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TO: Members of the MAG Management Committee

FROM: Ed Beasley, Glendale, Chair

SUBJECT: MEETING NOTIFICATION AND TRANSMITTAL OF TENTATIVE AGENDA

Wednesday, May 9, 2007 - 12:00 to 1:00 p.m.
MAG Office, Suite 200 - Saguaro Room
302 North 1st Avenue, Phoenix

The next Management Committee meeting will be held at the MAG offices at the time and place noted above. Members of the Management Committee may attend the meeting either in person, by videoconference or by telephone conference call. The agenda and summaries are being transmitted to the members of the Regional Council to foster increased dialogue regarding the agenda items between members of the Management Committee and Regional Council. You are encouraged to review the supporting information enclosed. Lunch will be provided at a nominal cost.

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Members are reminded of the importance of attendance by yourself or a proxy. Any time that a quorum is not present, we cannot conduct the meeting. Please set aside sufficient time for the meeting, and for all matters to be reviewed and acted upon by the Management Committee. Your presence and vote count.

c: MAG Regional Council

A Voluntary Association of Local Governments in Maricopa County

City of Apache Junction ▲ City of Avondale ▲ Town of Buckeye ▲ Town of Carefree ▲ Town of Cave Creek ▲ City of Chandler ▲ City of El Mirage ▲ Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation ▲ Town of Fountain Hills ▲ Town of Gila Bend
Gila River Indian Community ▲ Town of Gilbert ▲ City of Glendale ▲ City of Goodyear ▲ Town of Guadalupe ▲ City of Litchfield Park ▲ Maricopa County ▲ City of Mesa ▲ Town of Paradise Valley ▲ City of Peoria ▲ City of Phoenix
Town of Queen Creek ▲ Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community ▲ City of Scottsdale ▲ City of Surprise ▲ City of Tempe ▲ City of Tolleson ▲ Town of Wickenburg ▲ Town of Youngtown ▲ Arizona Department of Transportation

**MAG MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
TENTATIVE AGENDA
May 9, 2007**

COMMITTEE ACTION REQUESTED

1. Call to Order

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Call to the Audience

An opportunity is provided to the public to address the Management Committee on items that are not on the agenda that are within the jurisdiction of MAG, or non-action agenda items that are on the agenda for discussion or information only. Citizens 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 Management Committee requests an exception to this limit. Please note that those wishing to comment on agenda items posted for action will be provided the opportunity at the time the item is heard.

4. Approval of Consent Agenda

Prior to action on the consent agenda, members of the audience will be provided an opportunity to comment on consent items that are being presented for action. Following the comment period, Committee members may request that an item be removed from the consent agenda. Consent items are marked with an asterisk (*).

3. Information.

4. Recommend approval of the Consent Agenda.

ITEMS PROPOSED FOR CONSENT*

*4A. Approval of April 11, 2007 Meeting Minutes

*4B. Conformity Consultation

The Maricopa Association of Governments is conducting consultation on a City of Phoenix project-level conformity determination prepared for a park-and-ride facility located at the southwest corner of Happy Valley Road and Interstate-17. The proposed facility will provide parking for approximately 500 vehicles. The advance construction phase of the project is programmed in FY 2008 of the FY 2007-2011 MAG Transportation

4A. Review and approval of the April 11, 2007 meeting minutes.

4B. Consultation.

Improvement Program. MAG has reviewed the project air quality assessment for compliance and concurs with the project-level conformity determination. Comments are requested by May 18, 2007. Please refer to the enclosed material.

*4C. Section 5310 Elderly and Individuals with Disabilities Transportation Program Applications

The MAG FTA Elderly and Persons with Disabilities Transportation (EPDT) Program Ad Hoc Committee is currently in the process of ranking applications for the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5310 funding. FTA provides these funds to the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) for capital assistance to agencies and public bodies that provide transportation services for people who are elderly and for people who have a disability. This year, 24 applications for capital assistance awards, totaling 38 van requests, three radio requests, four walkie-talkie requests, and two software requests, have been received. The EPDT Committee's rankings of these applications will be provided to the Management Committee under separate cover. Please refer to the enclosed material.

*4D. Application Process for U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Stuart B. McKinney Funds for Homeless Assistance Programs

On December 8, 1999, the Regional Council approved MAG becoming the responsible entity for a year-round homeless planning process which includes submittal of the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Stuart B. McKinney Continuum of Care Consolidated Application for the MAG region. The Continuum of Care grant supports permanent and transitional housing as well as supportive services. Forty-nine homeless assistance applications were submitted this year. The Ranking and Review Committee, administered by the Valley of the Sun United Way, is reviewing and scoring each application. Scores will be released on May 11, 2007. The MAG Continuum of Care Regional Committee on Homelessness will consider approval of the final rankings at the May 21, 2007 meeting. The final rankings will be presented to the MAG Regional

4C. Recommend forwarding the priority listing of applicants for FTA Elderly and Persons with Disabilities Transportation Program to the Arizona Department of Transportation.

4D. Information and discussion.

Council on May 23, 2007 for information. Please refer to the enclosed material.

***4E. MAG Human Services Coordination Transportation Plan**

In June 2006, the MAG Regional Council approved the development of a plan to coordinate human services transportation in compliance with SAFETEA-LU regulations. MAG member agencies and community partners were invited to designate representatives to participate in a stakeholders group to develop the plan. The stakeholders group met from August 2006 to February 2007. The short-term strategies for the plan were approved by the MAG Regional Council in February 2007 in order that training could be offered for the Section 5310 applications. The MAG Human Services Coordinating Committee and the MAG Human Services Technical Committee recommended approval. Please refer to the enclosed material.

***4F. Resolution to Support Level or Increased Funding for Federal Human Services Programs**

In April 2007, the MAG Human Services Coordinating Committee approved a motion to request the MAG Regional Council to pass a resolution supporting level or increased funding for federal programs that support human services. These include the Community Services Block Grant, the Community Development Block Grant, the Social Services Block Grant and Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program. All are facing cuts at the federal level. If these budget cuts are approved, the ability of agencies in this region to serve people in need would be greatly diminished. Please refer to the enclosed material.

***4G. Incarceration Stakeholders Group**

The Management Committee is being requested to form a stakeholders group of MAG member agencies to more fully examine the Maricopa County prisoner per diem rate and explore possible options to the present system. The Incarceration Stakeholders Group would examine the proposed per diem rate and review incarceration alternatives used in other

4E. Recommend approval of the MAG Human Services Coordination Transportation Plan.

4F. Recommend approval of a resolution supporting level or increased funding for the Community Services Block Grant, the Community Development Block Grant, the Social Services Block Grant and Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program.

4G. Establish the Incarceration Stakeholders Group to examine options and costs to the present system for the incarceration of municipal prisoners.

metropolitan areas. The members of the Management Committee will be requested to provide names of the individuals from their jurisdiction to serve on the Stakeholders Group. It is anticipated that the group will convene for their first meeting in June. Please refer to the enclosed material.

*4H. Management Committee Nomination Process

In June 2005, the Management Committee elected Mike Hutchinson as Chair and Ed Beasley as Vice Chair. In November 2005, due to the retirement of Mr. Hutchinson, the Management Committee elected Vice Chair Beasley as Chair and Jan Dolan as Vice Chair to serve the remainder of the term to June 30, 2006. According to the nomination process that was determined by the Management Committee in May 2002, the outgoing Chair of the Management Committee would be responsible for working with members to nominate a manager for the Vice Chair position, and the current Vice Chair would be nominated for the position of Chair. At the meeting, it was acknowledged that the tradition was for officers to serve two one-year terms, and that the positions rotate to achieve geographic balance. In June, the election of officers will be held.

*4I. Approval of the Municipal Planning Areas and the 2007 MAG Socioeconomic Projections

In accordance with Executive Order 95-2, MAG prepares subregional socioeconomic projections. These projections are used as input to the transportation and air quality models. Using the 2005 Census Survey as the base and County projections approved by the Regional Council in December 2006, and in collaboration with member agency staff, MAG has prepared draft socioeconomic projections. The data projected are population, housing units, and employment for July 1, 2010, 2020 and 2030 by Municipal Planning Area and Regional Analysis Zone. All data, methods and assumptions used to prepare the draft projections have been reviewed by members of the MAG POPTAC and other member agency staff and revised based upon input received. Two drafts of the projections were also prepared for review by

4H. Information and discussion.

4I. Recommend approval of the resolution for the Municipal Planning Areas and the 2007 MAG socioeconomic projections of population, housing and employment for July 1, 2010, 2020 and 2030 by Municipal Planning Area and Regional Analysis Zone for use in all regional planning activities.

member agencies and revised based on comments provided. The resulting socioeconomic projections and a resolution were recommended for approval by the MAG POPTAC on April 24, 2007. Please refer to the enclosed material.

*4j. Approval of the Draft FY 2008 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget

Each year MAG develops a Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget. This year, draft budget presentations were held and incremental information on the budget was presented beginning in January 2007 through April 2007. Presenting the draft budget information throughout the budget development period gives the members and the public time to review and discuss the draft budget. The Draft Work Program Videoconference presentation was held on February 22, 2007, and the Work Program and Annual Budget was discussed by State and Federal agencies at the April 12, 2007 Intermodal Planning Group meeting. As adjustments to the budget were made, the draft budget document was updated and presented to the Management Committee, Regional Council Executive Committee, and Regional Council. In May 2007, the Draft FY 2008 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget is being presented for approval. The draft budget is complete. Please refer to the enclosed material.

- 4j. Recommend approval of the resolution adopting the Draft FY 2008 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget and the member dues and assessments, with the dues and assessments using the final 2005 Census Survey numbers.

ITEMS PROPOSED TO BE HEARD

5. Update on the Regional Office Center

On March 14, 2007, the MAG Management Committee recommended authorizing MAG to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding and to execute a lease for the MAG portion of the Regional Office Center. On March 28, 2007, the MAG Regional Council unanimously approved the recommendation. On April 10, 2007, the Valley Metro Rail (VMR) Board approved authorizing the Chief Executive Officer to enter into a lease agreement for the VMR space in the Regional Office Center. On April 16, 2007, the MAG Executive Committee reviewed additional value engineering options to potentially reduce the size and cost of the building. Upon reviewing the

5. Information and discussion.

potential cost reductions the Executive Committee approved the Regional Office Center as originally proposed. On April 19, 2007, the Regional Public Transportation Authority (RPTA) Board approved a 30 day continuance on the action on the Regional Office Center. The next RPTA meeting is scheduled for May 17, 2007. An update will be provided on the status of the Regional Office Center.

6. Additional PM-10 Measures Recommended by Maricopa County for the Suggested List and Letter from the Environmental Protection Agency

On March 28, 2007, Maricopa County presented a memorandum at the MAG Regional Council meeting recommending additional PM-10 measures for the Suggested List and identified some concerns. At the meeting, the MAG Regional Council took action to approve the Suggested List of Measures to Reduce PM-10 Particulate Matter as recommended by the MAG Air Quality Technical Advisory Committee and the MAG Management Committee with one modification and one addition. The Regional Council directed the MAG Air Quality Technical Advisory Committee at their April meeting to consider the remainder of the recommendations. On April 26, 2007, the Air Quality Technical Advisory Committee considered the remainder of the recommendations from the County. Also, in an April 20, 2007 letter, the Environmental Protection Agency expressed concern about the development of the new PM-10 Plan, the violations of the PM-10 standard occurring outside the Phoenix nonattainment area, and the development of the Eight-Hour Ozone Plan. Please refer to the enclosed material.

7. Proposed Major Amendment to Delete SR 153 from the MAG Regional Transportation Plan

The City of Phoenix and the Arizona Department of Transportation have been working with MAG staff to analyze the impact of removing SR 153 (Sky Harbor Expressway) from the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and using the available funding for improvements to SR 143. SR 153 has been part of the MAG regional freeway system since 1985 and was included in the MAG RTP and

6. Discussion and possible action to include additional measures in the Suggested List of Measures to Reduce PM-10 Particulate Matter.

7. Information, discussion and recommendation to consult with the State Transportation Board, the Maricopa County Board of Supervisors, the Regional Public Transportation Authority, the Indian Communities, the cities and towns in Maricopa County, and the Citizens Transportation Oversight Committee, as required by A.R.S. 28-6353, on the proposal to delete SR 153 from the Regional Transportation Plan and to shift the available funding for improvements to SR 143.

Proposition 400. Since the RTP was approved, substantial studies have been conducted related to the improvements of I-10 (the I-10 Collector - Distributor road system) and related to access to the airport. These analyses indicate that the original concept for SR 153 no longer is an effective facility in terms of the connection with I-10 at 40th Street and in providing access to Sky Harbor. Furthermore, the current egress from Sky Harbor does not have a connection to SR 143 causing considerable concern for travelers exiting the airport who want to access I-10 and the southeast valley. The proposed change is a major amendment and, as such, requires that the statutory consultation process be followed. Please refer to the enclosed material.

8. Building a Quality Arizona Resolution

The Chairs and Directors of the Arizona Councils of Governments (COGs) and Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) (Arizona COG/MPO Association), as well as business leaders, the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) and representatives from the Governor's Office, have been participating in a series of meetings to address statewide transportation needs. At a March 23, 2007, meeting of the (Arizona COG/MPO Association), the consensus of the group was to have each COG/MPO approve a resolution supporting the Building a Quality Arizona project. An update on this planning effort will be provided. Please refer to the enclosed material.

9. Legislative Update

An update will be provided on legislative issues of interest.

10. Comments from the Committee

An opportunity will be provided for Management Committee members to present a brief summary of current events. The Management Committee is not allowed to propose, discuss, deliberate or take action at the meeting on any matter in the summary, unless the specific matter is properly noticed for legal action.

8. Recommend approval of the Resolution supporting Building a Quality Arizona.

9. Information, discussion and possible action.

10. Information.

MINUTES OF THE
MAG MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

April 11, 2007

MAG Office Building - Saguaro Room
Phoenix, Arizona

MEMBERS ATTENDING

Brent Stoddard for Ed Beasley, Glendale, Chair	Mark Johnson, Guadalupe
Jan Dolan, Scottsdale, Vice Chair	Darryl Crossman, Litchfield Park
# George Hoffman, Apache Junction	Christopher Brady, Mesa
Charlie McClendon, Avondale	Tom Martinsen, Paradise Valley
Dave Wilcox, Buckeye	Carl Swenson for Terry Ellis, Peoria
* Jon Pearson, Carefree	Frank Fairbanks, Phoenix
Wayne Anderson for Usama Abujbarah, Cave Creek	John Kross, Queen Creek
Pat McDermott for Mark Pentz, Chandler	* Bryan Meyers, Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community
* B.J. Cornwall, El Mirage	Jim Rumpeltes, Surprise
Alfonso Rodriguez for Orlando Moreno, Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation	Will Manley, Tempe
# Tim Pickering, Fountain Hills	* Reyes Medrano, Tolleson
# Lynn Farmer, Gila Bend	* Shane Dille, Wickenburg
* Joseph Manuel, Gila River Indian Community	* Lloyce Robinson, Youngtown
George Pettit, Gilbert	Bill Hayden for Victor Mendez, ADOT
Stephen Cleveland, Goodyear	Kenny Harris for David Smith, Maricopa County
	Bryan Jungwirth for David Boggs, Valley Metro/RPTA

* Those members neither present nor represented by proxy.

Participated by telephone conference call.

+ Participated by videoconference call.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Jan Dolan at 12:10 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Vice Chair Dolan stated that George Hoffman, Tim Pickering and Lynn Farmer were participating by telephone.

Vice Chair Dolan noted that MAG staff was available to assist members of the public in turning in their public comment cards. Vice Chair Dolan stated that transit tickets were available from Valley Metro/RPTA for those using transit to come to the meeting. Parking validation was available from MAG staff for those who parked in the parking garage.

Vice Chair Dolan noted materials at each place: for agenda item #3, a statement submitted for the record by a citizen; for agenda item #4C, revised material to reflect two additional deferred projects; for agenda item #4E, Project Change Sheet #4; and for agenda item #7, a bill summary chart.

3. Call to the Audience

Vice Chair Dolan stated that Call to the Audience provides an opportunity to the public to address the Management Committee on items that are not on the agenda that are within the jurisdiction of MAG, or non-action agenda items that are on the agenda for discussion or information only. Vice Chair Dolan noted that those wishing to comment on agenda items posted for action will be provided the opportunity at the time the item is heard. Public comments have a three minute time limit and there is a timer to help the public with their presentations.

Vice Chair Dolan recognized public comment from Dianne Barker, who expressed her thanks for the transit tickets. Ms. Barker referenced the newspaper article she had turned in for the record. The article was about the impact of an accident on US-60. She said that this is a critical connection for moving traffic from the East Valley to Phoenix. Ms. Barker stated that she received a telephone call in regard to a transportation investigation where she was asked about the consulting firm Parsons. Ms. Barker said that she replied that they could build better trains. She said that making them elevated instead of at-grade would improve them. Ms. Barker stated that she hoped there would be privatization in transit because the costs to cities are exorbitant. Vice Chair Dolan thanked Ms. Barker for her comments.

5. FY 2007 MAG Mid-Phase Public Input Opportunity

This agenda item was taken out of order. Jason Stephens, MAG Public Involvement Planner, provided a presentation on the FY 2007 MAG Mid-Phase Public Input Opportunity. Mr. Stephens stated that MAG has a four-phase public input process--Early Phase, Mid Phase, Final Phase, Continuous Involvement. He said that the process was adopted in 1994 and enhanced in 1998 and 2006 to ensure Valley residents were provided with multiple opportunities for input into the development of the region's transportation plans and programs.

Mr. Stephens stated that opportunities for input during the Mid-Phase included the Northwest Black History Festival, the Arizona Disability Expo, and the Joint Transportation Open House and Public Hearing. He noted that MAG typically coordinates input efforts with ADOT, Valley Metro and METRO to ensure that residents have an opportunity to speak with all regional transportation entities at the same time. Mr. Stephens stated that representatives from these agencies, along with the Citizens Transportation Oversight Committee and City of Phoenix Public Transit Department, were in attendance at the Joint Transportation Public Hearing. Mr.

Stephens provided a summary of questions and comments received: DPS and ADOT need to come up with a photo enforcement plan for the HOV lanes; The South Mountain Freeway should not be allowed to go through the South Mountain Park Reserve; Is there ever going to be rail service to Tucson? You should be looking at Grand Avenue to find corridors for light rail; We need public transportation in Sun City; MAG and ADOT need to explore options for accelerating the Regional Transportation Plan; The Sun Valley Parkway needs to be developed more, not just along the Loop 303; The ramps on the buses are too narrow for some wheelchairs; Input provided by people with disabilities in regard to the bus system isn't being taken into account. Vice Chair Dolan thanked Mr. Stephens for his report. No questions from the Committee were noted.

4. Approval of Consent Agenda

Vice Chair Dolan stated that agenda items #4A, #4B, #4C, #4D, #4E, #4F, #4G, #4H, #4I, #4J, and #4K were on the consent agenda. She reviewed the public comment guidelines. Vice Chair Dolan noted that after hearing public comments, any member of the Committee can request that an item be removed from the consent agenda and considered individually. She noted that no public comment cards had been turned in. Vice Chair Dolan asked if any member of the Committee had questions or a request to have a presentation on any agenda item. None were noted.

Mr. Pettit moved to recommend approval of consent agenda items #4A, #4B, #4C, #4D, #4E, #4F, #4G, #4H, #4I, #4J, and #4K. Mr. McClendon seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

4A. Approval of March 14, 2007 Meeting Minutes

The Management Committee, by consent, approved the March 14, 2007 meeting minutes.

4B. ADOT Red Letter Process

In June 1996, the MAG Regional Council approved the ADOT Red Letter process, which requires MAG member agencies to notify ADOT of potential development activities in freeway alignments. Development activities include actions on plans, zoning and permits. ADOT has forwarded a list of notifications from July 1, 2006, to December 31, 2006. ADOT received 391 Red Letter notifications in the period from July 1, 2006 to December 31, 2006. In addition to the 137 separate examples attached to the agenda packet, ADOT has requested a complete set of plans for the developments and a plan review on an additional 144 notifications. The 144 additional notices included zoning changes and/or general plan amendments that would put future developments adjacent or very close to ADOT right-of-way that would cause concerns. The ADOT Red Letter coordinator also received 94 telephone, mail, and/or email notifications of possible impact to the State Highway System. The 94 telephone, mail, and/or email notifications consisted of ten notifications on the Red Mountain; eight on the 303 Loop; forty on the South Mountain; four on the Santan; five on SR-87; four on US-60 (Grand Avenue); two on SR-153, four on the I-17 widening; five on the I-10 widening; two on SR-85; and ten on the I-10 Reliever. Upon request any of the notices can be removed from the consent agenda and

returned for action at a future meeting. This item was on the agenda for information and discussion.

4C. Interim Closeout of the Federal Fiscal Year 2007 MAG Federally Funded Program

The Management Committee, by consent, recommended approval of a list of projects to be carried forward from federal fiscal year (FFY) 2007 to FFY 2008 or later and to discuss possible priorities for utilizing MAG federal funds that become available through the FFY 2007 Closeout Process. A revised initial closeout established that member agencies submitted requests to defer approximately \$39.2 million in projects from Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2007 to FFY 2008 or later. As a result, the amount of funds available during the interim closeout is approximately \$2.3 million. The amount available for the FFY 2007 closeout may change due to the final MAG region federal fund appropriations. Any changes will be provided to the Committee. The deadline for member agencies to submit requests for projects that can utilize these funds by the end of the federal fiscal year was April 26, 2007. The Transportation Review Committee recommended approval.

4D. Amendment and Administrative Modification to the FY 2007-2011 MAG Transportation Improvement Program

The Management Committee, by consent, recommended approval of an Amendment and an Administrative Modification to the FY 2007-2011 Transportation Improvement Program, as listed on the attached tables. The FY 2007-2011 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) was approved by Regional Council on July 26, 2006. Since that time, one project has been identified that needs to be added to the TIP, and two projects need modifications. An amendment is required to add a Maricopa County bridge rehabilitation project on old U.S. 80 at the Gila River. An Administrative Modification is needed to change a City of Chandler Intelligent Transportation System project to upgrade emergency vehicle preemption systems and change the lead agency, and to revise the project limits for a City of Scottsdale bicycle project. The Transportation Review Committee (TRC) recommended approval of the above three projects. Since the Transportation Review Committee recommended approval for the three projects noted above, eight projects have been identified that need to be administratively modified in the 2007-2011 TIP and three that need to be amended into the FY 2007-2011 TIP for FY 2007. These projects are noted in Table C and Table D in the attachment. The acquisition of right of way on I-17: L101 (Pima Fwy) to SR-74 (Carefree Hwy) is to be deleted and replaced with three projects: acquire right-of-way on I-17: Dixileta Drive to SR-74 (Carefree Highway); acquire right-of-way on I-17: Loop 101 (Pima Freeway) to Happy Valley Road; and acquire right-of-way on I-17: Happy Valley Road to Dixileta Drive. The construction project on I-17: L101 (Pima Fwy) to SR-74 (Carefree Hwy) is to be deleted and replaced with two projects: construct HOV and general purpose lane, I-17: Loop 101 (Pima Freeway) to Jomax Road, and widen freeway, I-17: Jomax to SR-74 (Carefree Hwy). The three design projects that need to be added are: design traffic interchanges, Loop 303 (Estrella Freeway) at Cactus and Waddell Roads; design traffic interchange, Loop 303 (Estrella Freeway) at Bell Road, and design general purpose lanes, I-17: SR-74 (Carefree Hwy) to Anthem Way. These projects were included in the ADOT Program changes that were approved by the MAG Regional Council on December 13, 2006. The Loop 101 Pima Freeway: Princess Drive to Loop 202 construction project needs to be

modified to reflect new project costs of \$70.7 million. Air quality conformity consultation is considered under a separate agenda item.

4E. Approval of the Draft FY 2008-2012 MAG Transportation Improvement Program for an Air Quality Conformity Analysis

The Management Committee, by consent, recommended approval of the Draft FY 2008-2012 MAG Transportation Improvement Program for an air quality conformity analysis. The 1990 Clean Air Act Amendments require that the MAG Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) be in conformance with the applicable air quality plans. All MAG member agencies have been consulted regarding projects and these changes have been incorporated in the draft document, including some new locally and privately funded projects. The draft TIP contains more than 1,700 transportation projects, totals almost \$7.2 billion and identifies federally funded projects, ADOT projects, transit projects (including light rail), and all regionally significant projects within the region. The Transportation Review Committee recommended approval of the Draft FY 2008-2012 MAG TIP for an air quality conformity analysis.

4F. Approval of the Draft MAG Regional Transportation Plan 2007 Update for an Air Quality Conformity Analysis

The Management Committee, by consent, recommended approval of the Draft MAG Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) 2007 Update for an air quality conformity analysis. The 1990 Clean Air Act Amendments require that regional transportation plans and programs be in conformance with applicable air quality plans. To comply with this requirement, approval is being requested to conduct an air quality analysis of the Draft MAG Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) 2007 Update, prior to its consideration for final approval. The Draft RTP 2007 Update has been structured so that it fully complies with the regional transportation planning requirements of the Federal Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient, Transportation Equity Act - A legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU). These requirements must be met for plans adopted or amended after July 1, 2007. The Draft RTP 2007 Update addresses several new topics to respond to SAFETEA-LU, including consultation on environmental mitigation and resource conservation, transportation security, and an updated public participation process. In addition, it includes revised revenue estimates, and updated life cycle programs for freeways/highways, arterial streets, and transit. The Transportation Review Committee recommended approval.

4G. Homeless Street Count Results

The MAG Continuum of Care Regional Committee on Homelessness coordinated a countywide homeless street count that took place on January 30, 2007. The information gathered from the count is required to complete the annual U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development application for McKinney-Vento homeless assistance funding. The information is also used for year-round homeless planning efforts and as a tool to demonstrate a need for housing and services for homeless people in the County. The overall street count for the region increased by 38 percent from last year to this year. This item was on the agenda for information and discussion.

4H. Conformity Consultation

The Maricopa Association of Governments is conducting consultation on a conformity assessment for an amendment to the FY 2007-2011 MAG Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The proposed amendment includes the addition of a Maricopa County bridge rehabilitation project on old U.S. 80 at the Gila River in FY 2010 and three Arizona Department of Transportation projects on Interstate-17 and Loop 303 in FY 2007. In addition, minor project revisions have been requested for a City of Chandler Intelligent Transportation System project to upgrade emergency vehicle preemption systems, a City of Scottsdale bicycle project, and eight ADOT freeway projects. Comments on the conformity assessment were requested by April 20, 2007. This item was on the agenda for consultation.

4I. MAG Socioeconomic Projections

In accordance with Executive Order 95-2, MAG is in the process of preparing a new set of socioeconomic projections that will replace the 2003 Interim Projections accepted by the MAG Regional Council in June 2003. Projections are used as input into the MAG transportation and air quality models, MAG transportation plans and programs, and a variety of other regional planning activities. The projections are consistent with the 2005 Census Survey, the Arizona Department of Economic Security Maricopa County control totals approved by the MAG Regional Council in December 2006, and 2007 Municipal Planning Area (MPA) boundaries. The 2010, 2020 and 2030 projections are currently being reviewed by members of the MAG Population Technical Advisory Committee. The projections will be brought to the MAG Management Committee and Regional Council for action in May. This item was on the agenda for information and discussion.

4J. Discussion and Update on the Draft FY 2008 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget

Each year, the MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget is developed incrementally in conjunction with member agency and public input. The Work Program is reviewed each year by the federal agencies and approved by the Regional Council in May. This presentation and review of the draft FY 2008 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget represents the budget document development to-date. There have been some changes to the new project requests. These include an upward revision to the Household Survey project by \$250,000 to \$750,000; a downward revision to the Traffic Count project by \$100,000 to \$150,000; and the deletion of the I-17 and US-93/New River Roadway Framework Study. The elements of the budget document are about 80 percent complete. This item was on the agenda for input.

4K. Amendment to the FY 2007 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget to Provide Matching Funds for the ADOT High Speed Rail Study Update

The Management Committee, by consent, recommended approval of an amendment to the FY 2007 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget to provide \$20,000 for ADOT to use as matching funds for the High Speed Rail Study Update. The Arizona Department of

Transportation has requested MAG to participate in the high speed rail study update that the Department is conducting for a possible commuter rail system connecting metropolitan Phoenix and metropolitan Tucson. ADOT has requested financial support from MAG for \$20,000 to use as matching funds for the ADOT study. MAG currently has a commuter rail project underway to develop a detailed strategy for to implement commuter rail in the MAG region. The connection between commuter rail within the metropolitan Phoenix area and commuter rail service with Tucson is important. Funding for the MAG participation in the ADOT study would be provided from Proposition 400 planning study funds. An amendment to the FY 2007 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget is needed.

6. South Mountain Freeway Update

Eric Anderson, MAG Transportation Director, stated that the planned South Mountain Freeway is a key component of the regional freeway system that will provide a critical linkage between the East Valley and the West Valley and an alternative to I-10. He said that the South Mountain Freeway was included in Proposition 300, Proposition 400, and in each approved Long Range Transportation Plan since 1985. Mr. Anderson first reviewed the project timeline. He stated that in 1988, ADOT conducted a design concept and state level environmental assessment to identify the corridor. In 1995, Governor Fife Symington removed the South Mountain Freeway and proposed it as a toll facility.

Mr. Anderson stated that in 1996, MAG set aside \$85 million for an interim connection. In 1999, the MAG Regional Council approved the City of Phoenix request to accelerate construction of the I-10 traffic interchange at Pecos Road, which provided better access to I-10 for Ahwatukee. Mr. Anderson stated that the South Mountain Agency Stakeholders Group was formed in January 2000. In July 2000, the MAG Regional Council approved funding for an Environmental Impact Statement. Mr. Anderson noted that there was extensive discussion about the type of environmental assessment that would be conducted. He said they were advised that a full environmental impact statement would be likely, due to the proximity of the Gila River Indian Community, South Mountain Park and crossing the river with the facility.

Mr. Anderson stated that when the Environmental Impact Statement process began in mid-2001, the estimated completion date was 2004, which was probably an overly optimistic date. He said that the schedule now calls for public review and comment of the Environmental Impact Statement in January 2008. Mr. Anderson noted that MAG staff has reviewed and provided comments on the draft.

Mr. Anderson stated that the record of decision is scheduled toward the end of 2008. He commented that it is highly probable that this will occur at a later date because there are a number of issues that need to be resolved. Mr. Anderson advised that once the FHWA signs off on the record of decision, there is a high probability of litigation by the neighborhood along Pecos Road.

Mr. Anderson stated that last summer, ADOT selected the north/south alignment which connects to I-10 at 55th Avenue, but the east-west preferred alternative has not yet been selected. Mr. Anderson stated that there are two options: 1) No build. 2) Build along Pecos Road. He advised

that the Gila River Indian Community has passed a tribal resolution opposing the freeway on community lands and has not allowed any study of alternatives on its lands. Mr. Anderson commented that if the Gila River Indian Community changes its position and allows study, it is likely the Environmental Impact Statement would be delayed another two to three years to study alternatives on the Gila River Indian Community.

Mr. Anderson commented that the South Mountain Freeway is more critical to the region now than it was in 1985. He said that this is due not only to the rapid population and job growth, but also because the I-10 Reliever is designed to connect to the South Mountain to provide further east-west travel access. Mr. Anderson stated that if the South Mountain is not built at all, or if it is not built in a timely manner, the I-10 Reliever connection might become problematic. He commented that there are not many alternatives to replace this facility and not having it would result in a tremendous burden to I-10 which is already over capacity. Vice Chair Dolan thanked Mr. Anderson for his report. No questions from the Committee were noted.

7. Legislative Update

Matthew Clark, MAG Senior Policy Planner, provided an update on legislative issues of interest. He reported that Senate Bill (SB) 1049, which appropriates \$450 million from the State's Rainy Day Fund to transportation, and SB 1172, which increases the maximum maturity date for state highway bonds from 20 to 30 years, have stalled, but may be considered as part of the budget process.

Mr. Clark stated that SB 1591 adds language that states if the light rail system is not completed on or before January 1, 2009, a separate performance audit will be conducted within 12 months after the minimum operating segment has opened. He reported that this bill passed the Senate and the House Transportation Committee and is in Rules.

Mr. Clark stated that a strike everything amendment to House Bill (HB) 2228 passed Rules on April 9th and is awaiting full Senate action.

Mr. Clark stated that a strike everything amendment HB 2486 was passed in the House Ways and Means Committee that would permit county residents to establish a road improvement and maintenance district with the purpose of building a community road to less-than-county standards. He commented that this could be a concern if the road falls within an area that is subsequently annexed by a city or town.

Mr. Clark stated that a strike everything amendment to HB 2570 passed in the Senate Transportation Committee. He said the amendment changes the bill from setting aside funds for the purchase of rail right-of-way to requiring evidence of legally authorized presence in the United States in order to obtain a vehicle title or registration.

Mr. Clark stated that HB 2682, which would establish a Blue Ribbon Transportation Committee, has moved from the House to the Senate.

Mr. Clark reported on an air quality bill, SB 1552, which deals with the adoption of local ordinances in regard to air pollution, has passed the Senate and moved to the House. Mr. Clark noted that this bill is a vehicle for final provisions for air quality.

Mr. Clark stated that HCR 2039 is a strike everything amendment that proposes amendments to the State Constitution relating to disposition of state trust land. He said that it is awaiting action in Senate Rules.

Mr. Clark reported that SB 1265 would allow Voice Over Internet Protocol (VoIP) to be subject to the excise tax for 911. He said that a strike everything amendment to the bill was passed in the House Appropriations Committee that would require individuals who are not citizens to reimburse the court system for any costs incurred by using the court system.

Vice Chair Dolan thanked Mr. Clark for his report. No questions from the Committee were noted.

8. Comments from the Committee

An opportunity will be provided for Management Committee members to present a brief summary of current events. The Management Committee is not allowed to propose, discuss, deliberate or take action at the meeting on any matter in the summary, unless the specific matter is properly noticed for legal action.

No comments from the Committee were noted.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Secretary

Chairman

MARICOPA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

INFORMATION SUMMARY... for your review

DATE:

May 1, 2007

SUBJECT:

Conformity Consultation

SUMMARY:

The Maricopa Association of Governments is conducting consultation on a conformity assessment for a City of Phoenix project-level conformity determination for a park-and-ride facility located at the southwest corner of Happy Valley Road and Interstate-17. The proposed facility will provide parking for approximately 500 vehicles. The advance construction phase of the project is programmed in FY 2008 of the FY 2007-2011 MAG Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Comments on the conformity assessment are requested by May 18, 2007.

MAG has reviewed the project air quality analysis for compliance with the federal conformity rule and concurs with the project-level conformity determination. The current conformity finding of the TIP and the associated Regional Transportation Plan that was made by the Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration on August 17, 2006 remains unchanged by this action. A description of the project is provided in the attached interagency consultation memorandum.

PUBLIC INPUT:

Copies of the conformity assessment have been distributed for consultation to the Federal Transit Administration, Federal Highway Administration, Arizona Department of Transportation, Arizona Department of Environmental Quality, Regional Public Transportation Authority, City of Phoenix Public Transit Department, Maricopa County Air Quality Department, Central Arizona Association of Governments, Pinal County Air Quality Control District, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and other interested parties including members of the public.

PROS & CONS:

PROS: Completion of a project-level conformity determination is required prior to federal approval of the project.

CONS: The review of the conformity assessment requires additional time in the project approval process.

TECHNICAL & POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

TECHNICAL: The City of Phoenix project-level conformity determination concludes that the proposed park-and-ride facility will not cause or contribute to any new localized carbon monoxide or PM-10 violations or increase the severity or number of existing violations during the time frame of the transportation plan.

POLICY: Federal transportation conformity regulations require interagency consultation on development of the transportation plan, TIP, and associated conformity determinations to include a process involving the Metropolitan Planning Organization, State and local air quality planning agencies, State and local transportation agencies, Environmental Protection Agency, Federal Highway Administration, and the Federal Transit Administration. Consultation on the conformity assessment has been prepared in accordance with federal regulations, MAG Conformity Consultation Processes adopted by the Regional Council in February 1996 and MAG Transportation Conformity Guidance and Procedures adopted by the Regional Council in March 1996. In addition, federal guidance is followed in response to court rulings regarding transportation conformity.

ACTION NEEDED:

Consultation.

PRIOR COMMITTEE ACTIONS:

None.

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May 1, 2007

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Robert Hollis, Federal Highway Administration
Victor Mendez, Arizona Department of Transportation
Stephen Owens, Arizona Department of Environmental Quality
Dave Boggs, Regional Public Transportation Authority/ Valley Metro
Debbie Cotton, City of Phoenix Public Transit Department
Robert Kard, Maricopa County Air Quality Department
Maxine Leather, Central Arizona Association of Governments
Don Gabrielson, Pinal County Air Quality Control District
Wienke Tax, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region IX
Other Interested Parties

FROM: Dean Giles, Air Quality Planning Program Specialist

SUBJECT: CONSULTATION ON A CONFORMITY ASSESSMENT FOR A PROJECT-LEVEL
CONFORMITY DETERMINATION FOR A PROPOSED PHOENIX PARK-AND-
RIDE FACILITY

The Maricopa Association of Governments is conducting consultation on a conformity assessment for a City of Phoenix project-level conformity determination prepared for a park-and-ride facility located at the southwest corner of Happy Valley Road and Interstate-17. The proposed facility will provide parking for approximately 500 vehicles. The advance construction phase of the project is programmed in FY 2008 of the FY 2007-2011 MAG Transportation Improvement Program. Comments on the conformity assessment are requested by May 18, 2007 (see attachment).

MAG has reviewed the project air quality analysis for compliance with the federal conformity rule and concurs with the project-level conformity determination. The current conformity finding of the TIP and the associated Regional Transportation Plan that was made by the Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration on August 17, 2006 remains unchanged by this action. The conformity assessment is being transmitted for consultation to the agencies and other interested parties listed above. If you have any questions or comments, please contact me at (602) 254-6300.

Attachment

cc: Nancy Wrona, Arizona Department of Environmental Quality

ATTACHMENT

CONFORMITY ASSESSMENT FOR A PROJECT-LEVEL CONFORMITY DETERMINATION FOR A PROPOSED PHOENIX PARK-AND-RIDE FACILITY

In accordance with federal transportation conformity regulations, the City of Phoenix has made a conformity determination with respect to a proposed park-and-ride facility located at the southwest corner of Happy Valley Road and Interstate-17. Conformity regulations require that a Federal Highway Administration or Federal Transit Administration project not cause or contribute to any new localized CO or PM-10 violations or increase the frequency or severity of any existing violations in CO or PM-10 nonattainment or maintenance areas.

As part of the environmental documentation for the proposed park-and-ride facility, the City of Phoenix has completed an air quality analysis. A project-level hot-spot analysis for carbon monoxide was completed as part of the air quality analysis. The results of the project-level analysis indicate that the predicted carbon monoxide concentrations for the 2009 and 2029 “build” scenarios are less than the 1-hour and 8-hour federal carbon monoxide standards.

In addition, the air quality analysis indicates that the proposed park-and-ride facility meets PM-10 requirements for a project-level determination without a qualitative analysis. The proposed park-and-ride facility has not been found to be “a project of air quality concern” as defined under revised March 2006 guidance issued by the Federal Highway Administration and the Environmental Protection Agency.

The air quality analysis concludes that the proposed park-and-ride facility will not cause or contribute to any new localized CO or PM-10 violations or increase the severity or number of existing violations during the time frame of the transportation plan. This information is provided for consultation as outlined in the MAG Conformity Consultation Processes document adopted by the MAG Regional Council on February 28, 1996. In addition, federal guidance is followed in response to court rulings regarding transportation conformity.

MAG has reviewed the project for compliance with the federal conformity rule. The project is not expected to create adverse emission impacts or interfere with Transportation Control Measure implementation. The current conformity finding of the TIP and the associated Regional Transportation Plan that was made by the Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration on August 17, 2006 remains unchanged by this action.

MARICOPA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

INFORMATION SUMMARY... for your review

DATE:

May 1, 2007

SUBJECT:

Section 5310 Elderly and Individuals with Disabilities Transportation Program Applications

SUMMARY:

On April 27, 2007, the MAG FTA Elderly and Persons with Disabilities Transportation Program Ad Hoc Committee interviewed all applicants for the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5310 funding. The Committee will meet again on May 4, 2007 to develop rankings for the applications. FTA provides these funds to the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) for capital assistance to agencies and public bodies that provide transportation services for people who are elderly and for people who have a disability. This year, 17 agencies submitted 24 applications for capital assistance awards, totaling 38 van requests, three radio requests, four walkie-talkie requests, and two software requests, were received and considered by the Committee.

The ranking provided by MAG is considered by ADOT in determining which applicants are to be awarded. ADOT procures accessible and non-accessible passenger vans and ancillary equipment with these funds. The FTA provides 80 percent of the award cost, and the applicant provides a 20 percent match plus 1.5 percent to cover costs related to state program administration.

Approximately \$3 million is available statewide for funding this year's projects. This funding comprises traditional FTA 5310 formula funds and federal Surface Transportation Program (STP) Flexible Funds. The latter is from additional funding targeted by the State Transportation Board toward augmenting rural-area programs. Applicants within small and large urban planning regions are eligible for STP funding if they can substantiate predominately rural routes or service areas within these regions.

PUBLIC INPUT:

Public comment was solicited in one public notice in March 2007 and one public notice in April 2007. No public comment has been received. Opportunities for input were also offered at the Committee meetings. No input was given.

PROS & CONS:

PROS: MAG advises ADOT for the FTA Elderly and Persons with Disabilities Transportation Program awards. Forwarding these rankings assists ADOT in awarding capital transportation equipment for special needs in the MAG region. Awards are made on a statewide competitive basis and Arizona chooses to include urban and rural area needs in this program.

CONS: The MAG region does not receive EPDT Program capital awards in relation to its population. Applicants continue to project growth in the number of people who will require special transportation.

TECHNICAL & POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

TECHNICAL: All awards meet requirements and inspection standards of federal laws and regulations including the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). ADOT takes care of the technical specifications,

procures the equipment, and satisfies all inspection requirements before delivery. ADOT holds liens on vehicles for four years or 100,000 miles, whichever comes first.

POLICY: The Arizona Department of Transportation receives Elderly and Persons with Disabilities Transportation Program funds on a formula basis from the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Transit Administration. STP funds are targeted at vehicle replacement needs in predominately rural areas, including rural areas of mostly urban counties such as Maricopa County.

ACTION NEEDED:

Recommend forwarding the priority listing of applicants for FTA Elderly and Persons with Disabilities Transportation Program to the Arizona Department of Transportation.

PRIOR COMMITTEE ACTIONS:

The MAG Ad Hoc Elderly and Persons with Disabilities Transportation Committee met on April 11, 2007, to receive applications and discuss ranking policies and procedures and on April 27, 2007 to interview all applicants.

MEMBERS:

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| Jim Rumpeltes, City of Surprise, Chair | Denise Demaray, City of Chandler |
| Terri Collins, RPTA | John Cleveland for Albert Santana, City of Phoenix |
| Matt Dudley, City of Glendale | Lisa Taraborelli for Ken-Ichi Maruyama, Town of Gilbert |
| Pam Baldwin, AZ Department of Economic Security | |
| * Mitchell Foy, City of Mesa | |

*Those members neither present nor represented by proxy.

CONTACT PERSON:

Amy St. Peter, MAG, 254-6300

Section 5310 Elderly and Individuals with Disabilities Transportation Program Applications
Unranked

Agency	Vans	Equipment	Mobility Management
Aires, Inc.	2		
Arizona Spinal Cord Injury Association	2		
Beatitudes Campus	1		
Chandler Gilbert Arc	2		
Civitan Foundation, Inc.	3		
Foundation for Senior Living	1		
Four Sisters Meals 2-U	2	4 walkie-talkies & communication software	
Hacienda, Inc.	1		
Horizon Human Services	1		
Interfaith Community Care	1		
Marc Center	7	Radio	
Portable Practical Education Preparation, Inc.	1		
Scottsdale Training and Rehabilitation Services	1		
TERROS	5	Universal tracking system	Yes
The Centers for Habilitation	2	2 radios & equipment	
Triple R Behavioral Health	5		
Valley of the Sun School	1		

MARICOPA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

INFORMATION SUMMARY... for your review

DATE:

May 1, 2007

SUBJECT:

Application Process for U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Stuart B. McKinney Funds for Homeless Assistance Programs

SUMMARY:

On December 8, 1999, the Regional Council approved MAG becoming the responsible entity for a year-round homeless planning process which includes submittal of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Stuart B. McKinney Continuum of Care Consolidated Application for the MAG Region. The Continuum of Care grant supports permanent and transitional housing as well as supportive services. Last year, the region received more than \$20 million for 48 homeless service providers. A total of \$126 million has been awarded to the region since 1999. It is anticipated that the region will be awarded comparably in 2007.

Forty-nine homeless assistance applications were submitted by the due date of April 20, 2007. The Continuum of Care Ranking and Review Committee, administered by the Valley of the Sun United Way, will review and score each application submitted. The final rankings will be completed on May 10, 2007 and will be presented to the MAG Regional Council on May 23, 2007 for information and discussion. The MAG Continuum of Care Regional Committee on Homelessness will consider approval of the final rankings at the May 21, 2007 meeting.

PUBLIC INPUT:

The development of action steps, and the measurement of goal achievement is based on public input from consumers, providers of services, and local and state governmental representatives. Community stakeholders, including homeless service providers, public officials, non profit representatives, and interested members of the public, are involved in the gaps analysis process which is done each year to determine the unmet need of emergency shelter beds, transitional housing beds, and permanent supportive housing beds. The gaps analysis meeting is being held on May 7, 2007 and the results will be submitted in the consolidated application to HUD. The process of the local application was reviewed at the MAG Continuum of Care Regional Committee on Homelessness meeting on January 22, 2007. Public input was offered but not received at this meeting.

PROS & CONS:

PROS: A coordinated application and planning process is required by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to maximize competitiveness for the federal Stuart B. McKinney Act funds. The MAG Continuum of Care Regional Committee on Homelessness facilitates the year-round planning process in the region. Because of the regional planning entity, there has been consensus about the homeless planning priorities and action steps in the Valley and cooperation with information needed for the federal grant. This approach emphasizes the need for collaboration among public and private agencies to ensure that individuals and families who are homeless are assisted in moving from homelessness to permanent housing and greater self-sufficiency. Since 1994, all applicants for funding from these programs have been required to demonstrate that their programs play an integral role in their community's Continuum of Care.

CONS: The HUD Continuum of Care grant is the largest block of funding that comes to the region for housing and services for persons who are homeless. Since the Continuum of Care is the mandated process for developing this grant application, submission of the application through the MAG Continuum

of Care is necessary in order to draw down the funds. The Continuum of Care process is competitive with up to 20 percent of the Continua of Care defunded by HUD annually. If this region did not submit this grant through the existing MAG Continuum of Care process, potentially the funding for the region could be lost in perpetuity.

TECHNICAL & POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

TECHNICAL: The federal application process requires a tremendous amount of staff time to develop the community consensus and to gather the information requested by HUD. This task is complicated by the lack of a consistent data based on needs, services provided and funds expended. The community has identified the need to develop more complete homeless data for future applications. The Maricopa Homeless Management Information System (HMIS), implemented in February of 2003, was used to collect data for the 2007 homeless shelter count and will continue to be utilized in other areas to assist in the collection of system wide data of homeless programs.

POLICY: The MAG Continuum of Care Regional Committee on Homelessness was created at the request of HUD and with the approval of the MAG Regional Council. This policy level council is composed of a variety of representatives, including elected officials, representatives of the Governor's Office, several state legislators, several funding agencies, service providers, HUD, the religious community, advocates and consumers. This is a broad-based community committee that has agreed to take the responsibility for homeless planning and to ensure that a regional grant application is submitted each year. The Committee has been an effective method to discuss and move forward with regional solutions addressing homelessness.

ACTION NEEDED:

Information and discussion.

PRIOR COMMITTEE ACTIONS:

The Continuum of Care Regional Committee on Homelessness reviewed the planning process and 2007 HUD application weights at the January 22, 2007 meeting. The Committee voted to approve the weights as recommended by staff.

MEMBERS ATTENDING:

- * Councilmember Greg Stanton, Phoenix, Chair
- Bob Duvall for Roberto Armijo, Community Information & Referral Services
- Maryann Beerling, New Arizona Family
- * Judy Bowden, Mesa United Way
- Brad Bridwell, US Vets
- Kathryn Brown, AZ Dept of Corrections
- * Tom Canasi, Tempe, Co-Vice Chair
- Marty Shultz for Kendra Cea, APS
- * Trinity Donovan, Valley of the Sun United Way
- Councilmember Steve Frate, Glendale
- * Theresa James, Tempe
- Deanna Jonovich, Phoenix
- Don Keuth, Phoenix Community Alliance, Co-Vice Chair
- * Dan Lundberg, Surprise
- Mike McQuaid, HSC
- Nick Margiotta, Phoenix Police Department
- Carrie Mascaró, Catholic Charities

- Terra Masias, Chicanos Por La Causa
- Meggan Medina, AZ Dept of Housing
- * Guy Mikkelsen, Foundation for Senior Living
- * Carolyn Mitchell, Wells Fargo
- Darlene Newsom, United Methodist Outreach Ministries
- Brenda Robbins, Depart of Health Services
- Laura Skotnicki, Save the Family
- Annette Stein, Maricopa County HS
- Jacki Taylor, ACEH
- * Margaret Trujillo, MG Trujillo Associates
- * Councilmember Mike Whalen Mesa
- * Supervisor Mary Rose Wilcox, Maricopa County
- Liz Morales for Ted Williams, AZ Behavioral Health Corporation
- Margot Cordova for Diana Yazzie Devine, Native American Connections

* Those members neither present nor represented by proxy.

CONTACT PERSON:

Amy St. Peter, Human Services Manager, 602-254-6300

**FY 2008 HUD
CONTINUUM
OF CARE
COMPETITION
APPLICANTS**



Project Sponsor/Organization	Amount Requesting
Arizona Behavioral Health Corporation_____	\$1,387,588.00
Native American Connections _____	\$163,178.00
Native American Connections _____	\$91,043.00
Arizona Housing Incorporated _____	\$58,025.00
Native American Connections _____	\$35,000.00
Area Agency on Aging, Region One _____	\$63,064.00
Arizona Behavioral Health Corporation_____	\$373,993.00
Southwest Behavioral Health Services _____	\$20,775.00
Phoenix Shanti Group _____	\$70,456.00
Arizona Behavioral Health Corporation_____	\$202,030.00
UMOM New Day Centers, Inc. _____	\$80,126.00
META Services, Inc. _____	\$971,973.00
Arizona Behavioral Health Corporation_____	\$1,735,423.00
Arizona Behavioral Health Corporation_____	\$499,972.00
Arizona Behavioral Health Corporation_____	\$938,788.00
Arizona Housing Inc. _____	\$78,663.00
Women in New Recovery _____	\$46,862.00
Catholic Charities Community Services _____	\$24,039.00
Save the Family Foundation of Arizona _____	\$411,726.00
Chrysalis Shelter for Victims of Domestic Violence, Inc. _____	\$24,269.00
Homeward Bound _____	\$26,250.00
PREHAB of Arizona, Inc. _____	\$510,688.00
Save the Family Foundation of Arizona _____	\$211,412.00
YWCA of Maricopa County _____	\$201,671.00
United States Veterans Initiative _____	\$496,557.00
HomeBase Youth Services _____	\$333,370.00
Tumbleweed Center for Youth Development _____	\$437,698.00
Southwest Behavioral Health Services _____	\$205,977.00
Homeward Bound _____	\$313,761.00
Area Agency on Aging, Region One _____	\$60,735.00
Mesa Community Action Network, Inc. _____	\$58,878.00
Sojourner Center _____	\$417,763.00
NOVA Inc. _____	\$1,114,795.00
House of Refuge East _____	\$903,424.00
Community Information & Referral, Inc. _____	\$400,921.00
The Salvation Army _____	\$45,360.00
Phoenix Shanti Group, Inc. _____	\$34,600.00
UMOM New Day Centers, Inc. _____	\$187,584.00
Area Agency on Aging, Region One _____	\$126,575.00
Community Information & Referral, Inc. _____	\$176,752.00
Tumbleweed Center for Youth Development _____	\$214,429.00
The Salvation Army _____	\$75,600.00
Tumbleweed Center for Youth Development _____	\$318,729.00
Community Bridges, Inc. _____	\$344,610.00
Chicanos Por La Causa, Inc. _____	\$101,735.00
Labor's Community Service Agency _____	\$279,594.00
Arizona Behavioral Health Corporation _____	\$2,491,440.00
Arizona Behavioral Health Corporation _____	\$1,584,456.00
Arizona Behavioral Health Corporation _____	\$1,266,780.00
TOTAL _____	\$20,219,137.00

MARICOPA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

INFORMATION SUMMARY... for your review

DATE:

May 1, 2007

SUBJECT:

MAG Human Services Coordination Transportation Plan

SUMMARY:

In June 2006, the MAG Regional Council approved the development of a plan to coordinate human services transportation. This is to comply with SAFETEA-LU regulations concerning Section 5310 Elderly Individuals and Individuals with Disabilities Transportation Program, Section 5316 Job Access and Reverse Commute and Section 5317 New Freedom. MAG member agencies were invited to designate people to a stakeholders group to develop the plan. The stakeholders group met from August 2006 to February 2007. The short-term strategies for the plan were approved by the MAG Regional Council in February 2007 in order that training could be offered for the Section 5310 applicants. The draft plan is presented now for the Committee's recommendation for approval.

PUBLIC INPUT:

Opportunities for public input were offered at the MAG Human Services Technical Committee and MAG Human Services Coordinating Committee meetings in March and April 2007 respectively. No input was offered.

PROS & CONS:

PROS: Coordinating human services transportation will make programs more efficient and will serve more people. Lack of coordination results in wasted resources, inefficient use of time and vulnerable people receiving poor quality service, or in the worst case, being left in dangerous circumstances. Currently the public and private agencies that provide transportation services in the human services arena are not all familiar with each other. The short-term strategies presented in the plan offer opportunities to alleviate that problem without a significant increase in resources, staffing or funding.

CONS: There are no anticipated negative effects.

TECHNICAL & POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

TECHNICAL: According to SAFETEA-LU regulations, a coordinated human services transportation plan must be in place so that JARC, New Freedom and 5310 funds may be drawn down. This plan has been developed by a diverse group as mandated by federal regulations. Setting forth clear expectations will help to build a strong foundation for more intensive coordination in the future.

POLICY: Lack of coordination can result in lower productivity, wasted resources and lower quality services for a very vulnerable population. Elderly, people with disabilities and people with low incomes are significantly affected by human services transportation. Ultimately, this service is not about busses, vans or cars but the quality of life people experience when they have access to medical care, employment and a good support system. Improving human services transportation coordination will result in better access to these opportunities and better utilization of existing resources.

ACTION NEEDED:

Recommend approval of the MAG Human Services Coordination Transportation Plan.

PRIOR COMMITTEE ACTIONS:

The MAG Human Services Coordinating Committee recommended the plan for approval on April 18, 2007.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ATTENDING

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| * Mayor Marie Lopez-Rogers, Avondale, Chair | + Carol McCormack, Mesa United Way |
| * Councilmember Rob Antoniak, Goodyear | Donna Reid, Scottsdale Human Services Commission |
| + Councilmember Dave Crozier, Gilbert | Janet Regner, Tempe Community Council |
| * Councilmember Roy Delgado, El Mirage | Jayson Matthews for Councilmember Onnie Sherejian, Tempe |
| Councilmember Trinity Donovan, Chandler | |
| Laura Guild for Susan Hallet, DES | |
| * Councilmember Kyle Jones, Mesa, Vice Chair | * Mayor Joan Shafer, Surprise |
| + Councilmember Manuel Martinez, Glendale | * Supervisor Mary Rose Wilcox, Maricopa County |
| * Jim McCabe, Area Agency on Aging | |

*Those members neither present nor represented by proxy.

+Those members present by audio/videoconferencing

The MAG Human Services Technical Committee recommended the plan for approval on March 8, 2007.

MEMBERS ATTENDING

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| Carl Harris-Morgan, Gilbert, Chairman | Joy McClain, Tolleson |
| Judy Bowden, Mesa United Way | Jose Mercado for Doris Marshall, Phoenix |
| Paige Garrett, Quality of Life Community Services, Inc | Jeff Young for Sandra Mendez, DES/CSA |
| Jayson Matthew for Kate Hanley, Tempe Community Council | * Kyle Moore, DES/ACYF |
| * Deanna Jonovich, Phoenix | * Sandra Reagan, Southwest Community Network |
| Jim Knaut, Area Agency on Aging | Sylvia Sheffield, Avondale |
| Frances Delgado for Margarita Leyvas, Maricopa County | Kathy Anderson for Carol Sherer, DES/DDD |
| * Joyce Lopez-Powell, VSUW | Keith Burke for Judy Tapscott, Tempe |
| Bob Baratko for Dan Lundberg, Surprise | Wayne Tormala, Phoenix, Vice Chair |
| | * Patrick Tyrrell, Chandler |
| | Patricia Nightingale for Neal Young, Phoenix |

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MARICOPA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

INFORMATION SUMMARY... for your review

DATE:

May 1, 2007

SUBJECT:

Resolution to Support Level or Increased Funding for Federal Human Services Programs

SUMMARY:

The region relies on federal funding to help provide human services for vulnerable populations. Four federal programs face proposed budget cuts that would drastically reduce the region's ability to meet increasing human services needs. These programs include the Community Services Block Grant (CSBG), the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), the Social Services Block Grant (SSBG) and the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP). These proposed budget cuts would result in, for example, fewer home delivered meals for seniors, reduced services to children with developmental disabilities and less shelter for women and children fleeing abusive relationships.

Arizona already receives less than its fair share of federal funding as needs continue to increase in the region. As a donor state, Arizona supports human services programs that create quality of life for vulnerable people such as the elderly, children in foster care and victims of domestic violence. The proposed cuts do not take into account the region already receives less than comparable areas across the country. This deficit leaves more people without assistance and creates a burden on local entities trying to meet these needs. The region also suffers the highest proposed cut in the country for LIHEAP funds, second only to Alabama.

PUBLIC INPUT:

An opportunity for public input was offered at the MAG Human Services Coordinating Committee meeting on April 18, 2007. No input was offered.

PROS & CONS:

PROS: It is imperative to receive fair share funding from federal programs. Given level or increased funding, the region can continue to offer services like case management that help struggling families achieve self-sufficiency. The stabilization of people in need has a positive impact on the rest of the community because there is less dependence on subsidies and more people paying taxes.

CONS: There are many needs in the MAG region that compete for limited resources. It is difficult to prioritize funding when all needs have value.

TECHNICAL & POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

TECHNICAL: All four funding sources are used to leverage other programs and funds. This means the impact of these proposed budget cuts goes far beyond the four programs. The proposed cuts will have a ripple effect extending to other services not funded by these four programs as a result. The proposed cuts are also not proportionate to the need or comparable to other regions. LIHEAP, for example, is proposed to be cut 60 percent from FY 2006 to FY 2008. This is the second highest proposed budget cut in the entire country. The region already receives 32 percent less in CDBG funding than comparable regions elsewhere in the country. CSBG funding is a critical funding source

for the Community Action Programs, the region's first line of defense against poverty. SSBG supports vulnerable populations like victims of domestic violence, homeless families and the elderly.

POLICY: Arizona is a donor state to human services by contributing more than it receives in federal funding. With increased needs, it is essential to maintain or increase funding for these four programs. Rapid population growth has already placed a burden on municipalities to provide adequate infrastructure like roads, police and fire. The region relies on a partnership with the federal government to maintain a quality of life for all people.

ACTION NEEDED:

Recommend approval of a resolution supporting level or increased funding for the Community Services Block Grant, the Community Development Block Grant, the Social Services Block Grant and Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program.

PRIOR COMMITTEE ACTIONS:

On April 18, 2007, the MAG Human Services Coordinating Committee unanimously approved a motion requesting that the MAG Regional Council pass a resolution supporting level or increased funding for the Community Services Block Grant, the Community Development Block Grant, the Social Services Block Grant and Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ATTENDING

- * Mayor Marie Lopez-Rogers, Avondale, Chair
- * Councilmember Rob Antoniak, Goodyear
- + Councilmember Dave Crozier, Gilbert
- * Councilmember Roy Delgado, El Mirage
- Councilmember Trinity Donovan, Chandler
- Laura Guild for Susan Hallet, DES
- * Councilmember Kyle Jones, Mesa, Vice Chair
- + Councilmember Manuel Martinez, Glendale
- * Jim McCabe, Area Agency on Aging
- + Carol McCormack, Mesa United Way
- Donna Reid, Scottsdale Human Services Commission
- Janet Regner, Tempe Community Council
- Jayson Matthews for Councilmember Onnie Sherejian, Tempe
- * Mayor Joan Shafer, Surprise
- * Supervisor Mary Rose Wilcox, Maricopa County

*Those members neither present nor represented by proxy.

+Those members present by audio/videoconferencing

CONTACT PERSON:

Amy St. Peter, MAG, (602) 254-6300

**RESOLUTION ON
FEDERAL FUNDING FOR HUMAN SERVICES IN THE MAG REGION**

A Resolution of the Maricopa Association of Governments, supporting federal funding for human services in the MAG region.

WHEREAS, Maricopa County is one of the fastest-growing regions in the United States, putting a tremendous burden on the MAG member agencies to provide vital services such as police, fire and transportation infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the region is a donor state by contributing more than it receives to many human services funding programs and the region relies on the funding it does receive from the federal government to support thousands of services essential to quality of life for vulnerable populations such as the elderly, people with disabilities and children in foster care; and

WHEREAS, the proposed FY 2008 federal budget includes significant reductions for critical human services funding sources including \$630 million to the Community Services Block Grant Program, \$500 million to the Social Services Block Grant Program, \$735 million to the Community Development Block Grant Program and \$9.28 million in the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP); and

WHEREAS, Arizona suffers a disproportionate share of these cuts for LIHEAP as the budget reduction from FY 2006 to FY 2008 represents a 60 percent decrease in funding, the second largest percentage reduction in the country; and

WHEREAS, according to the Applied Public Policy Research Institute for Study and Evaluation, low-income people eligible for LIHEAP in Arizona spend three times more on residential energy than the national average and the number of people eligible and the need for energy assistance is increasing; and

WHEREAS, the Community Services Block Grant Program provides funding vital to the Community Action Program agencies and helps to prevent homelessness before it begins by administering an unfunded mandate in the State of Arizona for "Short Term Crisis Services," specifically rent and mortgage assistance; and

WHEREAS, the Phoenix metropolitan area already receives 32 percent less in Community Services Block Grant Program funding than the comparison areas cited in the 2006 MAG Regional Human Services Plan, and this funding source provides support for projects that strengthen the community such as graffiti removal, proactive code enforcement to stop blight and deterioration, infrastructure projects, parks and recreation facilities, social services and youth programs, housing and rehabilitation; and

WHEREAS, the Social Services Block Grant Program funds case management services and other forms of assistance for a very vulnerable population and such cuts would result in, for example, fewer home delivered meals for elderly adults, reduced case management services for women fleeing from domestic violence, and fewer services for children with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the funding received from these four programs is used to leverage other funding sources and programs, such as Short Term Crisis Services, Utility Repair Replacement Deposit, Low Income Weatherization, First Time Home Buyers, Self-Help Housing, Earned Income Tax Credit, Individual Development Accounts, and case management services, and to provide the essential services to our low income community members to achieve the overall goal of self-sufficiency; and

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the member agencies of the Maricopa Association of Governments are committed to maintaining or increasing the level of federal funding for the Community Services Block Grant, the Community Development Block Grant, the Social Services Block Grant and the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE MARICOPA ASSOCIATION
OF GOVERNMENTS THIS ___ DAY OF _____ 2007.

James Cavanaugh, Chair, Regional Council

ATTEST:

Dennis Smith, Executive Director

MARICOPA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

INFORMATION SUMMARY... for your review

DATE:

May 1, 2007

SUBJECT:

Incarceration Stakeholders Group

SUMMARY:

The Management Committee is being requested to form a stakeholders group of MAG member agencies to more fully examine the Maricopa County prisoner per diem rate and explore possible options to the present system. The Incarceration Stakeholders Group would examine the proposed per diem rate and review incarceration alternatives used in other metropolitan areas. The members of the Management Committee will be requested to provide names of the individuals from their jurisdiction to serve on the Stakeholders Group. It is anticipated that the group will convene for their first meeting in June.

PUBLIC INPUT:

None.

PROS & CONS:

PROS: The development of the Incarceration Stakeholders Group will open lines of communication between the cities and Maricopa County. The Stakeholders Group will be able to more fully examine the per diem rate issue and explore possible options to the present system.

CONS: None.

TECHNICAL & POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

TECHNICAL: Recommendations from the Incarceration Stakeholders Group may require technical changes.

POLICY: The Incarceration Stakeholders Group will review incarceration alternatives used in other metropolitan areas.

ACTION NEEDED:

Establish the Incarceration Stakeholders Group to examine options and costs to the present system for the incarceration of municipal prisoners.

CONTACT PERSON:

Matthew Clark, MAG, 602-254-6300

MARICOPA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS INFORMATION SUMMARY... for your review

DATE:

May 1, 2007

SUBJECT:

Approval of the Municipal Planning Areas and the 2007 MAG Socioeconomic Projections

SUMMARY:

In accordance with Executive Order 95-2, MAG prepares subregional socioeconomic projections. These projections are used as input to the transportation and air quality models. Using the 2005 Census Survey as the base and County projections approved by the Regional Council in December 2006, and in collaboration with member agency staff, MAG has prepared draft subregional socioeconomic projections. The data projected are population, housing units, and employment for July 1, 2010, 2020 and 2030 by Municipal Planning Area (MPA) and Regional Analysis Zone (RAZ). All data, methods and assumptions used to prepare the draft projections have been reviewed by members of the MAG POPTAC and other member agency staff and revised based upon input received. Two drafts of the projections were also prepared for review by member agencies and revised based on comments provided. The resulting socioeconomic projections including a resolution were recommended for approval by the MAG POPTAC on April 24, 2007 and are being transmitted to you for your consideration.

The complete drafts of the MAG 2007 Socioeconomic Projections, including projections, socioeconomic profiles and documentation, are available on the MAG Web site at www.mag.maricopa.gov/detail.cms?item=7331.

PUBLIC INPUT:

None.

PROS & CONS:

PROS: The MAG 2007 Socioeconomic Projections take into account 2005 Census Survey data, county projections from DES, 2007 MPA boundaries, current general plans and other base data, surveys and assumptions and methods as approved by the MAG POPTAC. The last official set of interim projections was developed in 2003.

CONS: None.

TECHNICAL & POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

TECHNICAL: The 2007 MAG Socioeconomic Projections will enable regional planning activities to use a data set based on the most recent information available.

POLICY: The 2007 MAG Socioeconomic Projections will provide input to the MAG Regional Transportation Plan and air quality plans and will be used for other regional planning purposes.

ACTION NEEDED:

Recommend approval of the Municipal Planning Areas and the 2007 MAG socioeconomic projections of population, housing and employment for July 1, 2010, 2020 and 2030 by Municipal Planning Area and Regional Analysis Zone for use in all regional planning activities.

PRIOR COMMITTEE ACTIONS:

MAG Population Technical Advisory Committee: On April 24, 2007, the MAG Population Technical Advisory Committee recommended approval of the MAG resident population, housing and employment by Municipal Planning Area (MPA) and Regional Analysis Zone (RAZ) for July 1, 2010, 2020 and 2030 and the resolution included in the MAG 2007 Socioeconomic Projections Report.

MEMBERS ATTENDING

- George Pettit, Gilbert, Chairman
 - * Bryant Powell, Apache Junction
 - + Scott Wilken, Avondale
 - Brian Rose, Buckeye
 - Gary Neiss, Carefree
 - * Ian Cordwell, Cave Creek
 - + David de la Torre, Chandler
 - + Mark Smith, El Mirage
 - Ken Valverde, Fountain Hills
 - * Bev Turner, Gila Bend
 - * Terry Yergan, Gila River Indian Community
 - Thomas Ritz, Glendale
 - + Katie Wilken, Goodyear
 - * Gail Acosta, Guadalupe
 - + Sonny Culbreth, Litchfield Park
 - Wahid Alam, Mesa
 - John Verdugo for Matt Holm, Maricopa Co.
 - + Molly Hood, Paradise Valley
 - Karen Flores for Chad Daines, Peoria
 - Tim Tilton, Phoenix
 - Shawny Ekadis, Queen Creek
 - * Stacey Gubser, Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community
 - * Harry Higgins, Scottsdale
 - Janice See, Surprise
 - Sherri Lesser, Tempe
 - + Steve Boyle for Miles Johnson, Wickenburg
 - + Vince Micallef, Youngtown
 - * Ratna Korepella, Valley Metro
- + Those attending by video/audio conference
* Those not present or represented by proxy

MAG Population Technical Advisory Committee Ad Hoc Subcommittee: On April 24, 2007, the MAG POPTAC Ad Hoc Subcommittee recommended approval of the MAG resident population, housing and employment by Municipal Planning Area (MPA) and Regional Analysis Zone (RAZ) for July 1, 2010, 2020 and 2030 and the resolution included in the MAG 2007 Socioeconomic Projections Report.

MEMBERS ATTENDING

- Tim Tilton, Phoenix, Chair
 - + David De La Torre, Chandler
 - Thomas Ritz, Glendale
 - John Verdugo, Maricopa County
 - Wahid Alam, Mesa
 - * Chad Daines, Peoria
 - * Harry Higgins, Scottsdale
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CONTACT PERSON:

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MARICOPA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

INFORMATION SUMMARY... for your review

DATE:

May 1, 2007

SUBJECT:

Approval of the Draft FY 2008 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget

SUMMARY:

Each year staff develops the MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget. The Work Program is reviewed in April by the federal agencies and approved by the Regional Council in May. The proposed budget information was presented incrementally and adjustments made as information was received. The FY 2008 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget is being recommended for approval.

The Management Committee reviewed the development of the Work Program and Annual Budget at its meetings on January 10, February 14, March 14 and April 11, 2007. The Regional Council reviewed the draft budget document at its meetings on January 31, February 28, March 28 and April 25, 2007.

Each year new projects are proposed for inclusion in the MAG planning efforts. The proposed new projects for FY 2008 were presented at the February 14, 2007 Management Committee meeting, the March 19, 2007 Executive Committee meeting, and the February 28, 2007 Regional Council meeting. Updates on new projects were presented at the March committee meetings. These new project proposals come from the various MAG technical committees, policy committees and other discussions with members and stakeholders regarding joint efforts within the region. These projects are subject to review and input by the committees as they go through the budget process.

The review of the draft Work Program and Annual Budget for the Intermodal Planning Group meeting on April 12, 2007 resulted in two recommendations that have been implemented in the FY 2008 Work Program and Annual Budget document. These recommendations include listing the Human Services Coordinated Transportation Plan in the FY 2008 Work Program and Annual Budget table of contents, and adding an overview section to the budget document to assist in locating the current issues. A memorandum of understanding for cooperative planning between transit and transportation agencies was added in the appendix to the budget for FY 2008. Upon approval of the FY 2008 Work Program and Annual Budget, this agreement will be signed by the cooperating entities including MAG, the Regional Public Transportation Authority, Valley Metro Rail, and the City of Phoenix, Transit Division.

The capital budget has been revised to include the purchase of copy machine equipment and software to replace three copy machines in the copy center. The final draft budget is being transmitted to the Management Committee for review. The estimated total operating costs reflect a 5.89 percent increase from the current year. This increase is, for the most part, due to an increase in budgeted salaries as several vacant positions have been filled. Overall, the final draft budget for FY 2008 reflects a decrease of 11.81 percent from the overall budgeted amount in the current year.

The MAG region, as a Transportation Management Area and as a Metropolitan Planning Organization, is required (by Federal regulations 23 CFR 450.314) to describe all of the regional transportation-related activities within the planning area, regardless of funding sources or agencies conducting activities. The regional transportation projects received from other organizations are noted in the Work Program.

PUBLIC INPUT:

None

PROS & CONS:

PROS: MAG is presenting the final draft FY 2008 budget, which provides for an incremental review of key budget details of the complete draft budget.

CONS: None.

TECHNICAL & POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

TECHNICAL: The Federal Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 requires a metropolitan planning organization to develop a unified planning work program that meets the requirements of federal law. Additionally, the MAG by-laws require approval and adoption of a budget for each fiscal year and a service charge schedule.

POLICY: As requested by the MAG Executive Committee and subsequently approved by the Regional Council in May 2002, the MAG Work Program and Annual Budget detail is being presented earlier to the Management Committee and there is increased notice to members on the budget as it is drafted. MAG is providing a budget summary, "MAG Programs In Brief," that outlines new programs and presents the necessary resources to implement these programs. This summary allows member agencies to quickly decipher the financial implications of such programs prior to their approval for implementation. The draft FY 2008 Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget is also provided.

ACTION NEEDED:

Recommend approval of the resolution adopting the Draft FY 2008 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget and the member dues and assessments, with the dues and assessments using the final 2005 Census Survey numbers.

PRIOR COMMITTEE ACTIONS:

Regional Council: On April 25, 2007, the Regional Council was provided updated information on the draft FY 2008 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget.

MEMBERS ATTENDING

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| Mayor James M. Cavanaugh, Goodyear, Chair | Councilmember Marcie Ellis for Mayor Thomas Schoaf, Litchfield Park |
| Mayor Mary Manross, Scottsdale, Vice Chair | Supervisor Don Stapley, Maricopa County |
| * Mayor Douglas Coleman, Apache Junction | Mayor Keno Hawker, Mesa |
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| * Mayor Fred Waterman, El Mirage | Pima-Maricopa Indian Community |
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| Mayor Wally Nichols, Fountain Hills | # Mayor Hugh Hallman, Tempe |
| Mayor Daniel Birchfield, Gila Bend | * Mayor Adolfo Gamez, Tolleson |
| * Governor William Rhodes, Gila River Indian Community | + Mayor Ron Badowski, Wickenburg |
| Mayor Steven Berman, Gilbert | Mayor Michael LeVault, Youngtown |
| * Mayor Elaine Scruggs, Glendale | * Joe Lane, State Transportation Board |
| * Mayor Bernadette Jimenez, Guadalupe | Felipe Zubia, State Transportation Board |
| | F. Rockne Arnett, Citizens Transportation Oversight Committee |

- * Those members neither present nor represented by proxy.
- # Attended by telephone conference call.
- + Attended by videoconference call.

Management Committee: On April 11, 2007, the Management Committee was provided updated information on the draft FY 2008 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget.

MEMBERS ATTENDING

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Brent Stoddard for Ed Beasley, Glendale, Chair Jan Dolan, Scottsdale, Vice Chair # George Hoffman, Apache Junction Charlie McClendon, Avondale Dave Wilcox, Buckeye * Jon Pearson, Carefree Wayne Anderson for Usama Abujbarah, Cave Creek Pat McDermott for Mark Pentz, Chandler * B.J. Cornwall, El Mirage Alfonso Rodriguez for Orlando Moreno, Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation # Tim Pickering, Fountain Hills # Lynn Farmer, Gila Bend * Joseph Manuel, Gila River Indian Community George Pettit, Gilbert Stephen Cleveland, Goodyear | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mark Johnson, Guadalupe Darryl Crossman, Litchfield Park Christopher Brady, Mesa Tom Martinsen, Paradise Valley Carl Swenson for Terry Ellis, Peoria Frank Fairbanks, Phoenix John Kross, Queen Creek * Bryan Meyers, Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community Jim Rumpeltes, Surprise Will Manley, Tempe * Reyes Medrano, Tolleson * Shane Dille, Wickenburg * Lloyce Robinson, Youngtown Bill Hayden for Victor Mendez, ADOT Kenny Harris for David Smith, Maricopa Co. Bryan Jungwirth for David Boggs, Valley Metro/RPTA |
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- * Those members neither present nor represented by proxy.
- # Participated by telephone conference call.
- + Participated by videoconference call.

Regional Council: On March 28, 2007, the Regional Council was provided the draft FY 2008 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget.

MEMBERS ATTENDING

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mayor James M. Cavanaugh, Goodyear, Chair * Mayor Mary Manross, Scottsdale, Vice Chair + Councilmember Dave Waldron for Mayor Douglas Coleman, Apache Junction Mayor Marie Lopez Rogers, Avondale Mayor Bobby Bryant, Buckeye Mayor Edward Morgan, Carefree * Vice Mayor Dick Esser, Cave Creek # Mayor Boyd Dunn, Chandler * Mayor Fred Waterman, El Mirage * President Raphael Bear, Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation * Mayor Wally Nichols, Fountain Hills * Mayor Daniel Birchfield, Gila Bend * Governor William Rhodes, Gila River Indian Community Mayor Steven Berman, Gilbert # Mayor Elaine Scruggs, Glendale * Mayor Bernadette Jimenez, Guadalupe | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vice Mayor Paul Faith for Mayor Thomas Schoaf, Litchfield Park Supervisor Don Stapley, Maricopa County Mayor Keno Hawker, Mesa Mayor Ed Winkler, Paradise Valley Mayor Bob Barrett, Peoria Councilmember Peggy Neely, Phoenix Mayor Art Sanders, Queen Creek * President Joni Ramos, Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community # Mayor Joan Shafer, Surprise # Mayor Hugh Hallman, Tempe * Mayor Adolfo Gamez, Tolleson + Mayor Ron Badowski, Wickenburg Mayor Michael LeVault, Youngtown * Joe Lane, State Transportation Board * Felipe Zubia, State Transportation Board # F. Rockne Arnett, Citizens Transportation Oversight Committee |
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 Community
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Mayor Bob Barrett, Peoria
 * Councilmember Peggy Neely, Phoenix
 Mayor Art Sanders, Queen Creek
 * President Joni Ramos, Salt River
 Pima-Maricopa Indian Community
 Councilmember Cliff Elkins for Mayor
 Joan Shafer, Surprise
 # Mayor Hugh Hallman, Tempe
 * Mayor Adolfo Gamez, Tolleson
 * Mayor Ron Badowski, Wickenburg
 Mayor Michael LeVault, Youngtown
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 * Felipe Zubia, State Transportation Board
 F. Rockne Arnett, Citizens Transportation
 Oversight Committee

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Attended by telephone conference call. + Attended by videoconference call.

Management Committee: On February 14, 2007, the Management Committee was provided a proposed budget timeline, proposed dues and assessments, projected funding sources and uses, a draft "MAG Programs In Brief," a detailed listing of proposed new projects for FY 2008 and an invitation for the videoconference Budget Workshop.

MEMBERS ATTENDING

Ed Beasley, Glendale, Chair
 Jan Dolan, Scottsdale, Vice Chair
 # George Hoffman, Apache Junction
 Rogene Hill for Charlie McClendon,
 Avondale
 Dave Wilcox, Buckeye
 Jon Pearson, Carefree
 * Usama Abujbarah, Cave Creek
 Mark Pentz, Chandler
 B.J. Cornwall, El Mirage
 Alfonso Rodriguez for Orlando Moreno,
 Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation
 Tim Pickering, Fountain Hills
 * Lynn Farmer, Gila Bend
 * Joseph Manuel, Gila River Indian
 Community
 George Pettit, Gilbert
 Stephen Cleveland, Goodyear
 Mark Johnson, Guadalupe

Darryl Crossman, Litchfield Park
 Christopher Brady, Mesa
 * Tom Martinsen, Paradise Valley
 Terry Ellis, Peoria
 Frank Fairbanks, Phoenix
 John Kross, Queen Creek
 * Bryan Meyers, Salt River Pima-Maricopa
 Indian Community
 Doug Sandstrom for Jim Rumpeltes,
 Surprise
 Will Manley, Tempe
 Reyes Medrano, Tolleson
 Shane Dille, Wickenburg
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 Dale Buskirk for Victor Mendez, ADOT
 Kenny Harris for David Smith,
 Maricopa County
 David Boggs, Valley Metro/RPTA

* Those members neither present nor represented by proxy.

Participated by telephone conference call. + Participated by videoconference call.

On January 31, 2007, MAG Regional Council was provided a proposed budget timeline and proposed dues and assessments.

MEMBERS ATTENDING

Mayor James M. Cavanaugh, Goodyear,
Chair
 Mayor Mary Manross, Scottsdale, Vice Chair
 + Councilmember Dave Waldron for
 Mayor Douglas Coleman, Apache Junction
 Mayor Marie Lopez Rogers, Avondale
 Mayor Bobby Bryant, Buckeye
 Mayor Edward Morgan, Carefree
 Vice Mayor Dick Esser, Cave Creek
 Mayor Boyd Dunn, Chandler
 *Mayor Fred Waterman, El Mirage
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 * Felipe Zubia, State Transportation Board
 F. Rockne Arnett, Citizens Transportation
 Oversight Committee

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Attended by telephone conference call.

+ Attended by videoconference call.

On January 10, 2007, the Management Committee was provided a proposed budget timeline and proposed dues and assessments.

MEMBERS ATTENDING

Ed Beasley, Glendale, Chair
 Jan Dolan, Scottsdale, Vice Chair
 * George Hoffman, Apache Junction
 Charlie McClendon, Avondale
 Dave Wilcox, Buckeye
 * Jon Pearson, Carefree
 Wayne Anderson for Usama Abujbarah,
 Cave Creek
 Mark Pentz, Chandler
 * B.J. Cornwall, El Mirage
 Alfonso Rodriguez for Orlando Moreno,
 Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation
 Tim Pickering, Fountain Hills
 # Lynn Farmer, Gila Bend
 Joseph Manuel, Gila River Indian
 Community
 George Pettit, Gilbert
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 Mark Johnson, Guadalupe

Mike Cartsonis for Darryl Crossman,
 Litchfield Park
 Christopher Brady, Mesa
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 Dale Buskirk for Victor Mendez, ADOT
 David Smith, Maricopa County
 Bryan Jungwirth for David Boggs,
 Valley Metro/RPTA

* Those members neither present nor represented by proxy.

Participated by telephone conference call.

+ Participated by videoconference call.

On January 8, 2007, the MAG Regional Council Executive Committee was provided a proposed budget timeline and proposed dues and assessments.

MEMBERS ATTENDING

Mayor James M. Cavanaugh, Goodyear,
Chair

* Mayor Mary Manross, Scottsdale, Vice Chair

Mayor Joan Shafer, Surprise, Treasurer

Mayor Steven M. Berman, Gilbert

Mayor Keno Hawker, Mesa

Mayor Thomas L. Schoaf, Litchfield Park

Councilmember Peggy Neely, Phoenix

* Not present

Participated by videoconference or telephone conference call.

CONTACT PERSON:

Rebecca Kimbrough, MAG Fiscal Services Manager, (602) 452-5051

MARICOPA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

INFORMATION SUMMARY... for your review

DATE:

May 1, 2007

SUBJECT:

Additional PM-10 Measures Recommended by Maricopa County for the Suggested List and Letter from the Environmental Protection Agency

SUMMARY:

On March 28, 2007, Maricopa County presented a memorandum at the MAG Regional Council meeting recommending additional PM-10 measures for the Suggested List and identified some concerns (see Attachment One). At the meeting, the MAG Regional Council took action to approve the Suggested List of Measures to Reduce PM-10 Particulate Matter as recommended by the MAG Air Quality Technical Advisory Committee and the MAG Management Committee with one modification and one addition. The Regional Council then directed the Air Quality Technical Advisory Committee at their April meeting to consider the remainder of the recommendations.

On April 26, 2007, the MAG Air Quality Technical Advisory Committee reviewed the remainder of the memorandum and recommended that Measure #3 Reduce the tolerance of trackout to 25 feet before immediate clean up is required for construction sites and Measure #4 No visible emissions at the property line, be sent back to MAG consultant to provide additional information. The Committee also recommended that Measure #2 Just-in-time grading limitations for construction and Measure #5 Modeling cumulative impacts for permitted sources because of the effects of multiple sources locating in close proximity to each other, not be considered further.

Also, in an April 20, 2007 letter, the Environmental Protection Agency expressed concern about the development of the new PM-10 Plan, the violations of the PM-10 standard occurring outside the Phoenix nonattainment area, and the development of the Eight-Hour Ozone Plan (see Attachment Two). Regarding the PM-10 Plan, EPA indicated that the responsibility for plan implementation relies too heavily on Maricopa County and not enough on local cities and towns, especially in the area of unpermitted sources (unpaved roads and driveways, unpaved parking lots, and disturbed vacant lots). If the entities responsible for implementing the control measures do not have adequate resources at the outset of the plan's implementation, EPA may not be able to approve the plan.

EPA indicated that control measures are being eliminated too early in the PM-10 planning process, without thorough consideration of the technical information. The process should be revisited given that Maricopa County and Arizona Department of Environmental Quality have suggested that some of the eliminated measures be reconsidered. Exceedances at the Buckeye monitor and Pinal County monitors need to be reduced or EPA may expand the Maricopa nonattainment area and designate the western portion of Pinal County as a nonattainment area. Regarding ozone, EPA urged that additional measures be considered since monitored values are close to the standard.

PUBLIC INPUT:

An opportunity for public comment was provided at the April 26, 2007 MAG Air Quality Technical Advisory Committee meeting and no public input was received.

PROS & CONS:

PROS: The Five Percent Plan for PM-10 is due to EPA by December 31, 2007. A large number of measures are expected to be necessary for the region to be able to demonstrate the five percent reduction in PM-10 emissions per year and attainment of the twenty-four hour PM-10 standard. The County memorandum identified additional measures which would be useful in reducing PM-10 pollution.

CONS: Achieving significant further reductions in emissions and attaining the standard will be difficult, as the region has already implemented a number of the most stringent control programs in the nation. Some of the air quality measures will be controversial, and most will result in increased costs to governments, consumers, or industry.

TECHNICAL & POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

TECHNICAL: On April 26, 2007, the MAG Air Quality Technical Advisory Committee recommended that Measure #3 Reduce the tolerance of trackout to 25 feet before immediate clean up for construction sites and Measure #4 No visible emissions at the property line, be sent back to the MAG consultant to provide additional information since new information was presented at the meeting. Also, Maricopa County staff reported that these two measures had been included in a new draft of the Maricopa County Fugitive Dust Control Rules to enable adoption by the end of the year. The Committee recommended no further consideration of Measure #2 Just-in-time grading limitations for construction, due to negligible impacts and Measure #5 Modeling cumulative impacts for permitted sources, due to uncertainties about the number and size of sources impacted.

During the measure evaluation process which began in December 2006, the MAG Air Quality Technical Advisory Committee reviewed two versions of the preliminary draft 2005 emissions inventory prepared by Maricopa County, preliminary draft projected emissions for 2007, 2008, and 2009 prepared by MAG, air quality monitoring data, the modeling approach for the Five Percent Plan for PM-10, preliminary results from the MAG PM-10 Source Attribution and Deposition Study, Preliminary Draft Comprehensive List of Measures to Reduce PM-10 Particulate Matter, and the MAG Analysis of Particulate Control Measure Cost Effectiveness. On February 16, 2007, MAG conducted a workshop on the Preliminary Draft List of Measures and PM-10 Source Attribution Study.

POLICY: On March 28, 2007, the MAG Regional Council approved the Suggested List of Measures to Reduce PM-10 Particulate Matter with one modification and one addition from the Maricopa County memorandum (1) to Measure #38 Restrict vehicle use and parking on vacant lots (e.g. Phoenix) by adding State to the list of implementing authorities and (2) to add Measure #1 to the Suggested List to grant Maricopa County the ability to assess liens on parcels to cover the cost of stabilization for the parcel.

Collectively, the Suggested List of Measures to Reduce PM-10 Particulate Matter includes forty-two measures. Many of the most significant measures are under the authority of Maricopa County since they strengthen the Maricopa County Fugitive Dust Control Rules which apply regionwide. It is critical that the dust control rules along with the other measures be adequately implemented and enforced. Several measures are also under the authority of local governments.

ACTION NEEDED:

Discussion and possible action to include additional measures in the Suggested List of Measures to Reduce PM-10 Particulate Matter.

PRIOR COMMITTEE ACTIONS:

Air Quality Technical Advisory Committee: On April 26, 2007, the MAG Air Quality Technical Advisory Committee recommended that Measure #3, Reduce the tolerance of trackout to 25 feet before immediate clean up is required for construction site. Maricopa County has already approved this standard for rock products facilities, and Measure #4, No visible emissions at the property line (also already in effect for rock products facilities), from the March 28, 2007 Maricopa County memorandum be sent back to the MAG consultant to review the emission reductions and cost effectiveness looking at an increase in enforcement and rule effectiveness and the technical feasibility of the measures, including the 25 feet trackout provision, with one member voting no (*italics*) and five members abstaining (**shaded**).

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* Those members neither present nor represented by proxy.

Participated by telephone conference call.

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Air Quality Technical Advisory Committee: On April 26, 2007, the MAG Air Quality Technical Advisory Committee recommended that Measure #2, Just-in-time grading limitations for construction, from the March 28, 2007, Maricopa County memorandum not be further considered, with five members voting no (*italics*) and six members abstaining (**Shaded**).

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Air Quality Technical Advisory Committee: On April 26, 2007, the MAG Air Quality Technical Advisory Committee recommended that Measure #5, Modeling cumulative impacts for permitted sources because of the effects of multiple sources locating in close proximity to each other, from the March 28, 2007 Maricopa County memorandum not be further considered, with five members voting no (*italics*) and eight members abstaining (**shaded**).

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MEMORANDUM

To: Dennis Smith, Executive Director
Maricopa Association of Governments

From: Don Stapley, Supervisor District 2
Maricopa County

Date: March 28, 2007

Subject: MAG's Suggested List of Measures to Reduce PM-10 Particulate Matter

Introduction:

The Clean Air Act requirement to prepare a Five Percent Per Year Reduction Plan presents significant challenges to all of us. Many measures on this suggested list will provide PM-10 emission reductions that can be summed for the Five Percent Plan. However, Maricopa County has identified a number of issues with MAG's Suggested List that concern us.

First, one suggested measure is not a control measure but a direction to the County on how to conduct an enforcement program courtesy of industry. This measure's description reflects long-standing air compliance program standard operating procedures and therefore would not provide emission reductions. Second, another measure raises traffic safety issues, is not and will not be of sufficient concern to receive law enforcement priority and, as a result, will not achieve the emission reductions desired. Third, Maricopa County would like to go on record to express concern over a number of successful measures in place in Clark County, Nevada, and California air districts that were not included on the suggested list of measures. Finally, non-permitted emissions sources such as unpaved parking, unpaved staging areas, unpaved roads, vacant lots and open areas are so numerous and the process to address remedies consumes so much time that the County alone can not address these problems. Additional programs implemented by cities as well as the County will be necessary to reach the goal for the Five Percent Plan.

Comments on Specific Measures on the Suggested List:**Measure #11** Notify violators more rapidly to promote immediate compliance.

This statement reflects the County's historical enforcement philosophy and standard operating procedure.

Recommendation: Delete measure #11 as Maricopa County Air Quality Department's Standard Operating Procedure already directs inspectors to contact whoever is working onsite at the time of inspection or contact the designated representative if no one is present on site.

Measure #12 Provide timely notification regarding high pollution days.

Notifying non-permitted sources presents logistical challenges. Do any cities or towns have systems for rapid communication with businesses? As a side note, this measure should identify the State as the primary responsible party for implementation as the Arizona Department of

Environmental Quality (ADEQ) issues the forecast and high pollution advisory. The County and Valley Metro assist the ADEQ in disseminating the notices.

Measure #31 Pave or stabilize existing unpaved parking lots (e.g. upgrade to Phoenix Parking Code) – strengthen enforcement.

Please note Maricopa County personnel have observed that many driveways currently do not accommodate the turning radius of large trucks. As a result the trucks track dirt onto the paved street. Code specifications should be designed and sized to avoid truck movement on and off paved surfaces.

Measure #32 Pave or stabilize existing public dirt roads and alleys.

Just a word of caution, both the acquisition of capital funding and the timeframes involved in road improvement projects present significant challenges to implementing this measure and obtaining emission reductions in a relatively short timeframe. Both stabilization and paving meet the criteria defining road improvements. Improvements that limit dust triggers traffic safety and property rights issues. Through experience in paving unpaved roads over the years, the County has identified the following factors that impact the implementation of projects to pave or stabilize existing public dirt roads and alleys:

- Stabilizing or paving the surface makes for a smooth road, and traffic speeds and design speeds must be evaluated, as many dirt roads do not have adequate sight distance nor curve radius for increased speeds.
- Improvements that cut dust also limit the permeability of the surface, affecting runoff volumes and velocity.
- Utility re-location and drainage issues must be considered and funded.
- Many publicly maintained roads are not wholly owned, so rights-of-way must be purchased before improvements can start. That is a two year process.

County Concern: Currently programmed projects are taking approximately three years to complete. Maricopa County spent in excess of \$23 million over 4 years for support of paving 65 miles of dirt roads committed to under the Serious Area PM-10 plan, and continues to commit \$3 million per year to paving of dirt roads. Given the long time frames needed to construct individual roads, only a limited number will have an impact within the timeframe of this Five Percent plan. County believes that the preliminary emission reduction calculations from this measure are too optimistic.

Measure #33 Limit speeds to 15 miles per hour on high traffic dirt roads.

The County believes this measure will result in paper reductions. Currently the County has a uniform policy for not posting a speed limit on any unpaved roadway. In essence a posted speed limit suggests to the public that the posted speed will always be safe. MCDOT has concluded from past experiences that the constant changing conditions of an unpaved surface, such as: heavy rains/flooded roadway, infrequent maintenance/road grading makes a proper and realistic speed limit posting near impossible. This follows the basic practices of the Arizona Department of Transportation, who also will not install speed limit signage for the same reason. The County Attorney has given the advice that posting of speed limits on dirt roads is unwise and should not be done. This conclusion is further reinforced by the absence of enforcement officers that would be needed to assure compliance with posted speed limits. In conclusion, the State law sets basic

speed limits, and the basic standard of reasonable and prudent speed. With over 2800 miles of roadway under County jurisdiction, an unreasonable speed limit for dirt roads would be unenforceable and would foster disregard for existing speed limits on paved roads.

Recommendation: Remove measure #33 from the list as is it not practically enforceable, interferes with traffic safety standards, and will not actually reduce emissions.

Measure #36 Create a fund for paving and stabilizing in high pollution areas.

Maricopa County supports this measure except for the second bullet that directs fine monies to this fund. The Board reviews projects and appropriates the collected fine monies for specific projects as necessary to address various air quality priorities. At a minimum, fine monies should cover the cost of escalating the enforcement for the violators and recover the economic benefit derived from non-compliance. Escalated enforcement costs are not included in standard permit fees. Through the budget process, the Board sets the air enforcement division budget and approves one-time only expenditures from the accumulated funds to cover projects such as the Bring Back Blue public outreach campaign, a mobile monitoring van and a particulate study in the Agua Fria River bottom. As a further point, construction violations constituted approximately 55% of all fines the Air Quality Department collected in calendar year 2006. PM-10 is not the only air quality problem the County must address.

Recommendation: Strike the second bullet under the measure description. Instead of directing the fines into still another fund that would require an additional administrative overhead expense, your help would be appreciated in developing a list of PM-10 projects that the County can offer under a supplemental environmental penalty program would allow the violators to direct a portion of their fine to pay for a project without losing an additional percentage to administrative overhead.

Measure #38 Restrict vehicle use and parking on vacant lots (e.g. Phoenix).

The County will need statutory authorization to enact this type of ordinance.

Recommendation: Add the State to the list of implementing authorities.

Measures Not On Suggested List:

A number of measures that Clark County and/or California air districts adopted as part of their successful programs to attain the standards did not survive the committee process. We believe it is premature to eliminate measures that were successful elsewhere so early in this plan development process. Furthermore, Maricopa County is very concerned that calculations estimating emission reductions from the current measures on the list may be overly optimistic in the degree of implementation possible given the short timeframes we are striving to meet. We believe the following measures can provide additional PM-10 reductions and should be placed back on the list.

Recommendation: Maricopa County has identified the following list of measures and move that they be added to the suggested measure list under consideration today:

1. Ability to assess liens on parcels to cover the costs of stabilizing them.
2. Just-in-time grading limitations for construction.

3. Reduce the tolerance of trackout to 25 feet before immediate clean up is required for construction sites. Maricopa County has already approved this standard for rock products facilities.
4. No visible emissions at the property line (also already in effect for rock products facilities)
5. Modeling cumulative impacts for permitted sources because of the effects of multiple sources locating in close proximity to each other.

Your backing and support through recommendation of these measures would be appreciated.

Non-Permitted Sources:

Non-permitted emissions sources such as unpaved parking, unpaved staging areas, unpaved roads, vacant lots and open areas are so numerous and the process to address remedies consumes so much time that the County alone can not address these problems. Additional programs implemented by cities as well as the County will be necessary to reach the goal for the Five Percent Plan. The County recognizes that several cities have stepped up and tackled a number of these emission sources, however, all cities need to join in this effort to control a widespread problem.

These categories of sources are not part of traditional air quality programs since the dust from them is released by incidental activities and not the primary business function. Modern building codes no longer allow new unpaved surfaces in developed areas, but the older grandfathered surfaces are still out there. The dust released from the remaining categories of sources such as vacant lots and open areas arises from vehicular activity (trespass) and illegal dumping. The dust is incidental to trespass and illegal dumping activities that fall under general governmental authorities.

How can we get our arms around this problem? The number of unpaved parking lots, unpaved staging areas and unpaved roads vary by jurisdictions and with the age of development. However, all jurisdictions contain vacant lots or expanses of open areas. The Assessor's database indicates that there are over 100,000 undeveloped parcels in the PM-10 nonattainment area. To illustrate further, the County is already encountering the need to re-inspect vacant lots because of rain prior to the initial inspection or the activities by parcel owners to abate weeds since the last inspection.

All of us face constraints in resources. To achieve the emission reductions for the Five Percent Plan, everyone will have to step forward to mitigate PM-10 emissions from all non-permitted sources. EPA recognizes that an appropriate implementation strategy includes a proactive inspection program based on identified priorities, maintains traditional complaint response capabilities, and accomplishes this with specified resources. We would suggest that a similar strategy to identify a small proactive initiative team while still responding to complaints will work for cities and towns as well. Based on our experience, we suspect that many of these non-traditional sources may be associated with or contribute to the dusty roads that your public works departments identified in earlier PM-10 plans for targeted street sweeping and unpaved shoulder attention.

Recommendation: The County recommends measures #4 and #37 be re-written to include city codes and ordinances as well as County Rule 310.01 and to add cities as implementing agencies to those measures.



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

April 20, 2007

Steven Owens, Director
Arizona Department of Environmental Quality
1110 W. Washington Street
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Dear Mr. Owens:

I am writing to express the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) concern about air quality issues in Arizona. There are three specific areas in which I would like to initiate discussion: (1) the development of the new PM-10 plan; (2) the violations of the PM-10 standard occurring outside the Phoenix nonattainment area; and (3) the development of the 8-hour ozone plan.

Development of the new PM-10 Plan

The Phoenix nonattainment area continues to violate the 24-hour PM-10 standard at eight monitors during both windblown and stagnant conditions. On March 23, 2007, EPA proposed to find that the area failed to attain the PM-10 standard by the required attainment date of December 31, 2006. The lead planning agency, the Maricopa County Association of Governments (MAG), is working with the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) and the Maricopa County Air Quality Department (MCAQD) to develop a new PM-10 plan (the 5% plan) for submittal to EPA by December of 2007.

The Clean Air Act (CAA) requires local agencies with the responsibility for implementing plans to have sufficient personnel and funding. Historically, the major responsibility for implementing PM-10 plans for the Phoenix area has fallen to the MCAQD (and its predecessor, the Maricopa County Environmental Services Department). In the latest list of 42 control measures approved by the MAG Regional Council, 35 measures are assigned to MCAQD, 16 to ADEQ, and 9 to local towns and cities. These measures are in addition to those already required by the approved serious area PM-10 Plan.

EPA's concern is that the responsibility for plan implementation relies too heavily on MCAQD, and not enough on local cities and towns and other entities, especially in the area of unpermitted sources (i.e., unpaved roads and driveways, unpaved parking lots, disturbed vacant lots). In addition, EPA is concerned that the resources devoted to the PM-10 problem are not adequate. During plan review, EPA assesses whether the pollution control strategy outlined in the plan will be successful. If the entities

responsible for implementing the control measures do not have adequate resources at the outset of the plan's implementation, EPA may not be able to approve the plan.

When EPA approved the current PM-10 Plan on July 25, 2002, we expected the Phoenix area to attain by 2006 with a plan that was based on the best available control measures and most stringent control measures available at that time. Since that time, the Phoenix metropolitan area has experienced, and continues to experience, unprecedented growth in population and vehicle miles traveled. In addition, EPA has approved new serious area PM-10 plans for Clark County, Nevada, and San Joaquin Valley, California, and the air quality in both areas has significantly improved. The measures in those plans are being considered for the Phoenix area plan. However, in the current Phoenix planning process, it appears that control measures are being eliminated too early in the planning process, based on public opinion, and without a thorough consideration of the technical information supporting the measures. This could lead to an inadequate universe of measures to support the PM-10 control strategy. It would make sense to revisit the process, given that both Maricopa County and ADEQ have recently suggested that some of the eliminated measures be reconsidered, and offered some new measures for consideration.

Lastly, bearing in mind that it is not possible to monitor everywhere in the nonattainment area, monitors are sited to provide a representative picture of pollutant concentrations throughout the planning area. In other words, conditions that cause elevated pollutant concentrations at monitors represent ambient air quality in areas without monitors. Development of a plan has to reflect that the NAAQS apply throughout the nonattainment area, not just at problem monitors. To target controls or enforcement strategies at selected monitors would leave public health in these other areas unprotected, be inconsistent with the CAA, and could affect approvability of the plan with attendant consequences.

Violations of the PM-10 standard outside the Phoenix nonattainment area

The second topic that I would like to raise to your attention is that elevated levels of PM-10 are being monitored at two unclassifiable areas within the State, specifically in the western portion of Pinal County and at the Buckeye monitor just outside the western boundary of the Phoenix nonattainment area. Pinal County air quality monitors are recording some of the highest ambient levels of PM-10 in the country, and have been recording exceedances of the PM-10 standard for a number of years. At present, only the City of Apache Junction is part of the Phoenix PM-10 nonattainment area. We are also aware that the Buckeye air-quality monitor in the western portion of Maricopa County, outside the Phoenix nonattainment area, is recording exceedances of the PM-10 standard. Both areas are experiencing substantial growth as the Phoenix metropolitan area's population continues to increase.

EPA has four options for addressing a violation of the NAAQS in these unclassifiable areas: (1) designate the western portion of Pinal County as nonattainment

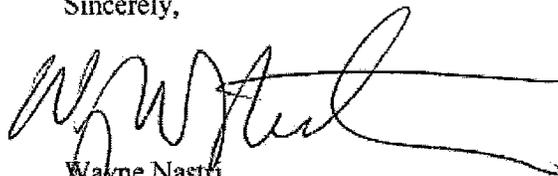
under Clean Air Act (CAA) section 107(d)(3); (2) extend the boundaries of the Phoenix nonattainment area to include the Buckeye monitor under CAA section 107(d)(3); (3) issue a call for the state to revise its State Implementation Plan (SIP) to attain the NAAQS under CAA section 110(k)(5); and (4) work with the state and local agencies to bring the area back into attainment as expeditiously as possible. If the State can develop a strategy that brings these areas back into attainment with the PM-10 standard as quickly as possible, that would be our preferred approach. We understand that there are several ongoing stakeholder processes to discuss PM-10 control measures, and that these efforts are not only looking within the nonattainment area but also beyond the nonattainment area. While we hope that these stakeholder processes are successful, we are concerned that we haven't yet seen a comprehensive agreement resulting from these discussions. If these collaborative efforts are not successful, a regulatory response from EPA may be necessary.

8-hour ozone plan

The last topic I would like to raise to your attention involves the 8-hour ozone plan that is under development. Monitored values in the Phoenix-Mesa nonattainment area are very close to the ambient standard based on monitored air quality data from 2004–2006. We are concerned that Maricopa County will not be able to maintain these monitored values without taking additional steps. We urge you to consider measures in addition to those your Department and other agencies have already put in place as you develop the 8-hour ozone SIP with MAG and MCAQD.

Particulate matter and ground-level ozone at elevated levels present serious health risks to those exposed, especially children and the elderly. We recognize that there are a number of ways Arizona's air quality challenges can be addressed and my staff is available to work with yours as we continue to address these problems. Please feel free to have your staff contact Deborah Jordan, my Air Division Director, or Colleen McKaughan, the Associate Air Division Director based in Arizona, as you move forward.

Sincerely,



Wayne Nasti
Regional Administrator

Cc: Dennis Smith, Maricopa Association of Governments
Robert Kard, Maricopa County Air Quality Department
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May 1, 2007

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RE: Request for Amendment to the MAG Regional Transportation Plan

Dear Mr. ~~Smith:~~ *Dennis*

The City of Phoenix and the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) staff have coordinated a two year study to develop alternative concepts to extending SR 153 as proposed in the Regional Transportation Plan. The culmination of this study recommends a viable alternative to the SR 153 extension that will be more beneficial to the regional freeway system and will improve local access in and around the east side of Sky Harbor International Airport.

My engineering and right-of-way staff have reviewed the City's proposal and concur with their position that future Sky Harbor Airport development plans will conflict with the planned SR 153 extension south of University Drive. Secondly, their recommended alternative to the current Regional Transportation Plan will improve the SR 143 connection to Sky Harbor Boulevard by providing upgraded and additional free flow directional interchange ramps; thus eliminating the need for the proposed SR 153 extension to I-10. The City's plan will downgrade existing SR 153 to an access controlled arterial and incorporate it into the future airport and related city development planned for this area.

The upgrading of SR 143 as the primary east airport connection in the regional transportation system and reconfiguring existing SR153 to an access controlled arterial will then provide secondary access to the airport and should also provide increased security for the airport. City of Phoenix ownership of the SR 153 corridor will also provide an opportunity for the People Mover System to interface with the Valley Metro Rail Station at 44th Street and Washington St. via this corridor. Overall, this alternative will benefit the public by providing improved airport access and enhancing the regional freeway system given the recommended improvements to SR 143. This option developed to the 15%

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design estimate reflects SR 143 improvement costs at approximately \$34.4 million.

The City of Phoenix strongly recommends this engineering modification and has requested ADOT initiate action through the Maricopa Association of Governments to formally amend the Regional Transportation Plan. The amendment includes: 1) removal of the SR 153 extension from the current plan, 2) transfer of the remaining \$23.5 million of programmed funds, and 3) transfer of proceeds from the sale of thirteen ADOT parcels previously acquired, which is estimated at \$10.8 million to be used for the SR 143 improvements.

The City of Phoenix and ADOT will negotiate and prepare appropriate route transfer documents for transfer of ownership of SR 153 and disposition of associated land parcels to accomplish both the change of ownership and the SR 143 improvements. Please refer to the attached graphic which illustrates the SR 143. Additionally the City of Phoenix will dedicate any city owned right-of-way for the proposed SR143 improvements.

State statutes require the City of Phoenix to accept the proposed route transfer by waiving ARS 28-7209, which is the Advance Four Year Notice of Abandonment as a prerequisite for this expedited action. Upon receipt of this document ADOT will submit a Resolution of Abandonment to the Arizona Transportation Board for review and approval.

I have thoroughly reviewed the City of Phoenix proposal and concur with this recommendation. Therefore, I am requesting an amendment to the Regional Transportation Plan to incorporate these proposed modifications.

Sincerely,



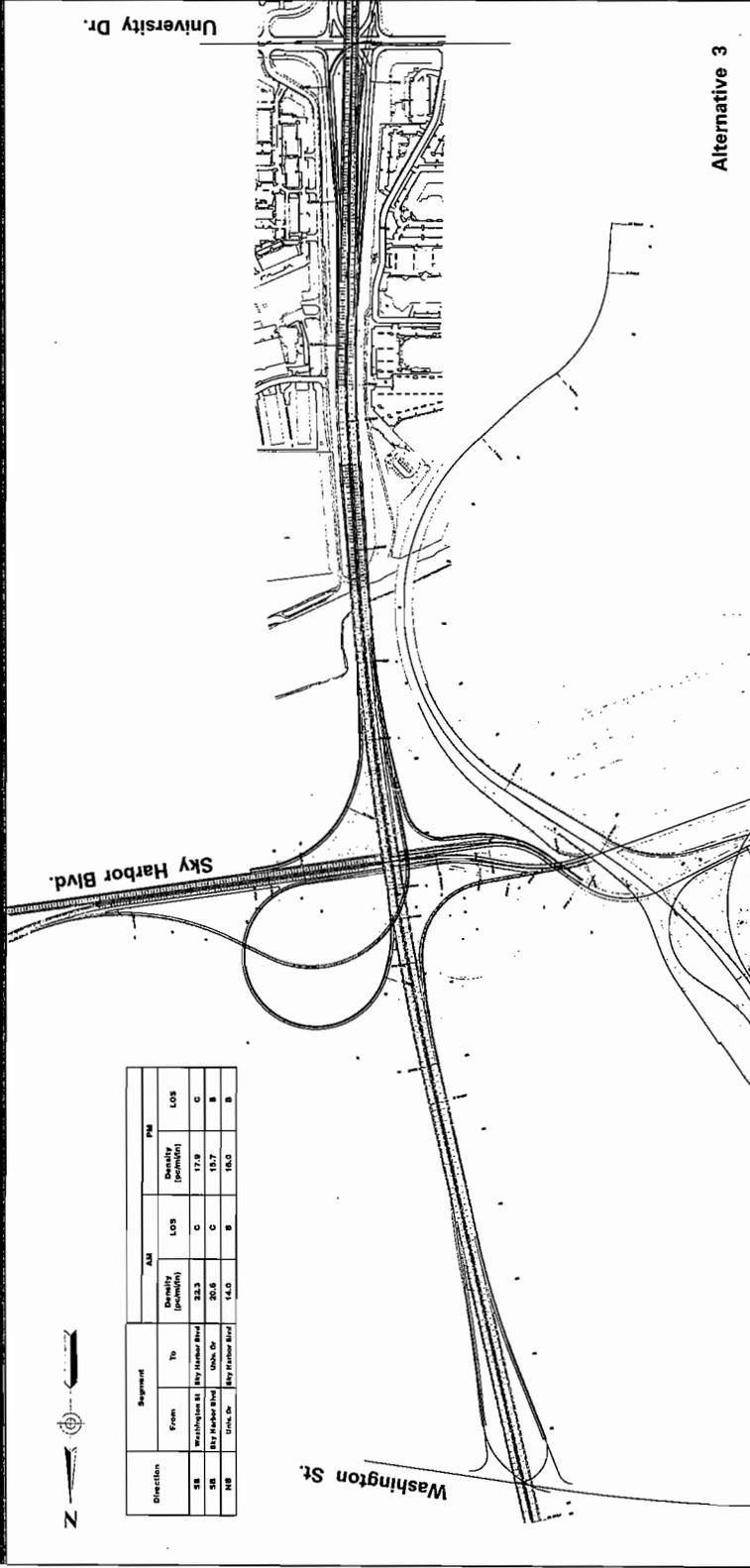
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Attachments

Proposed Improvements to SR 143

Alternative 3



Characteristics

Bridge Widening

Greatest weaving distance between Sky Harbor Blvd and University (2000')

Preserves portion of parking lot

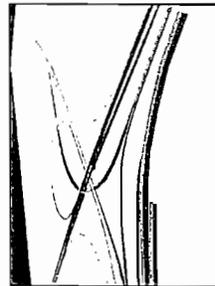
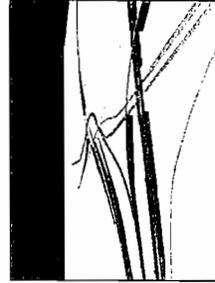
Smaller radius on WB-to-SB ramp, lower design speed (45 mph)

EB-to-SB design speed 30 mph

Gore spacing of SB onramps does not meet AASHTO recommended spacing for successive on ramps

Area of new structure: 49,500 sf

Area of new pavement: 23,300 sy



**RESOLUTION ON
BUILDING A QUALITY ARIZONA**

A Resolution of the Maricopa Association of Governments supporting Building a Quality Arizona.

WHEREAS, in December 2006, the U.S. Bureau of the Census found that Arizona is the fastest growing state in the nation with a 3.6 percent increase in population from July 2005 to July 2006; and

WHEREAS, a population scenario incorporated into Building a Quality Arizona found that only one-third of Arizona's lands can be developed and projected Arizona's population to grow from 6.3 million in 2006 to more than 16 million in 2050; and

WHEREAS, transportation infrastructure is vital for the quality of life for Arizona residents, contributing to economic development, access to employment, housing, and recreation, as well as mobility for all Arizona residents to enjoy the scenic beauty throughout the state; and

WHEREAS, according to the American Petroleum Institute, as of March 2007, Arizona's combined local/state/federal tax on gasoline is 37.4 cents and the national average is 45.8 cents, a difference of 8.4 cents; and

WHEREAS, Arizona's gas tax has not been increased since 1991 nor indexed to keep track with inflation, resulting in Arizona losing approximately \$1.9 billion from 1991 to 2005; and

WHEREAS, transportation funding has been diverted to the Department of Public Safety beyond the statutory limit and the vehicle license tax reduced resulting in a combined loss of \$867 million from 2001 to 2005; and

WHEREAS, transportation construction costs are increasing by 15 to 25 percent annually, causing existing local and state programs to be delayed; and

WHEREAS, federal transportation funding is in jeopardy, with the federal highway trust fund potentially depleted in 2009; and

WHEREAS, Arizona is the fastest growing state in the Union and only receives approximately 90 cents for every dollar that is paid into the National Highway Trust Fund; and

WHEREAS, the Governor's Transportation Vision 21 Task Force in 2001, estimated the 20-year transportation deficit statewide to be \$20 billion, and a draft scenario for Building a Quality Arizona in 2006 estimated the statewide need to be \$75 billion by 2050; and

WHEREAS, a united partnership for transportation funding is needed to address the transportation funding issue, involving regional planning agencies, the statewide business coalition, the Arizona Department of Transportation, the Arizona State Legislature and the Governor,

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the member agencies of the Maricopa Association of Governments are committed to working through the Building a Quality Arizona Project in cooperation with the statewide business coalition, the Arizona Department of Transportation, the State Legislature, and the Governor to identify an approach to provide additional transportation funding on a statewide basis to provide the needed transportation infrastructure for Arizona.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE REGIONAL COUNCIL OF
THE MARICOPA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS THIS
23RD DAY OF MAY 2007.

James M. Cavanaugh, Chair, MAG Regional Council

ATTEST:

Dennis Smith, Executive Director