



City of
SAN LUIS
ARIZONA

SAN LUIS/SAN LUIS RIO COLORADO PORT OF ENTRY SYSTEM,

HERMOSILLO, SONORA

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A Key Gateway for Trade, Tourism and Growth

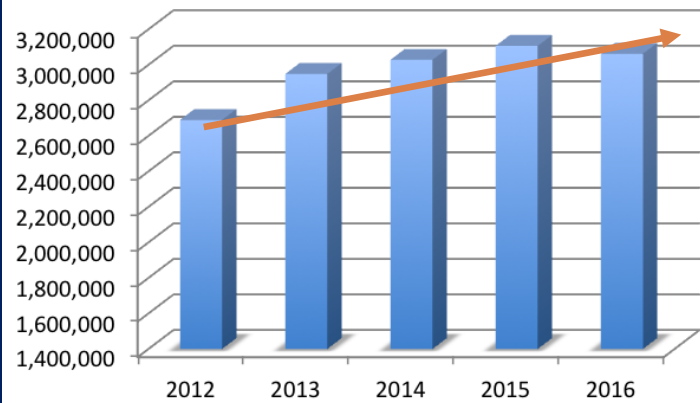
Current Situation



- ❑ Outdated, overburdened, maxed out infrastructure
- ❑ NB Wait times have improved with expansion of SENTRI
- ❑ Heavy pedestrian traffic
- ❑ Little room for expansion on Mexican side
- ❑ Central location for repatriations

San Luis By the Numbers

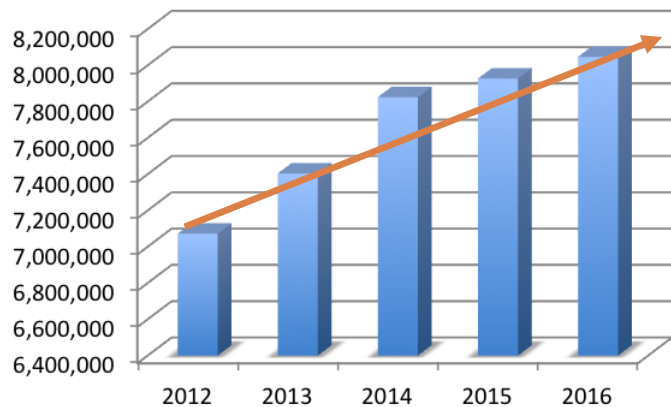
Total Vehicles (NB)



Total vehicles increased by over 400,000 since 2012

- That is a 15% increase
- Jan-July 2017 3.8% ↑

Total People (NB)



Total people increased by almost 1 million since 2012.

- That is a 13% increase
- Jan-July 2017 4.1% ↑

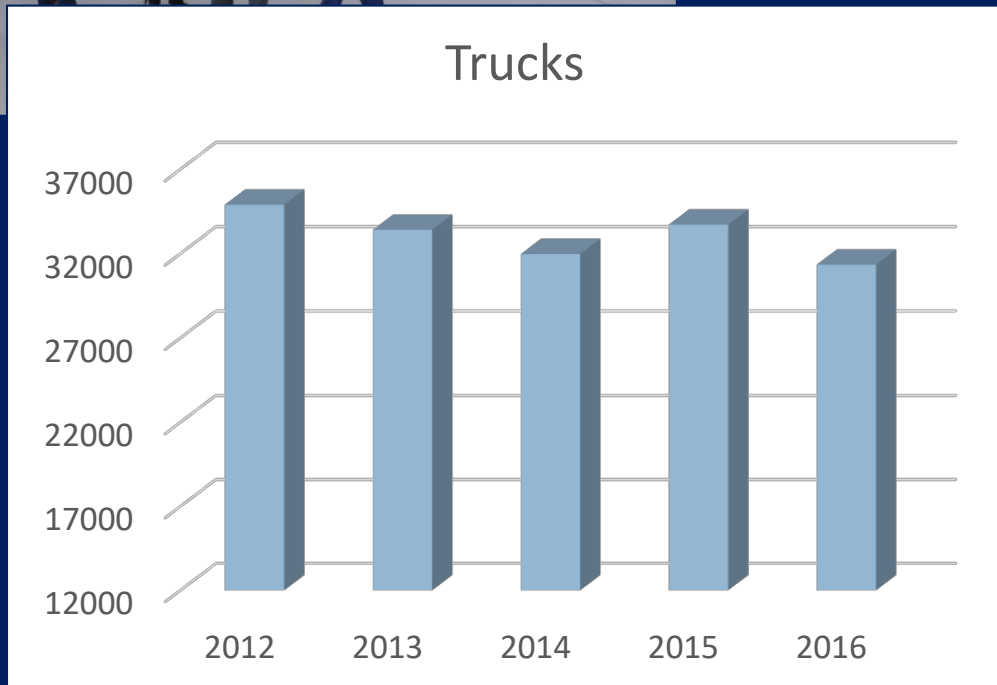
Growth trend expected to continue!

San Luis By the Numbers



Truck Volumes increasing

- 8.6% ↑ in truck traffic Jan-July 2017 indicates reversal of trend:
- Unified Cargo Processing
- ADOT Safety Inspection & IBIQ Certification
- Trucks that were crossing at Calexico are returning to San Luis**



Source: US Department of Transportation

Traffic Management (HI-LC)

- ❑ City/ADOT invested \$11 million in redirecting traffic in the downtown area, greatly to help relieve congestion
- ❑ Does NOT alleviate delays or impact the inspection process to cross the border



South-bound

North-bound

Google

High Volume Pedestrian Traffic



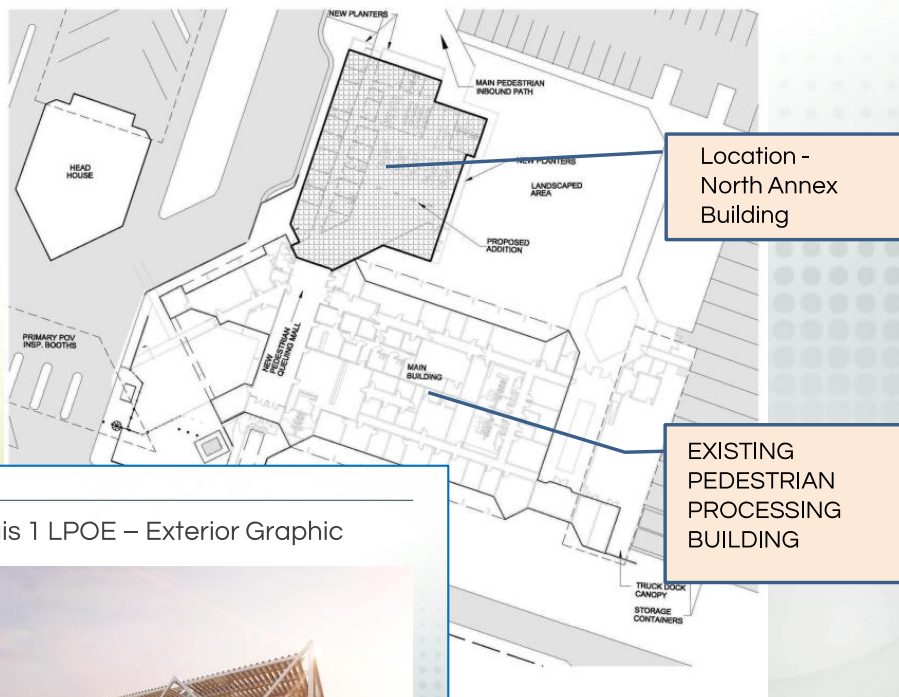
- Heavy pedestrian traffic in both directions
- NB pedestrian queues start as early as 3:00 AM



Investment at San Luis I

GSA

San Luis 1 LPOE – Proposed New Site Plan



GSA

San Luis 1 LPOE – Exterior Graphic



- New pedestrian annex to be built and completed by Q2 of 2018
- San Luis processes 2.4 million pedestrians per year
- \$6 million investment
- **GSA conducting Feasibility Study that looks at both ports**

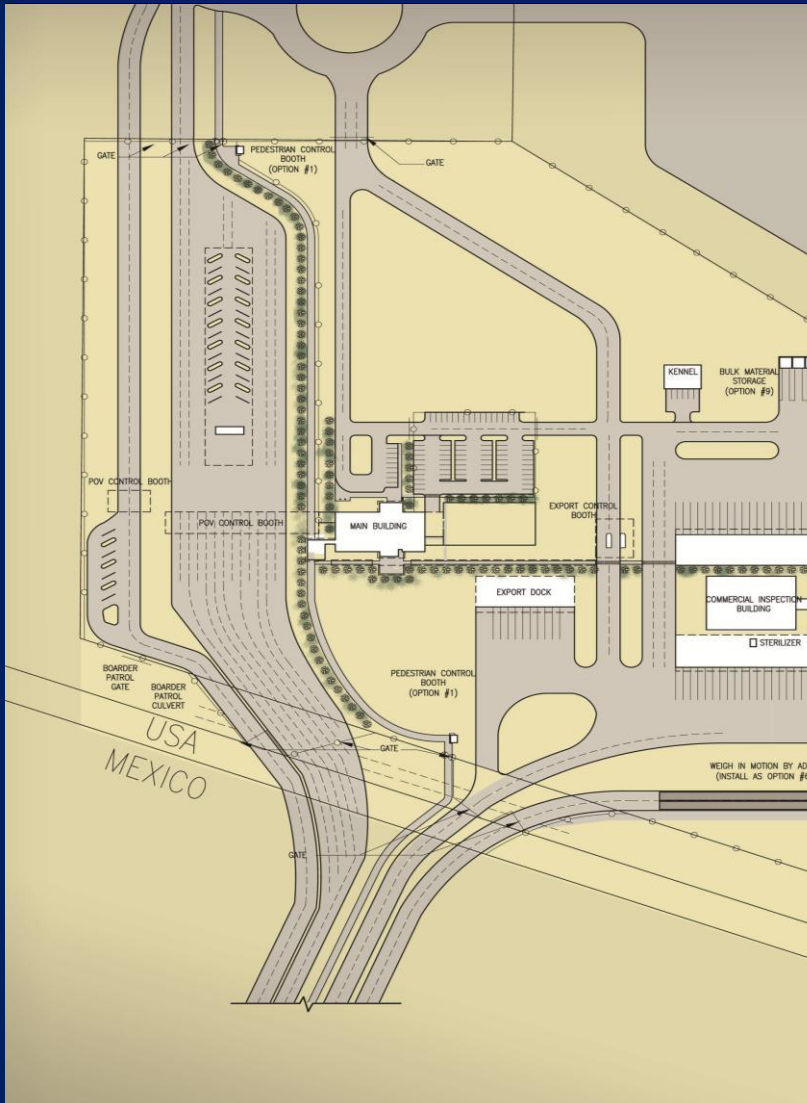
SLRC Traffic Realignment Proposal

- Municipality of San Luis Rio Colorado proposal for the realignment of pedestrian and vehicular traffic
- Cost of \$11 million pesos (~\$650,000 USD)



Helps remove some of the congestion at main intersection with MX-2

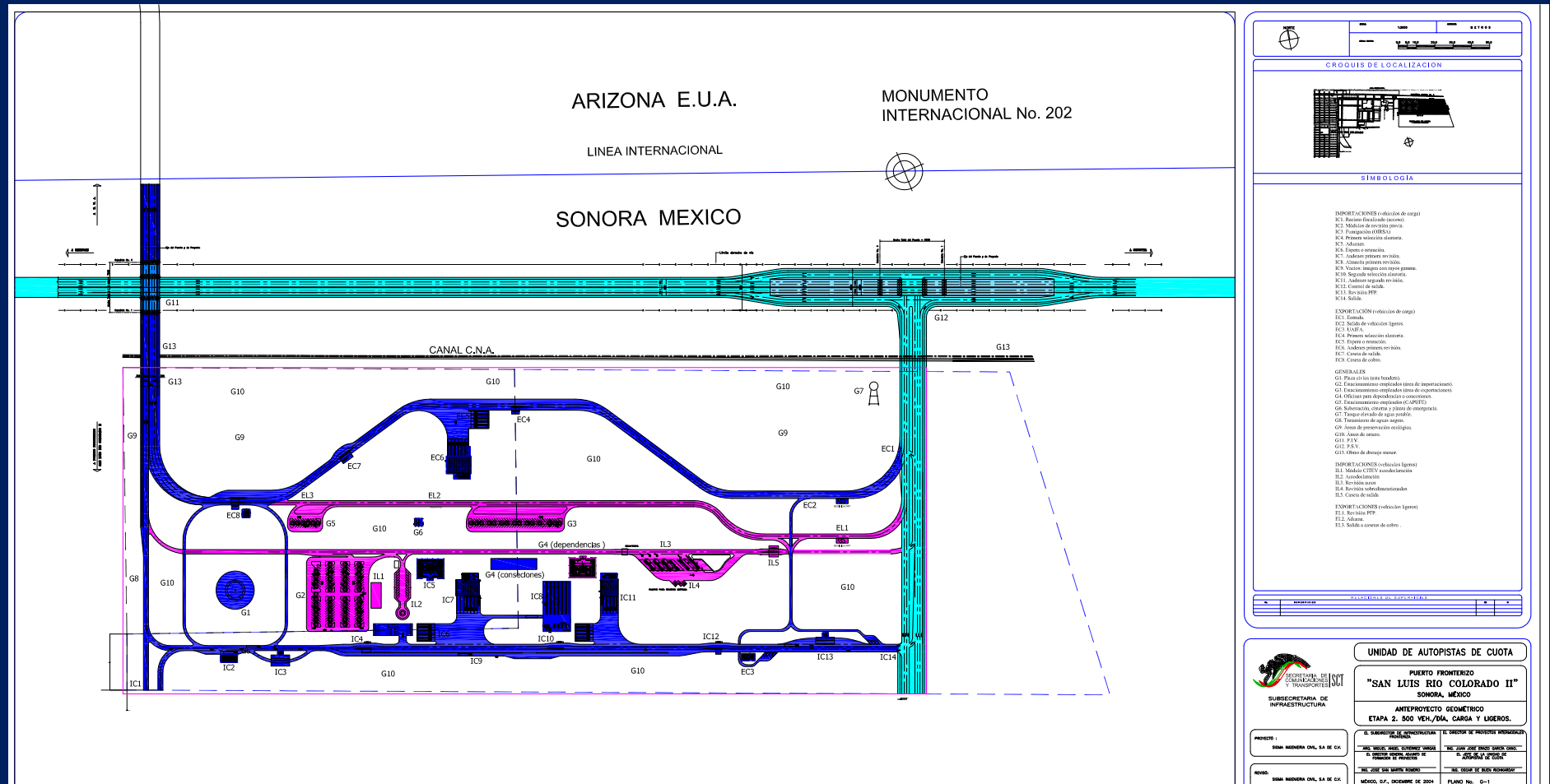
Cars at San Luis II



- ❑ GSA Master Plan for San Luis II includes the design for the processing of cars
- ❑ True long-term solution to congestion at San Luis I and the downtown area
- ❑ City and local/regional stakeholders prepared to help advance this aspect of the San Luis POE System Solution
- ❑ Mexico advocating for cars at San Luis Rio Colorado II

Cars at San Luis Rio Colorado II

- SCT has provided a conceptual design for the processing of cars at San Luis II on the Mexican side – awaiting official submittal



GSA Feasibility Study



San Luis Regional Feasibility Study

Study Kick Off
Anticipated Completion

September 2016
July 2017

Findings:

Need for complete renovation of San Luis I LPOE

Anticipated development of Program and
Cost Estimate for a New noncommercial LPOE At San Luis II

Need for Mexico to complete separate commercial and
noncommercial circulation at San Luis II.

Need for Mexico to resolve throughput at San Luis I prior to
commencement of SL II Project

FY '18 Funding Request

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Dear Senators Flake and McCain,

On behalf of the Cities of San Luis, Somerton and Yuma, Yuma County, and the Cocopah Tribe, we write today to express our strong support for the President's FY 2018 Budget Request for \$234 million to modernize the San Luis I port of entry. We would ask that you work with your Senate colleagues to ensure that this portion of the budget is not taken out or diverted to other projects.


The San Luis I port of entry is a critical economic engine for the entire southwestern region of Arizona and beyond. In 2016, 3.1 million cars and 8.1 million people, of which 2.6 million were pedestrians entered the United States at San Luis. Once you include southbound traffic, it means that over 6 million cars and 16 million people crossed the border at San Luis.

The last major improvements to this port were done over 30 years ago. The facility is outdated, overburdened and congested. This is also the location where US Border Patrol conducts its repatriation procedures adding to the congestion of the facility.


While the deployment of SENTRI and READY lanes have had a positive impact on northbound traffic, we continue to experience delays that exceed 45 minutes on a good day and up to 4 hours on our busiest days. Southbound delays also continue to escalate. We typically experience delays exceeding an hour for traffic destined for Mexico. That means that for a visitor, a round-trip could mean between 2 to 5 hours of wait time just to cross the border. This is a tremendous disincentive to tourism. We estimate that more than 70% of the sales tax generated in San Luis and more than 25% of the sales tax in Yuma is directly attributable to our Mexican visitors. Any deterrence to their travel means a direct negative impact for the entire region.

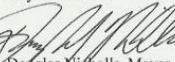
The modernization of the San Luis I port of entry is critical for our nation's security and for the economic viability of our communities. We thank you for your efforts to keep this funding request as part of the federal budget in FY2018.


Respectfully,



Gerardo Sanchez, Mayor
City of San Luis

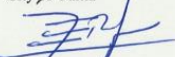

Jose Yopez, Mayor
City of Somerton

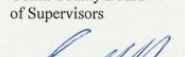

Cecilia C. McCollough, Mayor
City of Wellton

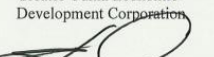

Douglas Nicholls, Mayor
City of Yuma

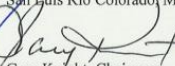

Tony Reyes, Chairman
Yuma County Board
of Supervisors

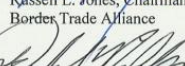

Stacy Gutierrez, Chairwoman
Greater Yuma Economic
Development Corporation

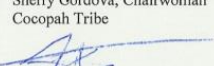

Lic. Enrique Reina, Mayor
San Luis Río Colorado Mexico


Russell L. Jones, Chairman
Border Trade Alliance


Sherry Gordova, Chairwoman
Cocopah Tribe


Gary Knight, Chairman
Yuma Metropolitan
Planning Organization


Douglas Nicholls, Chairman
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Matias Rosales, Chairman
Greater Yuma Port Authority

- President's FY 2018 Budget Request for \$234 million to modernize the San Luis I
- Funding would be used as follows:
 - \$17.557 million for Design and Permitting
 - \$198.886 million for Construction
 - \$17.557 million for Management and Operations
- October 25th meeting with GSA to review results of Feasibility Study

Next Steps for San Luis POEs

- Support FY18 Funding Request for \$234 million
 - - urgent need to modernize
- San Luis Pedestrian Annex Groundbreaking
November 7, 2017
- San Luis I landlocked - Long-term solution is to allow cars to use San Luis II
- Proposals from Mexico for improvements at San Luis Rio Colorado I and II

The Honorable Maria Ramos, Vice Mayor
City of San Luis, Arizona

The Honorable Enrique Reina, Municipal President
Municipality of San Luis Rio Colorado

