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TO: Members of the MAG Management Committee

FROM: Cathy Arthur, MAG Associate

SUBJECT: TRANSMITTAL OF DRAFT 2010 MAG CMAQ METHODOLOGIES

The Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG) has updated the 2009 Methodologies for Evaluating Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement (CMAQ) Projects. The Draft 2010 MAG CMAQ Methodologies are attached. These methodologies are used to evaluate the emission reductions and cost effectiveness of projects submitted for CMAQ funding by MAG member agencies.

The 2010 methodologies have been updated to include emission rates produced by the new EPA MOVES2010 mobile source emissions model. In addition, MAG contracted with Lee Engineering and Texas Transportation Institute (TTI) during the first half of 2010 to review and recommend improvements to the CMAQ methodology for Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) projects. The Lee/TTI recommended evaluation procedures have been incorporated into the Draft 2010 Methodologies.

If you have any questions or comments on the CMAQ methodologies, please call me at (602) 254-6300.

cc: MAG Intergovernmental Representatives