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### **DEDICATION CEREMONY FOR THE ATTURBURY WASH GREENWAY PHASE 1-FRIDAY, MARCH 1, 2013 AT 10:30 A.M.**

Representatives of the City of Tucson and Pima County will come together to celebrate the completion of phase one of the Atturbury Wash Greenway on Friday, March 1 at 10:30 a.m. The greenway is an integrated (City and County) network of multi-use facilities for recreation and transportation across the community. The greenway dedication will take place at the projects central plaza, just north the Children's Outdoor Performance Area. Please park at the main parking lot of Clements Regional Center, 8155 E. Poinciana Drive. Golf cart transportation will be available for those who need assistance.

The funding for this \$1.2 million project was 2004 Pima County Bonds. Construction of the Atturbury Wash Greenway Phase 1 began May 14, 2012 completes the initial segment from Escalante Road to Fred Enke Drive. The master-planned Atturbury Wash Greenway will eventually connect the future Irvington Road Greenway on the south to the Pantano River Park on the north. Work was completed by the Tucson Parks and Recreation Department.

This three-quarter mile multi-use path runs through Lincoln Park, linking the Fred Enke Golf Course, Pima College East Campus, Clements Center, the Children's Outdoor Performance Area, the new Lincoln Park four-field softball complex, Lower Lincoln Park, and the Michael Lyman Atturbury Wash Animal and Bird Sanctuary. A central plaza is located along the path at the junction that accesses the Children's Outdoor Performance Area and the four-field softball complex.

The design for this project follows the City/County adopted Greenway cross section, which includes a 12' wide paved multi-use path as well as a separate 8' wide "soft" (decomposed granite) path and native landscaping. The Atturbury Wash Greenway traverses the corner of the Pima Community College East Campus and we would like to acknowledge Pima College's support and cooperation throughout the planning, design, and construction of this project.

The artist, Jason Butler, provided several pieces of public art integrated with the design of the greenway. Jason created and installed all of the art pieces himself. These pieces include: benches, picnic tables, park identification sculptures, native bee habitats, whimsical bird houses, and a bird-nest inspired sculpture. Guests are welcome to bring their bikes to the event and enjoy a "fun ride" following the dedication.

Participating in the ceremony will be Mayor Jonathan Rothschild, Ward 4 Council Member Shirley Scott, Pima County District 2 Supervisor Ramón Valadez, and Director of Tucson Parks and Recreation Fred Gray.

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