

November 12, 2013

TO: Members of the MAG Transportation Safety Committee

FROM: Renate Ehm, City of Mesa, Chair

SUBJECT: MEETING NOTIFICATION AND TRANSMITTAL OF TENTATIVE AGENDA

Tuesday, November 19, 2013 9:30 a.m.
MAG Office Building, 2nd Floor, Ironwood Room
302 North First Avenue, Phoenix

A meeting of the MAG Transportation Safety Committee will be held at the time and place noted above. Committee members or their proxies may attend **in person, via videoconference or by telephone conference call**. Those attending video conference must notify the MAG site three business days prior to the meeting. Those attending by telephone conference call please contact MAG offices for conference call instructions.

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If you have any questions regarding the meeting, please contact Sarath Joshua at (602) 254-6300.

TENTATIVE AGENDA

1. Call To Order

For the November 19, 2013 meeting, the quorum requirement is 11 committee members.

2. Approval of October 22, 2013, Meeting Minutes

3. Call to Audience

An opportunity will be provided to members of the public to address the Transportation Safety Committee on items not scheduled on the agenda that fall under the jurisdiction of MAG, or on items on the agenda for discussion but not for action. Members of the public will be requested not to exceed a three minute time period for their comments. A total of 15 minutes will be provided for the Call to the Audience agenda item, unless members request an exception to this limit. Please note that those wishing to comment on action agenda items will be given an opportunity at the time the item is heard.

4. Program Managers Report

The following items will be addressed:

- Strategic Transportation Safety Plan
- AZ SHSP Update
- 2014 UPWP
- 2014 Meeting Dates Attachment One
- AMPO conference staff report
- RTSIMS Documentation Scope

5. MAG Transportation Alternatives Program: Non-Infrastructure

MAG is preparing a competitive application process for federal Transportation Alternatives

COMMITTEE ACTION REQUESTED

2. Review and approve minutes of the meeting held on October 22, 2013.

3. For information.

4. For information and discussion.

5. For information and discussion.

(TA) program funds in FY2015-2017. Projects will be programmed under two categories: 1) Infrastructure projects and 2) Non-Infrastructure Safe Routes to School (SRTS) projects. The call for infrastructure projects was issued in late September. The call for non-infrastructure projects is expected to be issued in January 2014. The MAG Transportation Safety Committee will provide oversight as the technical committee to review and recommend the MAG TA Safe Routes to School Non-Infrastructure projects. MAG member agencies will be the lead project applicants and would need to coordinate with affected schools for MAG TA non-infrastructure SRTS Projects. MAG will be notifying all public school districts within the MAG planning area regarding this upcoming call for projects. A Working Group was asked to review and suggest recommendations for the TA Non-Infrastructure Program, including types of projects, evaluation criteria, and how to move the program forward within the MAG TA program goals and objectives. The recommendations of the Working Group will be presented.

6. Road Safety Assessment Call for Projects

At the October 22, 2013 meeting the committee discussed ways to improve the RSA program. A Working Group was assigned the task of reviewing the method for selecting RSA locations and to suggest possible improvements to the RSA program to help meet the overall goals of the Transportation Safety Program. The Working Group recommendations were presented at the October 22nd meeting. They included: (1) allowing for the development of DCRs and PAs in the RSA program; (2) revisions to the RSA application to provide local agencies with more guidance; and (3) consider a possible call for Statewide HSIP projects in late 2014. The resulting RSA application and program procedures will be provided to committee members for review. A MAG call for RSA projects, incorporating these changes, is planned to be issued on November 22, 2013.

6. For information and discussion.

7. Reports by Committee Members on Transportation Safety Activities

Members will be requested to report agency activities or current issues that are related to transportation safety.

8. Request for Future Agenda Items

Topics or issues of interest that members of the committee would like to have considered for discussion at a future meeting will be requested.

9. Next Meeting

The January meeting is cancelled due to the Predictive Safety Analysis Workshop to be held on January 28, 2014 at 8:00 a.m. in the MAG Ironwood Room as part of the process of developing the MAG STSP. The next meeting is scheduled to be held at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, March 25, 2014. It will be held in the Ironwood Room on the 2nd Floor of the MAG office building.

Adjournment

7. For information and discussion.

8. For information and discussion.

9. For information and discussion.

MINUTES OF
MARICOPA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
TRANSPORTATION SAFETY COMMITTEE

October 22, 2013
Maricopa Association of Governments
Ironwood Room, Suite 200
302 N. 1st Ave,
Phoenix, AZ 85003

MEMBERS ATTENDING

Michael Duhamel for Linda Gorman,
AAA Arizona
Tom Burch, AARP
Kohinoor Kar, ADOT
*Shane Kiesow, City of Apache Junction
Dana Chamberlin, City of Avondale
+Daymara Cesar for Thomas Chlebanowski,
Town of Buckeye
*Martin Johnson, City of Chandler
*Jorge Gastelum, City of El Mirage
* Kelly LaRosa, FHWA
* Mike Gillespie, Town of Gilbert
Chris Lemka, City of Glendale
*Alberto Gutier, GOHS

*Hugh Bigalk, City of Goodyear
Nicolaas Swart, Maricopa County
Renate Ehm (Chair), City of Mesa
*Jeremy Knapp, Town of Paradise Valley
+Mannar Tamirisa for Jamal Rahimi,
City of Peoria
Kerry Wilcoxon, City of Phoenix
George Williams, City of Scottsdale
Nuning Lemka for Jason Mahkovtz,
City of Surprise
Julian Dresang, City of Tempe
Gardner Tabon, RPTA

OTHERS PRESENT

Sarath Joshua, MAG
Kiran Guntupalli, MAG
Sean Messner, URS
Mike Blankenship, AMEC
Patrick Stone, ADOT

Larry Talley, ADOT
Mona Aglan, ADOT
Paul Ward, Ward Consulting
Matt Tsark, Strand Associates, Inc.
Natalie Carrick, Baker
Mike Manthey, Parsons

+ Teleconference
Videoconference
* Not present

1. Call to Order
Chair Renate Ehm called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.
2. Approval of September 24, 2013 Meeting Minutes
Chair Renate Ehm called for a motion to approve the September 24, 2013 minutes.
Julian Dresang moved, Gardner Tabon seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

3. Call to Audience

Chair Renate Ehm made a call to the audience providing an opportunity to members of the public to address the Transportation Safety Committee. None requested.

4. Program Manager's Report

- MAG Strategic Transportation Safety Plan
 - Technical Memorandum #2 on the STSP website
 - Provide Comments to mboone@azmag.gov by 11/5/2013
 - Visioning Workshop held September 24th
 - Review State of Transportation Safety in the Region
 - Developed Vision for the Region – *Zero Deaths, Zero Injuries*
 - Developed Action Areas
 - Workshop materials, agenda, outcomes posted on website
 - Arizona State SHSP
 - Second round task force meetings held in Sept 2013
 - Safety Summit 11/ 6/ 2013 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Transportation Alternatives Program
 - Need to establish guidelines
 - Safe Routes to School - Non-Infrastructure Safety Projects
 - Working Group meeting in early Nov 2013 to:
 - Review MAG program Goals and Objectives
 - Review previous projects funded
 - Discuss types of projects to be evaluated
 - Develop criteria for evaluation
 - Refine TA non-infrastructure application
 - Recommendation to TSC Nov 19th regular meeting
 - January 2014 Call for Projects – FY2015, 2016 & 2017 - \$400,000/Yr.
 - Infrastructure Call for Projects – Submittal Today - \$4M

5. FY2014-17 HSIP Funds – Second call for projects

Sarath Joshua noted that with first call for projects MAG received six project applications from four local agencies and that the list recommended by the TSC has gone to the Transportation Review and Management Committee, and approved by the MAG Regional Council on September 23, 2013 meeting. Mr. Joshua also stated that the projects included in the first call for projects have been sent to ADOT for eligibility determination. Mr. Joshua referred to the attachments of the projects approved by MAG and the remaining available funds, including that programmed with the first call for projects, and the summary table of projects submitted in the second call noting an error with a Fountain Hills project listed that was removed. Mr. Joshua outlined the amounts requested and noted that there will need to be a recommendation of projects for approval. Renate Ehm opened the discussion for a summary of the projects submitted from the local agencies submitting projects. Dana Chamberlain from the City of Avondale, Renate Ehm from the City of Mesa, Chris Lemka from the City of Glendale, George Williams from the City of Scottsdale, and Julian Dresang from the City of Tempe outlined the details of their projects and the amount of their requests. Sarath Joshua summarized the sign management projects submitted by the City of Maricopa and the City of Paradise Valley who were not in attendance. George Williams revised the Scottsdale requested amount to the funding available in FY2014 and FY2015. Kiran Guntupalli provided evaluation

forms to the attending committee members as well as those on the phone. Sarath Joshua noted how the projects should be ranked based on merit. Mr. Joshua stated that all rankings will be combined into a total ranking to be provided noting that the projects will get the funding year they are requesting based on the ranking and that if there is some flexibility from local agencies, this will be taken into account. Chris Lemka requested that the Glendale project at 59th Avenue and Thunderbird be removed from consideration. Renate Ehm noted that the committee would have 15 minutes to complete evaluation of the projects. Sarath Joshua read the final scores and rankings. Julian Dresang asked Sarath for a description of projects that could come from the Strategic Transportation Safety Plan which could be funded with any remaining funds from this call for projects. Sarath Joshua stated that there could be several projects including creating regional significant Crash Modification Factors among other types of projects. Renate Ehm requested a motion to recommend the project listing with revisions as noted. **Kerry Wilcoxon motioned to approve, seconded by Chris Lemka and the motion passed unanimously.**

6. Network Screening Methodology, Road Safety Assessments and the Statewide HSIP

Sarath Joshua stated that at the last meeting there was a discussion on the Network Screening Methodology and the RSA program and that there was a working group formed to discuss these items more in depth due to the short amount of time available to discuss this item during the September 24th meeting. Kerry Wilcoxon presented the work group discussion and recommendations. Mr. Wilcoxon outlined the discussion of the working group regarding the Network Screening Methodology and highlighting the methodology for those who were not in participation when it was adopted in 2010. Mr. Wilcoxon noted that the factor for Crash Rate was left out due to unavailable traffic volume count information for locations ranked higher than 100 on the list of the Top 100 Crash Risk Locations. Mr. Wilcoxon noted that the work group discussed how to increase the usefulness of the RSAs, including development of Design Concept Reports (DCRs) and Project Assessments (PAs) and then how the group came up with the recommendations. Mr. Wilcoxon then described the recommendations of the work group to include: RSA applications to be revised to include DCR and PA support, provisions for estimated costs and Benefit to Cost ratios, and the recommendation to issue a call for statewide HSIP projects through the MAG process in late 2014. Sarath Joshua pointed out that the next call for projects will include PAs and DCRs that have been studied through the MAG RSA or other local agency process and that the call for projects would be issued at the end of October.

7. Reports by Committee Members

Vice Chair Chris Lemka asked for reports by committee members. Kohinoor Kar reminded the committee about the State SHSP Safety Summit and thanked those who have participated in the task forces. Kerry Wilcoxon stated that the City of Phoenix is doing a pedestrian safety design workshop in coordination with ADOT and FHWA and the painting of green bicycle lanes on Grand Avenue between 15th and 19th Avenue. Nicolaas Swart noted that the County DOT is working with consultants to look at intersection safety and run off road locations initially with the ultimate goal of identifying a five year safety program. Sarath Joshua noted that MAG will be participating in the Safety Summit on November 6, 2013 by hosting a booth at the event highlighting safety activities and invited agencies who would like to participate to contact him. Mr. Joshua also mentioned

that he would be presenting the MAG STSP development process at the MAG Regional Council on Wednesday October 23rd along with Director Alberto Gutier from the Governor's Office of Highway Safety who will be presenting the State SHSP development process.

8. Request for Future Agenda Items

Vice Chair asked for requests for future agenda items. None requested.

9. Next Meeting

Vice Chair Chris Lemka stated that the next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 19th noting the early starting time at 9:30.

10. Adjournment

Vice Chair Chris Lemka adjourned the meeting at 12:03 PM

MAG Transportation Safety Committee
2014 Tentative Meeting Schedule

Meetings will be held on a bi-monthly basis, on the fourth Tuesday of odd months. Unless otherwise noted on the meeting agenda, all meetings will commence at 10:00 a.m. and will be held in the Ironwood Room (second floor) MAG, 302 N First Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona 85003. Meeting agendas and minutes are posted at the MAG website under Transportation Safety Committee.

Transportation Safety Committee meetings held in conjunction with the MAG Strategic Transportation Safety Plan (STSP) updates will commence at 9:30 a.m. with the STSP Transportation Safety Stakeholders Group (TSSG) meeting to begin immediately after. The tentative dates for the TSSG meetings are noted below.

Tuesday, January 28, 2014 (8:00 a.m. TSSG Workshop)*

Tuesday, March 25, 2014 (9:30 a.m)

Tuesday, May 27, 2014

Tuesday, July 23, 2014

Tuesday, September 23, 2014

Tuesday, November 25, 2014

***No Transportation Safety Committee Meeting**