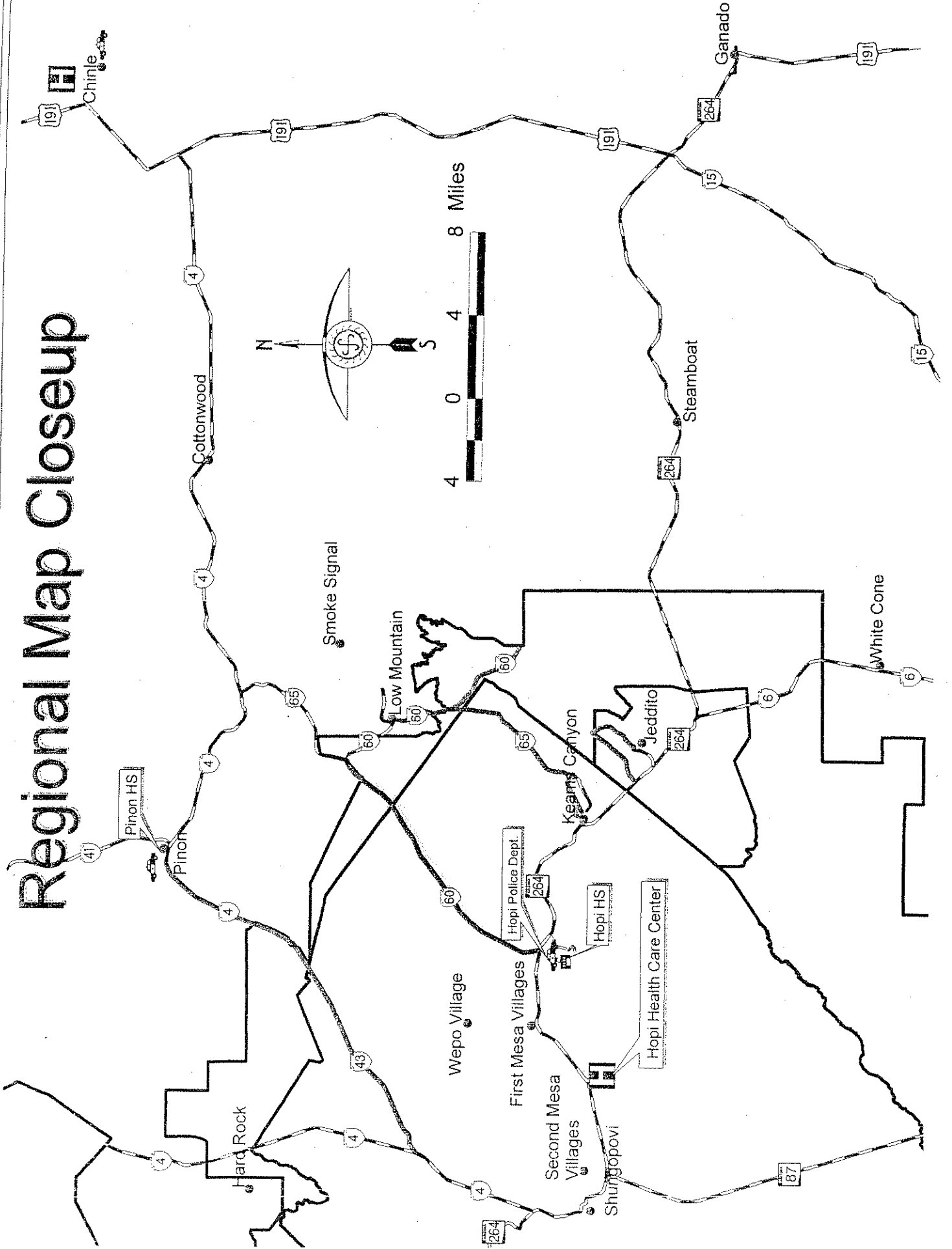




# Regional Map Closeup



- Application for funds under the Transportation Equity Act for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century (TEA-21), Public Lands Highway Discretionary Program.

- The application was electronically submitted to Arizona Department of Transportation on June 19, 2001, attention: Mr. John L. Louis, Assistant State Engineer, Roadway Engineering Group, 205 South 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Room 129E, Mail Drop 611E, Phoenix, AZ 85007.

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- The project title on our application is Polacca – Low Mountain Road Project, which is on the Hopi Indian Reservation (HIR)-Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Route 60.
- The existing 13.7 miles of dirt road is
  - current use
  - future use as all-weather road
  - efforts of both Hopi and Navajo Tribes.

## **Application for Funds under the Public Lands Highways Discretionary Program**

1. **State:** Arizona
2. **U.S. Congressional District No.:** Arizona District No. 3
3. **U.S. Congressional District Member's Name:** Representative Bob Stump
4. **Project Title:** Polacca – Low Mountain Road Project
5. **Project Location:**

Hopi Indian Reservation (HIR)-Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Route 60 begins at State Route (SR) 264, Mile Post 396, North 13.7 miles to Navajo/Hopi boundary and ties onto Navajo Route N65 which in turn intersects Navajo Route N4, in the northeastern corner of Arizona within the northern part of Navajo County on the Hopi Reservation.
6. **Proposed Work:**

The proposed work includes preliminary and final engineering work in the first phase. The first phase will include right-of-way acquisition, archaeological studies, environmental studies, geo-technical studies, surveys and designs. The second and third phases will be the conversion of the dirt road to, and construction of, an all-weather HIR-BIA Route 60 in accordance to BIA design and road standard.
7. **Public Lands Category:**

The project road lies entirely within the Hopi Reservation and will improve local access to schools, medical services, law enforcement services, community and commercial businesses as well as link the Hopi and Navajo Nations.
8. **Project Purpose and Benefits:**

The existing dirt road, HIR-BIA 60, is a significant artery of traffic for schools, medical services, law enforcement services, commercial businesses, and local/tribal/county/state/federal agencies. Currently, the communities suffer due to slow response time of emergency vehicles and suffer economically by not attracting businesses to provide much needed services. With the construction of an all-weather road, the quality of life for residents of both Hopi and Navajo reservations will improve. This road is a vital link for residents of both reservations and to the general public.
9. **Planning and Coordination:**

The Hopi Tribal Transportation Task Team will take the lead in planning and coordinating of this Project. Cooperating agencies are: First Mesa Consolidated Village/Pinon Unified School District/Hopi Junior-Senior High School/Navajo Department of Transportation/BIA Western Regional Office, Hopi Agency, Navajo Regional Office/Northland Pioneer College/Navajo County/Hopi Health Care Facility/Arizona Department of Transportation/Federal Highway Administration.

**10. Current and Future Traffic:**

The 1999 Average Daily Traffic at HIR-BIA Route 60 and Navajo Route N65 connection was 439 vehicles per day. The projected Average Daily Traffic is 653 vehicle per day by FY-2005. The poor condition of this needed and increasingly used road will only worsen with the passage of time as more demands are placed upon its limited capacity by the growing local population and the development of additional commercial, educational, and personal services centers.

**11. Project Administration:**

It has been agreed by the Regional Roads Engineer, BIA, Western Regional Office, Branch of Roads, 400 North Fifth Street, 13<sup>th</sup> Floor, Phoenix, AZ, to administer the funds for the planning and designing phase. It is anticipated that the BIA will work with the Hopi Tribe during the construction phase and some work may be contracted under P.L. 93-638.

**12. Amount of Federal Public Lands Highways (PLH) Discretionary Funds Requested:**

Four million dollars is requested to cover the cost of the first phase of preliminary planning, designing and final engineering. This includes surveys, designs, rights of way, geo-technical investigations, and archaeological and environmental studies.

**13. Commitment of Other Funds:**

Thus far, no other funds have been committed to this project. Construction funding that is allocated each year to the Hopi Tribe is already committed to fund the tribe's priority listing of projects. There are no other funds available to commit.

**14. Previous PLH Discretionary Funding:**

No Public Lands Highway Discretionary Funds have been received for this project or any other project on the Hopi Reservation.

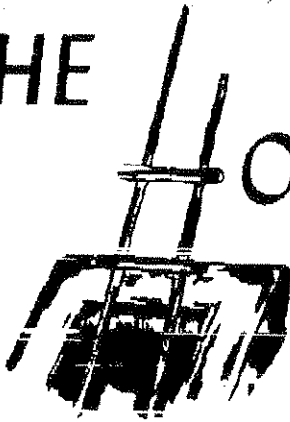
**15. Future Funding Needs:**

The Hopi Tribe will be applying for the Public Lands Highway Discretionary Funds for Fiscal Year 2003 and Fiscal Year 2004 for the construction of HIR-BIA Route 60. The total estimated cost would be approximately \$15 to \$20 million.

**16. Project Schedule:**

The first phase of the Project is ready to begin on October 1, 2001, Fiscal Year 2002.

# THE HOPI TRIBE




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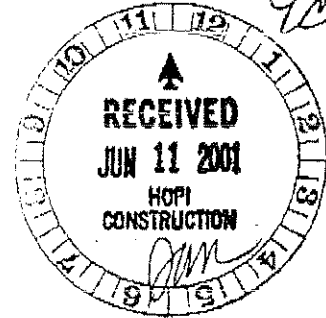
## MEMORANDUM

TO: Todd Honyaoma Sr., Chairperson  
Transportation Task Team

FROM:   
Mary A. Felter, Tribal Secretary  
Hopi Tribal Council

DATE: June 6, 2001

SUBJECT: HIR/BIA Route H-60 A.I. #068-2001



On May 30, 2001 the Hopi Tribal Council by motion and majority vote approved Resolution H-053-2001.

By passage of this resolution, the Hopi Tribal Council amends Resolution H-77-95 to include Bureau of Indian Affairs Route H-60 to the existing Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to be eligible for Public Lands Highway Discretionary Funding in FY 2002.

Should you have any questions, you may contact me at extension 134.

- xc: Office of the Chairman
- Office of the Vice Chairman
- Office of the Treasurer
- Department of Natural Resources
- Hopi Construction
- Village of Sipanlovi
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HOPI TRIBAL COUNCIL  
RESOLUTION  
H-053-2001

- WHEREAS, the Hopi Tribal Council is empowered by the Constitution and By-Laws of the Hopi Tribe, ARTICLE VI-POWERS OF THE TRIBAL COUNCIL, SECTION 1 (a) "To represent and speak for the Hopi Tribe in all matters for the welfare of the Tribe . . ." and (n) "To adopt resolutions providing the way in which the Tribal Council itself shall do its business."; and
- WHEREAS, the Hopi Tribal Council through the "Hopit Potskwaniat" (Tribal Resolution H-101-95), directs and authorizes the design and development of a safe and efficient road system for the Hopi Reservation; and
- WHEREAS, there is an immediate need to address and strengthen all transportation functions throughout the Tribal programs on the reservation who provide services to the Hopi public; and
- WHEREAS, the Hopi Tribal Council established a Transportation Task Team to ensure that the Hopi Tribe will benefit from programs and additional funding sources which may be available through various funding agencies; and
- WHEREAS, the Bureau of Indian Affairs and Arizona Department of Transportation, continue to be the primary funding agencies for projects and maintenance on the Hopi Reservation; and
- WHEREAS, throughout the years, funding for transportation has decreased while materials and labor costs have increased, and these two agencies are prohibited from lobbying for adequate and additional federal funding; and
- WHEREAS, BIA Route H-60 on the Hopi Reservation is in need of improvements,


HOPI TRIBAL COUNCIL  
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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Hopi Tribal Council hereby approves amending H-77-95 by adding BIA Route H-60 to existing Tribe Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), to be eligible for Public Lands Highway Discretionary Funding in FY 2002.


BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Hopi Transportation Task Team is authorized to solicit and lobby through the Office of Chairman for funding at all levels of State and Federal Government as well as from other funding sources in support of constructing of HIR/BIA Route H-60.

CERTIFICATION

The Hopi Tribal Council duly adopted the foregoing resolution on May 30, 2001, at a meeting at which a quorum was present with a vote of 14 in favor, 1 opposed, 0 abstaining (Vice Chairman presiding and not voting) pursuant to the authority vested in the Hopi Tribal Council by ARTICLE VI-POWERS OF THE TRIBAL COUNCIL, SECTION 1 (a) and (n) of the Hopi Tribal Constitution and By-Laws of the Hopi Tribe of Arizona, as ratified by the Tribe on October 24, 1936, and approved by the Secretary of Interior on December 19, 1936, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934. Said resolution is effective as of the date of adoption and does not require Secretarial approval.

  
Phillip R. Quoehytewa, Sr., Vice Chairman  
Hopi Tribal Council

ATTEST:

  
Mary A. Felton, Tribal Secretary  
Hopi Tribal Council