

AT&T Project Narrative

AT&T P094 APS Dixileta Substation 6808 E. Dixileta Rd.

AT&T currently operates a wireless facility at the APS Dixileta Substation, 6808 E. Dixileta Drive. Equipment cabinets for the facility are housed inside the substation. APS has informed AT&T that APS needs the space occupied by AT&T for future substation capacity and upgrades. In order to maintain wireless services and coverage in the area, and in consultation with City of Scottsdale staff, AT&T proposes to move their equipment cabinets into the Dixileta Drive right-of-way at the substation. Per City of Scottsdale requirements, the cabinets will be screened by a decorative weathered-steel enclosure. AT&T also proposes to replace three (3) existing antennas on the APS utility pole. The existing facility fills a significant gap in AT&T coverage in the surrounding area.

In addition to providing standard AT&T wireless services to the general public, the existing facility is part of the FirstNet project, which is a contract awarded to AT&T by the federal government. In 2012, Congress created the FirstNet Authority (https://firstnet.gov/) which is responsible for building a nationwide public safety broadband wireless network for first responders. The FirstNet Authority awarded a competitive contract to AT&T to build the network for public safety (https://www.firstnet.com/).

A Community Notification Letter was sent to all property owners within 750 feet of the subject property on July 5th. The applicant received one response via phone. The property owner asked about the location and appearance of the equipment being placed in ROW. The applicant emailed a copy of the photosims submitted with this application to the property owner.

If you have questions or comments about the proposed AT&T facility, please contact Steve Olson / stolson@bechtel.com / 520-743-6087.