

# **Arizona Trucking Association Candidate Survey 2018**

Name: Arlando Teller

Office Sought: **Arizona House** District:7 Status: Open Seat Party: **Democratic** 

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Previous Office(s): **Arizona State Transportation Board** 

Education: **Bachelor of Science** Occupation: **Deputy Division Director** 

Accepting PAC Contributions: **Yes** Are you interested in an endorsement: Yes

5. If elected, what are your top three priorities for 2019-

2020?

**Answer:** 1. Transportation and Infrastructure in Rural Arizona 2. Reinvest in Education for certified and classified staff 3. Support Economic development in Rural Arizona

6. Do you support the continued use of bona fide independent contractors in the trucking industry and oppose efforts by state and local governments to reclassify owner-operators as employees?

**Answer: Yes** 

## Comments:

7. Do you support the conversion of our existing infrastructure into toll roads?

## Answer:

8. Do you support the use of toll roads for construction of new infrastructure?

Answer: Yes

9. On a scale of one to ten (one being low) how important do you believe transportation infrastructure (roads and highways) is to the success of the Arizona's economy?

Answer: 10

**Comments: As I mentioned with the White Mountain** <u>Independent newspaper</u>, "You improve the transportation system in Arizona, you improve the

economy of Arizona"

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10. Currently, alternative fuel vehicles (natural gas and electric) do not pay any taxes or fees for use of the roads. (i.e. a gas tax substitute) Do you believe that these vehicles should pay something for use of the roads, or do you believe that they should continue to get a discount for using alternative fuels?

# Answer: I believe alternative fueled vehicles should continue to get a discount for use of the roads. **Comments:**

11. Currently, both the Department of Transportation and the Department of Public Safety have law enforcement officers that specialize in commercial vehicle enforcement. Do you believe Arizona should look at consolidating all truck enforcement activities under the Department of Public Safety?

Answer: No. I do not believe we should consolidate ADOT's law enforcement under DPS.

## Comments:

12. Given the importance of transportation is to our economic success, how would you propose we solve the revenue shortfall needs for transportation?

Answer: I believe ADOT and FHWA's transportation system planning, as well as the COGs/MPOs and communities efforts, are addressing these issues as best as they could. A comprehensive review with all partners may need to address improvements that address shortfalls would be considered by legislators.