

December 1, 2011

TO: Members of the MAG Transit Committee

FROM: Cathy Colbath, City of Glendale, Chair

SUBJECT: MEETING NOTICE AND TRANSMITTAL OF TENTATIVE AGENDA

Thursday, December 8, 2011 – 1:00 p.m. (Note special afternoon time)  
MAG Office, Suite 200, Saguaro Room  
302 North 1st Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona. 85003

A meeting of the MAG Transit Committee will be held at the time and place noted above. Please park in the garage under the building. Bring your ticket to the meeting as parking will be validated. Bicycles can be locked in the rack at the entrance to the parking garage. Committee members or their proxies may attend in person, via videoconference or by telephone conference call. Those attending video conference must notify the MAG site three business days prior to the meeting. Those attending by telephone conference call please contact Marc Pearsall at (602) 254-6300 for conference call instructions.

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1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Draft September 8, 2011 Minutes
3. Call to the Audience

An opportunity will be provided to members of the public to address the Transit 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. 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 Transit Committee requests an exception to this limit.

4. Transit Program Manager's Report

The MAG Transit Program Manager will review recent transit planning activities and upcoming agenda items for other MAG committees.

5. 2012 MAG Transit Committee Meeting Schedule

The 2012 MAG Transit Committee meeting schedule is enclosed for review. Please refer to Attachment One for additional information.

6. Designing Transit Accessible Communities Study Update

The purpose of the study is to develop strategies to make transit more accessible for pedestrians and bicyclists. The American Public Transit Association (APTA) defines transit access as "the segment of an individual trip that occurs between an origin or destination point and the transit system." The goals of the study are: 1) to identify the challenges that are faced by transit users in the region when accessing transit; 2)

COMMITTEE ACTION REQUESTED

2. Approve Draft minutes of the September 8, 2011 meeting.
3. For information and discussion.
4. For information and discussion.
5. For information, discussion and possible action.
6. For information and discussion.

recommend improvements, policies, and guidelines that are applicable in the MAG region; and 3) provide a cost analysis and a framework for funding options and prioritization.

7. Local Transit System Studies Update

A status update on both the current Southwest Valley Local Transit System Study and the pending Northwest Valley Local Transit System Study will be provided. The purpose of each study is to identify short and long term transit needs for paratransit, local routes, and circulators in those respective areas of the MAG Region.

8. UTA-MAG Multi-modal Transit System Tour Summary

On October 13-14, 2011, leaders and representatives from the MAG region attended a multi-modal transit system tour of the Salt Lake City/Utah Transit Authority to gather information regarding the economic and transportation benefits of multi-modal connectivity among bus transit, light rail, and commuter rail in Utah Transit Authority's transit system along the Wasatch Front Range and Great Salt Lake. Staff will present experiences and perceptions of the tour with the Transit Committee.

9. Quarterly Status Report on Federal Grant Activity

The City of Phoenix is the Designated Recipient (DR) for federal transit funds for the Phoenix Mesa Urbanized Area (UZA). Among other responsibilities, the City of Phoenix manages federal transit grants for the region. In support of MAG's role of coordinating regional transit planning and programming activities, the City of Phoenix will provide quarterly updates to the Transit Committee on the status of existing federal grants. Please refer to Attachment Two for additional information.

7. For information and discussion.

8. For information and discussion.

9. For information and discussion.

10. Request for Future Agenda Items

Topics or issues of interest that the Transit Committee would like to have considered for discussion at a future meeting will be requested.

11. Next Meeting Date

The next regular Transit Committee meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 12, 2012, at 10:00 a.m. in the Ironwood Room (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor) at Maricopa Association of Governments.

Adjournment

10. For information and discussion.

11. For information and discussion.

DRAFT MEETING MINUTES  
MARICOPA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS  
TRANSIT COMMITTEE

September 8, 2011  
Maricopa Association of Governments; Saguaro Room;  
302 N. 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue, Suite 200  
Phoenix, Arizona

MEMBERS ATTENDING

Phoenix: Debbie Cotton, Chair	*Paradise Valley: William Mead
*ADOT: Mike Normand	#Peoria: Maher Hazine
Avondale: Kristen Sexton for Rogene Hill	#Queen Creek: Pam Weisshaar for Tom Condit
#Buckeye: Sean Banda for Andrea Marquez	*Scottsdale: Madeline Clemann
Chandler: Dan Cook for RJ Zeder	Surprise: David Kohlbeck
#El Mirage: Leah Hubbard	Tempe: Robert Yabes for Jyme Sue McLaren
#Gilbert: Kurt Sharp for Ken Maruyama	*Tolleson: Chris Hagen
Glendale: Cathy Colbath,	Valley Metro Rail: Ben Limmer for Wulf Grote
Goodyear: Cato Esquivel	Youngtown: Grant Anderson
Maricopa County: Mitch Wagner	Regional Public Transportation Authority: Carol Ketcherside
Mesa: Mike James	

\*Members neither present nor represented by proxy. + - Attended by Videoconference  
# - Attended by Audioconference

OTHERS PRESENT

Eileen Yazzie, MAG	Kris Steffa, Glendale
Marc Pearsall, MAG	Jeff Martin, Mesa
Alice Chen, MAG	Jorie Bresnahan, Phoenix
Jorge Luna, MAG	Ken Kessler, Phoenix
Tim Strow, MAG	Karen Savage, Surprise
	John Farry, METRO
	Janet Strauss, Valley Metro-RPTA
	Mike Sabatini, Michael Baker Company
	Trent Thatcher, Wilson & Company

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:02 a.m. by Chair Debbie Cotton. Chair Cotton welcomed everyone in attendance and announced that a quorum was present. She noted that the following members were joining the meeting by teleconference, Mr. Sean Banda of the Town of Buckeye, Ms. Leah Hubbard of the City of El Mirage, Mr. Kurt Sharp of the Town of Gilbert, Mr. Maher Hazine of the City of Peoria, and Ms. Pam Weisshaar of the Town Of Queen Creek. Chair Cotton asked if there were any public comment cards, and there being none, proceeded to the next item on the agenda.

2. Approval of Draft August 11, 2011 Minutes

Chair Cotton asked if there were any comments or corrections to the Draft August 11, 2011 meeting minutes. Hearing no comments or corrections to the meeting minutes, Chair Cotton called for a motion to approve the draft meeting minutes. Mr. Mitch Wagner of Maricopa County moved to approve the motion. Mr. Robert Yabes of City of Tempe seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

3. Call to the Audience

Chair Cotton stated that she had not received any request to speak cards from the audience and moved onto the next item on the agenda.

4. Transit Program Manager's Report

Chair Cotton introduced Ms. Eileen Yazzie and noted that the meeting was her first since taking over for the recently departed Kevin Wallace, who took over as Executive Director of the Spokane Regional Transportation Commission.

Ms. Yazzie began by noting that she had three items. She said that the 2010 Census data was still being analyzed, as was the current status of the Phoenix MSA, Mesa UZA and the Avondale UZA. She noted that there was still a question as to the Avondale UZA merging into the Phoenix UZA, especially with newly released Census analysis showing that the current, distinct boundaries would remain the same. She added that the complete Census results would be released in early 2012. Ms. Yazzie then continued and explained that the LTAF funds which were recently swept by the legislature were ordered reinstated by a federal judge due to its violation of clean air laws. She added that in the coming months MAG and RPTA would learn the next steps for the reinstatement and how the region would proceed should those funds become available for each community forced to relinquish their portions. Lastly, she noted that the July 2011 revenue results was released and showing an improvement with over \$26 million in revenue, eight percent higher than at the same time in 2010. She completed her report.

Chair Cotton thanked Ms. Yazzie for her report and asked if there were any questions or comments. Hearing no further comments or questions, Chair Cotton proceeded to the next item on the agenda.

5. Chair/Vice Chair Appointments

Chair Cotton introduced Mr. Marc Pearsall of MAG to brief the committee on an update regarding the upcoming Chair/Vice Chair Appointments for 2012. Mr. Pearsall referred the members to their agenda packets and noted that the chair appointment of the Transit Committee was due to expire on December 31, 2011. According to the policies and procedures established in 2009, the vice chair (Cathy Colbath of Glendale) will ascend to the chair position and a new vice chair will be appointed by the Regional Council Executive Committee. He asked that those interested in the vice chair position would be required to submit a letter of interest to the Regional Council Chair, and he referred the attendees to Attachment One for additional information on letter submittal. He added that the selection of the new Vice Chair would be announced prior to the holiday season. Mr. Pearsall thanked Chair Cotton for her service over the past two years as well as guiding the inaugural year of the Transit Committee.

Chair Cotton thanked Mr. Pearsall and asked if there were any questions or comments. Hearing no further comments or questions, Chair Cotton proceeded to the next item on the agenda.

6. Transit Service Inventory (TSI)

Chair Cotton introduced Mr Jorge Luna of MAG to present on the proposed Transit Service Inventory (TSI), brought before the Committee for information, discussion, and possible action to direct staff to work on developing the Transit Service Inventory document, and to update the TSI in support of the TIP as necessary.

Mr. Luna recalled that on August 11, 2011, staff presented the Transit Service Inventory item before the Transit Committee. The Transit Service Inventory intended to be a resource for the Committee in programming, updating, and coordinating the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and discretionary grants, respectively, by providing information such as multi-year plans for all transit operators and local agencies with an interest in public transportation in the region.

Mr. Luna then proceeded with a brief background on the origins behind the proposed Transit Service Inventory (TSI). On May 17th, 2011, Regional Public Transportation Authority (RPTA) staff presented the annual Short Range Transit Program (SRTP) to the Regional Transportation Advisory Group (RTAG). At the RTAG meeting, it was noted that there might have been a disconnect between the SRTP and the programming of the TIP and updating of the RTP. The group informally asked MAG staff to investigate the issue. On August 11th, 2011, staff presented information before the Transit Committee.

Mr. Luna explained that at the August 2011 meeting, he said that the Committee had several questions regarding the need, time line, and flowchart of the document. He said that his current presentation was follow-up to address the Committee's questions.

Mr. Luna further explained that Per USC Title 23, programming responsibility was delegated to MAG, which was required to program transit projects to be funded with federal funds and ensure that the program be fiscally constrained. Programming was done through the MAG committee process starting at the Transit Committee and by working cooperatively with member agencies, the designated grant recipient, and the transit operators in the region. As noted in the August 2010 memo before the committee, FY2010 was a transition year for transit programming as the responsibility was shifted to MAG. Mr. Luna said that the transition was ongoing; staff continued to work on fine tuning the programming process; but that one noteworthy outcome of the transition has been the Transit Committee.

Mr. Luna said that the need for a comprehensive regional inventory arose from the plethora of numerous documents, funding sources, and boards/commissions. He said that from local and regional agencies involved in transit in the region, it was understood that the needs and priorities varied from jurisdiction to jurisdiction. Regarding the various documents, they detailed the level of transit services and future investments to be undertaken by the specific agencies or jurisdiction. However, there was no single document that summarized both regional and local transit programs and planned improvements. He further explained that the federal government had stepped-up grant funding oversight. As outlined by the "Sub-recipient Oversight" presentation given before the Transit Committee on August 11th, 2011, the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) was thoroughly enforcing its requirements to ensure that federal requirements for FTA funded projects were being met; requirements such as availability of local project matching funds and project operating funds. The new Transit Service Inventory intended to include such data.

Mr. Luna also explained that due to the lack of a single document that summarized both regional and local transit programs and their planned improvements for the next several years in the region, it made things difficult for interagency cooperation and timely grant applications. He added that for interagency cooperation and grant applications, such as the recent State of Good Repair and Discretionary Sustainability funding opportunities, the inventory would provide a snapshot of current and proposed regional, local, and transit agency projects, allowing for partnership opportunities. He also noted that the data in the inventory also intended to help the region's Designated Recipient, the City of Phoenix, in preparing annual grant applications, such as the 5307 Urbanized Area Program. The data was to be contained in the inventory was for the most part already provided to the Designated Recipient, but at the back end, when the grant got submitted (e.g. data such as type of project, project information, justification, budget, and source of assistance). He rationalized that the difference with the data in the inventory was that it would now be provided at the front end. In essence, the inventory intended to summarize which agency was is doing what, when, and with what resources; thus helping the Transit Committee in making informed programming decisions.

Mr. Luna said that the overarching regional 20-year plan was the RTP, with scaled implementation and modifications done through the SRTP, the TIP, and jurisdictional requests. He added that the current programming process was roughly encapsulated in the following annual cyclical flow: planning (done by the RPTA and member agencies), budgeting and forecasting (operations and capital done by the RPTA and member agencies), programming (done through the MAG committee process), TIP implementation, service roll-out and monitoring (done through the Transit Performance Report -TPR-, and by member agencies). The primary programming fed into the TIP was the Transit Life Cycle Program (TLCP); the inventory would provide information on all projects, local and regional. The TSI was to be developed in coordination with the regular update schedules for the TLCP, TIP, RTP, and local programs.

Mr. Luna also explained that the TSI would not replace the SRTP and would not be a project rating tool. He also added that the federal fund programming would continue to follow the established MAG committee process, but that the sources of information for the TSI would include the RPTA's SRTP, TLCP, TPR; METRO's Five-Year Capital Program and Operating Budget; as well as local agency budgets and Capital Improvement Programs for transit related projects. The proposed content would include information such as vehicle replacement schedules, service expansion timelines, and project initiation date and status.

Mr. Luna explained that the TSI was not intended to be a formal document; rather, it would be accepted as a resource. The TSI intended to provide the Transit Committee with the best information available, actual or estimated, in order to make informed programming decisions for a comprehensive, coordinated, transparent, data driven process that aligns regional investments to meet the existing and future service demands and projected revenues for the region. The TSI would also help update to the MAG RTP. Based on schedules gathered from several agencies and jurisdictions (CIP, Operations Plans –transit service only-, General Budget, TLCP, SRTP, TIP, and RTP), Mr. Luna explained that the staff proposed to update the TSI beginning in August and have a final document by December. He then showed a proposed time line; but noted that the actual schedule may shift slightly.

Mr. Luna concluded that the item was for information, discussion, and was recommended for possible action to direct staff to work on developing the Transit Service Inventory document, and to update the TSI in support of the TIP as necessary. Chair Cotton thanked Mr. Luna for his presentation and asked the Committee if there were any comments or questions.

Ms. Carol Ketcherside of RPTA asked that given that MAG would perform a biannual TIP, would the new TSI be performed every year or biannually as well. Mr. Luna responded that the TSI would not be done on every first or second year, but rather to update the TIP with accurate and timely inventory information on an as needed basis.

Mr. Robert Yabes of Tempe asked that if the document was indeed a long-term inventory, how were cities supposed to know how to plug in the correct expenditures aimed at a future date. Mr. Luna replied that the cities should use their 5-year CIP program budgets in order to get the best available estimates for the TSI. Ms. Cathy Colbath of Glendale asked how long the

duration of the document was. Mr. Luna replied that the projected term for the document was a 4 year cycle. Ms. Kristen Sexton of Avondale asked if the TSI document would be used to rank and fund individual projects across the region. Mr. Luna noted that there would be no ranking within the TSI, as it would be used only to provide the Transit Committee with the most up-to-date information on the current transit inventories throughout the MAG region.

Mr. Dan Cook observed that the TIP was updated on a set schedule, but it appeared that the TSI could be done on a random schedule. Discussion followed. Ms. Yazzie responded that the TSI was an ever evolving inventory document that would assist in making sure that the TIP included the most recent information from the cities. Mr. Yabes asked if an item was in the TSI, was it automatically in the TIP. Ms. Yazzie responded no. She added the inventory is the complete picture of all the reported transit amenities amongst the MAG Region cities, but only those programmed for inclusion would appear in the TIP. Mr. Grant Anderson of Youngtown inquired if participating in the TSI was a requirement. Ms. Yazzie responded that it was entirely voluntary, but that participation was encouraged as it would give the region a better idea of our fiscally constrained budgets in relation to current infrastructure as well as the proposed, wish-list items amongst the Valley's cities.

Chair Cotton commented that the TSI was an important asset and source of information for the entire region and that it would assist in the over-all transparency that had been encouraged and promoted by the Federal Transit Administration in recent years.

Chair Cotton asked if there were any further comments or questions on the agenda item. Chair Cotton called for a motion to approve the motion to direct staff to work on developing the Transit Service Inventory document, and to update the TSI in support of the TIP as necessary. Mr. Cook of Chandler moved to approve the motion. Mr. Mike James of Mesa seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Chair Cotton again thanked Mr. Luna. Hearing no further comments or questions, Chair Cotton proceeded to the next item on the agenda.

## 7. Unprogrammed Federal Fund Balances

Chair Cotton introduced Ms. Eileen Yazzie of MAG to present on the Unprogrammed Federal Fund Balances, which was presented to the Transit Committee for information, discussion, and recommendation to reprogram \$3,581,528 of 5307 and STP funds to preventive maintenance based on the FY2011 approved distribution methodology, as shown in Table 4B, and modify the 2011-2015 TIP accordingly, as shown in Table 5.

Ms. Yazzie noted that her presentation on the Unprogrammed Federal Fund Balances was a verbal presentation and referred the Transit Committee members to their agenda packets for more information. She explained that as of August 2011, there was a balance of \$3,585,121 of federal funds unprogrammed. There is \$899,103 in 5307, \$438,000 in CMAQ, and \$2,248,018 in STP funds that are unprogrammed due to project savings, and unspent funds.

It had been suggested to program the \$3,585,121 to preventive maintenance based on the currently adopted FY2011 preventive maintenance distribution methodology. Preventive Maintenance was not eligible under the CMAQ guidance. In order to maximize the ability to use federal funds for preventive maintenance, she noted it was recommended to program \$438,000 of CMAQ funds for one of the City of Phoenix's bus purchases in exchange for \$434,407 of 5307 funds. This left a total of \$3,581,528 to program for preventive maintenance based on the currently adopted FY2011 preventive maintenance distribution methodology.

She also directed the Committee members to the fact that there were currently five federal fund accounts that had unprogrammed balances. The 5307 account had \$58,275 in 2006 funds, and there was \$840,828 in 5307-2007 funds, \$438,000 in CMAQ-2009 funds, \$213,353 in STP-2009 funds, and \$2,034,665 in STP-2011 funds. She noted that the \$2,034,665 available in STP-2011 funds was actually due to STP-2008 funds not being programmed. FTA requested that the MAG region use the 2008 older funds first before the requesting authorization on 2011 funds. This totals \$3,585,121 available in federal funds that needed to be programmed.

Ms. Yazzie said that it was suggested that these funds were programmed for preventive maintenance based on the approved preventive maintenance distribution methodology for FY2011. She noted that Appendix A was for the approved preventive maintenance distribution methodology for FY2011, which she said in order to maximize the unprogrammed funds, it was necessary to reprogram a current federal transit funded project in 2011 that was eligible for CMAQ funding with CMAQ funds. CMAQ funds were not allowed to be used for preventive maintenance on existing services. Once a project was identified, then the other type of federal transit funds could be used for preventive maintenance.

Ms. Yazzie further explained the complexities of the issue. She noted that the 2011 Transit Program of Projects was analyzed to try and find a project that would match \$438,000 of CMAQ funds. Since it was not allowed to program federal funds for a partial vehicle purchase; the federal funds needed to support a total vehicle purchase. It was suggested to program CMAQ funds for one of the 29 replacement buses the City of Phoenix is planning to purchase with 5307 funds (PHX11-708T).

She said that with this reprogram, \$434,407 in 5307-2011 funds would be available to be programmed for preventive maintenance. She said that with the CMAQ Reprogram, the amount available to program was \$3,581,528. It was necessary to document the amounts per funding category for grant administration. She also noted that as related to the 5307-2006 and 5307-2007 funding, METRO Light Rail was not in operations at that time, therefore, funds would be distributed on the same methodology, but with 100% of the funds being allocated to bus.

Ms. Yazzie concluded that due to the Intergovernmental Agreements (IGA) for the 5307-2006 and 2007 funds being expired, it was suggested that the City of Phoenix allocate their distribution amounts of \$34,872, \$503,151, and the balance of \$23,403 (5307-2006) and \$337,677 (5307-2007). She said that \$361,080 would be deducted from the City of Phoenix's STP distribution, and redistributed per the same amounts as originally allocated in Table 4A, columns 5307-2006 and 5307-2007. She added that it was revenue neutral and allowed for a

timely grant process. She closed by stating that the item was on the agenda for information, discussion, and recommendation to reprogram \$3,581,528 of 5307 and STP funds to preventive maintenance based on the FY2011 approved distribution methodology as shown in Table 4B, and modify the 2011-2015 MAG TIP as shown in Table 5.

Chair Cotton thanked Ms. Yazzie for her presentation. She then asked if there were any questions or comments.

Mr. Cato Esquivel asked if the STP funds were restricted to transit only, or could they be flexed to highway if a city did not have any current transit projects. Ms. Yazzie replied that the FTA funds were transit only and could not be flexed into non-transit projects. Discussion followed.

Mr. Maher Hazine of Peoria inquired if preventive maintenance funds could be used for Northwest Valley Dial-A-Ride taxi cab service. Currently a 3rd party contractor was operating the cab service and being funded through a city contract. He wondered if 5307 funds could be used to assist in the PM of those cabs. Discussion followed as to whether it was appropriate to use federal dollars to assist private taxi contractors with preventive maintenance, considering that vehicle maintenance was a part of the built-in bid structure. MAG staff responded that they would research the issue and return to the Committee with some guidelines from the FTA.

Chair Cotton again thanked Ms. Yazzie for her presentation. She then asked if there were any further questions or comments. Hearing no further comments on the item, Chair Cotton called for a motion to approve the motion to approve the reprogramming of \$3,581,528 of 5307 and STP funds to preventive maintenance based on the FY2011 approved distribution methodology, as shown in Table 4B, and modify the 2011-2015 TIP accordingly. Ms. Kristen Sexton of Avondale moved to approve the motion. Ms. Carol Ketcherside of RPTA seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Hearing no further comments or questions, Chair Cotton proceeded to the next item on the agenda.

## 8. METRO Planning Projects Update

Chair Cotton introduced Mr. Ben Limmer of METRO, who discussed and provided an update on the status of METRO's planning projects.

Mr. Limmer presented a series of slides showing METRO planning progress over the past several months. He explained the total monthly LRT Boardings for 2011, reporting higher ridership than at the same time in 2010. He then showed the RTP approved Future High Capacity/LRT Corridors Map (57 miles), with emphasis on its individual lines. He then proceeded to give an overview of the proposed Northwest Extension to northwest Phoenix, due to open by 2023. He then discussed the Mesa Extension, which was due for construction within the next year and half with an opening in 2015-16. Mr. Limmer then discussed the Tempe Streetcar project, due for opening in 2016 and the current Phoenix West corridor analysis, due for opening in 2021.

Mr. Limmer also presented information on additional projects outside the 57-mile system. METRO was studying the proposal for a Gilbert Road LRT Extension study on behalf of City of Mesa, as well as a South Central Alternatives Analysis on behalf of City of Phoenix and an Arizona Avenue Feasibility Study on behalf of City of Chandler.

Chair Cotton thanked Mr. Limmer, and asked if there were any questions or comments. Ms. Yazzie asked a clarifying question regarding the \$199 million expenditures identified for the Mesa Extension, and whether that was the cost of the design, or the total cost of the extension project. Mr. Limmer replied that it was indeed the total cost of the entire project. Hearing no further comments or questions, Chair Cotton proceeded to the next item on the agenda.

9. Quarterly Status Report on Federal Grant Activity

Chair Cotton introduced Mr. Ken Kessler of the City of Phoenix Transit Department and noted that he was present to answer committee questions for the Quarterly Status Report on Federal Grant Activity. She asked if there were any questions or comments on the agenda item.

Hearing no further comments or questions, Chair Cotton thanked Mr. Kessler and proceeded to the next item on the agenda.

10. Request for Future Agenda Items

Chair Cotton asked the members of the Committee if there were any issues that they would like added as future agenda items. Hearing no comments, Chair Cotton proceeded to the next item on the agenda.

11. Next Meeting Date

Chair Cotton thanked those present for attending the MAG Transit Committee meeting and she announced that the next meeting of the MAG Transit Committee would be held on Thursday, October 13, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. in the new MAG Chaparral Room on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor. There being no further business, Chair Cotton adjourned the meeting at 11:10 a.m.

November 30, 2011

TO: Members of the MAG Transit Committee

FROM: Debbie Cotton, Phoenix, Chair

SUBJECT: 2012 MAG TRANSIT COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE

Below is the 2012 schedule for the MAG Transit Committee. These meetings will be held at 10:00 a.m. at the MAG Office Building, Ironwood Room, 302 North 1st Avenue, Suite 200, Phoenix, AZ. 85003.

Thursday, January 12, 2012

Thursday, February 9, 2012

Thursday, March 8, 2012 [ Saguaro Room ]

Thursday, April 12, 2012

Thursday, May 10, 2012

Thursday, June 14, 2012

Thursday, July 12, 2012

Thursday, August 9, 2012

Thursday, September 13, 2012

Thursday, October 11, 2012

Thursday, November 8, 2012

Thursday, December 13, 2012

If you have any questions, please contact Eileen Yazzie at the MAG office at (602) 254-6300 or by email at [eyazzie@azmag.gov](mailto:eyazzie@azmag.gov) or Marc Pearsall at the MAG office at (602) 254-6300 or by email at [mpearsall@azmag.gov](mailto:mpearsall@azmag.gov)

cc: Intergovernmental Representatives

**CITY OF PHOENIX PUBLIC TRANSIT DEPARTMENT  
FTA GRANT STATUS REPORT  
AS OF SEPTMBER 30, 2011**

<b>PROGRAM/ GRANT NUMBER</b>	<b>FEDERAL FUNDING YEAR</b>	<b>GRANT AWARD DATE</b>	<b>FEDERAL FUNDS AWARDED</b>	<b>FEDERAL FUNDS EXPENDED</b>	<b>FEDERAL FUNDS REMAINING</b>	<b>STATUS</b>
<b><u>Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula Program</u></b>						
AZ-90-X068	2003	7/16/2004	53,778,070	53,684,120	93,950	Phoenix Public Transit Department staff reviewing Scottsdale land lease documentation to ensure FTA rules are followed. Estimated grant close-out: 6/30/2012.
AZ-90-X070	2004	3/31/2005	55,536,053	55,536,053	0	All projects completed. Preparing final grant budget revisions. Estimated grant close-out: 12/31/2011.
AZ-90-X074	2005	6/2/2006	43,319,916	39,208,402	4,111,514	Chandler: project going to bid in October. RPTA: submitted reimbursement request, but waiting for contract change order execution. Requested project savings reallocation to preventive maintenance. Scottsdale: working with design firm and trying to final land acquisition. Estimated grant closeout: 12/30/2013.
AZ-90-X080	2006	4/20/2007	45,336,056	42,821,047	2,515,009	Glendale: installation has started on software project and submitted reimbursement request. RPTA: submitted reimbursement request and will be requesting project savings reallocation. Maricopa County: funds reallocated to prevenitve maintenance for the region. Estimated grant close-out: 6/30/2012.
AZ-90-X088	2007	8/18/2008	42,409,809	38,249,092	4,160,717	Scottsdale Mustang Transit Center/Park and Ride: design contract has encountered changes that has delayed issuing construction RFP. Maricopa County STS funds reallocated to preventive maintenance for the region. RPTA: Evaluating purchases to ensure all accounted for prior to requesting reallocation of project savings to another federally-funded project. Estimated grant close out: 6/30/2013.
AZ-90-X096	2008	3/3/2010	47,046,732	34,171,174	12,875,558	RPTA: sumbitted reimbursement request. RPTA buses and Phoenix's dial-a-ride vehilces have been delivered and placed in revenue service. All other vehicles are having specifications written to start bid process. Preventive Maintenance costs are being gathered for reimbursement. All other projects are having scope of work finalized. Estimated grant close-out: 6/30/2015.
AZ-90-X103	2009/2010	5/31/2011	87,415,914	15,802,032	71,613,882	Vehicles: proposals are being finalized prior to release of RFP. RPTA submitted reimbursement for buses. 700/800 mHz project: narrowbanding under contract with vendor. Staff and vendor working on best way to proceed with project. Preventive maintenance, bus stop shelters and support services: funds in prior grants are still being utilized. Estimated grant close-out: 12/31/2017.
<b>5307 Program Total</b>			<b>374,842,550</b>	<b>279,471,920</b>	<b>95,370,630</b>	

**CITY OF PHOENIX PUBLIC TRANSIT DEPARTMENT  
FTA GRANT STATUS REPORT  
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<b><u>CMAQ/STP Transfers from FHWA</u></b>						
AZ-90-X084	2006	6/21/2006	18,561,754	17,815,837	745,917	Scottsdale - Skysong transit center design work completed. Issues over easement rights for utilities coordination delayed the project, but are now resolved. Anticipating construction specs to be issued in November. Mesa -construction of park-and-ride at 95%. Phoenix: reallocation of remaining funds from completed projects under review by management. Estimated grant closeout: 6/30/2012.
AZ-95-X004	2007/2008	11/25/2008	16,538,743	14,653,584	1,885,159	Vanpool vans ordered and some received, awaiting grant pass through IGA extension to process reimbursement. Bus proposal being reviewed prior to release of RFP. Design for Happy Valley/I-17 park-and-ride complete, construction completed in November 2010. Main/Sycamore intermodal transit center is complete and minor repairs to be completed. Estimated grant close-out: 12/31/2013.
AZ-95-X006	2008/2009	5/21/2010	43,867,393	6,608,973	37,258,420	Bus purchase has been delayed due to service cuts. Some vanpool vans delivered, gathering documentation to process reimbursement. Goodyear park-and-ride land reimbursement complete, construction costs being evaluated for reimbursement. Chandler: 100% plan set, working towards final technical specifications. Glendale: will be doing a needs assessment for park-and-ride. METRO: Costs are continuing to accrue with reimbursments processed bi-weekly. Estimated grant closeout: 6/30/2014.
AZ-95-X013	2009/2010	5/31/2011	22,840,992	4,525,356	18,315,636	Phoenix: bus specifications being finalized prior to RFP issuance. RPTA: buses delivered and reimbursement request submitted. Vanpool vans order delayed due to changing life of current vans. VMR: Central Mesa PE - work is continuing, Tempe South - haven't received FTA permission to start preliminary engineering. Estimated grant close-out: 12/31/15.
<b>CMAQ/STP Transfers Total</b>			<b>101,808,882</b>	<b>43,603,750</b>	<b>58,205,132</b>	
<b><u>Section 5308 Clean Fuels</u></b>						
AZ-58-0003	2011	9/20/2011	3,710,235	0	3,710,235	Vehicles have been ordered and components will be installed during manufacturing. Estimated grant close-out: 9/30/12.
			<b>3,710,235</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3,710,235</b>	
<b><u>Section 5309 Bus and Bus Facilities Program</u></b>						
AZ-03-0046	2004	8/2/2005	12,135,920	11,165,046	970,874	Recently received Congressional approval to move earmarked funds to another project. Planning and design underway for new project - East Baseline park-and-ride. Remaining funds will be deobligated and included in future grant as a result of this Congressional reallocation. Estimated grant close-out: 12/31/2012.

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AZ-03-0050	2005	7/20/2006	12,730,295	12,390,172	340,123	Recently received Congressional approval to move earmarked funds to another project. Planning and design underway for new project - East Baseline park-and-ride. Remaining funds will be deobligated and included in future grant as a result of this Congressional reallocation. Estimated grant close-out: 12/31/2012.
AZ-04-0004	2006	8/31/2007	7,312,615	5,628,540	1,684,075	Evaluating reallocation of unexpended funds from completed projects to another FTA project. Scottsdale's Skysong project has design complete, utility issue resolved and construction bidding to start in December with Council approval in Janaury/Febraury and starting construction in April. Estimated grant close-out: 12/31/2012.
AZ-04-0005	2007	7/21/2008	3,210,240	2,307,360	902,880	Evaluating reallocation of unexpended funds to another FTA project. Scottsdale's Skysong project has design completed, utility issue resolved with construction bidding to start in December with Council approval in Janaury/Febraury and starting construction in April. Estimated grant close-out: 12/30/2012.
AZ-04-0008	2008	5/3/2010	7,856,040	7,116,640	739,400	Scottsdale's Skysong project has design completed, utility issue resolved with construction bidding to start in December with Council aprval in Janaury/Febraury and starting construction in April.. Estimated grant close-out: 6/30/2012.
AZ-04-0011	2009/2010	8/11/2011	5,066,200	12,743	5,053,457	Specifications are being written for bus proposals. Phoenix E. Baseline park-and-ride planning and design underway. Scottsdale's: design is complete with construction doucments being prepared for RFP in the next quarter. Tempe's facility: Design is complete; construction contract going to City Council for award in October. Estimated grant close-out: 12/31/14.
AZ-04-0014	2008	9/16/2010	245,000	0	245,000	Documentation is being gathered to submit reimbursement request for the purchase of one bus. Estimated grant close-out: 12/30/2011.
AZ-04-0015	2010	8/5/2011	2,400,000	0	2,400,000	Phoenix 11th Street pedestrian project: 90% plans submitted for review. Specifications being written. Estimated grant close-out: 3/31/13.
AZ-04-0019	2010	9/23/2011	2,917,700	0	2,917,700	Researching items needed to be included in bus specifcations. Estimated grant close-out: 12/31/15.
<b>5309 Bus Program Total</b>			<b>53,874,010</b>	<b>38,620,501</b>	<b>15,253,509</b>	
<b><u>Section 5309 Fixed Guideway Modernization Program</u></b>						
AZ-05-0201	2007	7/10/2008	2,727,749	1,859,375	868,374	Vehicle purchase complete, but ensuring all vehicles have been accounted for prior to requested project savings reallocation. Mesa: US 60/Country Club park-and-ride construction at 60%. Estimated grant close-out: 3/31/2012.

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AZ-05-0202	2008	4/12/2010	3,560,398	3,258,561	301,837	RPTA reviewing vehicle purchases to ensure all reimbursed prior to requesting project savings reallocation. Scottsdale Road park-and-ride project has design complete. Estimated grant close-out: 9/30/2012.
AZ-05-0203	2009/2010	5/26/2011	5,166,080	240,000	4,926,080	Preventive maintenance being utilized in formula grants. Phoenix park-and-ride planning process to begin in near future. Glendale park-and-ride undergoing needs assessment. Mesa Loop 202/Power Rd. park-and-ride construction at 25%, water, sewer and storm drain at 95% and underground electric installation at 75%. Estimated grant close-out: 6/30/2013.
<b>5309 FGM Program Total</b>			<b>11,454,227</b>	<b>5,357,936</b>	<b>6,096,291</b>	
<b><u>Section 5309 New Starts Program</u></b>						
AZ-03-0031	2005	8/19/2010	551,200,000	551,200,000	0	Amount awarded for this grant is the total amount appropriated, allocated, and awarded through the grant process to date (through amendment 12 - FY 2010 funding). Final draw down completed in August 2010. Final project close out work in process. Estimated grant closeout: 12/31/2012.
<b>5309 New Starts Program Total</b>			<b>551,200,000</b>	<b>551,200,000</b>	<b>0</b>	
<b><u>Section 5316 Job Access and Reverse Commute (JARC) Program</u></b>						
AZ-37-X008	2007	8/15/2008	1,515,115	462,399	1,052,716	Remaining funds resulting from the discontinuation of Maricopa County's Special Transportation Services have been reallocated in 2011 competitive process. Funds were awarded to on-going services throughout the region. Estimated grant close-out: 12/31/2012.
AZ-37-X011	2008/2009	8/11/2010	1,336,332	530,996	805,336	Vanpool vans will be purchased from multi-year contract. Meetings with solar plant representatives have been held, but no positive movement about establishing vanpools. Operating assistance projects are at various stages. Estimated grant close-out: 12/30/12.
AZ-37-X017	2008/09/10	9/21/2010	4,073,588	1,593,241	2,480,347	Phoenix: Contract entered with ACS. RPTA: contract approved by Board, staff working with vendor to begin project. Operating assistance: Gathering documentation to submit reimbursement requests. Estimated grant close-out: 6/30/2014.
<b>5316 Program Total</b>			<b>6,925,035</b>	<b>2,586,636</b>	<b>4,338,399</b>	
<b><u>Section 5317 New Freedom Program</u></b>						
AZ-57-X001	2006	6/13/2008	1,052,690	389,259	663,431	RPTA - Projects are complete, but contract change order going to Board in November for reallocated funds. Phoenix: the utilization of senior cab program is still high. Glendale: project is on-going, and gathering documentation to submit reimbursement request. Estimated grant close-out: 6/30/2013.

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AZ-57-X008	2008	8/19/2009	451,217	102,457	348,760	East Valley Paratransit service above and beyond required ADA Complementary Paratransit Service has been implemented and is operating with Section 5317 funds. East Valley Travel Training Program returned unneeded funds to be part of the next regional competitive process. Operating assistance cost is coming in lower than anticipated. Estimated grant close-out: 12/30/2012.
AZ-57-X009	2008/2009	7/28/2010	1,078,889	219,238	859,651	Phoenix's senior taxi coupon - a lot of interest with more people inquiring about the program, and all funds in this grant drawn down. RPTA: Taxi Subsidy/Volunteer program - covers multi years and will support services in Mesa and expanded into Gilbert, Chandler and Tempe; On-line Transportation Directory - planning meeting held with MAG and RPTA this quarter to discuss project starting in early 2012; East Valley Travel Training - in operation throughout fiscal year, planning continues and implemented in new Regional Mobility Center in early 2011. Estimated grant close-out: 12/31/2013.
AZ-57-X012	2009/2010	6/3/2011	1,820,502	17,191	1,803,311	Glendale: All projects underway and gathering documentation to submit reimbursement requests. Phoenix's Trapeze project is in the planning stages, and senior cab program is continuing nicely. RPTA: projects underway and utilizing previous grants funds first. Estimated grant close-out: 6/30/2013.
<b>5317 Program Total</b>			<b>4,403,298</b>	<b>728,145</b>	<b>3,675,153</b>	
<b><u>Section 5339 Alternatives Analysis Program</u></b>						
AZ-39-0001	2007	5/15/2008	993,600	827,863	165,737	MAG - travel forecasting complete. Special events and model development in progress. Final invoices received and submitted for reimbursement. RPTA - On-board survey final report is complete. Management analyzing costs to be reimbursed. Estimated grant close-out - 3/31/2012.
AZ-39-0003	2009/2010	5/27/2011	2,350,000	1,214,137	1,135,863	Alternatives Analysis for Central Mesa corridor, Phoenix West Corridor, Tempe South corridor and South Central Avenue. South Central project started later than anticipated. Phoenix West is in process. Mesa and Tempe South are complete. Estimated grant close-out: 12/31/2014.
<b>5339 Program Total</b>			<b>3,343,600</b>	<b>2,042,000</b>	<b>1,301,600</b>	

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<b>ARRA</b>						
AZ-96-X002 (5307 Urbanized Area)	2009	8/21/2009	66,074,735	29,152,061	36,922,674	Mesa's park-and-rides: all are at 50% or more complete with planned opening in the next quarter. RPTA: All parcels purchased and gathering documentation for reimbursement request. Fare vending machine installation delayed due to fiber optic lines work not completed. BRT line opened in late January. Phoenix: Happy Valley park-and-ride completed and opened in January; Central Station - completed and opened in July, Pecos park-and-ride completed and opened in August 2010. Scottsdale: design completed; construction contract being prepared. Tempe: design is complete, construction contract to go for council approval in October. Operating assistance for Glendale, Peoria, Phoenix and Metro expended, ADA assistance for Phoenix expended. Estimated grant close-out - 6/30/2014.
AZ-66-X001 (FHWA Transfers)	2009	8/20/2009	1,047,382	1,047,382	0	Contractor completing finishing work. Park and ride opened to the public in December. Estimated grant close-out - 12/31/2011.
AZ-56-0001 (5309 Fixed Guideway)	2009	8/20/2009	640,070	82,312	557,758	Construction contractor under contract. Construction began in August with completion scheduled for October/November. Estimated grant close-out: 3/31/2012.
<b>ARRA Program Total</b>			<b>67,762,187</b>	<b>30,281,754</b>	<b>37,480,433</b>	
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>1,179,324,024</b>	<b>953,892,642</b>	<b>225,431,382</b>	