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TO: Members of the MAG Transportation Review Committee

FROM: Jan Dolan, Scottsdale, Chair

SUBJECT: MEETING NOTIFICATION AND TRANSMITTAL OF TENTATIVE AGENDA

Thursday, March 24, 2005, 10:00 a.m.  
MAG Office, Suite 200, Saguaro Room  
302 North 1st Avenue, Phoenix

A meeting of the MAG Transportation Review Committee (TRC) 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.**

Members of the MAG Transportation Review Committee may attend **in person, via videoconference or by telephone conference call**. Those attending by videoconference must notify the MAG office three business days prior to the meeting. Those attending by telephone conference call are requested to call (602) 261-7510 between 9:55 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. on the date of the meeting. After the prompt, please enter the meeting ID number 6872 (MTRC) on the telephone keypad followed by the pound key. If you have a problem or require assistance, dial 0 after calling the number above.

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Please be advised that under procedures adopted by the MAG Regional Council on June 26, 1996, all MAG committees need to have a quorum in order to conduct business. A quorum is a simple majority of the membership or nine people for the MAG TRC. If you are unable to attend the meeting, please make arrangements for a proxy from your jurisdiction to represent you. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Eric Anderson or Ken Hall at (602) 254-6300.

TENTATIVE AGENDA

COMMITTEE ACTION REQUESTED

1. Call to Order

2. Approval of Draft February 24, 2005 Minutes

2. Approve Draft minutes of the February 24, 2005 meeting.

3. Call to the Audience

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

4. Transportation Director's Report

Recent transportation planning activities and upcoming agenda items for the MAG Management Committee will be reviewed by the Transportation Director.

3. For information and discussion.

4. For information and discussion.

ITEMS TO BE HEARD

5. Interim Closeout of the Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2005 MAG Federally Funded Program

Under current guidelines, MAG agencies need to notify MAG staff of any current year programmed projects that have been requested to be deferred to FFY 2006 by March 1, 2005. To date, 15 requests have been received to defer projects to FFY 2006 or later. A handout that displays a tentative listing of projects for the FFY 2005 Interim Closeout is provided as Attachment One.

6. Proposed Amendment to the FY 2004-2007 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for a Highway Project

The City of Phoenix has been notified that

5. For information, discussion and possible action to recommend allowing the requested projects to defer from FFY 2005 to FFY 2006 (or later).

6. For information, discussion and possible action to recommend approval of an amendment to the FY 2004-2007 MAG TIP to add the Federally funded, Phoenix Rio Salado Parkway design project.

they have been awarded \$1,653,333 in Federal Transportation funds to start the design of the Rio Salado Parkway corridor, from 7th Street to the South Mountain Freeway. This notification was made as part of a special appropriation that occurred during the recent Transportation Appropriations Bill. In order for the project to proceed, it needs to be shown in the regional Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). As a result, the current TIP needs to be amended to include this new project. As the project only involves design, at this stage, the project is regarded as an exempt project for air quality conformity analysis purposes and the consultation on this item is included as a separate agenda item. Further details of the projects concerned are shown in Attachment Two.

7. Project Changes to the FY 2006-2010 Draft MAG Transportation Improvement Program

During the February 24, 2005 meeting, the Committee recommended approval of the FY 2006-2010 Draft MAG Transportation Improvement Program (Listing of Projects) for an air quality conformity analysis. Since that time, there have been several changes to projects listed.

As the Draft Program has not yet been reviewed or acted on by any other MAG committees, the project changes are shown for review and recommendation for approval to be included as part of the original list. Please refer to Attachment Three.

8. Modifications to the MAG Regional Transportation Plan

As part of the process to develop the MAG Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the period FY 2006-10, changes have been proposed regarding the phases in which certain projects in the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) would be constructed. On February 23, 2005, the MAG Regional Council adopted an Interim Advancement Policy for the Arterial Life Cycle Program,

7. For information, discussion and possible action to recommend approval of the Changes to the Draft FY 2006-2010 MAG TIP for an air quality conformity analysis.

8. Recommend inclusion of the proposed project phase modifications in the MAG Regional Transportation Plan and in the Draft MAG FY 2006-2010 TIP, as appropriate, for air quality conformity analysis, contingent on comments from the agency consultation process.

which addresses funding for project phase changes. The proposed RTP project phase modifications are currently under consultation as required by State law. Please refer to Attachment Four.

9. Interim Draft of Arterial Life Cycle Program Policies and Procedures

An Interim Draft of the Arterial Life Cycle Program (ALCP) Policies and Procedures has been developed through a series of workshops held with members of the Transportation Review Committee, intergovernmental representatives, and other interested parties.

The Interim Draft was reviewed by the TRC at the February 24, 2005 meeting, and has recently been submitted to the MAG Management Committee, the MAG Transportation Policy Committee, and the MAG Regional Council for review and comment. Staff will provide an update of key issues and comments that were received to date, and will also provide information concerning the next steps in the process. Attachment Five provides a copy of the presentation given at the March 2005 MAG Transportation Policy Committee Meeting.

10. Next Meeting Date

The next regular TRC meeting is scheduled for April 28, 2005 at 10:00 a.m. in the MAG Office, Saguaro Room.

9. For information and discussion.

10. For information and discussion.