

Regional Multi-Modal Level of Service Map Q&A Updates as of 10/29/2014 ~ Updated ~

10/28/14 (Pre-proposal Conference)

1. Is this a travel demand modeling project or a planning-based exercise?

This project is intended to be a planning exercise.

2. Does MAG have a data layer to quantify existing infrastructure, or will the consultant have to collect this data?

MAG has transit routes and bicycle infrastructure data in a GIS format, but does not have most of the information needed for multimodal LOS analysis. MAG also has other data layers, if needed, such as land use and roadway networks. The level of detail of the information to be collected will be dependent on which corridors are selected for analysis.

3. Task 3a of the RFP referred to peer cities. Is there a pre-established concept of peer cities similar to Valley Metro's list of peer cities for transit?

No. The consultant will determine appropriate peer cities.

4. Is there a planning horizon for this study?

Since the study is not a modeling exercise, there is no planning horizon.

5. Will the consultant provide food at the regional workshop (Task 3)?

Yes.

6. How do you envision this tool being used going forward?

The goal of this study is to educate MAG staff and our member agencies about a tool that may assist with evaluating current or future transportation or development infrastructure needs. The MMLOS Toolkit (Task 4) should be a product that is easily usable by MAG and member agency staff upon the completion of the project. That is, this tool is envisioned to be integrated as an active component of the planning process for MAG and MAG member agencies going forward. The MAG Regional MMLOS Guidebook (Task 7) is intended to assist our member agency staff take a project from concept to implementation/construction. This will include not only how to use the MMLOS toolkit but also inform of the administrative requirements from Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration, regional Air Quality Conformity, and

the MAG committee approve process, if needed. MAG staff will provide the guidance and information related to the administrative requirements for the consultant team to assemble in its final format. To accomplish this, the study will be a highly collaborate effort with assistance from MAG staff when appropriate.

7. Is this intended to be used by engineers or planners?

This is intended to be a planning tool that can be utilized by both planners and engineers and as educational tools for policy and decision makers.

8. MAG does not adopt land use or development standards so engineers will ultimately be using this. Will cities and towns be incorporating it into their development process?

The goal is that through the outreach and workshop process during the course of the study, engineers and planners from our member agencies will be educated in the benefits of the tool and how to incorporate it in their planning process. MAG does not envision requiring its use for member agency plan development.

9. Have the communities listed in Task 3c expressed specific interest in using this tool? Will it be tailored toward them?

The communities listed in task 3C have expressed interest in multimodal LOS at various MAG committees and have stated that they are willing to help out with this project. Pilot sites will likely be located in these communities and every effort will be made to ensure they do not cover a large geographic area. The intent is not to create a data intensive study with high labor costs dedicated to data collection. The goal of Tasks 2 and 3 is to identify corridors and neighborhoods where “small” multimodal improvements can potentially create high connectivity and value.

10. What data collection will be done for peer cities in Task 3a?

A literature review showing where other cities have successfully implemented multimodal infrastructure improvements or road diets with positive bicycle/pedestrian, safety, and economic development effects. (Goals listed in Task 2)

11. Where can information about DBEs be found?

ADOT provides a searchable database of DBEs at <https://adot.dbesystem.com/> which can be used to find potential DBEs for subcontracting areas of the scope.

12. Is attendance at the pre-proposal conference mandatory?

No.

13. May the consultant team contact ADOT directly if efforts to meet the DBE goal is a challenge?

You may contact ADOT directly and copy MAG Staff at DGraham@azmag.gov (contract administration) and achen@azmag.gov (project manager)

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14. Can you kindly provide us a copy of the available Appendix B - Labor Cost Allocation Budget Excel file mentioned on page 18 of the RFP?

Yes. Please contact the Alice Chen at achen@azmag.gov directly for the Labor Cost Allocation Budget Excel file.