

Glendale agrees to build high-speed roadway

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Three Valley cities partnering on the major street-improvement project have resolved to work together. Soon a federal review of Northern Parkway designs and the project's environmental impact can begin.

At stake: Construction of the six-lane, commuter-friendly Northern Parkway, connecting Grand Avenue and the future Loop 303.

Update: The Glendale City Council last week agreed to cooperate with Peoria, El Mirage and Maricopa County on the project, which will widen Northern Avenue to relieve east-west traffic congestion, especially on Interstate 10 and Bell Road. The vote was 7-0.

What's next: Peoria and El Mirage have approved the partnership. Design work still needs to be finished. Construction begins in 2010. In addition, Glendale has agreed to work with Peoria on the Beardsley Road Connector project, which will allow access to Loop 101 from Beardsley Road through a new U-turn interchange.

Learn more: Glendale Transportation Office, 623-930-2940.