Town of Queen Creek Wireless Service Provider Summary



Multi-Carrier RF Benchmark Testing, and Results





Summary

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Engineering Wireless Services (EWS) has been commissioned to collect and measure the wireless signal strength for each carrier across the Town of Queen Creek. EWS has completed similar 5G smart city projects for the Town of Paradise Valley, Valencia College, for each wireless carrier, and tower leasing companies. EWS completed the drive on August 18, 2020.

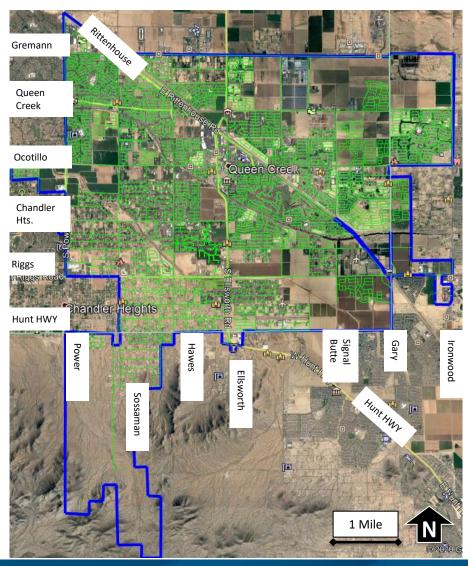
EWS spent 7 days driving 650+ miles across the Town Queen Creek. We used a PCTel scanner to measure and collect AT&T, Sprint, T-Mobile, and Verizon network information. EWS is providing the top 2 channels for each Wireless Service Provider for on-street signal strength.

The following report outlines the on-street coverage for each Wireless Service Provider for the Town of Queen Creek.



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Drive Area





Signal Strength Assessment

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The following plots reflect the on-street signal strength by each Carrier. For our analysis we are using industry standard -100dbBm as a coverage threshold by carrier.

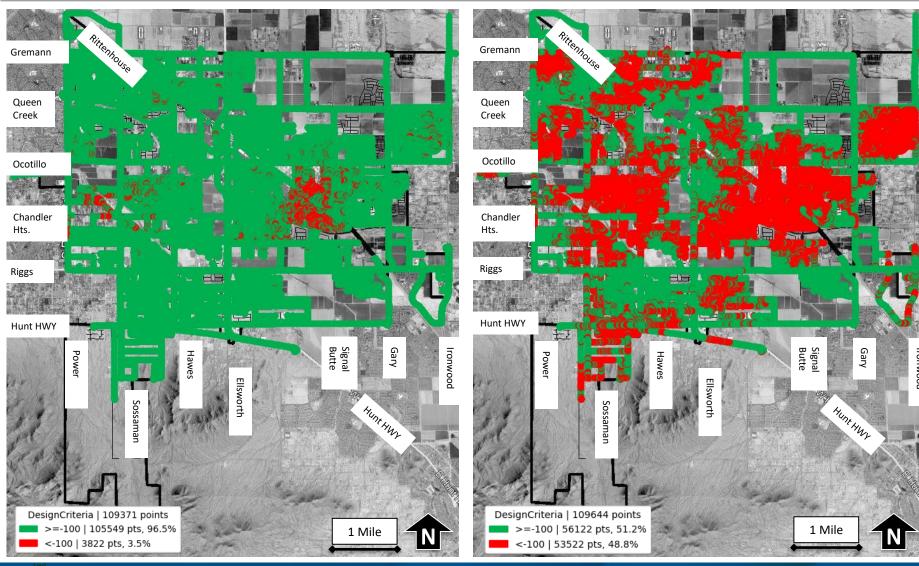
- Green = Stronger than -100db you should see between 2 to 4 bars on your phone.
- Red = Weaker than -100dBm you should see between 0 to 2 bars on your phone.
- In-Building signal can be between 5dB to 12dB weaker than on-street signal.

Bars on your phone is not an exact measure "like your car's gas gauge" as Phone components, brands, are all different.

Received Signal Level (dBm)	Phone Bar Representation	Signal Quality	
-90	4	Excellent	
-91 to -105	3	Good	
-106 to 110	2	Fair	
-111 to -119	1	Poor	
-120	0	No usable coverage	

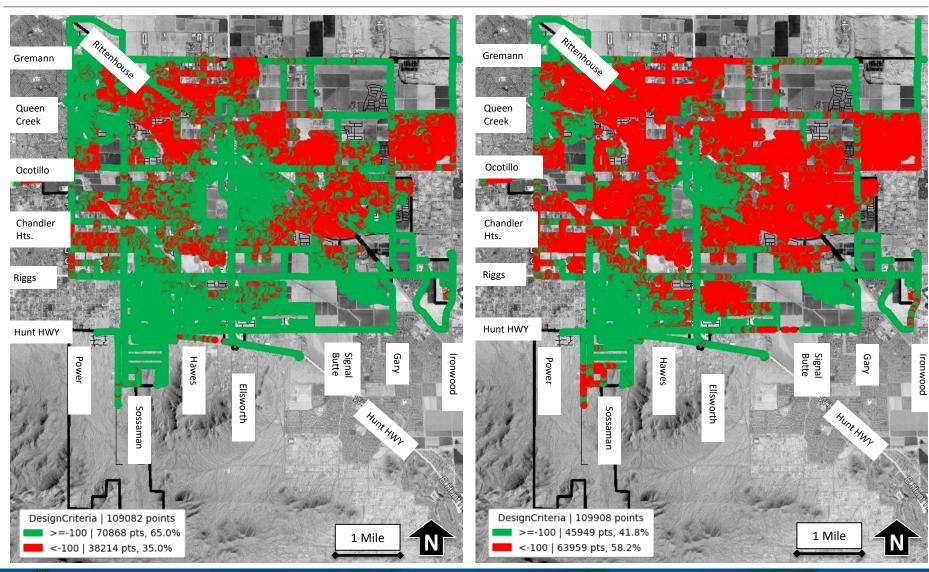


AT&T Signal Strength



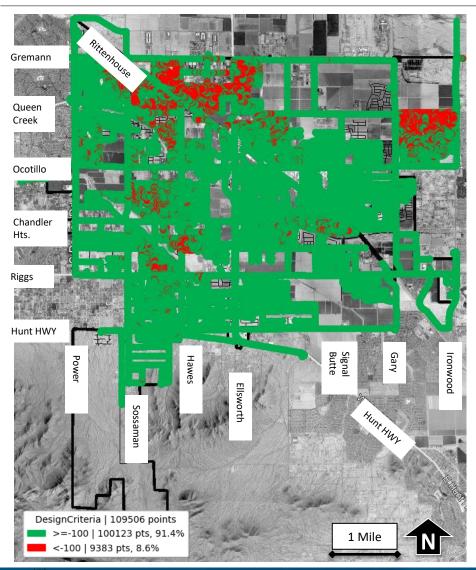


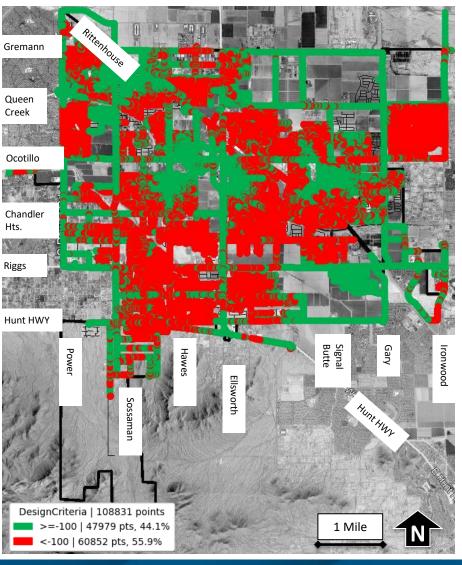
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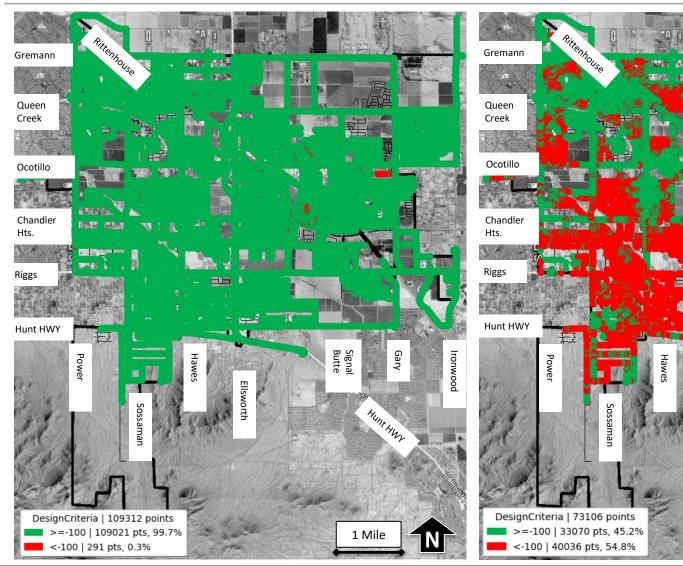
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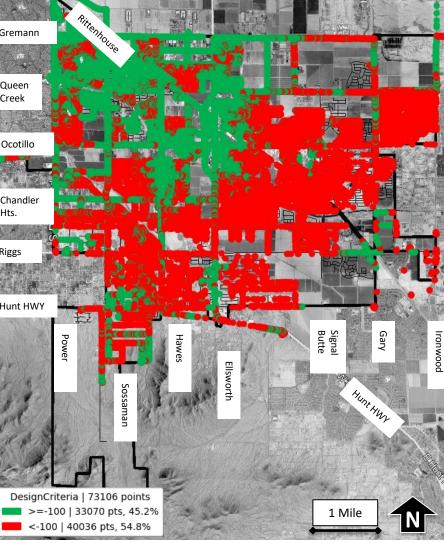






Verizon Signal Strength



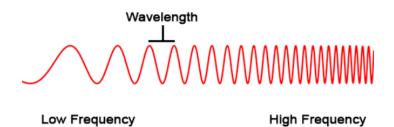


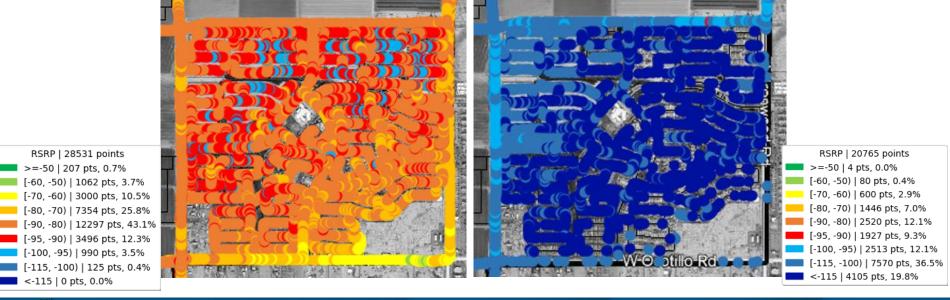


Verizon Signal Strength @ Ironwood Crossing

Low Band / Mid Band

Difference in on-Street signal strength between Low Band and Mid Band Frequencies ~ Mid Band requires a higher site density than Low band.







Observations and Recommendations

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Observation:

- Low Band coverage provides Longer Range, Better Building Penetration, but Slower Data.
- Low Band coverage is stronger and provides solid coverage across the town for indoors and outdoors for AT&T, T-Mobile, and Verizon. Sprint is a distant 4th place.

Recommendation:

- Optimization of existing towers (Antenna tilts)
- Strategically place new structures in poor coverage areas.

Observation:

- Mid Band coverage provides Shorter Range, Worse Building Penetration, Faster Data.
- Mid Band coverage DOES exist but is <u>much weaker</u> than desired for all carriers.
 Residents are not able to take advantage of services available due to weak signal.

Recommendation:

- Optimization of existing towers (Antenna tilts)
- Increase tower density in residential areas
 - New stealth structures / Small Cells in commercial and residential areas.
 - Streamline permitting process and timeline.



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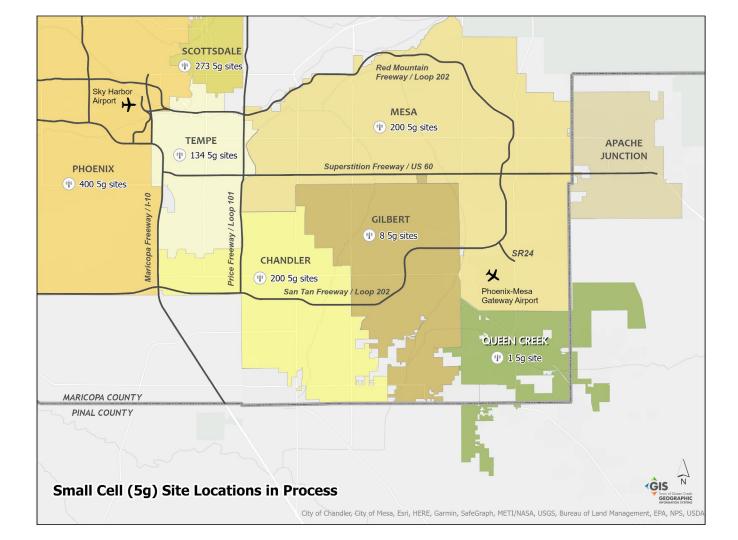
















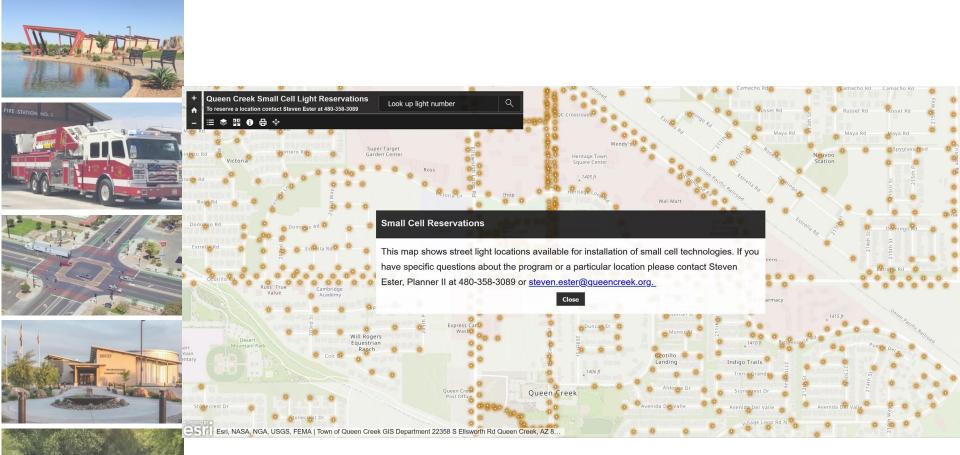






Queen Creek Streamlined Process

- Reserve a Location (Up to one year)
- When ready, request a Preliminary Site Review
- Submit a Building and Encroachment Permit
- Assigned to Technology Ombudsman (Steven Ester) in Planning for Processing
- Staff required to approve within 60 days, including building, planning and engineering
- Sign Lease Agreement
- Construction of Small Cell



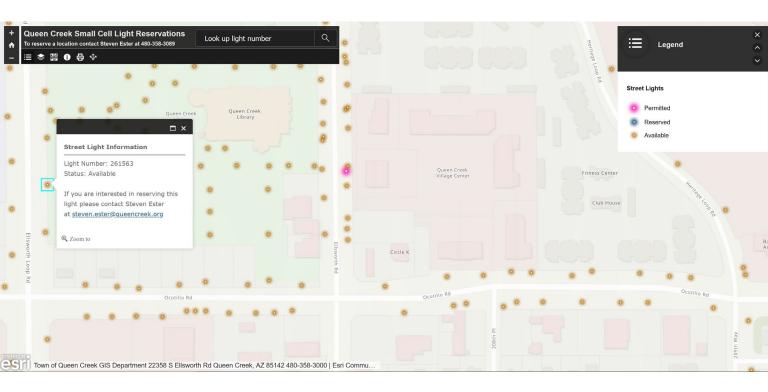












FIRE STATION NO.1







Aerial Photo





