

**MINUTES OF THE
MARICOPA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
INTELLIGENT TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS COMMITTEE**

October 12, 2005
MAG Cholla Room, 2nd Floor
302 North First Avenue
Phoenix, Arizona

MEMBERS ATTENDING

Jimmie Dixon for Debbie Burdette, City of Glendale	Bruce Dressel, City of Scottsdale
Alan Sanderson, City of Mesa	Jim Decker, City of Tempe
Mike Mah, City of Chandler	Debra Barker for Tim Wolfe, ADOT
Bruce Ward, Town of Gilbert	Ron Amaya, City of Peoria
Faisal Saleem for Nicolaas Swart, Maricopa County	Scott Nodes, City of Goodyear
Ron Doubek, City of Phoenix	Mary Kihl, ASU
Bob Ciotti, RPTA	*Alan Hansen, FHWA
Mike Lockhart, DPS	*Dennis Murphy, Phoenix Aviation
Bob Maki for Nick Mascia, City of Surprise	*Michael Smith, City of Avondale
*Carrol Reynolds, Town of Buckeye	*BJ Cornwall, City of El Mirage
	Mark Young for Michael Shine, Town of Queen Creek

OTHERS PRESENT

Tracy Eberkin, City of Surprise	Doug McCants, PBS&J
Mani Kumar, ADOT	Martin Glaubitz, ITS Engineers
Jan Siedler, City of Mesa	Randy Pearson, ITS Engineers
Dan Cleavenger, City of Mesa	Dean Giles, MAG
Dan Edwards, City of Scottsdale	Sarath Joshua, MAG
Avery Rhodes, City of Glendale	Kiran Guntupalli, MAG
Jamal Rahimi, City of Peoria	
David Chambers, TransCore	
Nolan Hess, TransCore	

*Not present or represented by proxy

1. Call to Order
Chairman Alan Sanderson called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM.
2. Approval of September 7, 2005 Meeting Minutes & Introductions
Bruce Dressel moved and Faisal Saleem seconded, and it was unanimously carried to approve the minutes of the September 7th, 2005 ITS Committee meeting.
3. Call to Audience
Chairman Alan Sanderson made a call to the audience providing an opportunity to members of the public to address the ITS Committee. No comments were received from the public.

4. Program Managers Report

- a. SAFETEA-LU Updates – no new information was available.
- b. FMS Working Group- 3rd meeting is scheduled at 1PM on October 24, 2005
- c. Arterial ITS Working Group –1st meeting is scheduled at 2PM on October 20, 2005 in Ocotillo room.
- d. On- Call RFQ Status
 - MAG will be releasing an On-Call RFQ on Sunday October 16, 2005 and SOQs are due by November 18, 2005.
 - A Selection Panel will be formed to review the consultant selection process.
 - A request was made for volunteers to serve on the selection panel.
 - Tentative date for selection panel to meet is November 29th from 10AM to 2PM with a break for lunch.
 - RFQ includes ITS, Traffic Engineering & Safety

5. Ranking for ITS TIP Projects for 2011

Chair Alan Sanderson requested Sarath Joshua to brief the committee on funding available for future ITS projects in the region. He explained that funding for ITS projects are in three forms:

- a. Funds allocated in the RTP for continuing the Freeway Service Patrol program
- b. FMS expansion - a total of \$1 43 million has been allocated for expansion of the FMS system. ADOT in consultation with MAG has developed a four-phased plan for this expansion
- c. Arterial ITS – a total for \$50 million in 2005 dollars is allocated for Arterial ITS Projects. These funds were originally spread over the full 20-year span of the RTP. However, recent action at MAG has resulted in the acceleration of these funds to the first 10 years of the program from 2007-2016, at \$5.4 million in each year.

The discussion then moved to ranking of proposed ITS projects. Chairman Sanderson commented that a total of \$8.319 million has been requested in federal funds and \$5.4 million is available to be programmed.

Each agency was then called to present their proposed projects to the committee. The following individuals presented projects proposed by their agency:

Mike Mah – Chandler
Jimmie Dixon – Glendale
Scott Nodes – Goodyear
Faisal Saleem – Maricopa County
Jan Siedler – Mesa
Ron Amaya – Peoria
Ron Doubek – Phoenix
Mark Young – Queen Creek
Bruce Dressel – Scottsdale
Bob Maki – Surprise
Jim Decker - Tempe.

After discussing various funding options, the committee agreed to reduce by 30% all the projects proposals requesting over \$500,000 in federal funds. This strategy resulted in the

required federal funding of \$6 m. Chairman Sanderson called for volunteers to request their agency to reduce federal cost and increase their request in the FY 2006 TIP closeout process, under the assurance that the committee would recommend these projects as priority projects in the next closeout process. Glendale reduced their request from \$794,300 to \$156,000, Maricopa County reduced their request from \$350,000 to \$100,000, Scottsdale reduced their request from \$177,500 to \$102,500 and Tempe reduced their request from \$189,300 to \$100,300, with a commitment from committee that these would prime projects for priority in close out process. The final list was presented to the committee. Sarath Joshua suggested that Committee Chair write a letter to TRC during next year's closeout discussion stating the four scaled down projects are a priority for the ITS Committee.

Alan Sanderson commented that the federal cost of \$1m projects is reduced and the original scope of work is maintained, then local agencies would have to come up with additional resources hence these projects would be almost near 50% local match.

Mike Mah moved to accept the project listing of 13 projects as the MAG ITS Committee recommendation for FY 2011 TIP at the reduced funding levels. Faisal Saleem seconded and it was unanimously carried to approve the motion.

6. Status Reports by Committee Members of ITS Activities

Bob Maki reported on the Bell Road project. Ron Amaya reported that Peoria is working with ADOT procurement for getting a new signal system for the city. Faisal Saleem mentioned that the County is working on the Smart Corridor project Phase-III and the kickoff meeting is scheduled for 17th October. Bruce Dressel introduced Dan Edwards ITS Operator for City of Scottsdale. Bruce also mentioned that Photo Radar on freeway went to council for a study session. Bruce Ward provided an update on activities in Gilbert, including the installation of a video wall and new traffic signals. Debra Barker of ADOT, reported on the FMS construction on US 60, Loop 101 and Loop 202. Alan Sanderson told the committee that Mesa is looking to fill an ITS Administrator position and the position will be open until filled. He also updated committee that he attended Emergency Evacuation meeting with country to discuss various scenarios. Mesa city council has approved photo enforcement, which includes red light running as well as speeding in 30 locations.

7. Next Meeting Date

Next meeting date was announced as 10:00 AM on Wednesday, November 2, 2005.

8. Adjournment

Chairman Alan Sanderson adjourned the meeting at 11:40 AM