

Town of Queen Creek
Flood Control District of Maricopa County
Sonoqui Wash Channelization, Phase II Project

PAAC Meeting #1 Comments Summary
February 17, 2009

Phase I Evaluation Comments

- Concern of how wash looked once construction was complete
- The construction did not match the design intent
- Slopes were not rounded – too sharp
- Water remained where it previously ran before
- Need to survey where water flows now
- Residential concern is tied to the lack of vegetation
- Pathway erosion
- Vegetation did not occur
- Connections to regional facility
- Could use cement structure to ensure water flows where it should go
- Concrete should blend in with natural surroundings
- Concrete is a concern with equestrian users
 - How can we maintain dirt that covers concrete structures will remain in place
- Site amenities/rest nodes like Queen Creek Wash (provided/funded by the Town)
- Existing landscape slows down water flow
- Need ways to slow water down to alleviate erosion issues
- Better to do project slower to ensure landscape can be added during the construction
- Cost of landscaping vs. cost of repairing issues
- Bottom surface of channel/wash needs to be sand for equestrian use (natural sand)
- Too much vegetation can cause water issues
- On-going maintenance issue – need to thin out vegetation
- Need to maintain vegetation
- Queen Creek has major thinning issues
- Long-term maintenance
- Need landscape maintenance plan so same issues will not occur like in Queen Creek Wash
- Preserve cultural site for interpretive area (like stage stop)
- Opportunity to preserve or salvage existing landscape
- Timeline of establishment for landscape – let public know how long it will take landscape to grow (i.e, what it will look like in 5 years, etc.)
- A program where residents can help establish the landscape would be good