

October 12, 2012

TO: Members of the MAG Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee

FROM: Reed Kempton, Scottsdale, Chair of the MAG Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee

SUBJECT: MEETING NOTIFICATION AND TRANSMITTAL OF TENTATIVE AGENDA

Tuesday, October 23, 2012 at 12:30 p.m.
MAG Offices, Ironwood Room, Second Floor
302 North First Avenue, Phoenix

A meeting of the MAG Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee will be held at the time and place noted above. Committee members may attend the meeting either in **person, by video conference or by telephone conference call**. Those attending by videoconference must notify the MAG site five days before the meeting. Those attending by telephone conference call are requested to call (602) 744-5840 and the meeting I.D. is 2453.

If you are attending in person, please park in the garage under the building. Bring your ticket to the meeting and parking will be validated. For those using transit, the Regional Public Transportation Authority will provide transit tickets for your trip. For those using bicycles, please lock your bicycle in the bike rack in the parking garage.

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Please be advised that under procedures adopted by the MAG Regional Council on June 26, 1996, all MAG committees need to have a quorum to conduct business. A quorum is a simple majority of the membership. If you are unable to attend the meeting, please make arrangements for a proxy from your jurisdiction to represent you. If you have any questions, please contact Maureen DeCindis at (602) 452-5073, or send email to mdecindis@azmag.gov.

TENTATIVE AGENDA

1. Call to Order

2. Approval of the September 18, 2012 Meeting Minutes of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee

3. Call to the Audience

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

4. Staff and Member Agency Reports

Staff and committee members are invited to provide an update of pedestrian and bicycle-related activity in their agencies.

5. Electronic Version MAG Regional Bikeways Map

MAG staff will give a short presentation on the newly developed version of the Regional Bikeways map for the smart phone. There will be a request for a small working group to assist with some issues.

2. For information, discussion and action to approve the meeting minutes of the September 18, 2012 Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee meeting.

3. For information.

4. For information and discussion.

5. For information and discussion.

6. Bicycles Count Proposal

The Bicycles Count Evaluation Working Group will present their recommendation of a consultant to conduct the MAG Bicycles Count project for recommendation for approval.

7. Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Bicycle and Pedestrian Applications Discussion

Committee members will conduct a question and answer period reviewing and analyzing the applications submitted for Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) funding.

8. Request for Future Agenda Items

Members will have the opportunity to suggest future agenda topics.

9. Next Meetings

All meetings will be on the third Tuesday of the month in the Ironwood Room at 1:30 p.m., except where otherwise noted.

November 13, 2012 (12:30 - 4:00 p.m.)
December 11, 2012 (noon)

6. For information and discussion and possible action.

7. For information and discussion.

8. For information and discussion.

MINUTES OF THE
MARICOPA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN COMMITTEE

Tuesday, September 18, 2012 at 1:30 p.m.
MAG Office Building, Ironwood Room
302 North First Avenue, Phoenix

MEMBERS ATTENDING

Reed Kempton, Scottsdale, Chair of Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee	^ Steve Hancock, Glendale
Margaret Boone, Avondale, Vice-Chair of Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee	Joe Schmitz, Goodyear
Michael Sanders, ADOT	^ Julius Diogenes for Mike Cartsonis, Litchfield Park
Tiffany Halperin, ASLA, Arizona Chapter	Denise Lacey, Maricopa County
^ Robert Wisener, Buckeye	Jim Hash, Mesa
D.J. Stapley, Carefree	Brandon Forrey, Peoria
Bob Beane, Coalition of Arizona Bicyclists	Katherine Coles, Phoenix
AnnMarie Riley for Jason Crampton, Chandler	Rich Purcell, Queen Creek
Mark Smith, El Mirage	Anissa Jenovich for Dawn Coomer, RPTA
Nicole Dailey, Gilbert	Karen Savage, Surprise
	Eric Iwersen, Tempe
	^ Mark Hannah, Youngtown

*Members neither present nor represented by proxy

^Attended via audio-conference

OTHERS PRESENT

Vince Lopez, Maricopa County Public Health	Kathy Mills, Coalition of AZ Bicyclists
Jason Harrington, e group	Alex Oreschak, MAG
Joe Perez, Phoenix	Cavan Noone, MAG
Ian Cordwell, Cave Creek	Teri Kennedy, MAG
Giao Pham, Apache Junction	Jacob Romfo, Mesa Community College
Houston Rush, Mesa Community College	Paul Duarte, Mesa Community College
Rick Connolly, Mesa Community College	Heidy Moreno, Mesa Community College

1. Call to Order

Reed Kempton called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

2. Approval of the July 17, 2012 Meeting Minutes of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee

Katherine Coles moved to approve the meeting minutes of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee for July 17, 2012. Denise Lacey seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Brandon Forrey

noted that under the Design Assistance discussion, it was Denise Lacey that made the motion to add \$700 to the Glendale project and Jim Hash seconded that motion.

3. Call to the Audience

An opportunity was provided to members of the public to address the MAG Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee on items not scheduled on the agenda that fall under the jurisdiction of MAG, or on items on the agenda for discussion but not for action. Members of the public were requested not to exceed a three minute time period for their comments. A total of 15 minutes was provided for the Call to the Audience agenda item, unless the Bicycle and the Pedestrian Committee requests an exception to this limit. Please note that those wishing to comment on action agenda items were given an opportunity at the time the item was heard. No one wished to speak.

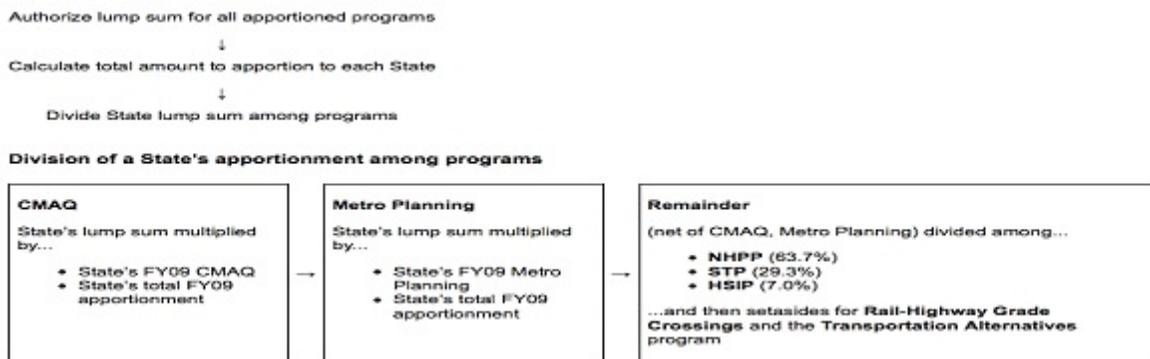
4. Staff and Member Agency Reports

Staff and committee members are invited to provide an update of pedestrian and bicycle-related activity in their agencies. Margaret Boone is heading up a working group of cities (Glendale, Phoenix, El Mirage, Surprise, Goodyear, and Peoria) near the Cardinal Stadium in Glendale to identify more bike routes for SuperBowl 2015.

5. Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century (MAP-21)

Teri Kennedy gave a general overview of Federal Highway Administration program changes and funding levels under the new Surface Transportation Authorization Act: Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century (MAP-21) and its implications for MAG.

Teri Kennedy explained that on July 6, 2012, President Obama signed into law PL112-141 The Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century (MAP 21) which restructures core highway formula programs. This program is authorized through FY2014. SAFETEA-LU funding extends through the end of September 2012 and most of the new provisions go into effect on October 1, 2012. The average annual funding will be at FY2012 levels, however, the obligation authority is unknown at this time.



The estimates for apportionments are as follows for Arizona:

FY 2012: \$708,704,457
 FY 2013: \$708,704,457
 FY 2014: \$714,778,129

For Transportation Alternatives, the estimates for apportionments for MAG are:

FY 2013: \$4,781,204
 FY 2013: \$4,847,061

The Funding Ratios for the Regional Transportation Plan are as follows:

Life Cycle Program	Modes	1/2 Cent	ADOT Funds	FTA (5307)	FTA (5309)	MAG-STP	CMAQ	Total Regional Funding
FLCP	Freeway	56.2%	100.0%			20.4%	19.1%	58.8%
ALCP	Arterial & ITS	10.5%				79.6%	13.4%	9.6%
TLCP	Bus Transit	18.9%		100.0%	17.0%		3.0%	17.0%
	Light Rail Transit	14.4%			83.0%		32.9%	13.4%
	Bicycle/Ped.						17.0%	0.7%
	Air Quality						14.6%	0.6%
	Total	100%						

FHWA CMAQ Program Estimates for the Bike/Ped Program are as follows. The equity bonus was eliminated.

2013 \$8,036,419
 2014 \$8,104,273
 2015 \$8,172,349
 2016 \$8,240,997
 2017 \$8,310,221
 2018 \$8,380,027

Transportation Alternatives (TA) incorporates eligibility from many of the current programs:

- Most but not all of the Transportation Enhancements eligible activities
- Recreational Trails Program
- Safe Routes to School
- Planning, designing or constructing roadways within the ROW of former interstate or other divided highway

There are similar funding levels:

- The total of TA dollars equals to 2% of MAP 21 highway funding
- This funded from a takedown from each state's formula funds
- 50% will be sub-allocated to local control
- The 50% state allocation can be transferred to other formula programs

Currently awarded Transportation Enhancements in the MAG region:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Federal</u>	<u>Local</u>	<u>Sum</u>
2013	\$1,951,415	\$1,365,195	\$4,016,610
2014	\$ 486,926	\$ 29,432	\$ 516,358
2015	\$2,990,311	\$1,427,991	\$5,118,302

Currently awarded Safe Routes to School in the MAG region:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Federal</u>	<u>Local</u>	<u>Sum</u>
2011	\$ 710,230		\$ 710,230
2012	\$2,968,924	\$44,200	\$3,013,124

Questions about the existing Transportation Enhancements and Safe Routes to School projects:

- With the reduction in statewide funding for TE, Rec Trails and SRTS, can ADOT cover all the statewide STIP listings for FFY 2013, 2014, 2015 and 2016?
- For local control programming:
 - How should the program develop?
 - Projects need to be competitively evaluated. What is the best way to do this?

Reed Kempton noted that the local communities will not be competing with other jurisdictions in the state for these funds. Teri Kennedy agreed and explained that ADOT may develop a process for project selection for their portion of the TA funds for the non-urbanized areas. MAG does not know how ADOT will move forward. MAG might be receiving about \$4M for the TA program. Reed Kempton asked if the Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee could be the committee that processes these applications? Teri Kennedy responded that this presentation will be made before the Streets Committee and that MAG process has not been determined yet. Katherine Coles asked for clarification on the CMAQ call for projects for three years and funding is only for two years. Teri Kennedy responded that because a construction project takes four years to develop, projects must be programmed now and MAG assumes that the funding will be in place when construction is ready to occur.

Reed Kempton said that this committee has significant history doing these types of projects. Teri Kennedy responded that there are many questions to be addressed such as should the fund be carved out into little projects or have one large project. Performance measures needs to be performed on these projects. The CMP tool assists with this. The funding for the TA program comes from a takedown from Surface Transportation Planning (STP) funds. MAG met with ADOT about projects that have been previously awarded but may not be funded. ADOT has not addressed this issue yet. Eric Iwersen asked if ADOT has a process to prioritize which projects will be funded of those who were awarded. Teri

Kennedy responded that after MAG receives an answer to this, MAG will move forward with developing our process.

6. Bicyclists in Crosswalks

Reed Kempton led a discussion to explore the possibility of adding bicyclists to the definition of crosswalk, to include bicyclists as someone a motorist must yield to when in a crosswalk. Currently, legal duties and obligations of persons on bicycles are not defined in the law.

Reed Kempton explained that there are crosswalks associated with many of the shared use paths in the Valley. D.J. Stapley asked if bikes would still yield to pedestrians. Reed Kempton said yes that bikes would yield to pedestrians. Reed Kempton noted that it is up to each city to determine if bicycling on sidewalks is legal in their community. According to A.R.S.28-602, it is unlawful to ride a bicycle in a crosswalk. Reed Kempton noted that adding the word bicyclist as well as pedestrian would clarify the legal language. Reed Kempton is open to suggestions as to how to proceed to get a bill drafted to the legislature. Eric Iwersen asked what would be the negatives response to this. Reed Kempton said that if a bicyclist is riding very fast a car would not be able to stop in time. Kathy Mills noted that statistics show that riding on a sidewalk is very dangerous because drivers are not looking for a cyclist but a slow moving pedestrian. D. J. Stapley asked if the committee would want to also ask for clarification of bicycles riding on sidewalks. Brandon Forrey urged against too many changes and suggested keeping the changes simple and short to avoid last minute corrections. Reed Kempton reiterated that his suggestion is only to add the word bicyclist. Reed Kempton asked if this committee should support this legislative action. Brandon Forrey suggested that each city check for approval from their supervisors. Reed Kempton noted that the ruling from the Scottsdale city attorney said that bikes have the right to ride in the crosswalk but the Scottsdale police still give tickets.

7. Bicycle Education Program

Bob Beane gave a status update on the Bicycle Education Program and requested assistance in scheduling “Ready to Ride” classes and for contacts of interested Law Enforcement Departments/Officers to review planned content, and input on web based and/or classroom based presentation and case study approaches. Bob Beane passed out a summary. The Ready to Ride is a short safe cycle training course that has all the materials developed. The Coalition is seeking venues, dates and events. The Coalition needs assistance marketing these programs.

The Law Enforcement materials are completed and have been reviewed by members of this committee. The crash investigation form is currently designed for vehicles and officers need training how to fill this out for bike crashes. Some information on safe cycling is very important for the content of the program for police training.

The Coalition needs assistance marketing and contacts for these programs. Classes need to be scheduled over the next 12 months. Maureen DeCindis explained that this is a committee project and therefore needs the assistance of all members.

8. Status Update on the MAG Regional Bikeway Map

Maureen DeCindis explained that the map is graphically complete except for the icon that will allow it to be used by a smartphone. MAG staff is expecting that the printing and production of the MAG Regional Bikeway Map will be complete in October/November.

9. Request for Future Agenda Items

Members had the opportunity to suggest future agenda items.

10. Next Meetings

All meetings will be on the third Tuesday of the month in the Ironwood Room at 1:30 p.m., except where otherwise noted.

~~October 16, 2012~~ October 23, 2012 (12:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.)

~~November 20, 2012~~ November 13, 2012 (12:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.)

~~December 18, 2012~~ December 11, 2012 (noon?)