

April 23, 2007

TO: Members of the Commuter Rail Stakeholders Group

FROM: Kevin Wallace, Transit Program Manager

SUBJECT: MEETING NOTIFICATION AND TRANSMITTAL OF TENTATIVE AGENDA

Tuesday, May 1, 10:00 a.m.
MAG Office, Suite 200, Saguaro Room
302 North 1st Avenue, Phoenix

A meeting of the MAG Commuter Rail Stakeholders Group will be held at the time and place noted above. **A map with directions to the MAG office is enclosed. Please park in the garage under the building and bring your ticket to the meeting, as parking will be validated. For those using transit, Valley Metro/RPTA will provide transit tickets for your trip. Bicycles can be locked in the rack at the entrance to the parking garage.**

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The Commuter Rail Stakeholders Group will comprise stakeholders from throughout the planning area, including cities and towns, business organizations, transportation advocates, and others. Over the course of the next year, the Stakeholders Group will meet four times and will identify key issues, purpose and needs, along with goals and objectives for commuter rail. A facilitator will guide the group through an analysis by sub-regions of opportunities for passenger rail service. In concert with this group, MAG's consultant team will develop an action plan and an implementation strategy.

Thank you for your participation in this program. If you have any questions, please contact Kevin Wallace, MAG Transit Program Manager, at (602) 254-6300 or by email at kwallace@mag.maricopa.gov. If you haven't done so already, please contact Kevin Wallace or Judy Tadlock at (602) 254-6300 to identify who from your organization will be participating on the Commuter Rail Stakeholders Group.

c: Members of the MAG Regional Council
Members of the MAG Management Committee
MAG Intergovernmental Liaisons



TENTATIVE AGENDA

Commuter Rail Stakeholders Group

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| 1. Welcome and Introductions | Councilmember Cliff Elkins, Surprise |
| 2. Overview of Commuter Rail Strategic Plan Project | Rick Pilgrim, URS Project Manager |
| 3. Strategic Plan Development Process | Megan Davis, Davis Consulting |
| 4. Overview of MAG Plans for Commuter Rail | Kevin Wallace, MAG |
| 5. Discussion of Project Issues and Purpose Statement | Rick Pilgrim, URS |
| 6. Commuter Rail Operating Requirements <ul style="list-style-type: none">• What is Commuter Rail?• Successful Examples of Commuter Rail | Larry Miller, Gannett Fleming |
| 7. Commuter Rail and Railroad Coordination | Lonnie Blaydes, Former General Manager, Trinity Railway Express, Dallas-Ft. Worth |
| 8. Subarea Planning for SWOT Analysis | Megan Davis |
| 9. Next Meeting | Megan Davis |
| 10. Adjournment | |