

WMAT DOT NEWS

A MONTHLY NEWSLETTER FROM THE
 WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE
 DIVISION OF TRANSPORTATION



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DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

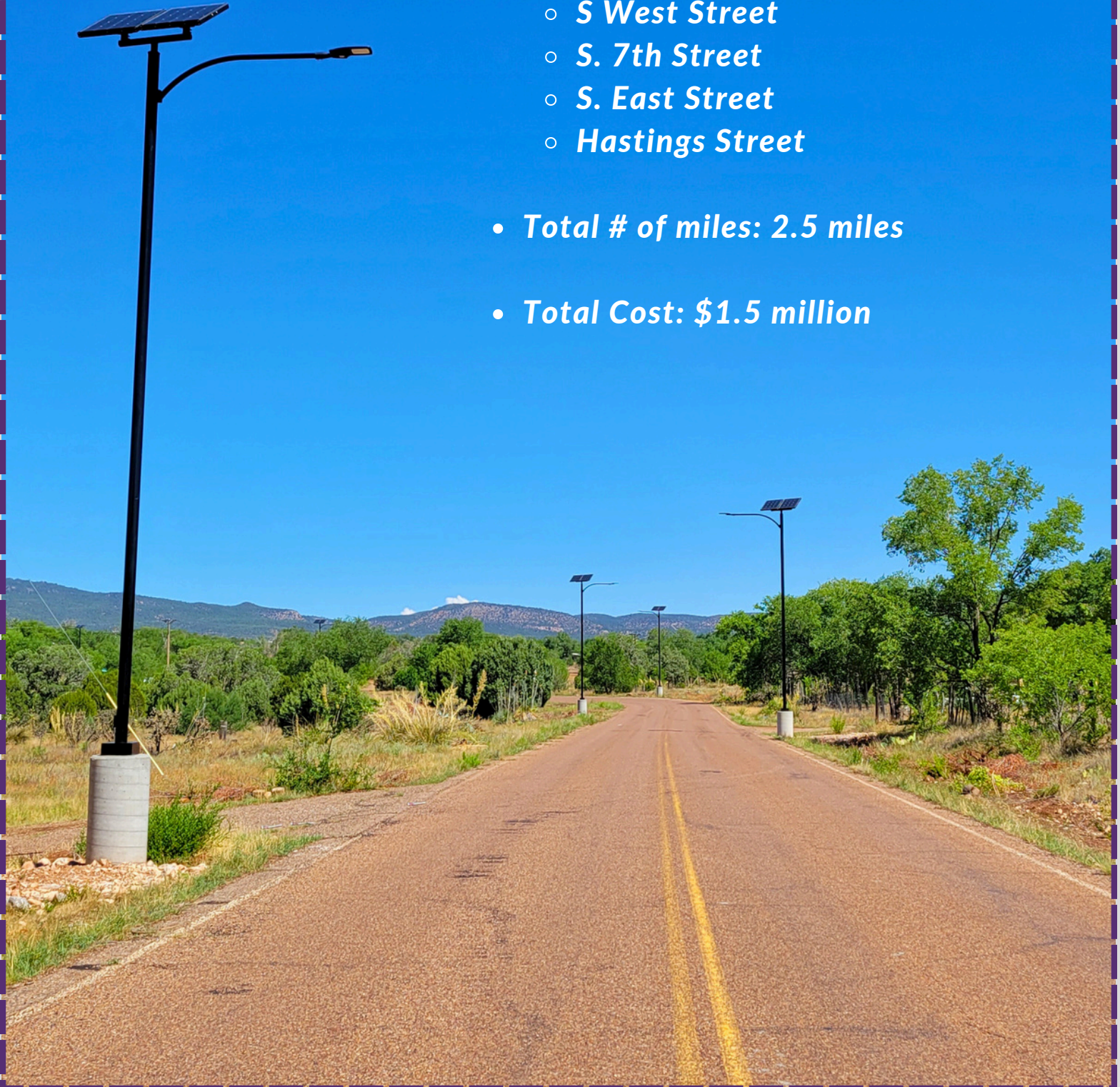
Hello Summer! June and July have been productive months. The Division of Transportation is proud to announce the completion of the Canyon Day Solar Street Light Project. It is great to see the lights illuminating the streets around the Canyon Day community. I hope that the lights provide security and comfort to those that live in these areas. For the past two months I have also met with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) where we discussed the Whiteriver Airport. I'm thankful they took the time to come visit Whiteriver and see how our Airport is maintained. We discussed some future projects for the Airport which we look forward to working on. It was good to hear some positive feedback and have a more concrete direction on where to go from here. I'd also like to say thank you to my team on your continuous hard work to help keeping the Division of Transportation running smoothly and provide services to the White Mountain Apache Tribe.

LaReesa Sanchez, Director

CANYON DAY SOLAR LIGHTING PROJECT

Project Completed: June 30, 2024

- **Location: Canyon Day**
 - **Marigold Ave.**
 - **S West Street**
 - **S. 7th Street**
 - **S. East Street**
 - **Hastings Street**
- **Total # of miles: 2.5 miles**
- **Total Cost: \$1.5 million**





CANYON DAY SOLAR LIGHTING PROJECT

DOT had their Grand Opening for the completion of the Canyon Day Solar Lighting Project.



CANYON DAY SOLAR LIGHTING PROJECT

DOT also had prominent speakers that shared strong messages about the finished project and hope for the future.



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ROAD REPAIR

DOT repaired a number of small damages on various roads in neighborhoods in the month of June.



CUTTING ELM TREES



DOT recently trimmed and cut the Elm trees alongside the roadways and intersections.

The Elm trees proved to limit visibility for drivers and be an obstruction that needed to be addressed.



CHILD PASSENGER SAFETY

LOCK IN THE FUTURE

Buckle Up: Every Age, Every Trip

The best way to protect children in the car is to put them in the right seat at the right time - and use it the right way.

Our car seat technicians are available for presentations as well as one-on-one appointments

Call a WMAT DOT Technician at 928.338.5155

Schedule an appointment today, it could save a life!

CHILD PASSENGER SAFETY

CAR SEAT UPDATE

The Division of Transportation currently has a couple booster seats available to parents/caregivers for free. The booster seats are for children who are the height of 44 to 57 inches (4 feet or higher) and weigh 40 to 120 pound.

The parent/caregiver will need to contact DOT at 928-338-5155 to setup an appointment for a one-one session to explain the ins and outs of the booster seat. Your child should be available for the whole experience as well.

DOT will be introducing the Low-Income Guidelines to reach parents/caregivers who need a car seat, but cannot afford one. Parents/caregivers will need to bring in a document stating they meet the low-income status.

No, we will not keep these documents; they are solely just for verification. Documents may be a Food Distribution letter; Paystubs; DES letter (Food Stamps); or any income source. The document will need to have their name and address on it, no exception.

Should you have any question regarding this, please don't hesitate to call the office and speak with Marco J. Burnette, Transportation Specialist.





WMAT / SCAT Seneca Connector Route

The White Mountain Apache Tribe and San Carlos Apache Tribe are in conjunction with a seasonal transit route connecting the Fort Apache Connection Transit and Apache Transit.

Fares:

WMAT Fort Apache Connection
•FREE•

SCAT Apache Transit
One Way: \$5.00
Round Trip: \$10.00

Times:

WMAT Fort Apache Connection
Transit will depart at 7:00 AM and
3:00 PM.

Connection time at Seneca with SCAT
Apache Transit will be at 9:00 AM and
5:00 PM.

Dates:

May 01 - Wednesday
May 15 - Wednesday
May 31 - Friday
June 14 - Friday
July 01 - Monday
July 15 - Monday
August 01 - Thursday
August 15 - Thursday
September 02 - Monday
September 16 - Monday
October 01 - Tuesday
October 15 - Tuesday



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WMAT/SCAT SENECA CONNECTOR ROUTE



Seneca Lake Connector Route



Apache Transit & Fort Apache Connection is offering their annual connecting route

May 1 & May 15
 May 31 & June 14
 July 1 & July 15
 August 1 & August 15
 September 2 & September 16
 October 1 & October 15

Fares **\$5 one-way \$10 roundtrip**
 Seats are limited to 14

This route is open to the public. Passengers from Globe/Miami and surrounding areas are encouraged to take advantage of joining our Apache Transit team on this adventure up north or down south.

For more information or to make reservations



Apache Transit at (928) 475-5023
 or FACT at (928) 338-5155



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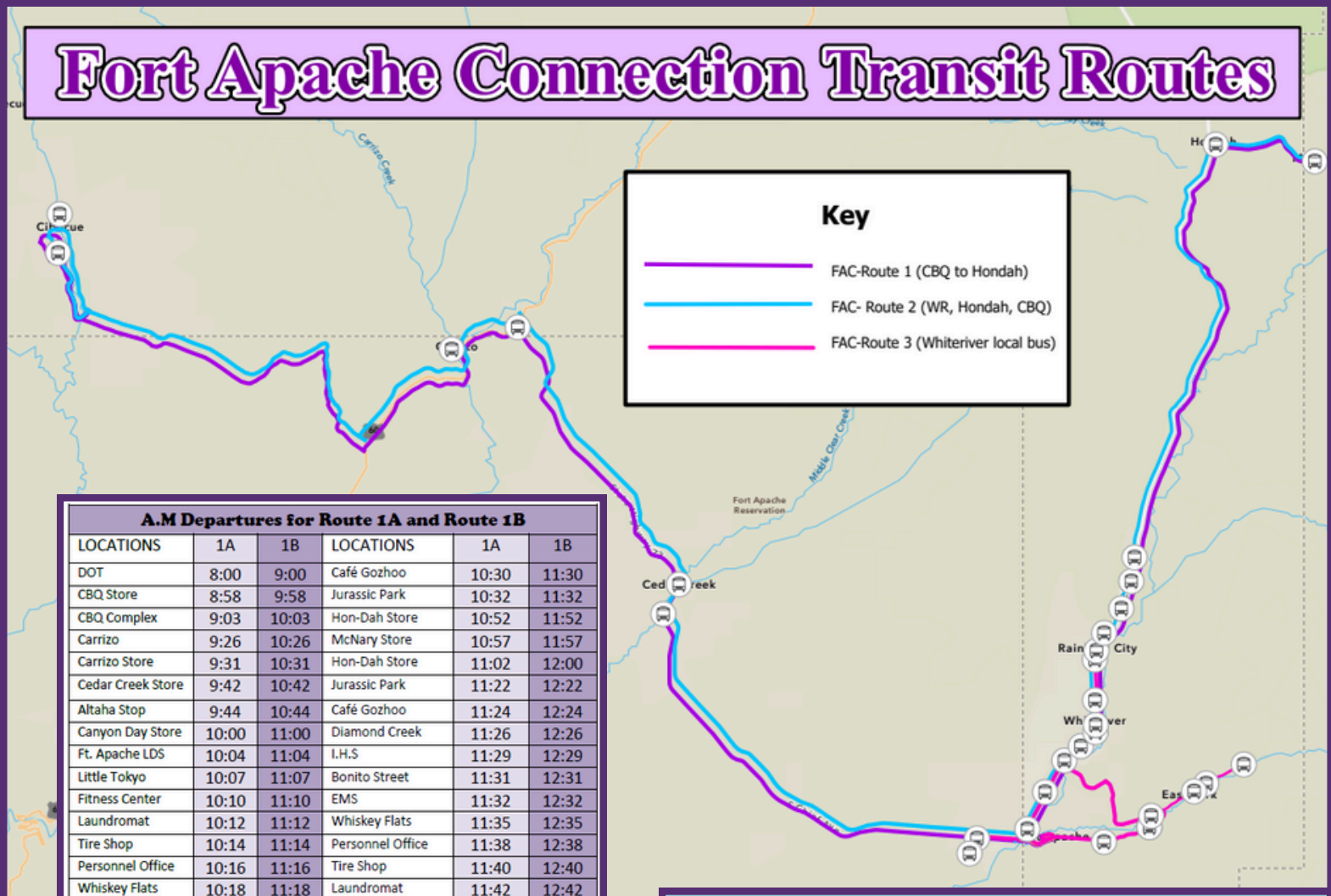
Bylas Store	6:05 a.m.
Noline's	6:30 a.m.
Airport 79	6:45 a.m.
SC Marketplace	6:50 a.m.
Indian Hills	6:55 a.m.
GWAC	7:00 a.m.
Taco Bell Parking Lot	7:45 a.m.
Depart Globe	7:55 a.m.
Arrive at Seneca	8:45 a.m.
Depart Seneca	9:00 a.m.
Apache Gold Casino	9:45 a.m.
Apache Sky Casino	10:30 a.m.

Apache Sky Casino	2:30 p.m.
Apache Gold Casino	3:30 p.m.
Globe Stop	3:50 p.m.
Seneca Transfer	4:50 p.m.

Apache Transit passengers will be returned to their pick-up locations.

FORT APACHE CONNECTION

Fort Apache Connection Transit Routes



A.M Departures for Route 1A and Route 1B					
LOCATIONS	1A	1B	LOCATIONS	1A	1B
DOT	8:00	9:00	Café Gozhoo	10:30	11:30
CBQ Store	8:58	9:58	Jurassic Park	10:32	11:32
CBQ Complex	9:03	10:03	Hon-Dah Store	10:52	11:52
Carrizo	9:26	10:26	McNary Store	10:57	11:57
Carrizo Store	9:31	10:31	Hon-Dah Store	11:02	12:00
Cedar Creek Store	9:42	10:42	Jurassic Park	11:22	12:22
Altaha Stop	9:44	10:44	Café Gozhoo	11:24	12:24
Canyon Day Store	10:00	11:00	Diamond Creek	11:26	12:26
Ft. Apache LDS	10:04	11:04	I.H.S	11:29	12:29
Little Tokyo	10:07	11:07	Bonito Street	11:31	12:31
Fitness Center	10:10	11:10	EMS	11:32	12:32
Laundromat	10:12	11:12	Whiskey Flats	11:35	12:35
Tire Shop	10:14	11:14	Personnel Office	11:38	12:38
Personnel Office	10:16	11:16	Tire Shop	11:40	12:40
Whiskey Flats	10:18	11:18	Laundromat	11:42	12:42
EMS	10:21	11:21	Fitness Center	11:44	12:44
Bonito Street	10:23	11:23	Little Tokyo	11:47	12:47
I.H.S	10:25	11:25	Ft. Apache LDS	11:50	12:50
Diamond Creek	10:28	11:28	Canyon Day Store	11:54	12:54
P.M Departures for Route 1A and Route 1B					
LOCATIONS	1A	1B	LOCATIONS	1A	1B
Canyon Day Store	1:05	2:05	CBQ Complex	2:07	3:07
Altaha Stop	1:20	2:20	Carrizo	2:33	3:33
CedarCreek Store	1:22	2:22	Carrizo Store	2:37	3:37
Carrizo Store	1:33	2:33	Cedar Creek Store	2:48	3:48
Carrizo	1:38	2:38	Altaha Stop	2:50	3:50
CBQ Store	2:02	3:02	Canyon Day Store	3:06	4:06

A.M Departures for Route 2A and Route 2B								
LOCATIONS	2A	2B	LOCATIONS	2A	2B	LOCATIONS	2A	2B
DOT	8:00	9:00	Hon-Dah Store	9:02	10:02	Carrizo Store	10:17	11:17
Canyon Day Store	8:04	9:04	Jurassic Park	9:19	10:19	Carrizo	10:22	11:22
Ft. Apache LDS	8:07	9:07	Café Gozhoo	9:21	10:21	CBQ Store	10:51	11:51
Little Tokyo	8:10	9:10	Diamond Creek	9:23	10:23	CBQ Complex	10:55	11:55
Fitness Center	8:13	9:13	I.H.S	9:26	10:26	Carrizo	11:26	12:26
Laundromat	8:15	9:15	Bonito Street	9:29	10:29	Carrizo Store	11:31	12:31
Tire Shop	8:17	9:17	EMS	9:30	10:30	Cedar Creek Store	11:42	12:42
Personnel Office	8:19	9:19	Whiskey Flats	9:32	10:32	Altaha Stop	11:44	12:44
Whiskey Flats	8:21	9:21	Personnel Office	9:35	10:35	Canyon Day Store	12:01	1:01
EMS	8:23	9:23	Tire Shop	9:36	10:36			
Bonito Street	8:24	9:24	Laundromat	9:38	10:38			
I.H.S	8:26	9:26	Fitness Center	9:40	10:40			
Diamond Creek	8:29	9:29	Little Tokyo	9:43	10:43			
Café Gozhoo	8:32	9:32	Ft. Apache LDS	9:45	10:45			
Jurassic Park	8:34	9:34	Canyon Day Store	9:48	10:48			
Hon-Dah Store	8:51	9:51	Altaha Stop	10:04	11:04			
McNary Store	8:56	9:56	Cedar Creek Store	10:06	11:06			

A.M Departures for Route 3(R3)					P.M Departures	
LOCATIONS	R3	R3	R3	R3	R3	R3
DOT	8:00	9:00	10:00	11:00	1:00	2:00
Seven Mile Store	8:05	9:05	10:05	11:05	1:05	2:05
East Fork Bus Stop	8:09	9:09	10:09	11:09	1:09	2:09
EF Bus Turn Around	8:13	9:13	10:13	11:13	1:13	2:13
McNeil Lane	8:16	9:16	10:16	11:16	1:16	2:16
Dove Street	8:19	9:19	10:19	11:19	1:19	2:19
EF Trading Post	8:24	9:24	10:24	11:24	1:24	2:24
Fitness Center	8:30	9:30	10:30	11:30	1:30	2:30
Personnel Office	8:34	9:34	10:34	11:34	1:34	2:34
I.H.S	8:39	9:39	10:39	11:39	1:39	2:39
Personnel Office	8:44	9:44	10:44	11:44	1:44	2:44
Fitness Center	8:48	9:48	10:48	11:48	1:48	2:48
CD West Street	8:55	9:55	10:55	11:55	1:55	2:55
Canyon Day Store	8:57	9:57	10:57	11:57	1:57	2:57

P.M Departures for Route 2A and Route 2B								
LOCATIONS	2A	2B	LOCATIONS	2A	2B	LOCATIONS	2A	2B
Canyon Day Store	1:05	2:05	Diamond Creek	1:34	2:33	EMS	2:40	3:40
Ft. Apache LDS	1:08	2:08	Café Gozhoo	1:37	2:37	Whiskey Flats	2:43	3:43
Little Tokyo	1:13	2:13	Jurassic Park	1:40	2:40	Personnel Office	2:45	3:45
Fitness Center	1:16	2:16	Hon-Dah Store	1:58	2:58	Tire Shop	2:47	3:47
Laundromat	1:18	2:16	McNary Store	2:03	3:03	Laundromat	2:49	3:49
Tire Shop	1:21	2:21	Hon-Dah Store	2:08	3:08	Fitness Center	2:51	3:51
Personnel Office	1:23	2:23	Jurassic Park	2:26	3:26	Little Tokyo	2:54	3:54
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FORT APACHE CONNECTION



INFORMATION & SERVICES

- The FAC Transit currently operates three bus routes;
 - Route 1,
 - Route 2 and,
 - Route 3
- The FAC Transit has a seasonal connector route with San Carlos Apache Tribe to meet at Seneca.
- The FAC Transit will pick up and drop off passengers at designated bus stop locations from Monday to Friday.
- The FAC Transit will deviate off the three routes, UP TO 3/4 of a mile Monday to Friday. Must call ahead of scheduled time.
- You can connect with the Four Seasons Connection at Hon-Dah Store. All transit buses are wheelchair accessible and operated in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act.
- **NO ALCOHOL OR DRUGS** are allowed on the transit bus. If you are intoxicated you will be denied a ride.

FORT APACHE CONNECTION



HOURS & HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

- Transit Service Hours:
 - Monday to Friday 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM
- Transit does not run on the following holidays:
 - New Year's Day
 - Memorial Day
 - Independence Day
 - Labor Day
 - Veteran's Day
 - Thanksgiving
 - Christmas
 - Any days the White Mountain Apache Tribe deems a Tribal Holiday

ANNOUNCEMENT

Times listed on the schedule are arrival times and vary due to connecting with other transit buses, traffic, weather conditions and bus stops.

AM times are shown in LIGHT face type. PM times are shown in **BOLD** face type.

WMAT DOT FUNDING Q&A

HOW IS WMAT DOT FUNDED?

WMAT DOT receives its funding from the Highway Trust Fund. This funding is allocated to tribes, and then dispersed through the United States Department of Transportation Federal Highway Administration, Office of Tribal Transportation and the Bureau of Indian Affairs. Funds are allocated among Tribes using a formula based on tribal population, road mileage and average tribal shares of the former Tribal Transportation Allocation Methodology (TTAM) formula

HOW CAN WMAT DOT USE THESE FUNDS?

All Tribal Transportation Program (TTP) funds provided to Tribes can be expended only on eligible projects and activities identified in the federal regulations and included in an FHWA approved Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Funds can be used for the following:

- Transportation planning, research, maintenance, engineering, rehabilitation, restoration, construction, and reconstruction of tribal transportation facilities
- Operation and maintenance of transit programs and facilities that are located on, or provide access to, tribal land, or are administered by a tribal government
- Any transportation project eligible for assistance under this title that is located within, or that provides access to, tribal land, or is associated with a tribal government

WMAT DOT prepares the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), a 5-year plan for improvements on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation. Each project on the TIP is supported by tribal resolution. WMAT DOT submits the TIP to the BIA Division of Transportation (BIADOT) for review and approval. BIADOT reviews, approves, and forwards the TIP to FHWA Federal Lands Highway Office (FLHO) for approval. WMAT DOT can allocate TTP funds for its projects once the TIP is approved by FHWA.

WHAT IS THE TTP?

The Tribal Transportation Program (TTP) is the largest program in the Office of Federal Lands Highway. Established in 23 U.S.C. 202 to address the transportation needs of Tribal governments throughout the United States, the program will receive \$505 million in FY 2020, as established in Public Law 114-94, Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (the FAST Act). The purpose of the TTP is to provide safe and adequate transportation and public road access to and within Indian reservations, Indian lands, and Alaska Native Village communities. A prime objective of the TTP is to contribute to the economic development, self-determination, and employment of Indians and Native Americans. The Tribal Transportation Program is funded by contract authority from the Highway Trust Fund and is subject to the overall Federal-aid obligation limitation.



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