



MEMORANDUM

Date: February 5, 2019

To: Suzanne Shields, Director
Regional Flood Control District

From: C.H. Huckelberry
County Administrator

Andy Dinauer, Deputy Director
Regional Flood Control District

Re: **Extension of The Loop to Green Valley at Pima Mine Road**

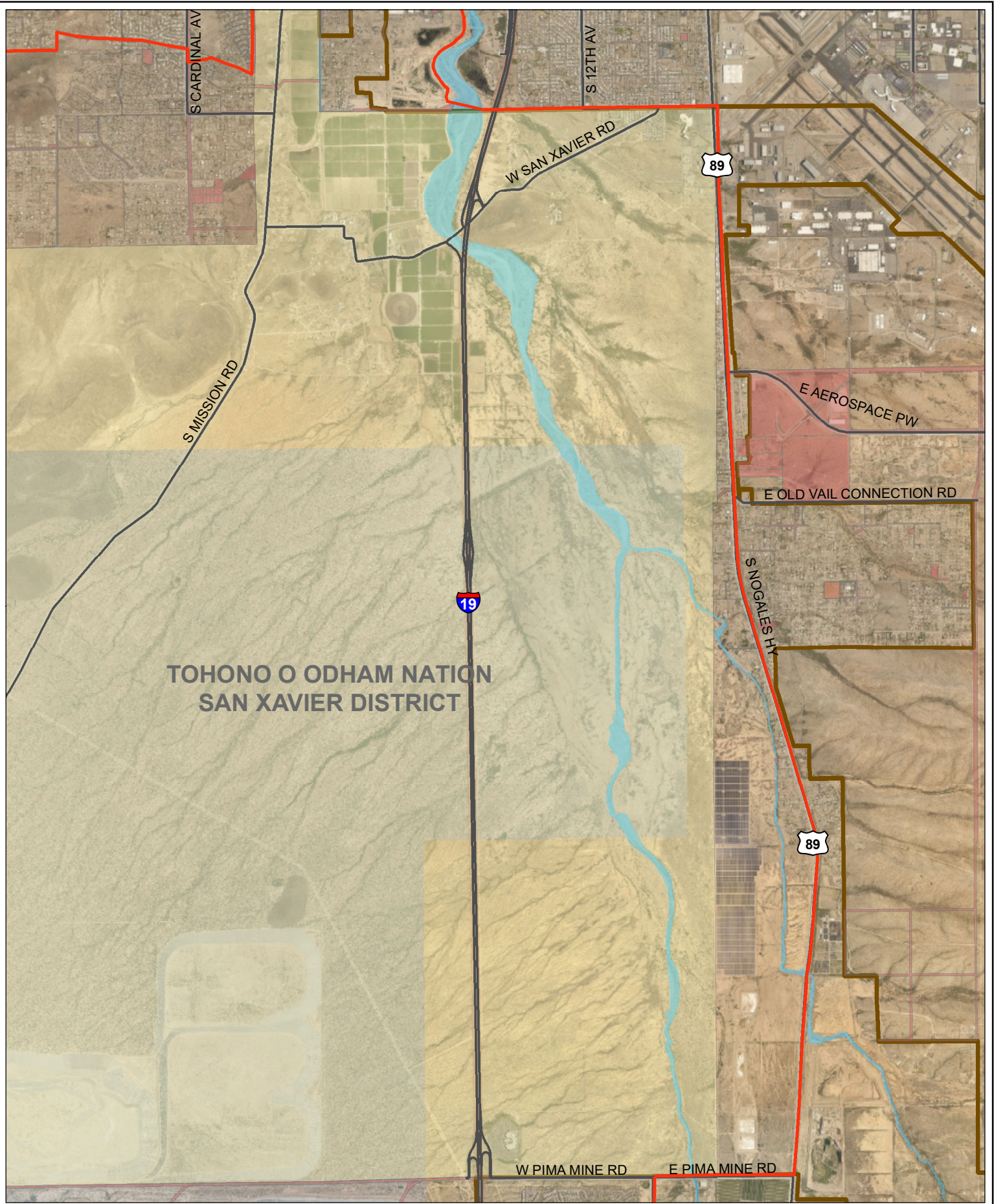
I believe everyone has come to the conclusion that extending The Loop along the Santa Cruz River through the Tohono O'dham Nation San Xavier District will not happen. Therefore, I recently met with Mr. Bill Adamson, Chair of the Santa Cruz Valley Bicycle Advocate Committee, to discuss how best to connect The Loop to the Green Valley Community. As I have long considered and now confirmed, the best option is to construct a separate path facility adjacent to and at the edge of the east right of way for Old Nogales Highway (ONH). This would limit the number of private driveways that cross the facility. Since the Nogales lane of the Union Pacific Railroad lies east of the ONH, this would not be a RFCD expense since it is not associated with any flood control river mitigation corridor. However, RFCD will probably take the lead in planning and developing an executable plan to extend about 10-miles of The Loop to the Green Valley Community at Pima Mine Road.

Steve Anderson, NRPR Program Coordinator, I believe worked with Bill Adamson who provided the attached map. I believe it is appropriate to pursue this alignment and may be a reasonable extension or alternative to the Juan Bautista de National Historic Trail. Hence, you may also wish to consult with Sustainability and Conservation Director Linda Mayro to determine if there are any other funding sources other than the County General Fund to construct this nearly 10-mile connection of The Loop to the Green Valley Community.

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Attachment

c: Carmine DeBonis, Jr., Deputy County Administrator for Public Works
Nanette Slusser, Assistant County Administrator for Public Works
Linda Mayro, Director, Sustainability and Conservation
Chris Cawein, Director, Natural Resources, Parks and Recreation
Steve Anderson, Program Coordinator, Natural Resources, Parks and Recreation
Bill Adamson, Chair, Santa Cruz Valley Bicycle Advocate Committee



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South Loop Extension Trail Draft

- Tribute Trail Concept
- City Boundary
- Major Streets
- Indian Nation
- PCGPR Acquisitions

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1 inch = 5,000 feet



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