



# COCHISE COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

*"Public Programs...Personal Service"*

**DATE:** 8/18/2016

**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**THRU:** Karen C. Riggs, Director

**FROM:** Teresa Murphy, Right-of-Way Agent

**SUBJECT:** Establishing Camino de Manana in Huachuca City as a Declared County Highway

**Recommendation:** Staff recommends accepting the County Engineer's recommendation and setting a public hearing for September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2016 to establish a portion of Camino de Manana as a County Highway.

**Background (Brief):** Camino de Manana, a County maintained road located in the Mustang Corners area, is damaged annually due to flooding. An unnamed wash traverses the Cochise Ranchos subdivision from Sands Ranch Road in the west and runs in a northeasterly direction until it reaches Camino De Manana west of Highway 90. At Highway 90 ADOT created a substantial drainage channel to convey these flows under Highway 90 and an additional 1.1 miles (approx) through subdivisions east of Highway 90. The area west of Highway 90 is becoming more developed, increasing the need year round access on Camino de Manana.

As part of the annual budget the Board authorized addressing this situation. Subsequently a drainage channel was built and the road surface upgraded to a chip seal surface in order to protect the road in the area of the channel. Due to the nature of the improvements it is necessary to establish this portion of Camino de Manana as a County highway. In accordance with statute, the County Engineer is recommending that the road be established as a highway and requests that the Board set a public hearing date for September 27<sup>th</sup> to consider this recommendation.

**Fiscal Impact & Funding Sources:** No fiscal impact for establishing a highway. The improvements were completed as part of the project that was an approved expenditure by the Board of Supervisors for the 2015-2016 annual budget. Additional funds from ADEMA Hurricane Odile relief were also utilized.

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

**Impact of Not Approving:** That portion of Camino de Manana will not be established as a declared County Highway and completed improvements will be in conflict with state statute.