

January 18, 2005

TO: Members of the MAG Regional Council

FROM: Mayor Keno Hawker, Mesa, Chair

SUBJECT: MEETING NOTIFICATION AND TRANSMITTAL OF TENTATIVE AGENDA

Meeting - 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday, January 26, 2005  
MAG Office, Suite 200 - Saguaro Room  
302 North 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue, Phoenix

Dinner - 6:30 p.m.

MAG Office, Suite 200

The next Regional Council meeting will be held at the MAG offices at the time and place noted above. Members of the Regional Council may attend either in person, by videoconference or by telephone conference call. Members who wish to remove any items from the Consent Agenda are requested to contact the MAG office. MAG will host a dinner/reception for the Regional Council members following the meeting in the MAG Cholla Room on the 2nd floor. Supporting information is enclosed for your review.

Please park in the garage under the Compass Bank Building. Parking places will be reserved for Regional Council members on the first and second levels of the garage. Bring your ticket to the meeting, parking will be validated. For those using transit, the Regional Public Transportation Authority will provide transit tickets for your trip. For those using bicycles, please lock your bicycle in the bike rack in the garage.

Pursuant to Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), MAG does not discriminate on the basis of disability in admissions to or participation in its public meetings. Persons with a disability may request a reasonable accommodation, such as a sign language interpreter, by contacting Valerie Day at the MAG office. Requests should be made as early as possible to allow time to arrange the accommodation.

If you have any questions, please call the MAG office.

**MAG REGIONAL COUNCIL  
TENTATIVE AGENDA  
January 26, 2005**

	<b><u>COUNCIL ACTION REQUESTED</u></b>
1. <u>Call to Order</u>	
2. <u>Pledge of Allegiance</u>	
3. <u>Call to the Audience</u>  An opportunity will be provided to members of the public to address the Regional Council 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 Regional Council requests an exception to this limit. Please note that those wishing to comment on agenda items posted for action will be provided the opportunity at the time the item is heard.	3. Information.
4. <u>Executive Director's Report</u>  The MAG Executive Director will provide a report to the Regional Council on activities of general interest.	4. Information and discussion.
5. <u>Approval of Consent Agenda</u>  Council members may request that an item be removed from the consent agenda. Prior to action on the consent agenda, members of the audience will be provided an opportunity to comment on consent items. Consent items are marked with an asterisk.	5. Approve the Consent Agenda.

**ITEMS PROPOSED FOR CONSENT\***

**MINUTES**

*5A. <u>Approval of the December 15, 2004 Meeting Minutes</u>	5A. Review and approve the December 15, 2004 meeting minutes.
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**TRANSPORTATION ITEM****\*5B. Red Letter Notification**

In June 1996, the Regional Council approved the ADOT Red Letter process, which requires MAG member agencies to notify ADOT of potential development activities in freeway alignments. Development activities include actions on plans, zoning and permits. ADOT has forwarded a list of notifications for the first six months of 2004. Upon request any of the notices can be removed from the consent agenda and returned for action at a future meeting. Please refer to the enclosed material.

5B. Information and discussion.

**GENERAL ITEMS****\*5C. Draft MAG 208 Small Plant Review and Approval for the Expansion of the Ruth Fisher School Wastewater Treatment Plant**

Maricopa County has requested that MAG review the proposed expansion of the Ruth Fisher School Wastewater Treatment Plant through the Small Plant Review and Approval Process of the MAG 208 Water Quality Management Plan. The plant is identified in the current MAG 208 Plan for a capacity of 15,000 gallons per day (gpd). The expansion would increase the facility to 45,000 gpd. Reclaimed effluent from the facility would be disposed through reuse and recharge. The MAG Water Quality Advisory Committee and the MAG Management Committee recommended approval of the Small Plant Review and Approval of the proposed plant expansion. Please refer to the enclosed material.

5C. Approval of the proposed expansion of the Ruth Fisher School Wastewater Treatment Plant as part of the MAG 208 Water Quality Management Plan.

**\*5D. Status Update on the June 30, 2004 Single Audit and Management Letter Comments, MAG's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) and OMB Circular A-133 Reports (i.e., "Single Audit") for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2004**

The public accounting firm of Deloitte & Touche LLP has completed the audit of MAG's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) and Single Audit for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2004. An unqualified audit opinion was issued on

5D. Acceptance of the MAG Comprehensive Annual Financial Report and Single Audit Report for the year ended June 30, 2004.

December 20, 2004 on the financial statements of governmental activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information. The independent auditors' report on compliance, with the requirements applicable to major federal award programs, expressed an unqualified opinion on the Single Audit. The Single Audit report indicated there were no reportable conditions in MAG's internal control over financial reporting considered to be material weaknesses, no instances of noncompliance considered to be material and no questioned costs. No new or repeat Management Letter comments were issued for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2004. The MAG Management Committee and the Executive Committee recommended acceptance. Please refer to the enclosed material.

- \*5E. Ratification of the Annual Performance Review and Compensation of the MAG Executive Director

In January 2003, the Regional Council approved an agreement to hire the current Executive Director. As part of this agreement, it was provided that the Executive Director would receive an annual performance review, conducted by the Executive Committee. As part of the evaluation, in December, a questionnaire was sent to the members of the Regional Council to comment on the performance of the Executive Director. On January 10, 2005, the Executive Committee reviewed the comments from the Regional Council, discussed the performance of the Executive Director, and took action to increase the salary of the Executive Director. The action of the Executive Committee is being presented to the Regional Council for ratification. Please refer to the enclosed material.

- 5E. Ratify the action of the Executive Committee to increase the MAG Executive Director's salary.

**ITEMS PROPOSED TO BE HEARD**

**GENERAL ITEMS**

- 6. Discussion of the Development of the FY 2006 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget

- 6. Input on the development of the Work Program and Annual Budget.

Each year, the Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget is developed in conjunction with member agency and public input. The Work Program is reviewed each year by the federal agencies in April and approved by the Regional Council in May. To provide an early start in developing the Work Program and Budget, this presentation is an overview of MAG's draft Dues and Assessments for the FY 2006 Work Program. A draft budget production timeline is also being included. Presentations on this material have been provided to the Management Committee and Executive Committee. Please refer to the enclosed material.

7. Sales Tax Incentives and Revenue Sharing

Since July, the Executive Committee has been discussing sales tax incentives and proposed revenue sharing agreements in the Valley. This issue is being monitored since it is anticipated that there will be legislative measures to preempt municipalities from using development incentives introduced during next year's legislative session. Executive Committee members have requested that a model resolution be brought to the Management Committee and Regional Council. Please refer to the enclosed material.

8. Comments from the Council

An opportunity will be provided for Regional Council members to present a brief summary of current events. The Regional Council 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.

7. Information, discussion and possible action.

8. Information.