

August 25, 2005

TO: Members of the MAG Air Quality Technical Advisory Committee

FROM: Stephen S. Cleveland, Goodyear City Manager, Chairman

SUBJECT: MEETING NOTIFICATION AND TRANSMITTAL OF TENTATIVE AGENDA

Thursday, September 1, 2005 - 1:30 p.m.  
MAG Office, Suite 200 - Saguaro Room  
302 North 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue, Phoenix

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TENTATIVE AGENDA

COMMITTEE ACTION REQUESTED

1. Call to Order

2. Call to the Audience

An opportunity will be provided to members of the public to address the Air Quality Technical Advisory 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 the Air Quality Technical Committee requests 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.

3. Approval of the June 23, 2005 Meeting Minutes

4. Methodologies for Evaluating Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Projects

On June 28, 2005, MAG conducted a workshop to discuss the Methodologies for Evaluating Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement (CMAQ) Projects. Workshop participants provided many helpful suggestions for improving the methodologies. Based upon the input received, the methodologies have now been revised. Three new methodologies have also been added.

In September 2005, the new CMAQ methodologies will be applied to evaluate FY 2011 projects for the FY 2007- 2011 MAG Transportation Improvement Program, FY 2006 PM-10 certified street sweepers, and FY

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3. Review and approve the June 23, 2005 meeting minutes.

4. For information and discussion.

2007 PM-10 Paving Unpaved Road projects. The new methodologies will also be used in the preparation of the CMAQ Annual Report. Please refer to the enclosed material.

5. Status Report on the MAG Biogenics Study

The FY 2005 MAG Unified Planning Work Program includes a biogenics study to assess the emissions of precursors from plants in the modeling area on the formation of ozone and PM-10. On June 29, 2005, the MAG Regional Council approved the consultant firm Environ International Corporation to conduct the MAG Biogenics Study. The goal of the study is to incorporate the latest modeling technology for biogenic emissions with local land use and land cover information for the base and future year projections. A status report will be given.

6. Update on the Arizona Natural Events Plan Technical Criteria Document

The Arizona Department of Environmental Quality is in the process of preparing a supplement to the Technical Criteria Document for the Arizona Natural Events Plan. The criteria will be used for regional natural exceptional events focusing on long range transport of dust from soils, volcanic eruptions, and earthquakes. An update will be given.

7. EPA Proposed Rulemaking to Address the Court Remands in the PM-10 Air Quality Lawsuit

On July 25, 2002, the Environmental Protection Agency approved the Revised MAG 1999 Serious Area Particulate Plan for PM-10. The Arizona Center for Law in the Public Interest subsequently filed a lawsuit to challenge EPA's approval of the plan. On May 10, 2004, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit issued its opinion which upheld EPA's final approval in part, but remanded to EPA the question of whether CARB diesel

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must be included in the plan as a Best Available Control Measure (BACM) and a Most Stringent Measure (MSM). The Court also remanded the extension of the attainment date.

On July 1, 2005, EPA published a proposed rulemaking to again approve the BACM and MSM demonstrations in the plan and to grant the extension of the attainment date from 2001 to 2006. Please refer to the enclosed material.

8. Call for Future Agenda Items

The next meeting of the Committee has been tentatively scheduled for **Thursday, October 6, 2005 at 1:30 p.m.** The Chairman will invite the Committee members to suggest future agenda items.

8. For information and discussion.