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April 12, 2010

TO: Members of the MAG Regional Council Executive Committee

FROM: Councilwoman Peggy Neely, City of Phoenix, Chair

SUBJECT: MEETING NOTIFICATION AND TRANSMITTAL OF TENTATIVE AGENDA FOR THE MAG REGIONAL COUNCIL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Monday, April 19, 2010 - 12:30 p.m. (or at conclusion of the Regional Community Partners meeting)
MAG Office, Suite 200 - Cholla Room
302 North 1st Avenue, Phoenix

A meeting of MAG Regional Council Executive Committee has been scheduled for the time and place noted above. Members of the Committee may attend the meeting either in person, by telephone conference, or by video conference.

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If you have any questions regarding the Executive Committee agenda items, please contact me at (602) 262-7445. For MAG staff, please contact Dennis Smith, MAG Executive Director, at (602) 254-6300.

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**MAG EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
TENTATIVE AGENDA
April 19, 2010**

COMMITTEE ACTION REQUESTED

1. Call to Order

The meeting of the Executive Committee will be called to order.

2. Call to the Audience

An opportunity will be provided to members of the public to address the Executive 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. Members of the public 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 Executive Committee requests an exception to this limit. Please note that those wishing to comment on action agenda items will be given an opportunity at the time the item is heard.

3. Approval of Executive Committee Consent Agenda

Prior to action on the consent agenda, members of the audience will be provided an opportunity to comment on consent items that are being presented for action. Following the comment period, Committee members may request that an item be removed from the consent agenda. Consent items are marked with an asterisk (*).

2. Information and discussion.

3. Approval of Executive Committee Consent Agenda.

**ITEMS PROPOSED FOR CONSENT
BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

*3A. Approval of the March 22, 2010, Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

*3B. Amendment to the FY 2010 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget to Accept Funding from the Governor's Office for Children, Youth, and Families for Domestic Violence Planning

The FY 2010 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget (UPWP) was approved by the MAG Regional Council on May

3A. Review and approval of the March 22, 2010 Executive Committee meeting minutes.

3B. Approval of the budget amendment to the FY 2010 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget to include funding, contingent upon confirmation of the grant award, in the amount of \$249,568.

27, 2009. A Domestic Violence STOP grant for Human Services is anticipated to be awarded by the Governors Office to Regional Community Partners (RCP) for work on the MAG Protocol Evaluation Project. This project work includes an evaluation and recommendations on the protocols used to arrest and prosecute domestic violence offenders. This item is to approve an amendment to the MAG 2010 Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget, contingent upon confirmation of the grant award, to increase the budget for RCP by \$249,568.

**ITEMS PROPOSED TO BE HEARD
BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

4. Discussion Regarding the Metropolitan Area Planning Boundary

On November 3-5, 2009, the MAG Federal Certification Review was held. At the meeting, the federal officials inquired about the status of previous Corrective Actions and/or Recommended Improvements that were part of the May 4-5, 2004 MAG Federal Certification Review. One of the recommended improvements was for MAG to examine the metropolitan planning area boundary. To begin addressing this recommendation, staff has prepared three concepts for review for expanding the metropolitan planning area boundary. Please refer to the enclosed material.

5. Development of the Draft FY 2011 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget

Each year, the MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget is developed incrementally in conjunction with member agency and public input. The Work Program is reviewed each year in April by the federal agencies and approved by the Regional Council in May. The Intermodal Planning Group meeting is scheduled for April 29, 2010 and any recommendations from that review, as well as any other significant budget revisions, will be brought to the May Executive Committee meeting. This item is on the April 14, 2010 MAG Management Committee agenda. An update on discussion by the Management

4. Information and discussion.

5. Information and input on the development of the fiscal year (FY) 2011 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget.

Committee will be provided. Please refer to the enclosed material.

6. Sustainable Communities Program Grant

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has advised that they will release a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for the Sustainable Communities Program the week of April 12, 2010. It appears that MAG may be eligible to apply for funding to support the development of regional plans for sustainable development. It has been indicated that such plans may become a requirement with the reauthorization of federal transportation funding. A stakeholders group was convened to provide input in relation to this grant opportunity. Staff is seeking guidance on the desired level of MAG's involvement with this grant opportunity.

The NOFA will provide an opportunity for regions to apply for grant funding to support the development of regional plans for sustainable development. The purpose of the program is to support multi-jurisdictional regional planning efforts that promote six principles integrating housing, economic development, and transportation decision-making in a manner that empowers jurisdictions to consider the interdependent challenges of economic growth, social equity and environmental impact simultaneously.

MAG has addressed the topic of sustainable development in the past. In 2002, MAG initiated a regional development project to provide alternative growth scenarios and to evaluate revenue projections, impacts of quality of life measures, and economic/demographic impacts of significant development projects. The decision was made at that time to not proceed with the project. Please refer to the enclosed material.

7. MAG Population Technical Advisory Committee (POPTAC) Chair and Vice Chair Appointments

On July 22, 2009, the MAG Regional Council approved the MAG Committee Operating Policies and Procedures. Officer appointments for technical

6. Provide guidance on MAG's level of involvement and role in developing an application for the HUD Sustainable Communities Program grant.

7. Approval of the Population Technical Advisory Committee (POPTAC) appointments of chair and vice chair ending January 2011.

and other policy committees, with exception of the MAG Regional Council, Transportation Policy Committee, and Management Committee, will be made by the MAG Executive Committee and are eligible for one-year terms, with possible reappointment to serve up to one additional term by consent of the respective committee.

As of March 2010, the positions of chair and vice chair of the Population Technical Advisory Committee (POPTAC) became vacant. George Pettit, Gilbert Town Manager and chair of POPTAC, retired after 25 years of public service. Debra Stark, Phoenix Planning Director, and vice chair of POPTAC, was promoted to Chief of Staff for the Phoenix Mayor. On March 17, 2010, MAG staff sent a notice to the Management Committee, the POPTAC, and the Intergovernmental Representatives to solicit letters of interest for the POPTAC chair and vice chair positions. Copies of the letters and a table identifying individuals requesting consideration for the positions have been included. Please refer to the enclosed material.

8. Request for Future Agenda Items

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

9. Comments from the Committee

An opportunity will be provided for the Executive Committee members to present a brief summary of current events. The Executive Committee is not allowed to propose, discuss, deliberate or take action at the meeting on any matter in the summary, unless the specific matter is properly noticed for legal action.

10. Adjournment

8. Information and discussion.

9. Information

MINUTES OF THE
MARICOPA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
MAG REGIONAL COUNCIL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
March 22, 2010
MAG Offices, Cholla Room
302 N. 1st Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona

MEMBERS ATTENDING

Councilwoman Peggy Neely, Chair
#Mayor Thomas L. Schoaf, Litchfield Park,
Vice Chair
Mayor Hugh Hallman, Tempe, Treasurer

Mayor Marie Lopez Rogers, Avondale
Mayor James M. Cavanaugh, Goodyear
Mayor Scott Smith, Mesa
* Mayor Jim Lane, Scottsdale

* Not present

Participated by video or telephone conference call

1. Call to Order

The Executive Committee meeting was called to order by Chair Peggy Neely at 12:00 p.m. She stated that an addendum to the agenda for consent agenda item 3F Amendment to the FY 2010 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget to Provide Additional Funding to the City of Avondale Park and Ride Selection Study was at their place. Chair Neely stated that public comment cards were available for those members of the public who wish to comment. Transit tickets were available from Valley Metro for those using transit to come to the meeting. Parking validation was available from MAG staff for those who parked in the parking garage.

2. Call to the Audience

Chair Neely noted that, according to the MAG public comment process, members of the audience who wish to speak are requested to fill out the public comment cards. She stated that there is a three-minute time limit. Public comment is provided at the beginning of the meeting for items that are not on the agenda that are within the jurisdiction of MAG, or non-action agenda items that are on the agenda for discussion or information only. Chair Neely noted that no public comment cards had been received.

3. Consent Agenda

Chair Neely noted that prior to action on the consent agenda, members of the audience are provided an opportunity to comment on consent items that are being presented for action. Following the comment period, Committee members may request that an item be removed from the consent agenda. Chair Neely noted that no public comment cards had been received.

Chair Neely requested a motion to approve the consent agenda. Mayor Hallman moved to approve items #3A through #3F. Mayor Cavanaugh seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

3A. Approval of the February 16, 2010, Executive Committee Meeting Minutes and the February 19, 2010 Special Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

The Regional Council Executive Committee, by consent, approved the February 16, 2010, Executive Committee meeting minutes and the February 19, 2010 Special Executive Committee Meeting Minutes.

3B. On-Call Consulting Services for Transportation Software Development and Support

The Regional Council Executive Committee, by consent, approved the list of on-call consultants for area of Arrea of Expertise A (Transportation Modeling Software and Transportation Forecasting Models): Arizona State University, Bernardin Lochmueller & Associates Inc., Caliper Corporation, Cambridge Systematics Inc., HDR Inc., Kimley-Horn & Associates, Inc., PB Americas, Inc., URS Corporation, and Wilbur Smith Associates Inc.; and Area of Expertise B (Transportation Data Management Software): Arcadis U.S. Inc., Arizona State University, Caliper Corporation, HDR Inc., Kimley-Horn & Associates, Inc., Midwestern Software Solutions, PB Americas, Inc., and Terra Genesis Inc., for the MAG Transportation Software Development and Support, for a total amount not to exceed \$700,000. The Fiscal Year (FY) 2010 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget, approved by the MAG Regional Council in May 2009 includes On-call Consulting Services for Transportation Software Development and Support at a cost not to exceed \$700,000. The purpose of the project is to ensure that MAG can proceed with support and scheduled improvements of the MAG regional travel forecasting models and related data sets. MAG issued a Request for Qualifications to create an on-call consulting list for the project with two areas of expertise. A multi-agency evaluation team reviewed the statements of qualifications and recommended to MAG that the following firms be included on a MAG on-call consulting list for Transportation Software Development and Support: Area of Expertise A (Transportation Modeling Software and Transportation Forecasting Models): Arizona State University, Bernardin Lochmueller & Associates Inc., Caliper Corporation, Cambridge Systematics Inc., HDR Inc., Kimley-Horn & Associates, Inc., PB Americas, Inc., URS Corporation, and Wilbur Smith Associates Inc.; and Area of Expertise B (Transportation Data Management Software): Arcadis U.S. Inc., Arizona State University, Caliper Corporation, HDR Inc., Kimley-Horn & Associates, Inc., Midwestern Software Solutions, PB Americas, Inc., and Terra Genesis Inc. On March 10, 2010, the MAG Management Committee recommended approval of on-call consulting services for transportation software development and support.

3C. Amendment to the FY 2010 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget to Include the Southeast Corridor Major Investment Study

The Regional Council Executive Committee, by consent, approved the amendment to the FY 2010 Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget for \$300,000 to provide for the Southeast Corridor Major Investment Study. The Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) is in the process of completing an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the widening of Interstate 10, the Maricopa Freeway, between the SR-51/SR-202L/Red Mountain "Mini-Stack" and SR-202L/Santan-South Mountain "Pecos Stack" traffic interchanges. The subject of this EIS is clearance that would allow widening of the freeway and reconstruction of the Interstate 10/SR-143 traffic interchange, representing almost \$1 billion in investment for the corridor. During the

course of the EIS, questions have been raised about the investment being made in this corridor and the need for alternative transportation options. These include widening Interstate 10 and improving system traffic interchanges to accommodate the growing travel demand between the East Valley and Central Phoenix. MAG proposes amending the FY 2010 Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget for \$300,000 to provide for the Southeast Corridor Major Investment Study. On March 10, 2010, the MAG Management Committee recommended approval of the amendment to the FY 2010 Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget.

3D. Selection of Caliper Corporation as Consultant for 2010 Phase I Inner Loop Traffic Operations Model Development

The Regional Council Executive Committee, by consent, approved the selection of the Caliper Corporation to conduct 2010 Phase I of the Inner Loop Traffic Operations Model for an amount not to exceed \$500,000. The fiscal year (FY) 2010 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget, approved by the MAG Regional Council in May 2009, includes \$500,000 to conduct Phase I of the 2010 Inner Loop Traffic Operations Model Development. This is a multi-year/multi-phase project and at MAG's discretion, the selected consultant may also be retained to complete additional phases of the project. Future phases of the project will be subject of separate contracts to be authorized at a future date by MAG. The Request for Proposals was advertised on December 10, 2009. The eight proposals received were reviewed by a multi-agency proposal evaluation team consisting of MAG member agencies and MAG staff. On February 23, 2010, the proposal evaluation team recommended to MAG the selection of Caliper Corporation to conduct phase I of the project in an amount not to exceed \$500,000. On March 10, 2010, the MAG Management Committee recommended approval of Caliper Corporation as consultant for 2010 Phase 1 Inner Loop Traffic Operations Model Development.

3E. Assistance to the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality for Soil Sample Analyses

The Regional Council Executive Committee, by consent, approved the amendment to the FY 2010 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget to provide the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality with \$21,500 to contract with Arizona State University to conduct analyses of soil samples as part of a Data Collection Plan to Evaluate and Identify Sources and Unique Geographic and Meteorological Conditions Contributing to Exceedances of the PM-10 Standard at the West 43rd Avenue Monitor, if necessary. MAG is working with the Maricopa County Air Quality Department and the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) to implement the Data Collection Plan to Evaluate and Identify Sources and Unique Geographic and Meteorological Conditions Contributing to Exceedances of the PM-10 Standard at the West 43rd Avenue Monitor. As part of this effort, up to nineteen soil samples may need to be analyzed to determine the types of soils that have the highest potential to create PM-10 emissions. ADEQ has a contract with Arizona State University that could be used to perform the analyses, but ADEQ does not have the \$21,500 needed to fund the project. Federal transportation funds would be available for this purpose. The Environmental Protection Agency has indicated they are seeking funding for field studies in the Data Collection Plan, but to date, this funding has not been approved. On March 10, 2010, the MAG Management Committee recommended amending the FY 2010 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget to provide ADEQ with \$21,500 to contract with Arizona State University to conduct analyses of soil samples.

3F. Amendment to the FY 2010 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget to Provide Additional Funding to the City of Avondale Park And Ride Site Selection Study

The Regional Council Executive Committee, by consent, approved the amendment to the FY 2010 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget to add \$10,000 to the Avondale Park and Ride Site Selection Study to perform an Environmental Analysis / Categorical Exclusion (CE) for one additional site. At the June 15, 2009 Executive Committee meeting, the committee approved an amendment to the FY 2009 MAG Unified Planning and Work Program and Annual Budget to include \$200,000 to support a Park and Ride Site Selection Study for the City of Avondale and to include \$150,000 for a Transit Circulator Study. In December 2009, MAG commenced work on the \$200,000 Avondale Park And Ride Site Selection Study. The original scope of the six month study was to assist Avondale in determining a preferred Transit Center site to serve local and regional bus connections. In the first three months of the study, Avondale, the Consultant, and MAG staff have agreed that it would be desirable to focus less on a single specific site, and to instead review two sites concurrently to explore different design and layout options. To accomplish this additional work, an additional amount of \$10,000 is requested. These funds will be used to perform an Environmental Analysis / Categorical Exclusion (CE) for one additional site. The additional CE will permit City of Avondale to make a more informed decision on the preferred site for their Transit Center. The total contract amount will be revised to \$210,000. MAG federal funds assigned to planning will be used for this purpose.

The Executive Committee took the agenda items out of order. Chair Neely suggested that the Executive Committee go into executive session to discuss agenda item #9 Executive Director's Annual Performance Evaluation. Mayor Hallman moved that the Executive Committee go into executive session. Mayor Cavanaugh seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Chair Neely left the meeting at approximately 1:00 p.m.

The regular session of the Executive Committee reconvened at 1:42. Mayor Hallman took the agenda items in order and moved to agenda item number 4-Development of the FY 2011 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget.

4. Development of the FY 2011 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget

Dennis Smith, Executive Director, stated that this item is on the agenda for information only and suggested that an update on the FY 2011 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget be deferred until next month. The Executive Committee agreed to defer this item until April's meeting.

Mayor Schoaf left the meeting at approximately 1:44.

5. Approval of Transit Planning Agreement and Discussion of Potential Legislation

Mayor Hallman asked if there were any questions on this agenda item. There were no questions. Mayor Hallman stated that he had one correction on the MOU. He noted that on page 6 under the recommendations, item number two, sub-item number three should read "3) review through the

MAG committee process, with final approval of the LPA by the MAG Regional Council for inclusion into and conformity with the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP).”

Mayor Smith moved to approve the transit planning agreement (MOU) as amended and to forward the MOU to the Federal Transit Administration and include the MOU in the FY 2011 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget. Mayor Cavanaugh seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Hallman asked if there were any comments on the potential legislation. Mr. Smith noted that staff is working on scheduling a meeting with Representative Biggs.

6. Update on the Sun Corridor Joint Planning Advisory Council Staff Meeting

The Executive Committee agreed to defer agenda item number 6 until the April meeting.

7. Discussion Regarding Metropolitan Area Planning Boundary

The Executive Committee agreed to defer agenda item number 7 until the April meeting.

8. Compensation and Benefits Survey

Mayor Hallman stated that staff has provided a salary and compensation survey. He noted that this item does not require a motion because it is within the Executive Director’s authority to make adjustments to salaries, before June 30th, that he believes appropriate and to come forward with budget recommendations for next year regarding salaries. Mr. Smith noted that the recommendation would be the percentage put into the budget for salaries. Mayor Hallman asked what the recommended percentage would be for the budget for salaries. Mr. Smith replied that it would be five percent. Mayor Smith asked if that five percent is across the board. Mr. Smith replied that would be five percent in the budget line item for salaries. Mr. Smith indicated that individual salary increases are performance based. Mayor Hallman asked if there were any further comments. There were none.

9. Executive Director’s Annual Performance Evaluation

Mayor Hallman commented that the Executive Director has not received an increase in compensation for a couple of years. Mayor Hallman commented that we are on very difficult times and that various member cities are facing difficult issues. He noted that Mr. Smith has forgone opportunities for increases in his salary in light of budget constraints, but has been very effective at balancing and maintaining MAG and MAG staff in a particularly good financial position.

Mayor Hallman stated that the Executive Committee proposed that rather than a typical annual increase, the notion is that Mr. Smith will be provided an increase in base salary of 2.7 percent and a 3.1 percent contribution in deferred compensation effective January 1, 2010. Mayor Hallman noted that Mr. Smith has a continuing long performance with MAG at a high level. He noted that there has been extraordinary pressure on executive director’s salaries for the regional agencies, and the increase that has occurred with Valley Metro Rail and the salaries established with RPTA, this

reflects that MAG is an essential agency and Mr. Smith's work has been extraordinary. Mr. Hallman continued that although the Executive Committee cannot, at this time, provide the kind of compensation that brings Mr. Smith to the level of the other agencies, that his activity is greatly appreciated.

Mayor Hallman requested a motion to approve an increase in the executive director's base salary of 2.7 percent and a 3.1 percent contribution in deferred compensation effective January 1, 2010. Mayor Cavanaugh moved to approve. Mayor Smith seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

10. Request for Future Agenda Items

Mayor Hallman asked if there were any requests for future agenda items other than items number six and seven. There were none.

11. Comments from the Committee

Mayor Hallman asked if there were any comments for the committee members. There were none.

12. Adjournment

Mayor Lopez-Rogers moved to adjourn the Executive Committee meeting. Mayor Cavanaugh seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. There being no further business, the Executive Committee adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

Chair

Secretary



April 12, 2010

TO: Members of the MAG Regional Council Executive Committee

FROM: Dennis Smith, Executive Director

SUBJECT: DISCUSSION REGARDING THE METROPOLITAN PLANNING AREA BOUNDARY

On November 3-5, 2009, the MAG federal certification review was held. At the meeting, the federal officials inquired about the status of previous Corrective Actions and/or Recommended Improvements that were part of the May 4-5, 2004 MAG Federal Certification Review. One of the recommended improvements was that "as the urbanized area continues to grow outside the boundaries of Maricopa County, the boundaries of the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) should grow with it. We strongly encourage MAG to work with the neighboring jurisdictions outside Maricopa County to make their transition to the MPO as seamless as possible." To begin addressing this recommendation, staff has prepared three concepts for review for expanding the metropolitan planning area boundary.

Background: Federal planning requirements (§450.312) indicate that the boundaries of a metropolitan planning area (MPA) shall be determined by agreement between the MPO and the Governor. At a minimum, the MPA boundaries shall encompass the entire existing urbanized area (as defined by the Bureau of the Census) plus the contiguous area expected to become urbanized within a 20-year forecast period for the metropolitan transportation plan (Attachment 1). The MPA boundaries may be further expanded to encompass the entire metropolitan statistical area or combined statistical area, as defined by the Office of Management and Budget. These boundaries are noted in Attachment 2.

In federal law, transportation and air quality are closely linked. In some cases, the nonattainment area boundaries in Maricopa County overlap into Pinal County. Area C and other proposed air quality boundaries are located in Pinal County. These boundaries are noted in Attachment 3. Nonattainment area boundaries are important due to the possibility of motor vehicle emission budgets being set that may impact transportation projects.

In addition to boundaries described in federal law, MAG has extensive relationships with Pinal County for population and transportation. The population densities for the two county area for 2005 and 2030 are included in Attachment 4. In transportation, MAG has already expanded the transportation modeling network to capture the traffic coming from Pinal County into Maricopa County. This boundary is expected to be further expanded (Attachment 5). Transportation volume between Maricopa and Pinal

County is displayed in a volume-to-capacity map. The transportation modeling network and volume and commuting relationship between the counties are displayed in Attachment 6. The existing and proposed transportation framework for the two counties is displayed in Attachment 7.

Concepts: To address federal planning guidance regarding MPA boundaries, staff has developed concepts for review by the Executive Committee.

Option # 1, Pinal County Future Urbanized Area. – This option expands the metropolitan planning area boundary to encompass that area expected to be urbanized in the next 20 years. Currently this area is primarily within the unincorporated area of Pinal County. If this option is chosen, Pinal County could be considered to be eligible to be a member of MAG to represent the unincorporated Pinal County area expected to be urbanized in the next 20 years (Attachment 8).

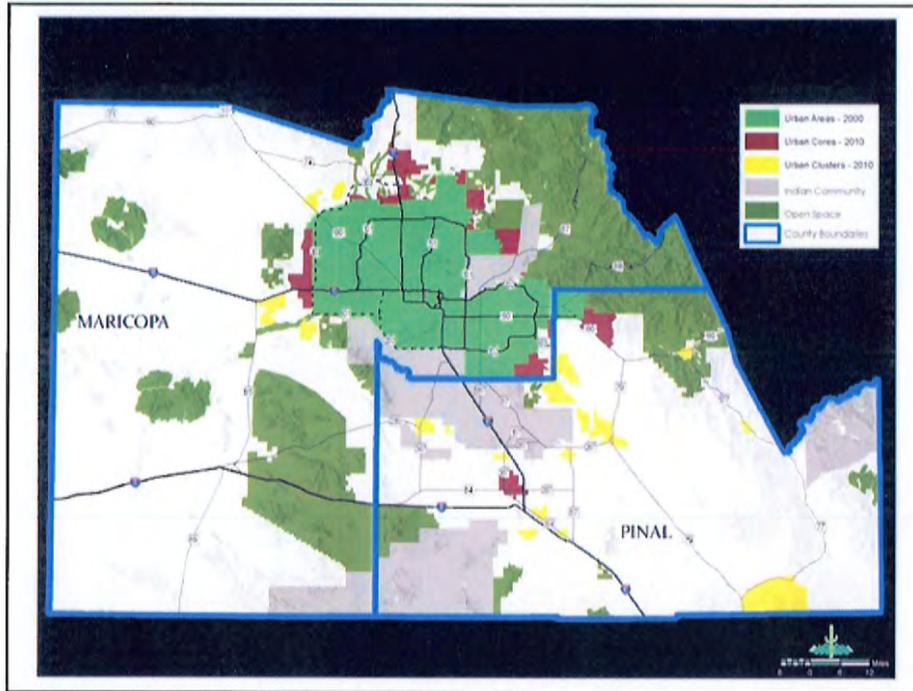
Option # 2, City of Maricopa Adjoining Maricopa County and City of Goodyear. – This option expands the metropolitan planning area boundary to include the City of Maricopa planning area. If this option is chosen, the City of Maricopa could be considered eligible to be a member of MAG to represent the City of Maricopa planning area. The City of Maricopa has previously indicated interest in joining MAG (Attachment 9).

Option # 3 – General Representation of the CAAG Planning Area in Pinal County. – This option establishes a more formal planning relationship with the Central Arizona Association of Governments (CAAG). CAAG would be eligible to appoint a city/town representative to be a member of MAG to represent the CAAG planning area in Pinal County (Attachment 10).

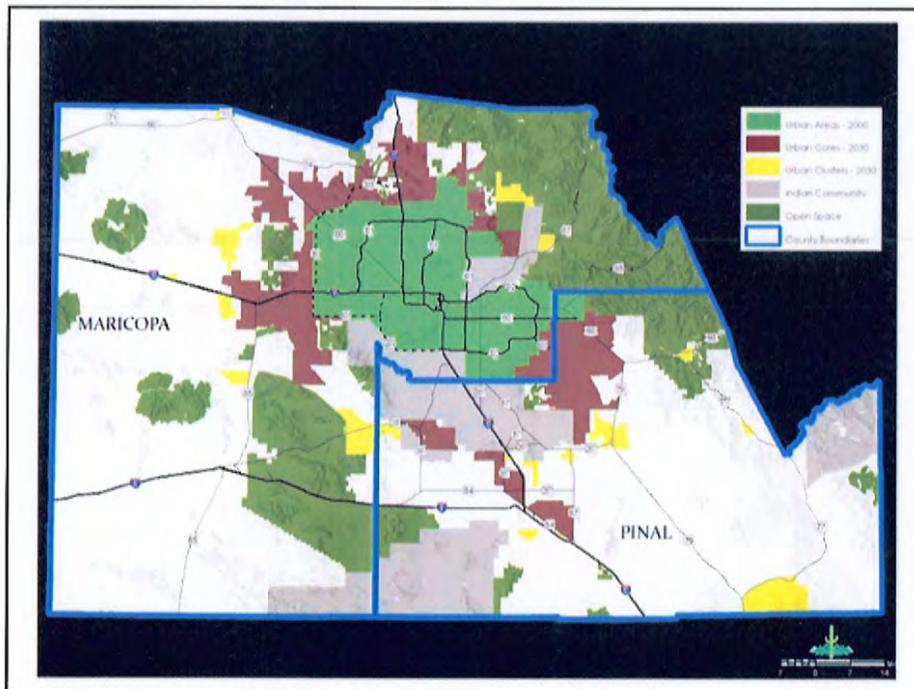
Staff is seeking input and guidance on how to proceed in addressing the federal guidance regarding metropolitan planning area boundaries. If guidance is received, staff is recommending discussions be held with representatives from the affected agencies. If agreement is reached, a future by-laws amendment could be prepared to accomplish expanding the MAG membership.

If you have any questions regarding these concepts, please contact me at the MAG Office.

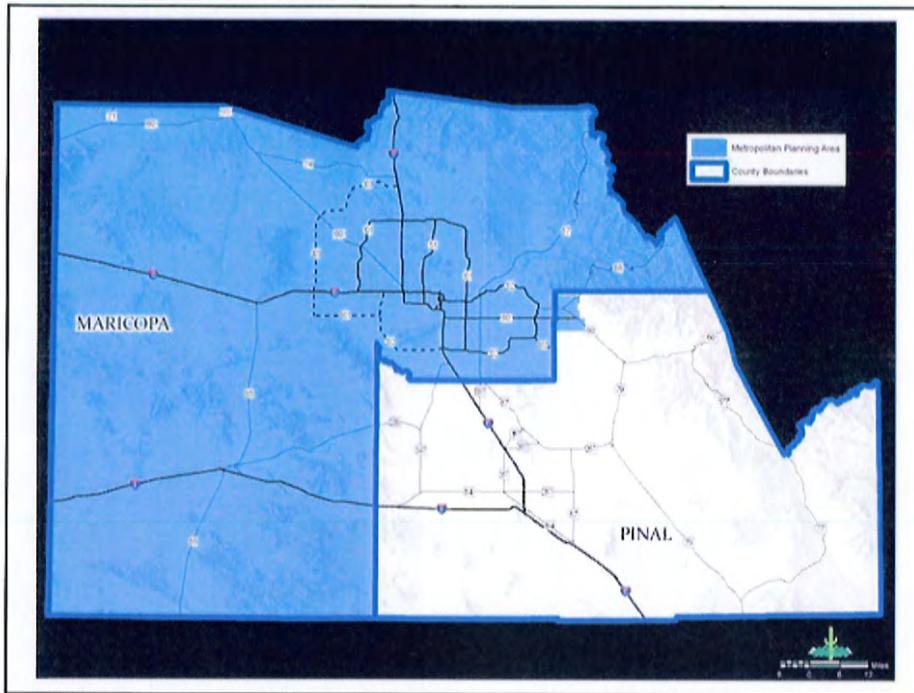
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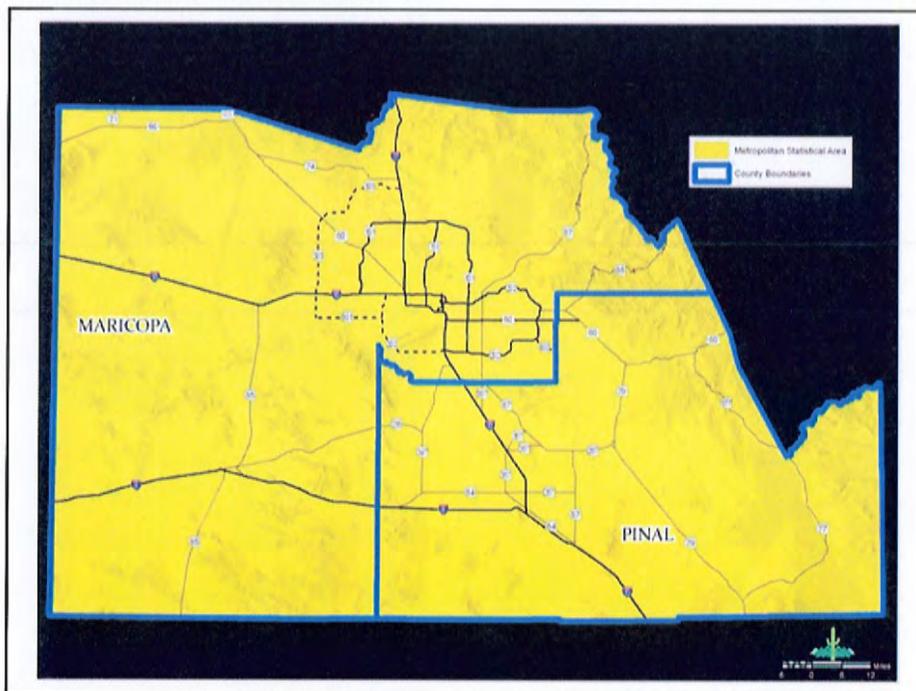
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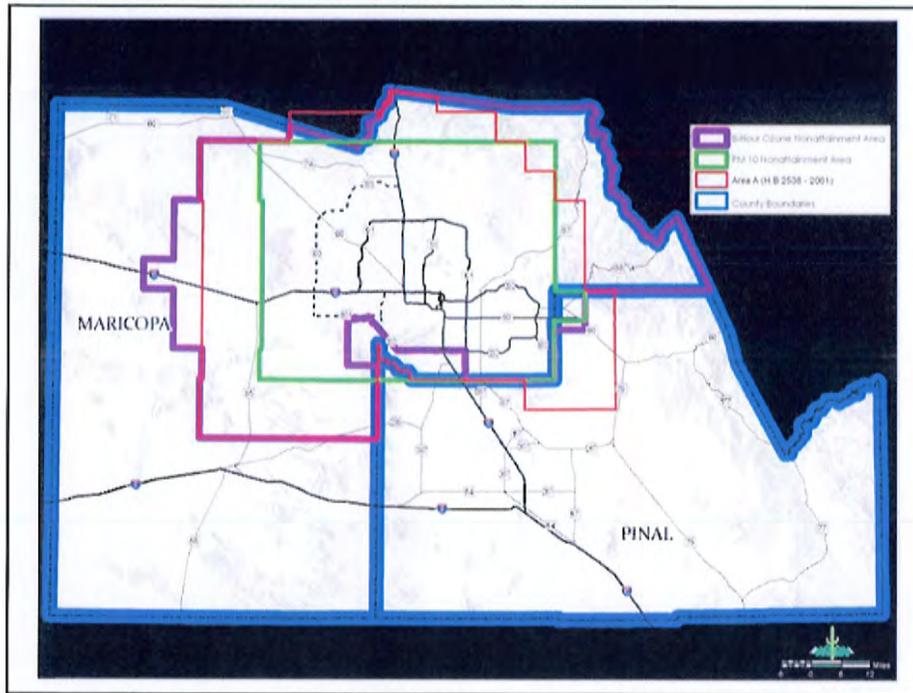
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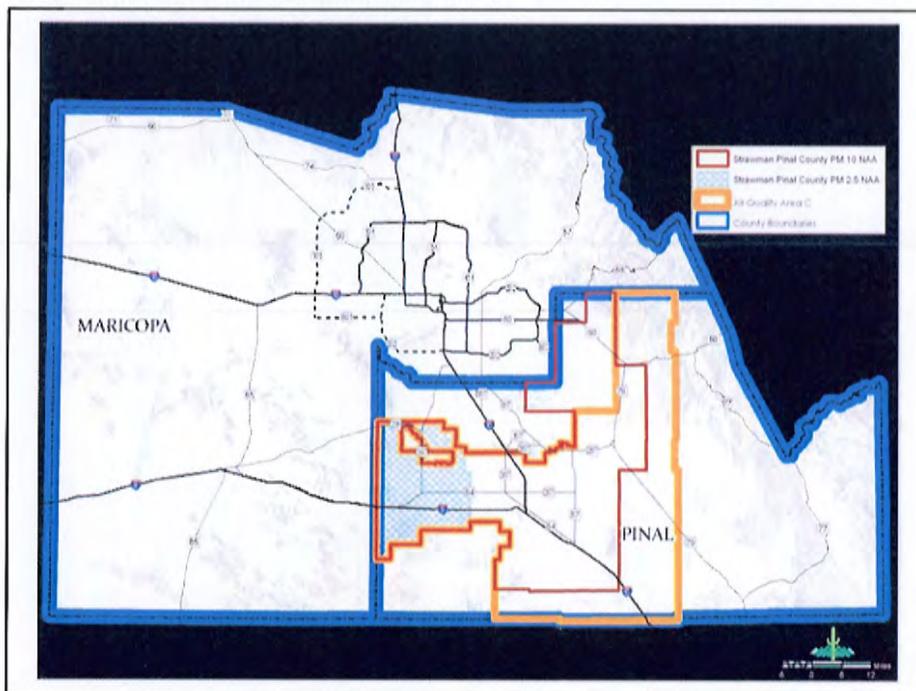
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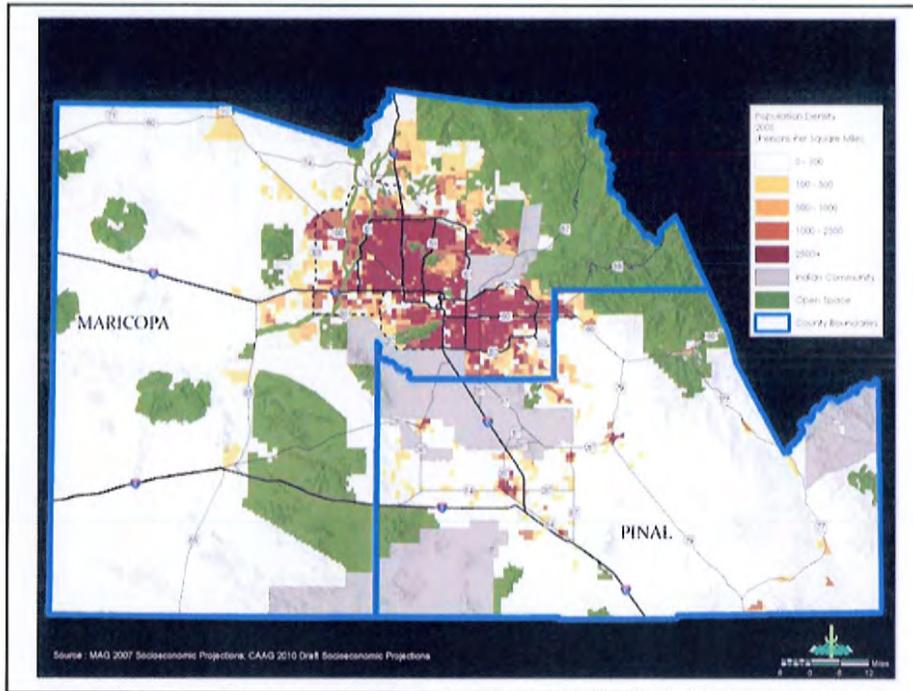
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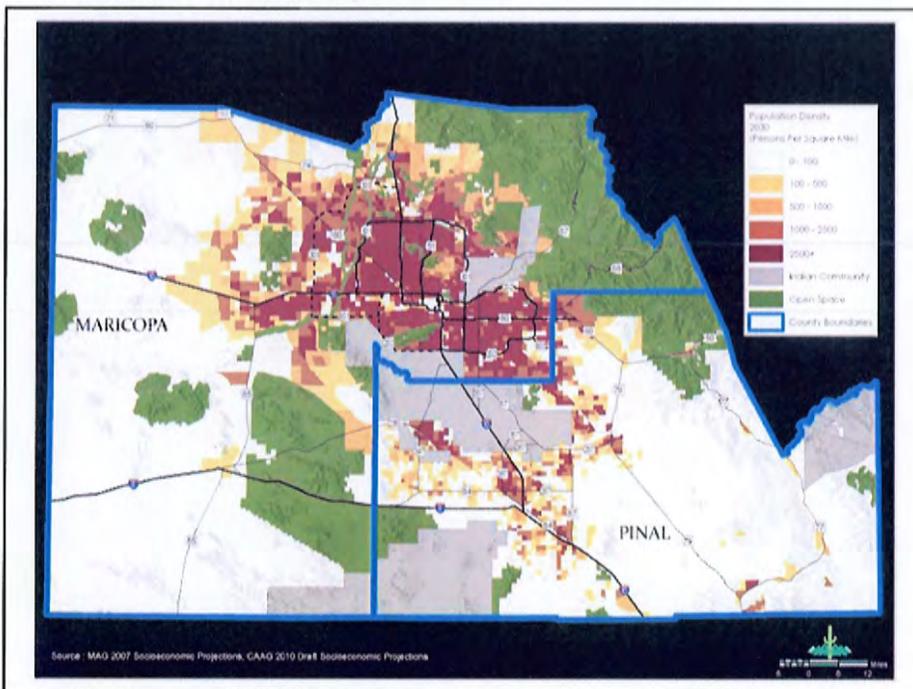
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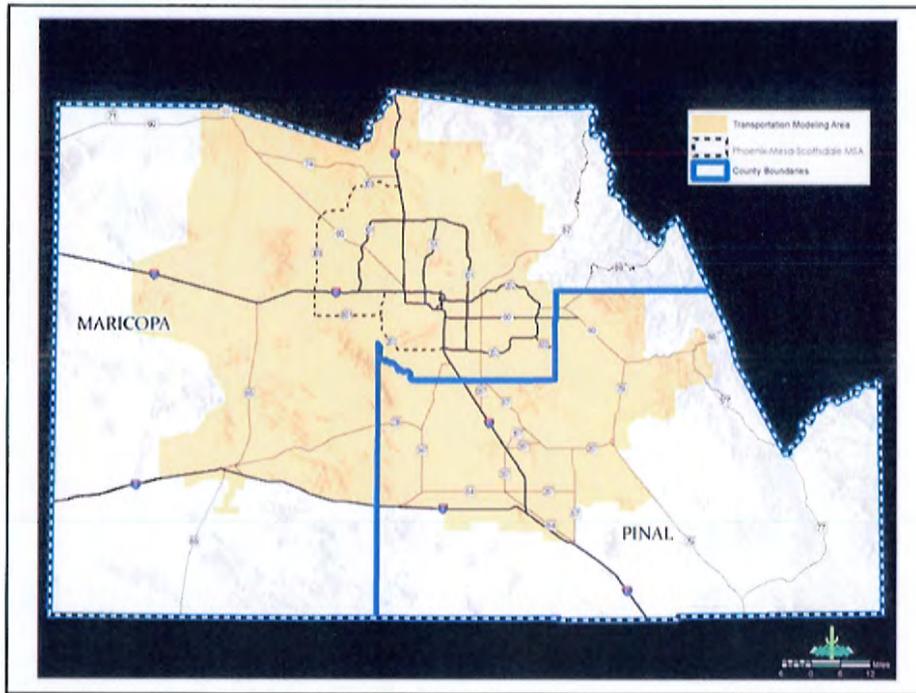
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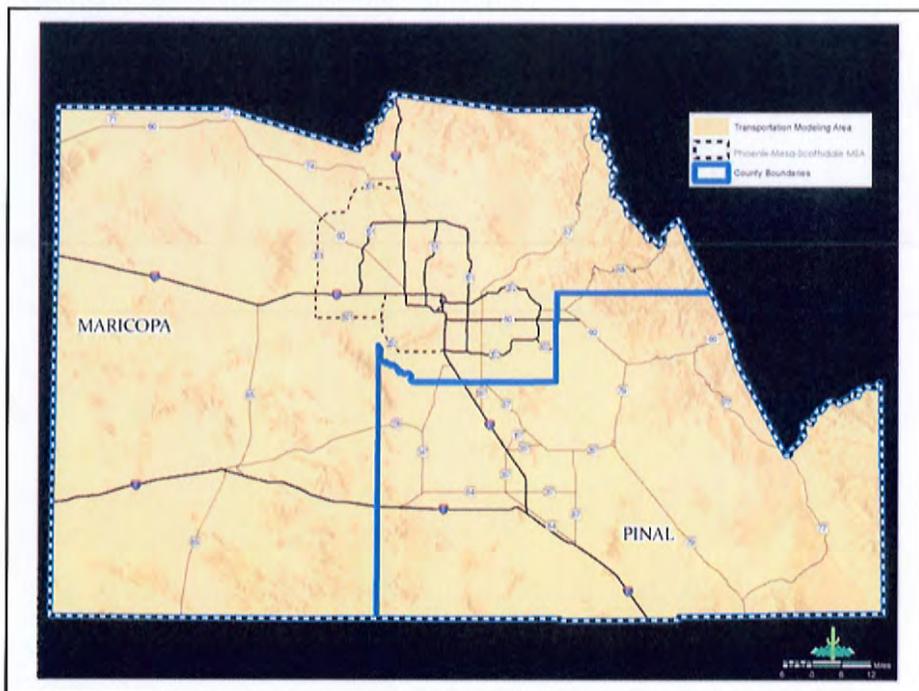
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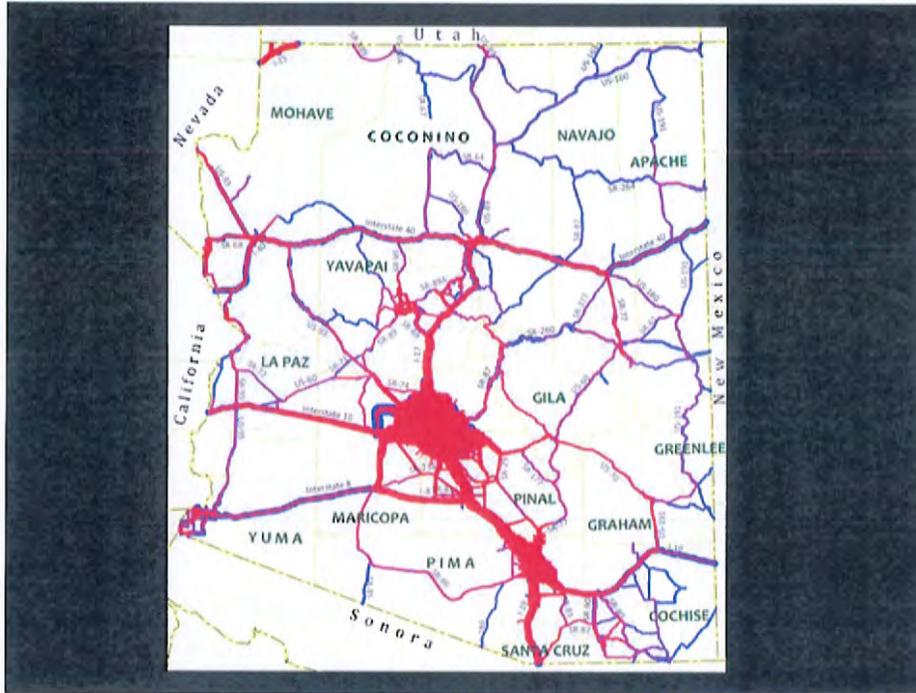
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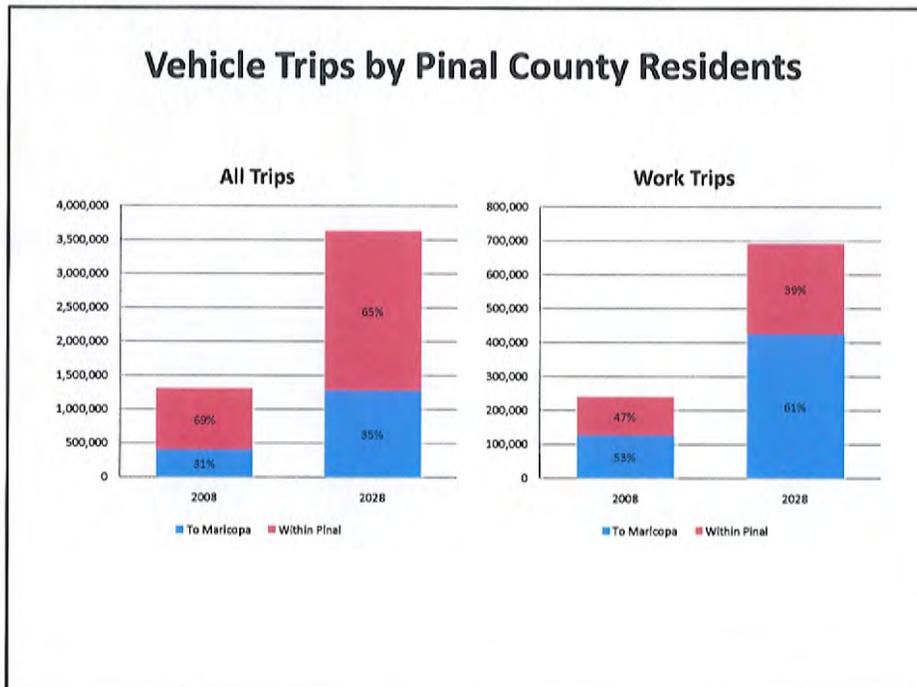
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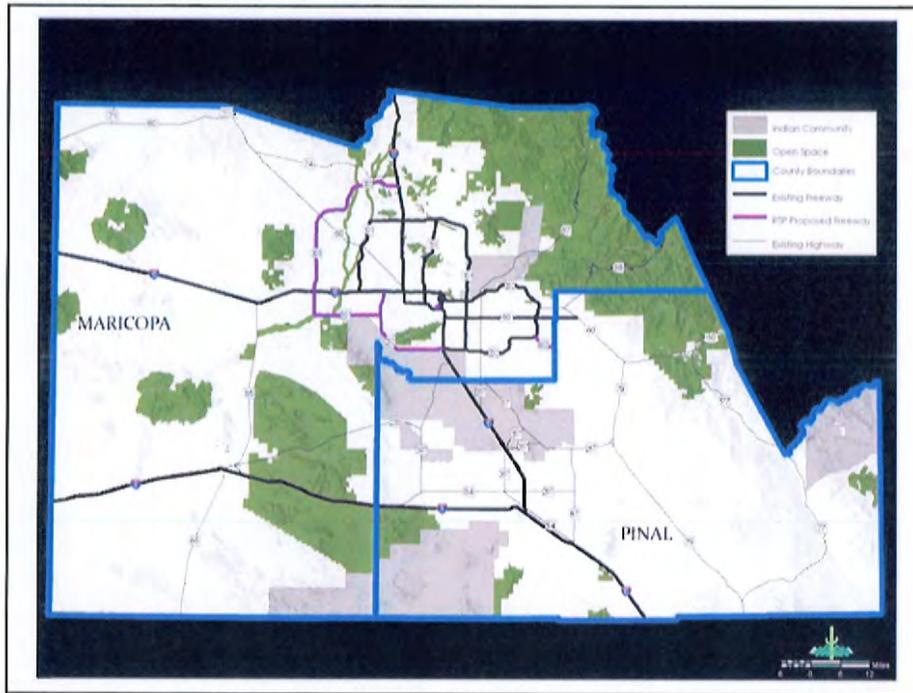
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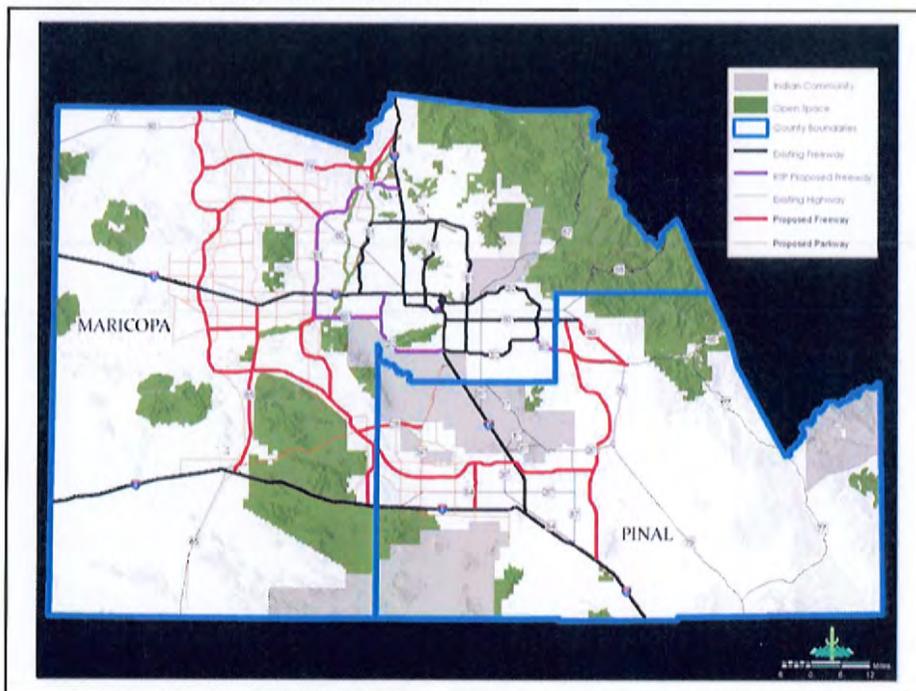
Commuting Patterns of Pinal County Residents



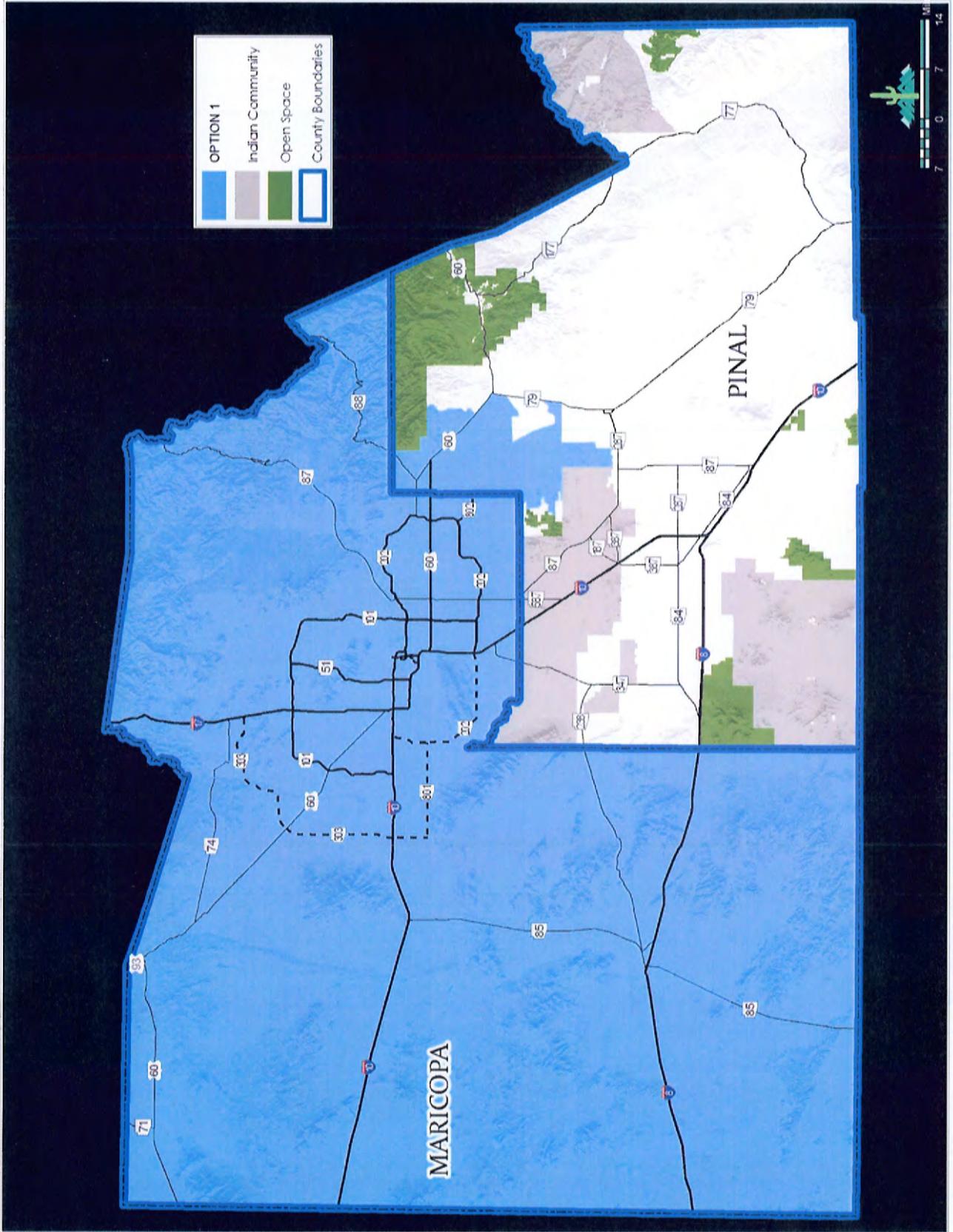
Existing Transportation Framework



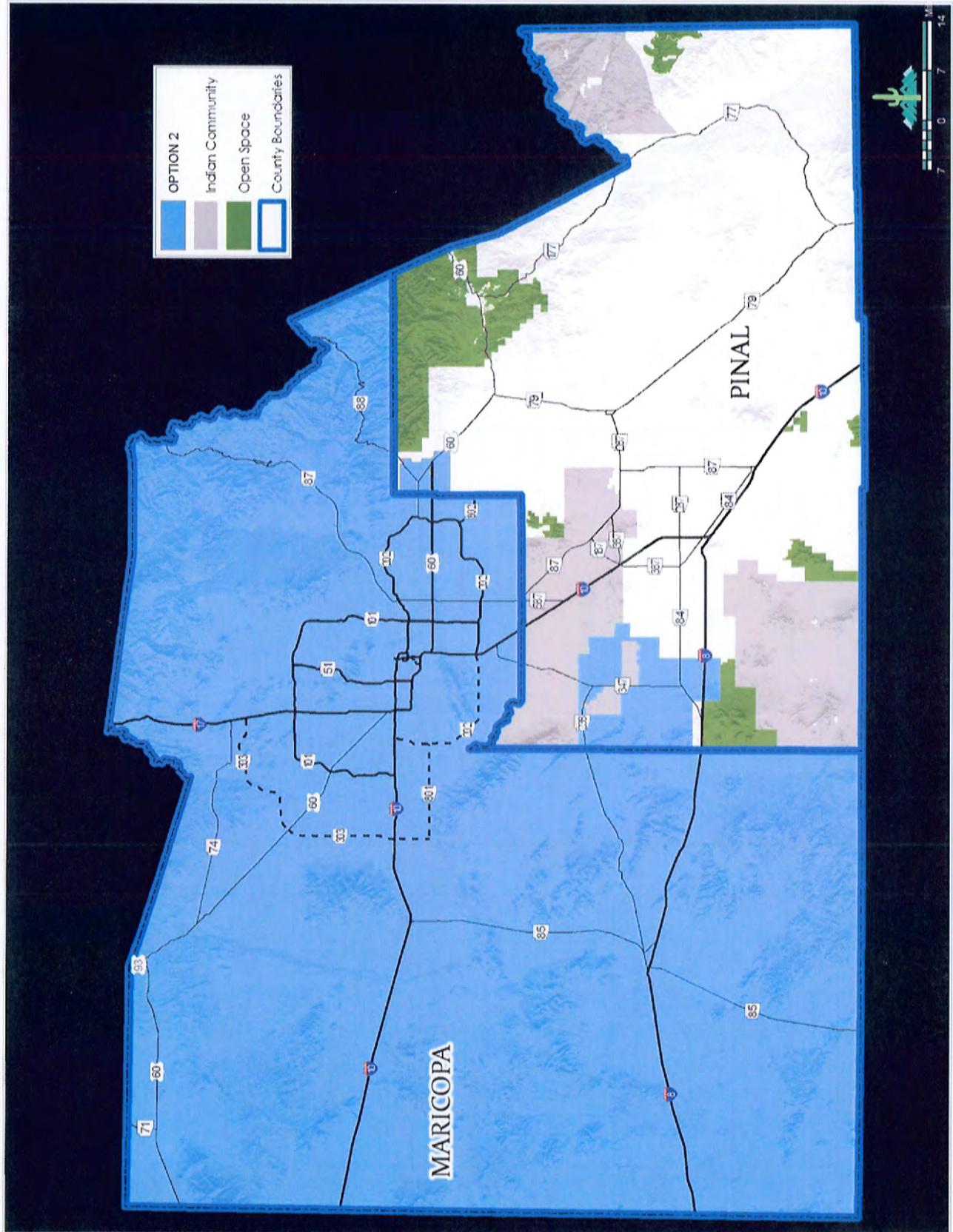
Proposed Transportation Framework



Attachment 8: Option 1



Attachment 9: Option 2



MARICOPA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

INFORMATION SUMMARY... for your review

DATE:

April 12, 2010

SUBJECT:

Development of the Fiscal Year 2011 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget

SUMMARY:

Each year staff develops the MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget. The Work Program is reviewed in April by the federal agencies and approved by the Regional Council in May. The proposed budget information is being presented incrementally in parallel with the development of the budget (see Prior Committee Actions below for the presentation timeline of the budget). This presentation and review of the draft fiscal year (FY) 2011 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget represent the budget document development to-date.

The MAG Regional Council Executive Committee reviewed the development of the Work Program and Annual Budget at its meetings on January 19, 2010 and February 16, 2010. The MAG Management Committee reviewed the development of the Work Program and Annual Budget at its meetings on January 13, 2010, February 10, 2010, March 10, 2010 and is scheduled to be heard at the April 14, 2010 Management Committee meeting. Comments from this meeting will be brought to the Executive Committee meeting. The Regional Council reviewed the development of the Work Program and Annual Budget at its meetings on January 27, 2010, February 24, 2010 and March 31, 2010. The estimated dues and assessments were presented at these meetings. Because of the uncertainty of economic conditions, the MAG Dues and Assessments were reduced by fifty percent in FY 2010. Staff is proposing to continue with the overall reduction to the FY 2011 draft Dues and Assessments of fifty percent with changes for individual members due to population shifts.

Each year new projects are proposed for inclusion in the MAG planning efforts. These new project proposals come from the MAG technical committees and policy committees and through discussions with members and stakeholders regarding joint efforts within the region. These projects are subject to review and input by the committees as they go through the budget process. The proposed new projects for FY 2011 were first presented to the MAG Management Committee at the February 10, 2010, meeting. Revisions to the proposed projects for FY 2011 are described below and these project updates are reflected in the MAG "Programs In Brief":

- The Regional Community Network (RCN) Operations project for \$180,000 was added to the list of new projects at the beginning of March. This project will assist with the ongoing implementation and maintenance and network management of the RCN. This project allows the network to continue to carry traffic camera transmissions between participating member Traffic Management Centers and support videoconferencing without interruption.
- The Southeast Corridor Major Investment Study was advanced to the current fiscal year in order to coordinate this with the I-10 Environmental Impact Statement Study currently underway by ADOT. This project was for \$300,000.
- Following a discussion of two projects at the February 16, 2010, Executive Committee meeting, the Grand Avenue and I-10 West Sustainable Transportation and Land Use Integration Studies, each for \$300,000, were combined and the southeast region of the Valley was included, to form an overall regional study of sustainable transportation and land use integration. This project has been added to the new projects for FY 2011 in the amount of \$750,000.

The fully executed Transit Planning Agreement has been added in the Appendix pages A-22 through A-28. This agreement was approved by the Regional Council at their March 31, 2010 meeting and was signed by the partners at the beginning of April 2010. The Transit Planning Agreement replaces the Resolution on Metropolitan Transportation Planning and Programming that was approved by the Regional Council on May 23, 2007. This agreement incorporates the recommendations from the Federal Transit Administration for the roles and responsibilities of transit planning.

For many years, MAG has been working on resolving its office space and meeting space needs. MAG currently occupies a portion of the first floor and the second and third floors of the building. A portion of the fourth floor of this building is leased through June 30, 2010, and the company currently leasing an approximate 75 percent of the fourth floor has indicated that they will not be renewing their lease. MAG has been working with the City of Phoenix on the potential for expanding MAG office space by leasing this fourth floor space. This portion of the fourth floor of the building will be available beginning July 1, 2010 with the potential of the entire fourth floor becoming available during the fiscal year. The fourth floor would be used for staff offices, and the second floor would be reconfigured as meeting space. The estimated costs of this expansion and reconfiguration will be accounted for as capital assets for FY 2011.

MAG is requesting the following staff positions for FY 2011:

- Regional Community Network (RCN) Program Manager. This position would be hired for the last four months of FY 2011. This position is needed to manage the RCN Operations for the region.
- Senior Transportation Modeler. This position is needed to assist with the growing transportation modeling needs.
- Transportation Engineer II. This position will assist with the Highway Performance Monitoring System (HPMS) process.
- Planner II. This position is needed for work in Socioeconomic Research and Analysis to assist with significant increasing requests from member agencies and MAG staff. In addition, new needs, such as evaluating unpaved alleys or providing data for transportation and socioeconomic models have been developed and require additional time and effort.
- Application Developer. This position is needed for the programming development of internal applications and databases. Currently the Database Administrator is performing this function in addition to maintaining corporate GIS infrastructure, maintaining existing databases and applications, and assisting other divisions the overall programming needs at MAG.
- Receptionist. This position is requested for the second floor meeting space for one-half of FY 2011 if MAG expands its office space.

At the January 19, 2010 Regional Council Executive Committee meeting, staff was directed to initiate a compensation study and have the results reported back in 60 days. An independent compensation study was performed by Public Sector Personnel Consultants and presented to the MAG Executive Committee at their March 10, 2010 meeting. One of the recommendations was for MAG to make adjustments to employee actual salaries within the existing or updated MAG salary ranges to better align MAG's salaries with those of the survey comparators, especially for critical MAG staff positions. The MAG Executive Committee requested a recommendation from the Executive Director regarding the proposed budget for salaries for FY 2011. The Executive Director recommended that a five percent increase be included for FY 2011 budgeted salaries and that any increases to individual MAG salaries be performance based. The draft budget for FY 2011 reflects a proposed five percent increase in staff salaries.

The Intermodal Planning Group meeting is scheduled for April 29, 2010. This meeting includes a review and comments on the draft FY 2011 MAG budget by the Federal Highway Administration, the Federal Transit Administration, the Environmental Protection Agency, the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT), and other related parties. The comments from this meeting are extremely helpful regarding the project work that MAG has underway in meeting the federal requirements. Information from this meeting will be presented to you in May.

In addition to the detailed MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget, a summary budget document, "MAG Programs in Brief," is produced that allows our members to quickly decipher the financial implications of the MAG budget. The summary budget highlights the changes from the prior year budget in a summarized form. The summary document also includes the list of new projects with summary narratives, any changes to staff positions if necessary, and the budgeted resources needed to implement these items.

Information for this presentation of the draft budget documents is included for your early review and input. Enclosed for your information are the proposed budget revisions to the draft FY 2011 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget.

The information is considered draft and is subject to change as the budget continues through the review process.

The draft of the FY 2011 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget has narrative by division and associated program costs, and draft schedules in the budget appendix, including overall program allocations, allocation of funding by funding source, budgeted positions, dues and assessments, and consultant pages for new and carryforward consultants.

PUBLIC INPUT:

None.

PROS & CONS:

PROS: In January and February proposed new projects and dues and assessments were reviewed. MAG is presenting a draft summary for the FY 2011 budget document, "MAG Programs in Brief." The format for this document is included for continuous review. The budget summary will allow our members to quickly decipher the financial implications of the MAG budget.

CONS: None.

TECHNICAL & POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

TECHNICAL: The Federal Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 requires a metropolitan planning organization to develop a unified planning work program that meets the requirements of federal law. Additionally, the MAG By-Laws require approval and adoption of a budget for each fiscal year and a service charge schedule.

POLICY: As requested by the MAG Executive Committee and subsequently approved by the Regional Council in May 2002, the MAG Work Program and Annual Budget detail is being presented earlier to the Management Committee and there is increased notice to members on the budget. MAG is providing a budget summary that outlines new programs and presents the necessary resources to implement these programs. This summary allows member agencies to quickly decipher the financial implications of such programs prior to their approval for implementation.

ACTION NEEDED:

Information and input on the development of the fiscal year FY 2011 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget.

PRIOR COMMITTEE ACTIONS:

This item was on the March 31, 2010, Regional Council agenda.

MEMBERS ATTENDING

Councilwoman Peggy Neely, Phoenix, Chair
Mayor Thomas Schoaf, Litchfield Park,
Vice Chair

Councilwoman Robin Barker, Apache Junction
Mayor Marie Lopez Rogers, Avondale
Mayor Jackie Meck, Buckeye

Mayor David Schwan, Carefree
 Councilman Dick Esser, Cave Creek
 # Mayor Boyd Dunn, Chandler
 # Mayor Michele Kern, El Mirage
 * President Clinton Pattea, Fort McDowell
 Yavapai Nation
 Mayor Jay Schlum, Fountain Hills
 * Mayor Ron Henry, Gila Bend
 * Governor William Rhodes, Gila River
 Indian Community
 Mayor John Lewis, Gilbert
 * Mayor Elaine Scruggs, Glendale
 Vice Mayor Georgia Lord for Mayor
 James M.avanaugh, Goodyear
 Mayor Yolanda Solarez, Guadalupe
 * Supervisor Mary Rose Wilcox, Maricopa Co.

Mayor Scott Smith, Mesa
 * Mayor Vernon Parker, Paradise Valley
 # Mayor Bob Barrett, Peoria
 # Mayor Arthur Sanders, Queen Creek
 * President Diane Enos, Salt River
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 # Mayor Jim Lane, Scottsdale
 Councilwoman Sharon Wolcott, Surprise
 # Mayor Hugh Hallman, Tempe
 * Mayor Adolfo Gamez, Tolleson
 # Mayor Kelly Blunt, Wickenburg
 # Mayor Michael LeVault, Youngtown
 * Felipe Zubia, State Transportation Board
 * Victor Flores, State Transportation Board
 # Roc Arnett, Citizens Transportation
 Oversight Committee

* Those members neither present nor represented by proxy.
 # Attended by telephone conference call.

+ Attended by videoconference call.

This item was on the March 10, 2010, Management Committee agenda.

MEMBERS ATTENDING

Mark Pentz, Chandler, Chair
 Carl Swenson, Peoria, Vice Chair
 # George Hoffman, Apache Junction
 Rogene Hill for Charlie McClendon, Avondale
 David Johnson for Stephen Cleveland,
 Buckeye
 * Gary Neiss, Carefree
 Wayne Anderson for Usama Abujbarah,
 Cave Creek
 Spencer Isom for B.J. Cornwall, El Mirage
 Alfonso Rodriguez for Phil Dorchester,
 Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation
 Rick Davis, Fountain Hills
 Rick Buss, Gila Bend
 * David White, Gila River Indian Community
 Tami Ryall for Collin DeWitt, Gilbert
 Brent Stoddard for Ed Beasley, Glendale
 Mark Gaillard for John Fischbach, Goodyear

Bill Hernandez, Guadalupe
 Darryl Crossman, Litchfield Park
 Christopher Brady, Mesa
 Jim Bacon, Paradise Valley
 Thomas Remes for David Cavazos, Phoenix
 John Kross, Queen Creek
 * Bryan Meyers, Salt River Pima-Maricopa
 Indian Community
 Dave Richert, Scottsdale
 Randy Oliver, Surprise
 Jeff Kulaga for Charlie Meyer, Tempe
 # Chris Hagen for Reyes Medrano, Tolleson
 # Gary Edwards, Wickenburg
 # Lloyce Robinson, Youngtown
 * John Halikowski, ADOT
 David Smith, Maricopa County
 David Boggs, Valley Metro/RPTA

* Those members neither present nor represented by proxy.

Participated by telephone conference call. + Participated by videoconference call.

This item was on the February 24, 2010, Regional Council agenda.

MEMBERS ATTENDING

Councilwoman Peggy Neely, Phoenix, Chair
 Mayor Thomas Schoaf, Litchfield Park,
 Vice Chair
 # Councilwoman Robin Barker, Apache Junction
 # Mayor Marie Lopez Rogers, Avondale
 Mayor Jackie Meck, Buckeye
 # Mayor David Schwan, Carefree
 Councilman Dick Esser, Cave Creek

Mayor Boyd Dunn, Chandler
 Mayor Michele Kern, El Mirage
 * President Clinton Pattea, Fort McDowell
 Yavapai Nation
 # Mayor Jay Schlum, Fountain Hills
 * Mayor Ron Henry, Gila Bend
 * Governor William Rhodes, Gila River Indian
 Community

- Mayor John Lewis, Gilbert
- * Mayor Elaine Scruggs, Glendale
- Mayor James M. Cavanaugh, Goodyear
- Councilwoman Gloria Cota for Mayor Yolanda Solarez, Guadalupe
- * Supervisor Mary Rose Wilcox, Maricopa Co.
- Mayor Scott Smith, Mesa
- * Mayor Vernon Parker, Paradise Valley
- Vice Mayor Ron Aames for Mayor Bob Barrett, Peoria
- # Mayor Arthur Sanders, Queen Creek
- * President Diane Enos, Salt River

- Pima-Maricopa Indian Community
- # Mayor Jim Lane, Scottsdale
- Councilwoman Sharon Wolcott, Surprise
- # Mayor Hugh Hallman, Tempe
- * Mayor Adolfo Gamez, Tolleson
- * Mayor Kelly Blunt, Wickenburg
- # Mayor Michael LeVault, Youngtown
- * Felipe Zubia, State Transportation Board
- * Victor Flores, State Transportation Board
- Roc Arnett, Citizens Transportation Oversight Committee

* Those members neither present nor represented by proxy.

Attended by telephone conference call.

+ Attended by videoconference call.

This item was on the February 16, 2010, Executive Committee agenda.

MEMBERS ATTENDING

- Councilwoman Peggy Neely, Chair
- # Mayor Thomas L. Schoaf, Litchfield Park, Vice Chair
- # Mayor Hugh Hallman, Tempe, Treasurer

- Mayor Marie Lopez Rogers, Avondale
- Mayor James M. Cavanaugh, Goodyear
- Mayor Scott Smith, Mesa
- # Mayor Jim Lane, Scottsdale

* Not present

Participated by video or telephone conference call

This item was on the February 10, 2010, Management Committee agenda.

MEMBERS ATTENDING

- Mark Pentz, Chandler, Chair
- Carl Swenson, Peoria, Vice Chair
- # George Hoffman, Apache Junction
- Charlie McClendon, Avondale
- David Johnson for Stephen Cleveland, Buckeye
- Gary Neiss, Carefree
- * Usama Abujbarah, Cave Creek
- Spencer Isom for B.J. Cornwall, El Mirage
- * Phil Dorchester, Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation
- Rick Davis, Fountain Hills
- Rick Buss, Gila Bend
- * David White, Gila River Indian Community
- George Pettit, Gilbert
- Brent Stoddard for Ed Beasley, Glendale
- Mark Gaillard for John Fischbach, Goodyear

- Bill Hernandez, Guadalupe
- Darryl Crossman, Litchfield Park
- Christopher Brady, Mesa
- * Jim Bacon, Paradise Valley
- David Cavazos, Phoenix
- John Kross, Queen Creek
- * Bryan Meyers, Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community
- Dave Richert, Scottsdale
- Joy Grainger for Randy Oliver, Surprise
- Charlie Meyer, Tempe
- # Chris Hagen for Reyes Medrano, Tolleson
- # Gary Edwards, Wickenburg
- Lloyce Robinson, Youngtown
- * 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.

Regional Council: This item was on the January 27, 2010, Regional Council agenda.

MEMBERS ATTENDING

- Councilwoman Peggy Neely, Phoenix, Chair
- Mayor Thomas Schoaf, Litchfield Park, Vice Chair

- # Councilwoman Robin Barker, Apache Junction
- # Mayor Marie Lopez Rogers, Avondale
- Mayor Jackie Meck, Buckeye

- # Mayor David Schwan, Carefree
Councilman Dick Esser, Cave Creek
Mayor Boyd Dunn, Chandler
- # Mayor Michele Kern, El Mirage
- * President Clinton Pattea, Fort McDowell
Yavapai Nation
- # Mayor Jay Schlum, Fountain Hills
- * Mayor Ron Henry, Gila Bend
Lt. Governor Joseph Manuel for Governor
William Rhodes, Gila River Indian Comm.
Mayor John Lewis, Gilbert
- # Mayor Elaine Scruggs, Glendale
Councilmember Frank Cavalier for Mayor
James M. Cavanaugh, Goodyear
Mayor Yolanda Solarez, Guadalupe
Supervisor Mary Rose Wilcox, Maricopa Co.

- # Mayor Scott Smith, Mesa
- * Mayor Vernon Parker, Paradise Valley
- * Mayor Bob Barrett, Peoria
Mayor Arthur Sanders, Queen Creek
- * President Diane Enos, Salt River
Pima-Maricopa Indian Community
- * Mayor Jim Lane, Scottsdale
- # Mayor Lyn Truitt, Surprise
Mayor Hugh Hallman, Tempe
- * Mayor Adolfo Gamez, Tolleson
- * Mayor Kelly Blunt, Wickenburg
Mayor Michael LeVault, Youngtown
- * Felipe Zubia, State Transportation Board
- * Victor Flores, State Transportation Board
- # Roc Arnett, CTOC

* Those members neither present nor represented by proxy.

Attended by telephone conference call.

+ Attended by videoconference call.

Executive Committee: This item was on the January 19, 2010 MAG Executive Committee agenda.

MEMBERS ATTENDING

- Councilwoman Peggy Neely, Chair
- Mayor Thomas L. Schoaf, Litchfield Park, Vice Chair
- Mayor Hugh Hallman, Tempe, Treasurer
- * Mayor Marie Lopez Rogers, Avondale
- Mayor James M. Cavanaugh, Goodyear
- * Mayor Scott Smith, Mesa
- Mayor Jim Lane, Scottsdale

* Not present

Participated by video or telephone conference call

Management Committee: This item was on the January 13, 2010 Management Committee agenda.

MEMBERS ATTENDING

- Mark Pentz, Chandler, Chair
- Susan Daluddung for Carl Swenson, Peoria
- # George Hoffman, Apache Junction
- Charlie McClendon, Avondale
- Stephen Cleveland, Buckeye
- Gary Neiss, Carefree
- * Usama Abujbarah, Cave Creek
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- Ed Beasley, Glendale
- Mark Gaillard for John Fischbach, Goodyear
- Bill Hernandez, Guadalupe
- Sonny Culbreth for Darryl Crossman,
Litchfield Park
- Scott Butler for Christopher Brady, Mesa
- Jim Bacon, Paradise Valley
- David Cavazos, Phoenix
- John Kross, Queen Creek
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- David Boggs, Valley Metro/RPTA

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Participated by telephone conference call.

+ Participated by videoconference call.

CONTACT PERSON:

Rebecca Kimbrough, MAG Fiscal Services Manager, (602) 452-5051

April 12, 2010

TO: Members of the MAG Executive Committee

FROM: Dennis Smith, MAG Executive Director

SUBJECT: UPDATES TO THE DRAFT FY 2011 WORK PROGRAM, AGENDA ITEM #5

The draft FY 2011 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget document was transmitted to you as a part of the March 10, 2010, MAG Management Committee agenda packet. Since that time, it has become necessary to make revisions to portions of the document. Updates to the budget are listed below and will be presented for information and discussion in the April Management Committee meeting:

- The Division Program Budgets, which are included as the last pages in each of the division narrative sections, have been updated (pages 100-22, 200-6, 300-15, 400-2, 500-39, 600-43 and 600-44, 700-5, and 800-12).
- The Allocation Funding Sources pages (Appendix pages A-1 through A-12) have been updated to reflect the overall budgeted totals.
- The Summary of Budgeted Positions (Appendix pages A-13 and A-14) has been added.
- The New Consultant page in the Appendix (Appendix page A-17) has been updated to add \$30,000 to the Regional Community Network (RCN) Operations for a project total of \$180,000 for assistance with the implementation activity of the RCN during the first part of the fiscal year.
- The Capital Outlay and Schedule of Lease Commitments page has been added (Appendix page A-21).
- The Transit Planning Agreement has been added (Appendix pages A-22 through A-28). This agreement was approved by the Regional Council at their March 31, 2010 meeting and was fully executed by the partners at the beginning of April 2010.

If you have any questions, please contact me at the MAG office.

April 12, 2010

TO: Members of MAG Executive Committee

FROM: Amy St. Peter, Human Services Manager

SUBJECT: SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES PROGRAM GRANT

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has advised that they will release a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for the Sustainable Communities Program the week of April 12, 2010. It appears that MAG may be eligible to apply for funding to support the development of a regional plan for sustainable development. It has been indicated that such plans may become a requirement with the re-authorization of federal transportation funding. A stakeholders group was convened to provide input in relation to this grant opportunity. Staff is seeking guidance on the desired level of MAG's involvement with this grant opportunity.

The NOFA will provide an opportunity for regions to apply for grant funding to support the development of regional plans for sustainable development. The purpose of the program is to support multi-jurisdictional regional planning efforts integrating housing, economic development, and transportation decision-making in a manner that empowers jurisdictions to consider the interdependent challenges of economic growth, social equity and environmental impact simultaneously. Up to \$5 million may be available for large metropolitan areas with a 20 percent match. Additional funds are expected to be available in the future to assist with implementation of the regional plans. It is anticipated that the grant will be oversubscribed and competitive.

HUD has identified six livability principles as part of the Sustainable Communities Program. The principles include providing more transportation choices; promoting equitable, affordable housing; enhancing economic competitiveness; supporting existing communities; coordinating policies and leveraging investment; and valuing communities and neighborhoods. HUD has indicated that regional plans need to identify goals, performance measures, strategies for implementing the goals, prioritized projects, and public involvement relating to housing, transportation, economic development, land use, environmental, energy, green space and water infrastructure. The tentative deadline for proposals is June 5, 2010 with award announcements tentatively scheduled for August 2, 2010.

MAG has addressed the topic of sustainable development in the past. In 2002, MAG initiated a regional development project that strove to provide alternative growth scenarios and to evaluate revenue projections, impacts of quality of life measures, and economic/demographic impacts of significant development projects. The decision was made at that time to not proceed with the project.

If you have any questions regarding this item, please contact me at the MAG office at (602) 254-6300.

POPTAC Committee Chair and Vice Chair Appointments

<u>Chair</u>	<u>Agency</u>	<u>Vice Chair</u>	<u>Agency</u>
James Bacon, Town Manager	Paradise Valley	Christopher DePerro, Principal Planner	City of Phoenix
David Williams, Senior Planner	Queen Creek	David Williams, Senior Planner	Queen Creek
Charlie McClendon, City Manager	Avondale	Charlie McClendon, City Manager	Avondale



April 5, 2010

Peggy Neely, Chairman of Regional Council
Maricopa Association of Governments
302 North 1st Ave, Suite 300
Phoenix, AZ 85003

RE: Letter of Interest for MAG POPTAC Committee

Dear Ms. Neely:

I would like to request to be placed on the MAG POPTAC Committee as Chair or Vice-Chair of the Committee. Avondale believes this committee is very essential in the MAG process and I would appreciate the consideration for the Chair or Vice-Chair position.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 623-333-1000. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Charles P. McClendon", written in a cursive style.

Charles P. McClendon
City Manager

Administration

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March 30, 2010

Christopher DePerro, Principal Planner
City of Phoenix Planning Department
200 West Washington Street, 6th Floor
Phoenix, Arizona 85003

Councilwoman Peggy Neely
c/o Maricopa Association of Governments
302 N. 1st Avenue, Suite 300
Phoenix, Arizona 85003

Dear Councilwoman Neely,

I'm writing to you to express my interest in being appointed as the Vice-Chair of the Population Technical Advisory Committee (POPTAC). I have attended POPTAC as a representative of the City since June of 2009 and I often work directly with the MAG Information Resources group on many of the issues discussed in POPTAC meetings. In addition, I feel that my involvement with infrastructure, and Development Impact Fees, together with my past experience in the Development Services Department for the City of Phoenix, gives me a unique perspective into how population counts and other data can affect the operations of municipalities.

I have applied for Vice-Chair only as I am still relatively new to the Committee, and I would like the opportunity to learn more about its functions, as well as how to run a public meeting. I do understand that at times the Vice-Chair will need to run a meeting in the absence of the Chair, and I am prepared to do so. However, please consider me only for the Vice-Chair position at this time.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

Christopher DePerro

March 31, 2010

Peggy Neely, Chair
Maricopa Association of Governments
302 North 1st Avenue, Suite 300
Phoenix, Arizona 85003

Dear Chair Neely:

I would like to be considered to chair the Population Technical Advisory Committee (POPTAC). My experience in state and local government would make this appointment an ideal way for me to further contribute to MAG.

My first professional position in public service was as a research analyst with the Washington State Employment Security Department and my first position in local government was as the Budget Director for the City of Colorado Springs. Those two positions taught me the importance of reliable demographic data for making policy decisions. Population data are particularly important. It not only is the foundation for much of the public service analyses that are done, it is increasingly used as the means for allocating financial resources.

In addition to the appropriateness of my professional background for serving MAG in this capacity, it is an opportunity for the Town of Paradise Valley to strengthen its partnership role, an important town goal since I joined the staff two years ago.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you would like additional information or have any questions regarding my interest in this appointment.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

James C. Bacon Jr.
Town Manager
Town of Paradise Valley
6401 E. Lincoln
Paradise Valley, Arizona 85253



Town of Queen Creek

March 23, 2010

Peggy Neely
Council Member
City of Phoenix c/o
Maricopa Association of Governments
302 North First Avenue, Suite 300
Phoenix, AZ 85003

Dear Council Member Neely,

I would like to recommend David Williams to be considered for the positions of Chairman or Vice Chairman of the Population Technical Advisory Committee for the Maricopa Association of Governments. David is a Senior Planner for the Town and has been the Town's representative on the POPTAC for the past few years. He is also the Town's representative for the 2010 Census Complete Count Committee.

I have full confidence in David to provide the same excellent level of service and dedication to the POPTAC as he provides to the Town of Queen Creek on a daily basis.

Thank you for your consideration.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Kross".

John Kross, AICP
Town Manager

