

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

DATE:

July 15, 2011

SUBJECT:

FY 2011 Federal Transit Discretionary Grant Programs

SUMMARY:

The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and the United States Department of Transportation (USDOT) recently released five (5) discretionary grant programs related to planning, transit facilities and bus replacements for Fiscal Year (FY) 2011. Discretionary grants are expected to replace federal earmark funds. MAG scheduled a meeting on July 6, 2011 with the transit stakeholders to discuss strategies and eligible projects in the region. The group identified a list of projects to submit collaboratively as a region, as well as individual agencies discussed projects they may submit separately. On July 13, 2011, the MAG Management Committee recommended to support and forward the list of collaborative projects to the Executive Committee. The Management Committee also included in the list an I-10 direct connection ramp project submitted by METRO rail, which was not discussed by stakeholders at the meeting. This list of projects is being forwarded to the Executive Committee to meet the short deadline for projects to be submitted to the FTA. A summary of the five discretionary grants and a list of identified projects are attached.

PUBLIC INPUT:

None.

PROS & CONS:

PROS: Collaborating as a region will allow the grants to be more nationally competitive. Most of the projects identified will have regional benefits.

CONS: None.

TECHNICAL & POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

TECHNICAL: The transit stakeholders have identified projects to apply for that have regional benefits. During the discussion, the lead agencies and applicants were also identified. MAG will provide support as requested to assist grantees draft applications.

POLICY: MAG believes that collaborative applications that meet regional transit needs will make the grants more competitive on the national level.

ACTION NEEDED:

Information, discussion and recommendation to support the list of collaborative projects and to forward these project to the Federal Transit Administration.

PRIOR COMMITTEE ACTIONS:

The Management Committee recommended to support and forward the list of collaborative projects to the Executive Committee.

MEMBERS ATTENDING

- Charlie Meyer, Tempe, Chair
- Karen Peters for David Cavazos, Phoenix
- # Matt Busby for George Hoffman, Apache Junction
- Charlie McClendon, Avondale
- Stephen Cleveland, Buckeye
- * Gary Neiss, Carefree
- Wayne Anderson for Usama Abujbarah, Cave Creek
- Patrice Kraus for Rich Dlugas, Chandler
- Leah Hubbard for Spencer Isom, El Mirage
- * Phil Dorchester, Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation
- * Rick Davis, Fountain Hills
- Rick Buss, Gila Bend
- * David White, Gila River Indian Community
- * Collin DeWitt, Gilbert
- Ed Beasley, Glendale

- John Fischbach, Goodyear
- Bill Hernandez, Guadalupe
- Darryl Crossman, Litchfield Park
- Miranda Culver for Christopher Brady, Mesa
- David Andrews for Jim Bacon, Paradise Valley
- Carl Swenson, Peoria
- # Patrick Flynn for John Kross, Queen Creek
- * Bryan Meyers, Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community
- Brad Lundahl for David Richert, Scottsdale
- # Chris Hillman, Surprise
- Reyes Medrano, Tolleson
- * Gary Edwards, Wickenburg
- # Lloyce Robinson, Youngtown
- Kwi Sung Kang for John Halikowski, ADOT
- Kenny Harris for David Smith, Maricopa Co.
- David Boggs, Valley Metro/RPTA

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

STAKEHOLDERS MEETING ATTENDEES

- Avondale: Kristen Sexton
- El Mirage: Lance Calvert
- El Mirage: Leah Hubbard
- Glendale: Jenna Goad
- Glendale: Cathy Colbath
- Goodyear: Cato Esquivel
- Maricopa County: Will Barnow
- MAG: Eileen Yazzie
- MAG: Jorge Luna
- MAG: Nathan Pryor
- MAG: Kevin Wallace
- MAG: Alice Chen
- Mesa: Mike James
- Peoria: David Moody

- Phoenix: Ken Kessler
- Phoenix: Wendy Miller
- Phoenix: Markus Coleman
- Phoenix: Karl Matzinger
- Phoenix: Kini Knudson
- RPTA: Bryan Jungwirth
- RPTA: Bob Antila
- RPTA: Carol Ketcherside
- Scottsdale: John Kelley
- Surprise: David Kohlbeck
- Surprise: Terry Lowe
- Tempe: Robert Yabes
- Tempe: Lisa Collins
- Valley Metro Rail: Ben Limmer

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Regional Collaborative Applications

Grant Program	Application	Interested Agencies	Lead Agency in Charge of Coordination	Main Contact	E-mail	Due Date to Lead Agency	Due Date to Feds
State of Good Repair	1 Bus Replacement: Focus on 40 ft buses in TIP for 2012, 2013	Phx, RPTA, Tempe, Scottsdale	City of Phoenix	Wendy Miller	wendy.miller@phoenix.gov	Jul 15, 2011	Jul 29, 2011
	1 Dial-a-Ride Vehicle Replacement: Focus on replacements in TIP for 2012, 2013	Phx, RPTA, Surprise, Glendale,	City of Phoenix	Wendy Miller	wendy.miller@phoenix.gov	Jul 15, 2011	Jul 29, 2011
	2 Rehab and Modernization of Bus Maintenance Facilities	Phx, RPTA	City of Phoenix	Wendy Miller	wendy.miller@phoenix.gov	Jul 15, 2011	Jul 29, 2011
Bus and Bus Facilities Livability Initiative	3 Rehab, Upgrade, and Modernization of Passenger Facilities: Bus Shelters	RPTA, Mesa, Tempe, Scottsdale, Peoria, Glendale	RPTA/ Valley Metro	Bob Antila	bantila@valleymetro.org	Jul 15, 2011 (RPTA) Jul 22, 2011 (Phoenix)	Jul 29, 2011
	3 Rehab, Upgrade, and Modernization of Passenger Facilities: Transit Centers	Phx, Glendale, Tempe	City of Phoenix	Wendy Miller and Kini Knudson	wendy.miller@phoenix.gov kini.knudson@phoenix.gov	Jul 15, 2011	Jul 29, 2011
	4 Direct Connection ramp	METRO Rail	City of Phoenix	Wendy Miller	wendy.miller@phoenix.gov	Jul 15, 2011	Jul 29, 2011
Clean Fuels	5 Clean Fuels Pilot Program: RPTA 30 ft buses Phoenix 40 ft buses	Phx, RPTA, Tempe, Scottsdale	City of Phoenix	Wendy Miller	wendy.miller@phoenix.gov	Aug 9, 2011	Aug 23, 2011
	5 Electric Launch Assist and Idle Technology Assist for Dial-a-Ride Vehicles	Surprise, Glendale	City of Phoenix	Wendy Miller	wendy.miller@phoenix.gov	Jul 15, 2011 (Lead agency) Jul 22, 2011 (Phoenix)	Jul 29, 2011
TIGGER	6 Solar Panels: Upgrade Passenger Facilities & Maintenance/Operations Facilities	Phx, Tempe, Scottsdale, Peoria, Glendale, METRO, Goodyear	RPTA/Valley Metro	Bob Antila	bantila@valleymetro.org	Aug 9, 2011 (RPTA) Aug 16, 2011 (Phoenix)	Aug 23, 2011
	6 EMP: Electronic Fans to cool bus engines	RPTA	RPTA	Bob Antila	bantila@valleymetro.org	Aug 16, 2011	Aug 23, 2011