





Considerations for Selecting Pedestrian Hybrid Beacon Locations

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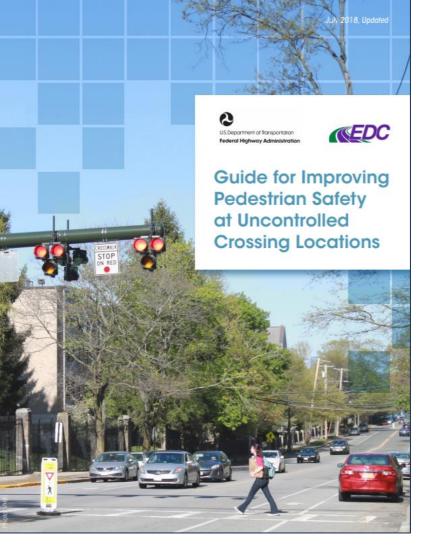
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2018 STEP Guide

Table 1. Application of pedestrian crash countermeasures by roadway feature.

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Given the set of conditions in a cell,

- # Signifies that the countermeasure is a candidate treatment at a marked uncontrolled crossing location.
- Signifies that the countermeasure should always be considered, but not mandated or required, based upon engineering judgment at a marked uncontrolled crossing location.
- O Signifies that crosswalk visibility enhancements should occur in conjunction with other identified countermeasures.*

The absence of a number signifies that the countermeasure is generally not an appropriate treatment, but exceptions may be considered following engineering judgment.

- High-visibility crosswalk markings, parking restriction on crosswalk approach, adequate nighttime lighting levels
- 2 Raised crosswalk
- 3 Advance Yield Here To (Stop Here For) Pedestrians sign and yield (stop) line
- 4 In-Street Pedestrian Crossing sign
- 5 Curb extension
- 6 Pedestrian refuge island
- 7 Pedestrian Hybrid Beacon or Rectangular Rapid-Flashing Beacon
- 8 Road Diet
- 9 Pedestrian Hybrid Beacon





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Arizona PHB Study on High-Speed Roads and PHB Safety Analysis

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Pedestrian Hybrid Beacon (formerly HAWK)







Blank for drivers





2 Flashing yellow





Steady yellow

3





4 Steady red













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Research Background

- Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) developed PHB guidelines in 2012
- National research has reported effectiveness of PHBs in reducing crashes, injuries and fatalities
- ADOT interested in a study to evaluate state data and evaluate effectiveness of PHBs on safety in Arizona







Research Objectives

- Do PHBs reduce the severity of ped/bike collisions?
- What is the ped/bike compliance with PHBs?
- Determine characteristics for optimal placement
- Review ADOT's existing PHB guidelines







Driver Behaviors

- Percent of drivers yielding to pedestrians
- Number of drivers not stopping during the steady red indication.
- Number of drivers not stopping during flashing red indication.
- Number of drivers on cross-streets turning at active PHB







Pedestrian Behaviors

- Percent pedestrians using pushbutton
- Percent crossing during each PHB phase
- PHB display when pedestrian/bicycle begins crossing
- Other behaviors observed at PHBs







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Question #1 - How Well Do PHBs Operate on Higher-Speed Roads?



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Study: Operational Analysis

- · Video data 10 sites (based on prior FHWA study)
- Evaluate Driver yielding/compliance, ped/bike compliance, etc.
- Natural ped/bike crossings and staged crossings









First Task: Identify PHBs in Arizona

- Total PHBs identified 207 in Arizona
- 10 higher-speed locations selected for study









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Operational Analysis: Study Sites

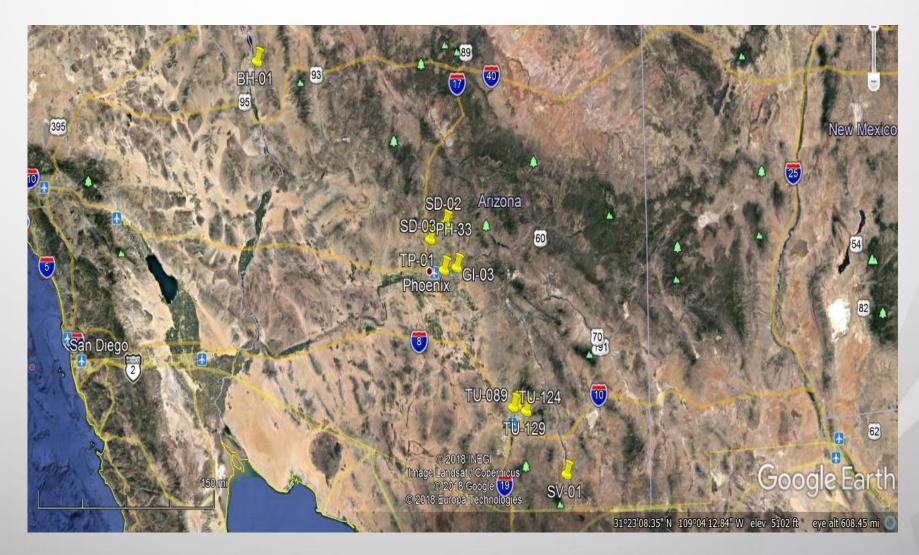
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40 mph		1		1
45 mph		5	1	6
50 mph	2	1		3
Total:	2	7	1	10

- High speed sites (45 & 50 mph)
- 2 sites state highways
- Most sites multiple lanes on the major street















Study Sites

Site	PSL (mph)	85th-%ile (mph)	Date	Diff (mph)
BH-01	45	47	Sept 2017	+2
GI-03	45	44	May 2018	-1
PH-33	45	53	April 2018	+7
SD-02	50	53	2005	+3
SD-03	50	54	2005	+4
SV-01	45	48	April 2018	+3
TP-01	45	No Speed Dat	a Available	N/A
TU-89	40	50	May 2018	+10
TU-124	45	48	May 2018	+3
TU-129	50	54	May 2018	+4



Example Study Site – 45 MPH

BH-01 Bullhead City: Highway 95 and 5th Street – Camera Locations



BH-01 – Bullhead City











Site	Yielders	Non-Yielders	All Vehicles	Yield Rate
BH-01	262	12	274	96%
GI-03	269	21	290	93%
PH-33	265	0	265	100%
SD-02	127	6	133	95%
SD-03	193	15	208	93%
SV-01	197	2	199	99%
TP-01	291	3	294	99%
TU-089	294	1	295	100%
TU-124	272	3	275	99%
TU-129	93	0	93	100%
All Sites	2,263	63	2,326	97%







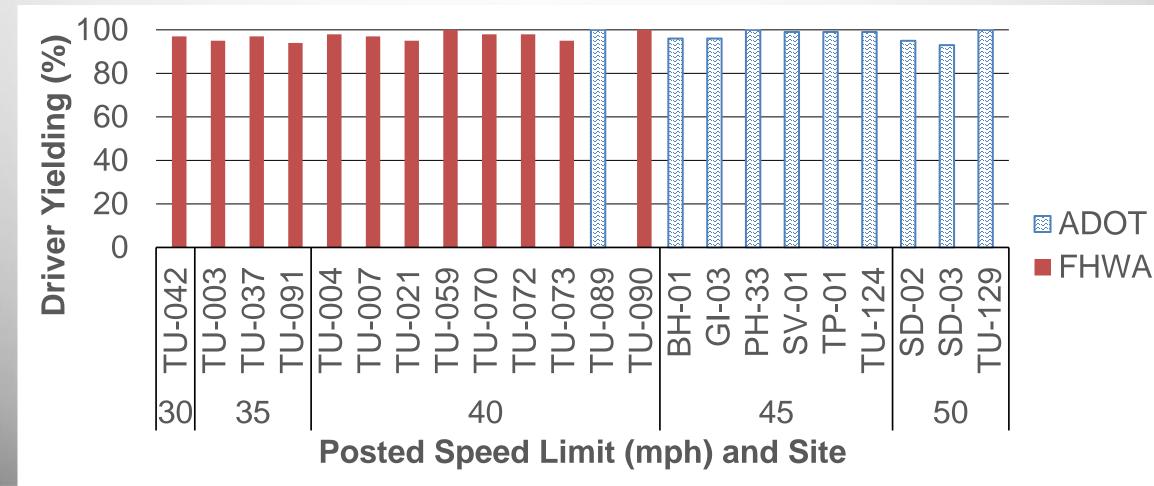
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BH-01	203	88%	407	38%
GI-03	203	86%	340	58%
PH-33	161	96%	290	38%
SD-02	141	82%	311	41%
SD-03	137	74%	146	75%
SV-01	136	95%	370	41%
TP-01	158	93%	597	39%
TU-089	198	98%	663	26%
TU-124	147	91%	450	34%
TU-129	49	90%	146	79%
All Sites	1533	90%	3720	41%













Operational Analysis: Key Findings

- Driver yielding for 10 sites = 97%
 - Posted speed limits between 40 and 50 mph
 - 85th percentile speed between 44 and 54 mph
- Similar driver yielding rate as lower speed sites
- Recommendation: Allow PHBs on 50 MPH streets





Question #2 – How Safe are PHBs for Pedestrians and Motorists?



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Safety Analysis

- Previous research: PHBs effective in reducing crashes, but findings limited due to sample size challenges
 - 2010 FHWA study: significant reduction for total (29%) and pedestrian (69%)
 - 2017 NCHRP study: significant reduction for total (18%), pedestrian (57%), rear-end (12%)
 - Findings for all crashes, not for severe (fatal + injury) crashes







Arizona DOT Research Project

• Objective:

- Investigate changes in crash severity and type, also spacing between PHB and signal
- Study approaches:
 - Empirical Bayes (EB)
 before-after (preferred)
 - Cross sectional (CS)









Identify PHBs in Arizona

- 207 PHBs in Arizona identified
- 52 = safety EB before-after (installed btw 2011 and 2015)
- 186 = safety cross sectional analysis
- 21 = not included in cross sectional analysis (installed too recently, major road ADT not available, etc.)







EB Safety – Key Finding, Crashes

• This ADOT study supports previous studies findings:

- 25% reduction in severe (fatal and injury) total crashes
 - (CMF of 0.75)
- 45% reduction in severe pedestrian-related crashes
 - (CMF of 0.55)
- 29% reduction in severe rear-end crashes
 - (CMF of 0.71)







Cross Sectional Safety – Findings

- More lanes on major: more crashes
- More lanes on cross street: more total and angle crashes
- Presence of median: fewer crashes (similar finding as other studies)
- Spacing between PHB and signal: only rear-end crashes at 0.1 level







Safety – Key Finding, #Legs

- Midblock (2-legs) versus intersection (3- or 4-legs)
 - Cross-sectional evaluation = no difference in crashes at PHBs with 2 legs (midblock) and at 3- or 4-leg intersections
- Provides additional support for the installation of PHBs at intersections or driveway approaches







Safety – Key Finding, Posted Speed

- Lower speed (35 or less) versus higher speed (40 or higher):
 - Not significant for all crash types studied except rear-end crashes
 - Rear-end crashes = fewer rear-end crashes are present when the posted speed limit is 35 or below
- Findings supports the inclusion of PHBs on higher speed roads









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City of Phoenix Approach to PHBs

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STOP PROCEED

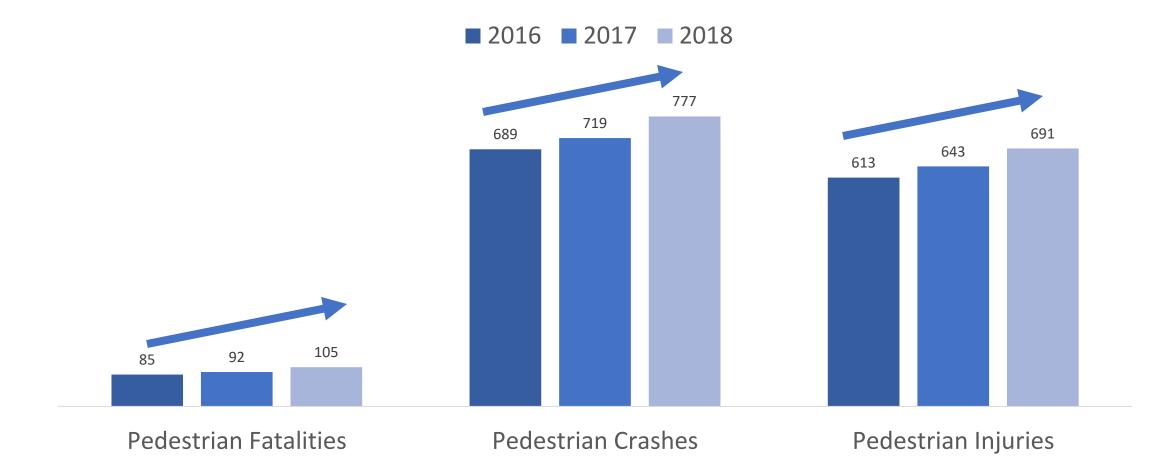
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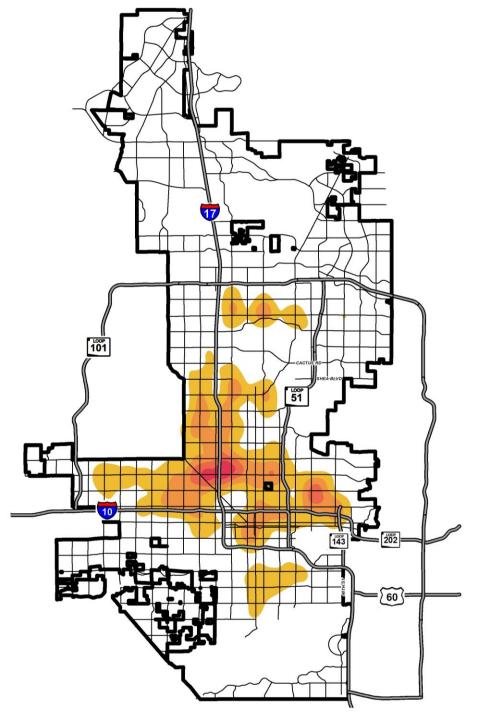
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Phoenix pedestrian collisions 3-year trends



PHBs in Phoenix (HAWKs)

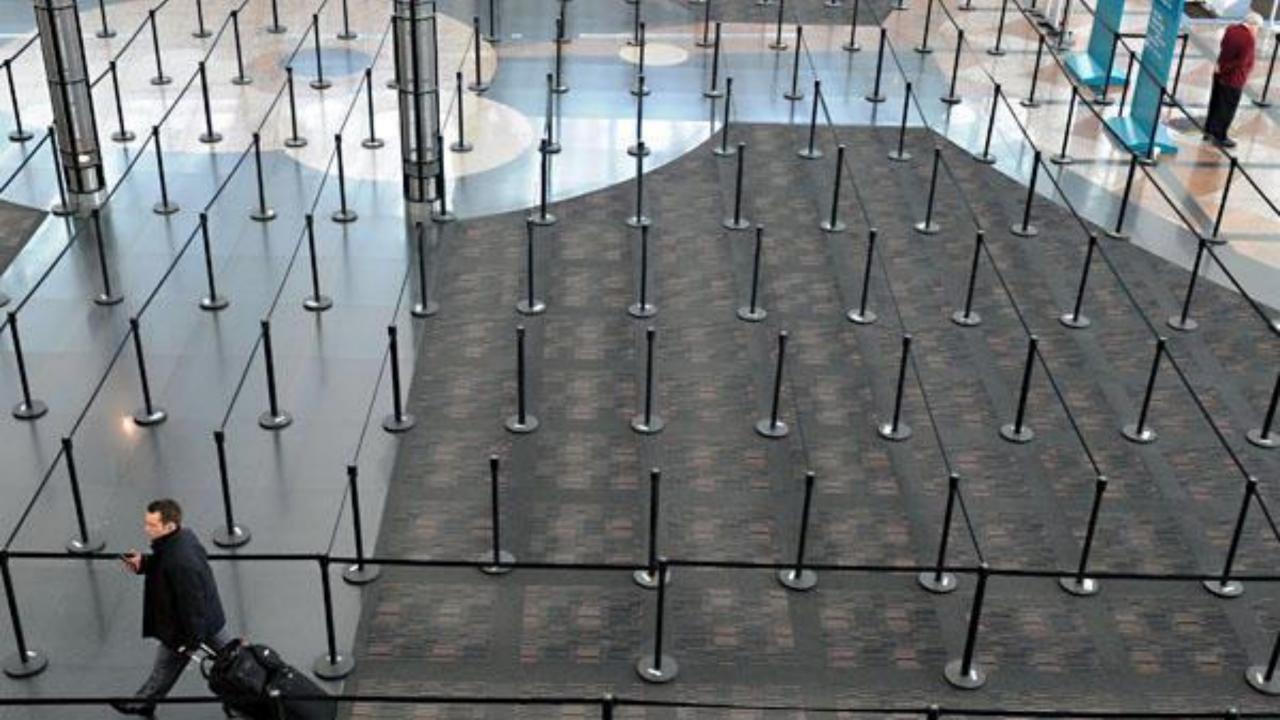
- High pedestrian collision locations
- Walking / crossing patterns
- Designing useful infrastructure
- Educating the public

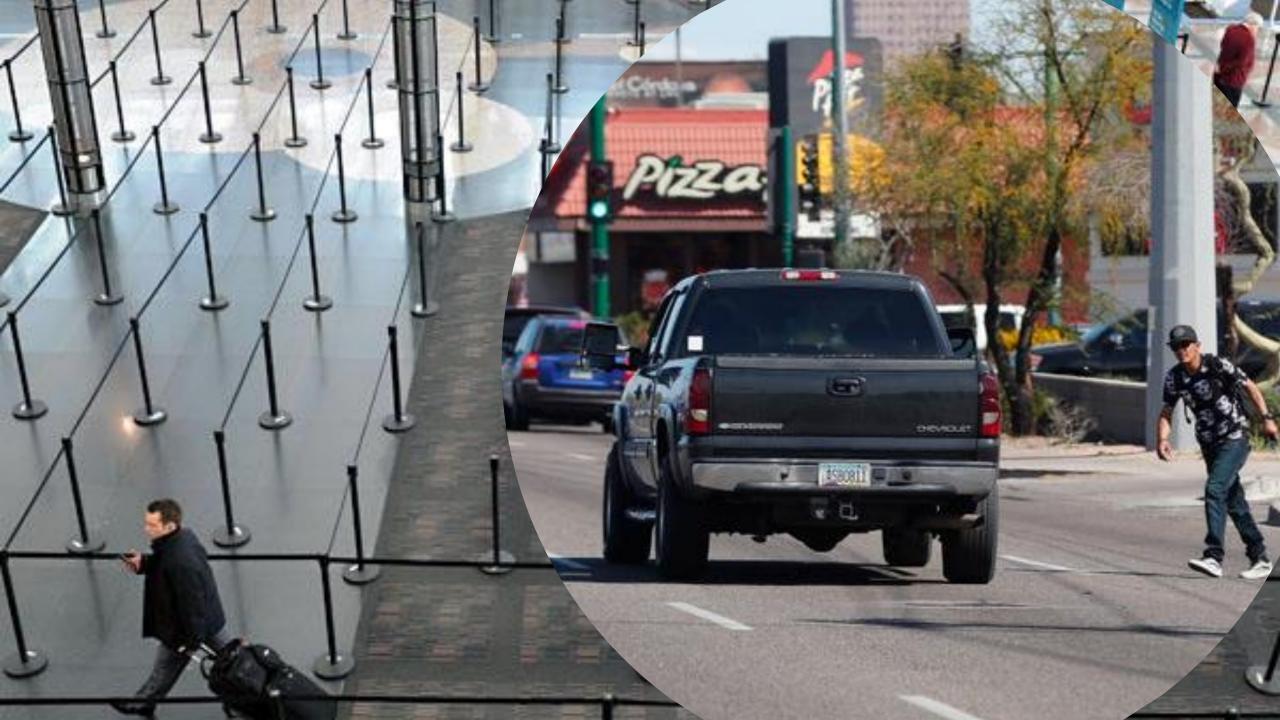


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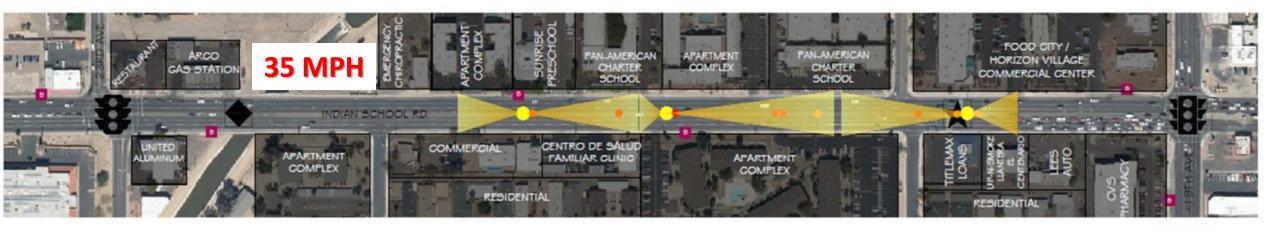
- Schools / Childcare
- Grocery stores / food
- Parks
- Multi-family developments
- Bus and light rail stops



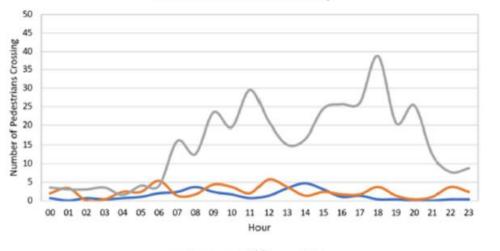


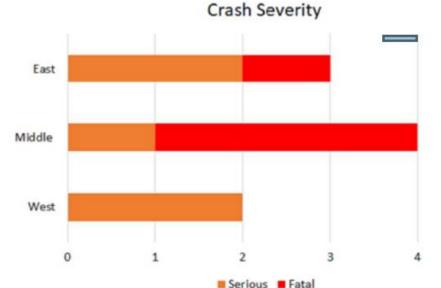
2. Be a pedestrian: Get a 3 dimensional, people-scale perspective

Many land uses, many patterns



Indian School Road - Weekday





LEGEND





3. Set up the environment for success: Work with new developments to create direct pedestrian access to front doors

- Allow short distances between infrastructure and front doors
- Remove obstructions between infrastructure and front doors







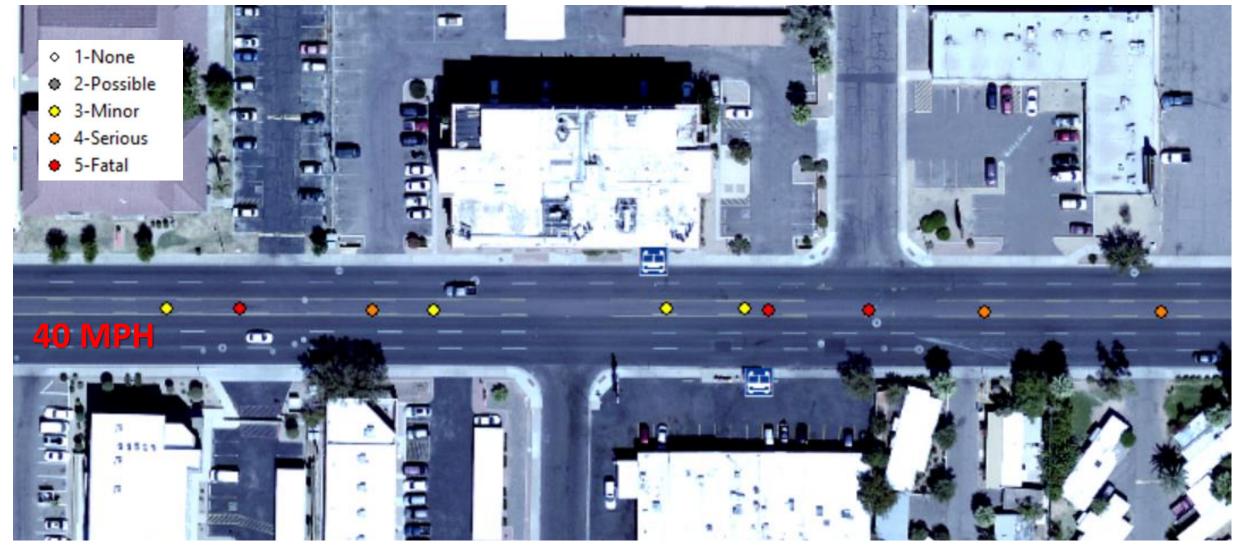


4. Incentivize and guide walkers ()to use your infrastructure

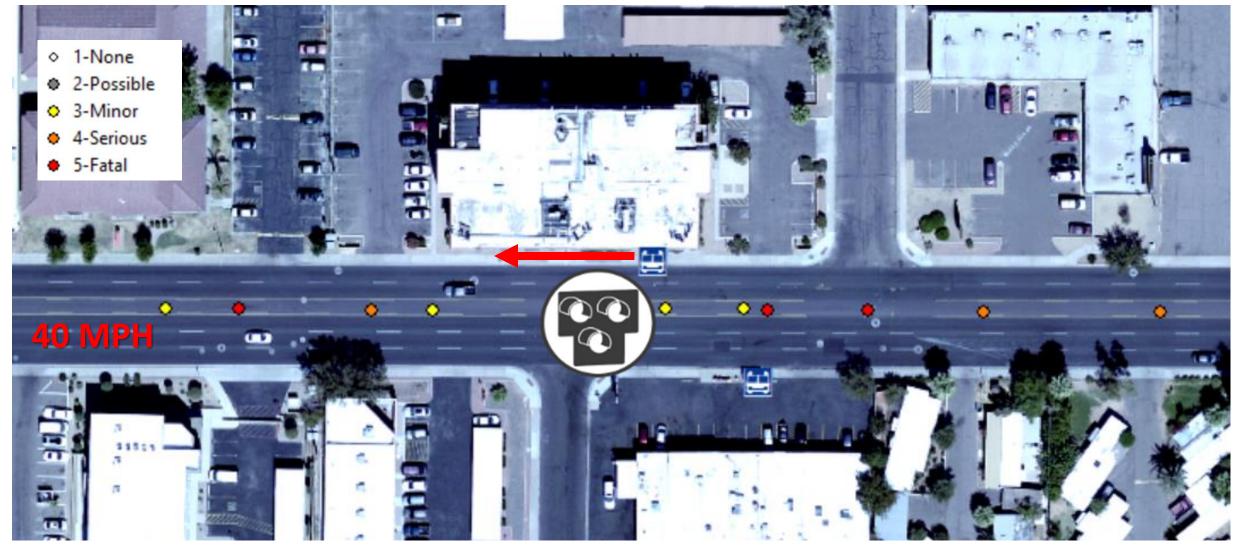
5. Prioritize equity

- Low income
- Poverty level
- Low car ownership
- Access to food





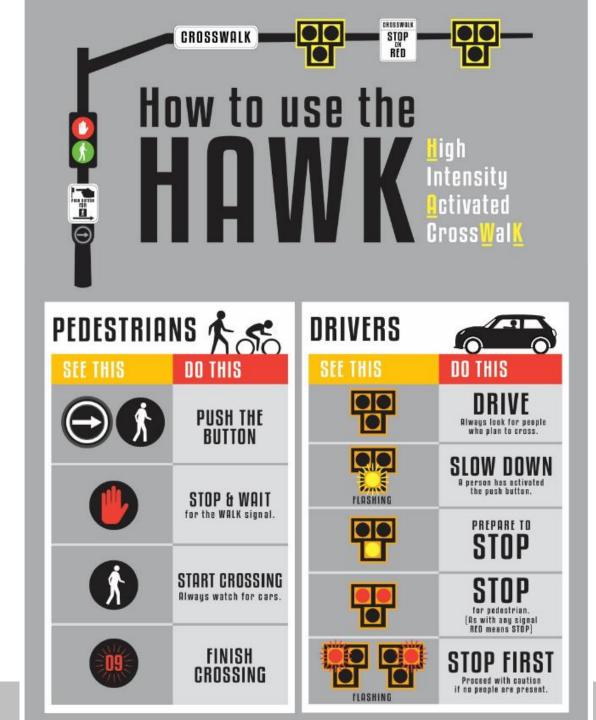
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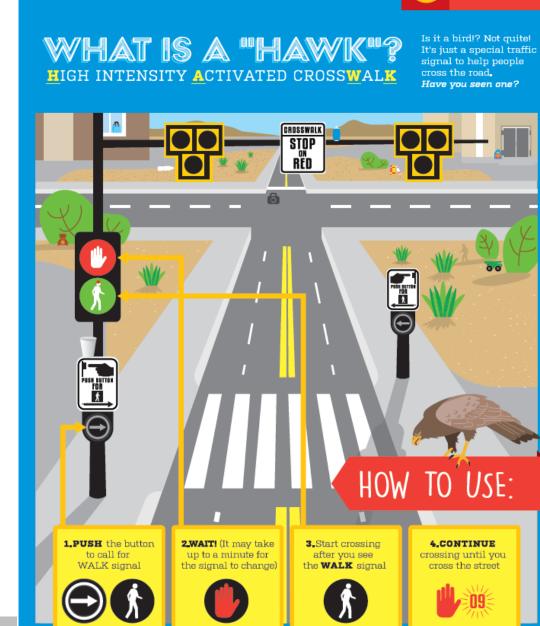
Education adults

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Education children

www.phoenix.gov/streets/headsup

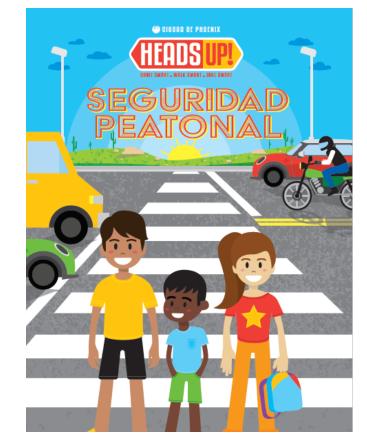


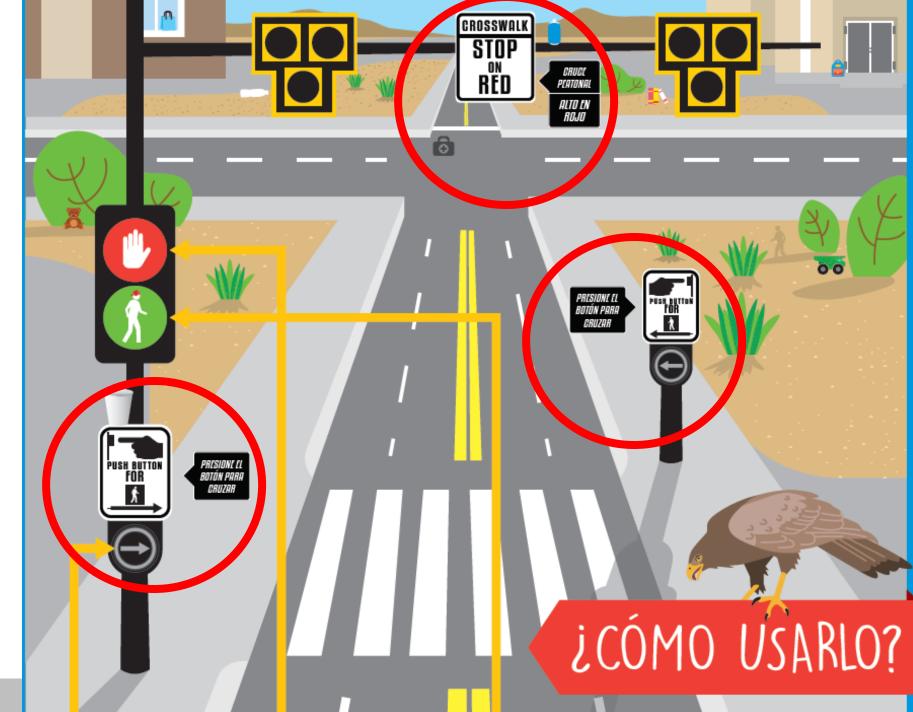
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DRIVE SMART, WALK SMART, BIKE SMART













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Arizona PHB Study: Recommendations for Selection, Design and Operation of PHBs

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Recommendations for ADOT to Consider

- Refinements or changes to Arizona guidelines (TGP 640) for evaluating, selecting PHB locations
- Recommendations for design and operation of PHBs







ADOT TGP 640 – Pedestrian Hybrid Beacons

- Traffic Engineering Guidelines and Processes (TGP)
- Evaluation guidelines for PHB locations
- Point System: 35 points (or more) justifies consideration
- Additional considerations:
 - Utility conflicts/ROW needed
 - Adjacent crossing opportunities and signals
 - Power available
 - Cost / Others







	PEDESTRIAN HYBRID BEACON (PHB) EVALUATION
	Location: Date:
1.	Motor vehicle crashes correctable by installation of PHB – Award 5 points for each crash (for the most recent 5 years of data) involving pedestrians, bicyclists, wheel chairs, skateboards, motorized scooters, or golf carts crossing within 500 feet on either side of the proposed PHB locations, or half the distance to the nearest signal (whichever is less):
2.	Peak hour pedestrian crossing volume – Award points if the average peak hour pedestrian crossing volume within 500 feet on either side of the proposed PHB location, or half the distance to the nearest traffic signal (whichever is less): 0 points → 0 - 10 pedestrians per peak hour (average) 2 points → 11 - 20 pedestrians per peak hour (average) 4 points → 21 - 39 pedestrians per peak hour (average) 6 points → 40 ⁺ pedestrians per peak hour (average)
3.	Location of nearest existing traffic signal or existing PHB – Award points: - 5 points → Less than 500 feet 0 points → 500 – 1,000 feet 5 points → Over 1,000 feet
4.	Posted speed limit – Award points: 0 points → Under 30 mph 2 points → 30 – 35 mph 4 points → 40 – 45 mph
5.	Roadway traffic volume (AADT) – Award points: 0 points → Less than 5,000 2 points → 5,000 – 9,999 4 points → 10,000 – 14,999 6 points → 15,000*
6.	Raised median – Award 5 points if the roadway does not have a raised median with a minimum width of 6 feet.
7.	Shared-use path or walkway – Award 5 points if a designated, maintained, and permitted shared-use path or walkway crosses the road at the proposed PHB location.
8.	Pedestrian activity generator – Award 5 points if the proposed PHB location is within 500 feet of a senior center, medical facility, community center, school, or other pedestrian activity generator.
9.	Roadway illumination – Award 5 points if the proposed PHB location does not have roadway illumination.
10	. Crossing distance – Award 5 points if the crossing distance is greater than 36 feet. (If a raised median with a minimum width of 6 feet is present, the crossing distance is measured to the median).
	GRAND TOTAL

PHB Evaluation Criteria

- Ped crashes (5 years)
- Peak hour crossing volume
- Distance to nearby crossing
- Posted speed limit
- AADT
- Median / Illumination
- Shared path / walkway / trail
- Pedestrian Generator
- Crossing Distance (width)







Recommended Revisions to TGP 640

- Initial crossing assessment consult AZ STEP Guide
- Allow with 50 MPH posted speed
- Fine-tune PHB Evaluation Form (Exhibit 640 A)
 - Conduct ped counts during peak pedestrian crossing times
 - Fine-tune points for distance to nearest signal
 - Add points for 50 mph streets
 - Revise Points for ADT Levels to match FHWA STEP Guide







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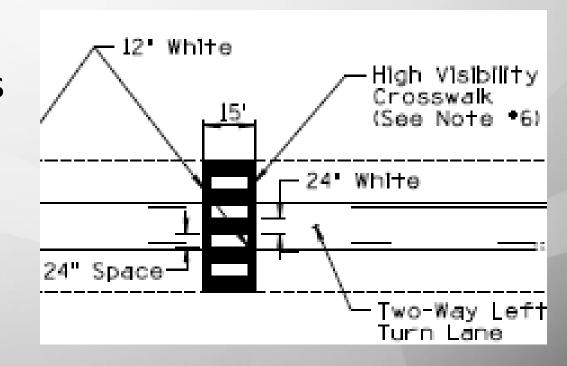
- Revise points for raised median consider min 10 ft median if 40 MPH or higher street
- Add 'church' & 'park' to list of pedestrian generators
- Revise points for crossing distance to be consistent with AASHTO Pedestrian Design Guide
- Add guidance regarding latent crossing demand







- Create PHB standard drawing
- High visibility crosswalk markings 15-foot wide ladder design (ADOT Standard Drawing M-2) or wider for higher speeds





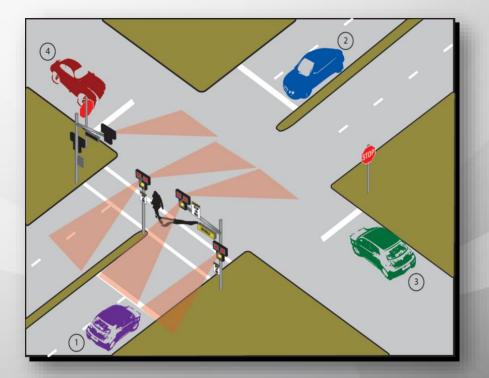




- Cross on one side of intersection
- Prohibit crossing on other side













- Advance stop line
 30 to 50 ft in advance of crosswalk
 40 to 60 ft in advance of mast arm
- STOP HERE ON RED sign
- CROSSWALK STOP ON RED sign (R10-23AZ)







R10-6 (24" x 36") or R10-6a (24" x 30")

CROSSWAL



- Consider optional sign to encourage motorists to proceed when appropriate/safe
- Add to Arizona Manual of Approved Signs (MOAS)









- Consider Standard Drawing with notes:
 - Street lighting (double-sided for wide crossings)
 - Number and placement of PHB signal faces
 - Backplates with reflective border (ADOT Standard Drawing T.S 8-5)
 - Optional advance warning signs
 - Spacing of PHBs to adjacent traffic signals (min 300 feet)
 - Pedestrian detection (APS pushbutton + optional passive detection)







Glendale Ave at 21st St

Optional Passive Detection

(Infra-Red)



LEE ENGINEERING



56th St North of Sweetwater Ave

Double-Sided Lighting with Overhead Utility Conflicts











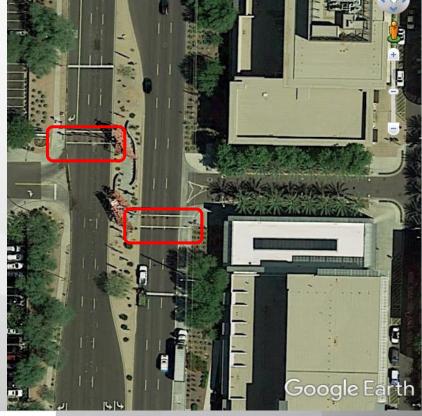


Other Design Considerations

- 2-stage PHB
- Trail Crossing (BikeHAWK)











Operational Recommendations

- "Hot-Button" operation versus synchronization
 - Default "Hot Button"
 - Synchronization during peak hours if >15,000 ADT
 - "Hot Button during off-peak hours
 - Consider synchronization if 600 ft or less to adjacent signal







Operational Recommendations

- Flashing yellow 4 to 6 sec
- Steady yellow 3 to 6 sec
- WALK min 7 sec
- All-Red before start of WALK 1 to 2 sec
- Buffer at end of clearance 4 sec (per AZ Supplement 4F.04)
 - May be contained within pedestrian clearance interval







Operational Recommendations

- Vehicle interval between subsequent actuations 30 to 60 sec
- Do not use 15 MPH zones at PHBs on State highways
- Flashing yellow if conflict detected
 - Ped signal to go dark if conflict detected







Implementation Recommendations

- Review existing ADOT PHB implementation materials, other agency materials, and findings from this research
- Explore recommendations for mainstreaming PHBs into ADOT standard plans and standard details
- Fine-tune uniform selection and operational guidelines for ADOT TGP 640
- Suggest changes to training resources







- 1 Review and finalize updates to TGP 640 & MOAS
- 2 Create new standard drawing for typical applications
- 3 Apply new TGP 640 evaluation criteria to candidate sites
 - Reevaluate select previously rejected candidate sites
- 4 Develop training program for ADOT staff & consultants
 - PowerPoint Based on FHWA DPS 201, case studies, handouts
 - Present to PAG & MAG bike/ped committees & ITE/IMSA







- 5 Schedule PHB training for ADOT staff & consultants
 - Seek FHWA assistance for workshops
 - Coordinate with FHWA Arizona Division Representative
 - PHB training for consultants
- 6 Assess existing PHBs on State highways
 - Allow existing equipment to remain for service life
 - Changes with other scheduled maintenance
 - Review PHBs currently under design







- 7 Review guides, pamphlets on ADOT website
 - Update AZ Driver License Manual to add info on PHBs
 - Update AZ Commercial Driver License Manual to add PHBs
 - Add questions on PHBs for the AZ driver license exam







- 8 Develop guidance to evaluate unique PHB applications
 - Latent crossing demand
 - Conduct before/after counts to evaluate PHB effectiveness
 - 2-stage PHB crossings
 - BikeHAWK design and application
 - Develop ranking program for PHB applications







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