

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-01

**A RESOLUTION OF THE
CENTRAL YAVAPAI METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
IN SUPPORT OF THE
I-17 BLACK CANYON CITY to CORDES JUNCTION IMPROVEMENT PLAN**

WHEREAS, the above matter came before the Central Yavapai Metropolitan Planning Organization (CYMPO). The Metropolitan Planning Organization along with county and municipal officials, in addition to planning staff, have met to discuss the importance of the Interstate 17 (I-17) corridor to Arizona; and,

WHEREAS, the I-17 corridor has been identified by the Arizona Department of transportation (ADOT) as a "Key Commerce Corridor"; and,

WHEREAS, the I-17 corridor plays a significant role in the movement of people, goods, and services across the State of Arizona; and,

WHEREAS, the concern over the increasing amount of crashes on I-17, specifically between Black Canyon City and Cordes Junction, causing complete shut downs of the I-17 corridor affect not only the CYMPO region, but all of Arizona; and,

WHEREAS, uncertain transportation funding will affect the economic vitality, mobility, safety, and general welfare of the CYMPO region, as well as all of Arizona; and,

WHEREAS, Governor Ducey, the Legislature, elected officials and staff, transportation professionals, the business community, and private citizens acknowledge the need to seek out alternate transportation funding mechanisms; and,

WHEREAS, CYMPO determined that the acceleration of the identified I-17 project is in the public's best interest; and,

WHEREAS, the recently developed I-17 – Black Canyon City to State Route 69 (SR 69) Study recommendations exceed the capacity of current transportation revenue fund sources; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Central Yavapai Metropolitan Planning Organization formally declares support of the Arizona Department of Transportation to immediately pursue a Public-Private Partnership for the purpose of delivering the identified construction improvements for the I-17 corridor from Black Canyon City to SR 69; and to continue pursuing Public-Private Partnership funding opportunities to deliver improvements for the entire I-17 corridor.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this Date April 15, 2015



Mary Mallory, Chair, CYMPO Executive Board