

**MINUTES OF THE
MARICOPA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
INTELLIGENT TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS COMMITTEE**

**May 2, 2002
MAG Saguaro Room, 2nd Floor
302 North First Avenue
Phoenix, Arizona**

MEMBERS ATTENDING

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| *Jim Book, Glendale Alan Sanderson, Mesa Mike Mah, Chandler *Bruce Ward, Gilbert *Dale Thompson, Maricopa County *Bob Steele, Phoenix Bob Ciotti, RPTA *Terry Conner, DPS Ellis Perl, Surprise | *Bruce Dressel, Scottsdale Jim Decker, Tempe Tim Wolfe, ADOT Ron Amaya for Scott Nodes, Peoria Chuck Hydeman, Goodyear Mary Kihl, ASU *Alan Hansen, FHWA *Michael Smith, Avondale |
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OTHERS PRESENT

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| Don Wiltshire, MAG Associate Sarath Joshua, MAG | |
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* Not present or represented by proxy

1. Call to Order
 Acting Chairman Alan Sanderson called the meeting to order at 10:25 AM.
2. Approval of April 3, 2002 Meeting Minutes
 Tim Wolfe moved and Jim Decker seconded, and it was unanimously carried to approve minutes of the April 3, 2002 ITS Committee meeting.
3. Call to Audience
 Chairman Sanderson 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.
4. Program Managers Report
 - Concept of Operations Project – The selection panel plan to interview two consultant teams, IBI Group and Kimley-Horn & Associates on May 7th. The selected consultant will be recommended to the Management Committee on the 8th and Regional Council on May 22nd.
 - Notes from ITS America Annual Meeting:

- There seems to be convergence between ITS and security of transportation system;
- National security and economic security was being linked;
- At present CMAQ funds cannot be used for operations except for the first 3 years; A national push to extend this beyond 3 years;
- Interest in opening up CMAQ referring to the original intent of CMAQ for Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality separately;
- Possibility of moving ITS into the general fund area from the trust fund;
- Acronym change ROO regional operating organization to Regional Operations Collaboration and Coordination (ROCC) to include public safety
- Jeff Lindley likely to be the next head of ITS Joint Operations Program
- Christine Johnson is moving to a field position in Utah.
- ITS America has disbanded all technical committees and instead will be reorganized under five new Forums
- Many new exhibits but nothing new
- Japanese ITS experiment involving a fleet of 2000 taxicabs with internet in cars as probe vehicles
- Many smaller US cities and regions are getting into ITS
- Best of ITS awards:
 - Advocacy - Arkansas DOT
 - Marketing won by GM Sensable Driving – a safety program
 - Research – Mitretek award for How Late program – software that shows time savings benefits from traveler information
 - Education and Training – CITE consortium web-based ITS courses – for college credit or professional development
 - Partnerships – Caltrans –car sharing project; Maricopa Co & ADOT submitted REACT program
 - Return on investment – Kentucky Transportation Cabinet for ARTIMIS program

The Arizona contingent at the meeting included, Bruce Dressel, Bob Steele, Mike from Gilbert.

5. Early discussion on potential regional ITS project for FY 2008

The purpose of this discussion was to begin a dialogue to generate a slate of ITS projects of a regional nature, such as joint ITS projects. We could use the Strategic Plan as guidance for such projects. Tim Wolfe said that ADOT got 3 joint projects programmed in recent years involving Gilbert, Phoenix, Glendale and Peoria. The acceleration of design funds for these projects are subject to upcoming funding decisions by TRC. Another option for ADOT is to utilize the ADOT 5 year program. Tim Wolfe said that the next priority is for FMS related fiber optics projects in Mesa, Scottsdale and Phoenix. He suggested a potential joint project between these agencies for future regional ITS funds.

6. Status Reports by Committee Members

Chuck Hydeman said that the DCR for the Litchfield Road ITS project will be completed by end of May. Ron Amaya reported that Peoria traffic signal system project plans are at 90% completion. The project was funded at \$1m in FY2002 and \$1m in FY2004 advanced to FY2001. The project involves signal interconnect and upgrades from TS1 to TS2. Kimley-Horn will be doing the time based coordination. Jim Decker of Tempe reported that 115 cabinets have been equipped for preemption. The Parking Management project is on hold.

Tim Wolfe reported that the first contract out of the statewide ICONs contract will be 11 signals on I-17. Mike Mah reported that Chandler TMC video wall with ICONs software was purchased. Next month TMC privacy policy goes to the City Council. Alan Sanderson reported that the new Mesa TMC will be operational soon.

7. Next Meeting Date

Next meeting date was announced as 10:00 AM on Wednesday June 5, 2002.

8. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by Acting Chairman Alan Sanderson at 11:12 AM.