

MINUTES OF THE  
MARICOPA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS  
INTELLIGENT TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS COMMITTEE

December 4, 2002  
MAG Cholla Room, 2nd Floor  
302 North First Avenue  
Phoenix, Arizona

MEMBERS ATTENDING

Jim Book, Glendale	Bruce Dressel, Scottsdale
*Alan Sanderson, Mesa	Jim Decker, Tempe
Mike Mah, Chandler	*Tim Wolfe, ADOT
Bruce Ward, Gilbert	Scott Nodes, Peoria
*Nicolaas Swart, Maricopa County	*Chuck Hydeman, Goodyear
*Bob Steele, Phoenix	*Mary Kihl, ASU
Bob Ciotti, RPTA	*James Collier for Alan Hansen, FHWA
*Terry Conner, DPS	Dennis Murphy, Phoenix Aviation
Bob Maki, Surprise	

OTHERS PRESENT

David Haines, Kimley-Horn & Assoc	
Debbie Kuhn, MAG	Julie White, MCDOT
Andrew Kolcz, BWR	Bob Spencer, MCDOT
Mike Nevarez, Phoenix Transit	Ryan Gulick, IBI Group
Xiao Qin, MAG	Cody Christiansen, BWR
Sarath Joshua, MAG	Jim Bloomer, Mesa Fire Dept.

\* Not present or represented by proxy

1. Call to Order

Chairman Jim Book called the meeting to order at 9:10 AM. Due to lack of quorum he decided to proceed with only informational items. The new member for Phoenix Aviation, Dennis Murphy, was welcomed to the committee.

2. Call to Audience

Chairman Book made a call to the audience providing an opportunity to members of the public to address the ITS Committee. There was no comment from the audience.

3. Approval of November 6, 2002 Meeting Minutes

Upon meeting quorum requirements with the arrival of more members, minutes from the October meeting were reviewed. Scott Nodes pointed to a correction to minutes to indicate that the ITS World Congress was held in Chicago. Scott Nodes moved and Bruce Dressel seconded, and it was unanimously carried to approve corrected minutes of the November 6, 2002 ITS Committee meeting.

4. Program Managers Report

- ITS On-Call Request for Qualifications (RFQ) – The RFQ was advertised on November 24, 2002, and is due on January 7, 2003. A proposers' conference has been scheduled for December 12, 2002.
- Homeland Security and ITS – The linkages between homeland security and ITS is being highlighted at the national level. Although the most recent update of the region's ITS Strategic Plan did not include security as part of ITS, it is clear that the region and member agencies need to give more thought to security aspects of ITS. A report on this topic has been produced by ITS America. An electronic version was distributed to the committee and a hard copy version is available for borrowing from MAG.

5. Regional Community Network(RCN) Study

Rita Walton of MAG introduced the study consultant David Haines of Kimley-Horn & Associates. In providing an update in the study, Mr. Haines informed the committee that the study reviewed national efforts in the area of developing regional communications solutions. It was pointed out that the likely regional solution will be a hybrid of fiber-based, leased, and wireless components. The study has identified the ITS center-to-center communications and center-to-EMS communication links as two high priority linkages. Next steps will identify how to maintain and operate the system and the needed agreements. Final study recommendations and an implementation plan will be presented to the MAG ITS Committee and MAG Telecommunications Group in February 2003 for approval. In answer to a question on what other urban regions have created such networks, Mr Haines replied that Denver, Colorado, and Colorado DOT may be the best example.

6. Status Reports by Committee Members

Paul Ward of MAG announced a half-day workshop on federally funded projects scheduled for January 13, 2003. This workshop will cover what is required for federally funded projects and will be useful for project managers. Yogesh Mantri of MCDOT reported on the success of traffic management at the recent NASCAR event at Phoenix International Raceway. He also indicated that MCDOT has still not received essential review comments from cities participating in the Smart Corridors Phase 2 project. Bruce Dressel of Scottsdale indicated that 2 cameras have been replaced in preparation for the Scottsdale Open event. He also invited the entire committee for a tour of the TMC at 9:00 AM on January 24, 2003. The TMC location is: 7447 E Indian School Road, Suite 205, Scottsdale

7. Next Meeting Date

Next meeting date was announced as 9:00 AM on Wednesday January 8, 2003. The Concept of Operations project meeting was announced as 10:30 AM on the same day.

8. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by Chairman Book at 9:45 AM.

