

TO: Members of the MAG Transportation Review Committee

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SUBJECT: RANKED LIST OF PROJECTS FOR FY 2015, 2016, AND 2017 TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES FUNDING

On September 25, 2013, the MAG Regional Council approved the goals and objectives, and evaluation team composition for the Transportation Alternatives (TA) program (Attachment # 1). That same day, applications for infrastructure projects were issued with a due date of October 22, 2013. In total, 33 applications were received from 16 MAG member agencies (Apache Junction, Avondale, Buckeye, Chandler, Cave Creek, Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation, Gilbert, Glendale, Litchfield Park, Maricopa County Department of Transportation, Mesa, Peoria, Phoenix, Scottsdale, Surprise, and Tempe). Total funding available is approximately \$12 million total for FY 2015-2017, while requests for funding totaled more than \$24.5 million. All applications are posted online for review at: <http://www.azmag.gov/transportation/TAP/>.

Ranked Projects

Please review the attached tables that show the ranked list of projects. There is approximately \$4 million per year in FY2015, 2016, and 2017 totaling \$12 million. The funding available would support the first 13 projects on the ranked list. As noted on Attachment #2, the funding is balanced in each year.

Process & Project Evaluation

The projects were evaluated in three different ways then combined for a total score. The quantitative evaluation (30 percent of overall score) considered number of activity centers, number of K-8 schools, number of commercial and employment destinations, number of safety improvements, population per square mile, percent of low income people along route, and other items. The qualitative score (30 percent of overall score) was given by members of the TA Evaluation Team after reading all applications; they reviewed the project to see if it improved connectivity from residences to destinations/K-8 schools, improved safety from residences to/K-8 schools, addressed a perceived or quantified crash risk, reduces bike/vehicle or ped/vehicle conflicts, if it was included in local plans, if it improved access to short-distance destinations, and other like items. These evaluation criteria were connected to the overall Transportation Alternatives goals and objectives.

The process concluded with applicants presenting their projects to the TA Evaluation Team on December 5, 2013, which then turned into the presentation score (40 percent of the overall score).

TA Evaluation Team Members

As noted above, the Regional Council approved the make up of the Transportation Alternatives evaluation team: two members each of the Bicycle and Pedestrian, Safety, and Street Committees, one member of the Transit Committee, and one representative each from FHWA and ADOT. The people that are part of the is evaluation team are:

Committee	Member #1	Member #2
Safety	Chris Lemka - Glendale	Julian Dresang - Tempe
Bike/Ped	Katherine Coles - Phoenix	Denise Lacey - Maricopa County
Streets	Charles Andrews - Avondale	Janet Martin - Queen Creek
Transit	Madeline Clemann - Scottsdale	
FHWA Rep	Ed Stillings	
ADOT Rep	Patrick Stone	

This item is on the agenda for action. Please contact Eileen Yazzie at (602) 452-5058 or eyazzie@azmag.gov with any questions.