



## COCHISE COUNTY

# COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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### MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** July 1, 2014  
**TO:** Board of Supervisors  
**THRU:** Karen Riggs, P.E., County Engineer  
**FROM:** Terry Couchenour, Right-of-way/GIS  
**SUBJECT:** **Gleeson Road, County Highway Establishment**

**Recommendation:** This department recommends that the Engineer's recommendation be accepted and that a public hearing be set for August 12, 2014 to establish the remaining segments of Gleeson Road Road, from Tombstone to Highway 191, as a declared County Highway.

**Background (Brief):** Gleeson Road connects the City of Tombstone to the communities of Gleeson and Elfrida, and is one of only two central routes between Highway 80 and Highway 191. Due to the use of this vital corridor for agriculture and residential purposes, the Board of Supervisors directed that the road be upgraded from a native surface to a chip-sealed surface. Over several years the road has been improved via a combination of contracted and in-house efforts.

While Gleeson Road was declared a County Highway in 1905, the declaration was rescinded by Resolution 03-82 so that the road could be signed as a Primitive Road. Due to the improved condition of the road, it no longer serves as a Primitive Road. In 2009 and 2011 several resolutions were adopted to reestablish portions as a County Highway. With the completion of the road improvement staff recommends that a public hearing date be set for the Board to consider reestablishing the remaining segment as a Declared County Highway.

**Fiscal Impact & Funding Sources:** No fiscal impact for accepting the Engineer's recommendation and setting a public hearing date.

**Next Steps/Action Items/Follow-up:** Upon acceptance of the Engineer's recommendation, a public hearing will be scheduled and advertised as required by statute.

**Impact of Not Approving:** A portion of Gleeson Road will not be established as a Declared County Highway.