

## TRANSPORTATION SEMINAR

# Valley Metro's Transit Development Program

Friday, October 17, 2014  
3:00pm to 4:30pm

Please join us in College Avenue Commons room 351 



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Valley Metro's initiation of service of the 20-mile light rail line in late 2008, serving Phoenix, Tempe and Mesa, demonstrated that passenger rail can be successful within the Valley of the Sun, but it wasn't easy. It required careful planning and much collaboration with numerous agencies and the community. There were also many challenges and opportunities in planning, designing and constructing this complex \$1.4 billion public works project. With the first corridor in operation, the focus has turned to expansion of the rail network, including six projects in various stages of development.

This presentation will start with an overview of Valley Metro and the existing transit operation. Design considerations and challenges encountered during the light rail project's development will also be discussed. This will be followed by a brief description and status of each of the projects currently in planning, design and construction. Finally, the presentation will identify what regional and local agencies can do to prepare a potential future rail corridor for successful implementation.



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