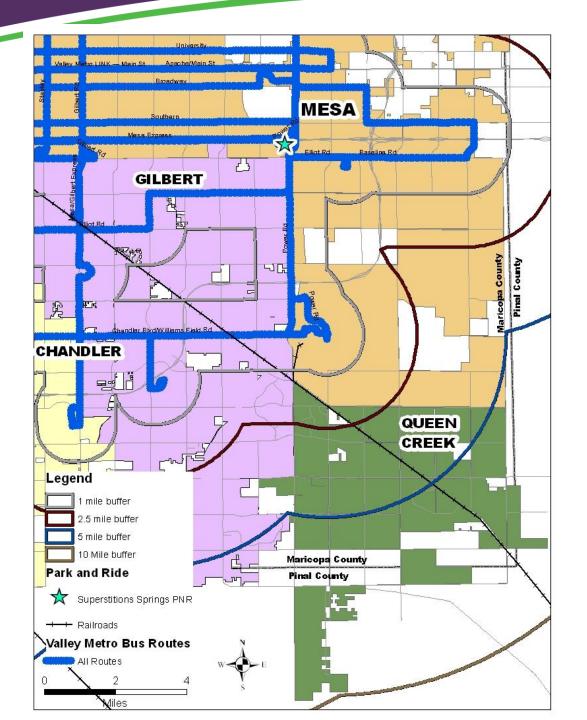


# Study Purpose

- Transit Ridership Market
- Transit Service Equity
- Regional Transit System Connectivity
- Transit Mode Alternatives
- Local transit circulation
- Short-/long-term investment strategies



Queen Creek Proximity to Transit





### **Public and Agency Involvement**

- Develop a public involvement plan
- Engage Transportation Advisory Committee and Town Center Committee
- Coordination with neighboring communities





# Analyze Existing and Future Conditions

- Review local, regional, and state studies
- Identify planned regional and local transit investments
- Analyze existing transit ridership in neighboring communities







# **Develop Preliminary Service Options**

- Consider connecting to existing and planned bus transit services
- Examine service types (i.e. neighborhood circulator, fixed route local service, express bus service, commuter rail, van pool, etc.)
- Recommend hours of operation and frequency



Provide cost estimates of service types



## **Study Recommendations**

- Identify opportunities and constraints of implementing transit service
- Develop an implementation and funding plan
- Present recommendations as long-term and short-term investments





#### **Project Schedule and Cost**

Task		Schedule
1	Public and Agency Involvement	Ongoing
2	Review Prior and Ongoing Studies	March- May 2013
3	Analyze Existing and Future Conditions	March-May 2013
4	Develop Preliminary Service Options	May-December 2013
5	Develop Transit Recommendations and Performance Criteria	December-March 2014
6	Queen Creek Transit Future Transit Opportunities	March –October 2014
7	Queen Creek Transit Implementation Strategies and Action Plan	March-October 2014
TOTAL COST		\$143,140



#### Recommendations

With Council's approval, Valley Metro would like to move forward with the IGA, Scope of Work and timeline of the study





#### Questions?

