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TO: Members of the MAG Regional Council

FROM: Marc Pearsall, Senior Transit Planner

SUBJECT: MULTIMODAL TRANSIT SYSTEM TOUR TRAVEL COSTS –
MAG REGION PEER CITIES

At the request of the Management Committee, Transportation Policy Committee and Regional Council, MAG staff has been exploring the possibility of a multimodal transit tour of a MAG Peer Region city. The purpose of the on-site tour would be for MAG region leaders to gather information and investigate the benefits of the connectivity between bus transit, light rail, and commuter rail. MAG staff researched the request and the Utah Transit Authority (UTA) appears to be the best example of daily, multimodal connectivity in the Intermountain West. UTA staff has offered to host a tour for MAG region leaders in the October 2011 timeframe. A 'pricing range' summary of airfare, ground transportation and hotel accommodations are provided for review so that interested members may plan ahead for their FY2012 travel budgets. A more in depth itinerary of the tour will follow in the coming months.

**MULTIMODAL TRANSIT SYSTEM TOUR TRAVEL COSTS – SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH / UTA
PREFERRED DATES: Thursday October 13 – Friday October 14, 2011
(This date range does not conflict with the busy October conference season.)**

Airfare Range - \$350.00 + fees

Phoenix Sky Harbor - Salt Lake City (SLC) International

(Depart Thursday October 13th around Noon; Return Friday October 14th around 5pm)

- \$350 (Delta, Frontier, Southwest Airlines, US Airways,)

Hotel Range - \$98.00 to \$199.00 per night + tax

(Hotels in Downtown Salt Lake City)

Ground Transportation Range – Free; \$2.00 to \$20.00.

(SLC Int'l Airport to Downtown Salt Lake City)

- UTA Bus – Route 550 - Airport to Downtown Line (\$2.00 one way; 20 minute trip)
<http://legacy.rideuta.com/ridinguta/routeMapImage.aspx?abbreviation=550&signup=105>
- Airport Shuttle Bus (most hotels offer their own FREE shuttle service)
- Taxi – \$20 (one way)

TOTAL TRAVEL COST RANGE - \$500.00 - \$700.00

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