

MARICOPA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

INFORMATION SUMMARY... for your review

DATE:

May 19, 2016

SUBJECT:

Draft FY 2017-2021 MAG Transportation Improvement Program

SUMMARY:

The Draft fiscal year (FY) 2017-2021 MAG Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) has been under development since March 2015. All federally funded projects and regionally significant transportation projects (including local and privately funded projects) are required by federal law to be included in the draft TIP for the purpose of meeting the air quality conformity analysis requirements. In April 2016, the Draft FY 2017-2021 MAG TIP Listing of Projects was approved by the MAG Regional Council to undergo this analysis, which is now complete. A Mid-Phase public hearing on the interim TIP listings was conducted on April 27, 2016, and the final phase public hearing is scheduled for June 7, 2016. The Draft FY 2017-2021 TIP may be viewed on the MAG website at: www.azmag.gov/TIP.

Each chapter has a date of revision if updates have been made since the public posting of the Draft FY 2017-2021 TIP. If changes to the project listings are needed an errata sheet and tables will be provided.

PUBLIC INPUT:

The Mid-Phase Input Opportunity Report is attached for your reference. The results from the final phase public meeting input on the Draft FY 2017-2021 MAG TIP will be included in the Final Phase Opportunity Report at the Transportation Policy Committee meeting scheduled for June 15, 2016.

PROS & CONS:

PROS: Approval of the TIP will help ensure the timely construction and implementation of regionwide transportation projects.

CONS: Approval of the TIP indicates approval of local projects by local agencies.

TECHNICAL & POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

TECHNICAL: The TIP is a listing of projects that are scheduled for construction and/or implementation within the next five years. The current TIP is the FY 2014-2018 MAG TIP, which is valid under Federal rules until January 2018. Approval of the Draft FY 2017-2021 MAG TIP is required to update and validate construction and implementation of new transportation projects in years 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, and 2021. The FY 2017-2021 MAG TIP contains as a subset the MAG Federal Transit Administration Section 5307 program FY 2016 and FY 2017 Program of Projects for the MAG region.

POLICY: The TIP is developed with input from all MAG jurisdictions and member agencies, Arizona Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration, Federal Transit

Administration, Indian Communities, Tribal Governments, the general public, and incorporates controls to ensure fiscal constraint and compliance with air quality regulations.

ACTION NEEDED:

Recommend approval of the Draft FY 2017-2021 MAG Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), and amendment to the 2035 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) contingent on a finding of conformity of the Draft TIP with applicable air quality implementation plans.

PRIOR COMMITTEE ACTIONS:

None

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