

MEETING NOTES OF THE
MARICOPA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
REGIONAL COMMUNITY NETWORK WORKING GROUP

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MAG Offices
302 North First Avenue
Phoenix, Arizona, 85003

ATTENDEES

**Debbie Albert, Glendale
Ryan Gish, ADOT
**Michael Reese, Avondale
**Debra Bieber, Chandler
**Patrick Timlin, El Mirage
George Archuleta, Mesa
Ron Amaya, Peoria
Reed Condie, ITS Engineers

Bob Steele, MCDOT
Margaret Boone-Pixley, Avondale
**Craig Chenery, MAG
Sarath Joshua, MAG
Kiran Guntupalli, MAG
Audrey Skidmore, MAG
Leo Luo, MAG

**Participated via telephone conference call.

1. Welcome

The meeting was commenced at 8:35 a.m. by Debbie Albert. All working group members introduced themselves.

2. Report on RCN Phase IA

Ryan Gish of ADOT provided a brief update on Phase IA of the RCN project. For the Fiber and Conduit project, ITS engineers have completed a portion of the fiber splices along the light rail path which will complete the connection to Mesa. ITS Engineers will also be conducting testing and installing equipment in Phoenix.

ADOT and Kimley-Horn Associates are working on the test plan for the network. Debbie asked if all the equipment has been deployed. Reed Condie of ITS Engineers stated that all of the equipment has been deployed and that ITS Engineers is currently working on fiber splicing.

3. Videoconferencing Update

Audrey Skidmore stated that she is working with ITS Engineers and ENS on some technical issues in order to be able to make a selection on the equipment. Debbie asked if all agencies are getting new equipment. Audrey stated that there will be new units for sites in Phase IA which are currently

members of the Regional Videoconferencing System. Additionally, a new bridge will be installed at MAG to allow MAG to communicate with all member agencies.

4. Camera Chameleon Update

Ryan Gish stated that David Sinclair from ICX provided a recent core update to fix issues with Camera Chameleon. ADOT was waiting on this update before moving forward. Debbie asked if other locations running Camera Chameleon will need to upgrade to the new version. Ryan stated that they are currently testing it, but a full upgrade is probable. Debbie asked if the RCN Working Group needs to review the test plan. Ryan said he can bring it to the group for review. Audrey added that a review would be beneficial.

5. RCN Applications

Bob Steele of Phoenix stated that he had two requests for the RCN project. For the first request, Bob stated that Camera Chameleon has a feature that allows users to monitor and control dynamic message signs. The second request was to allow signal communications traffic to pass over the RCN. Bob inquired about the procedure to allow these to be used on the RCN. Audrey stated that under the process adopted by the Regional Council, the RCN Working Group would review and evaluate the requests and forward their recommendations to the ITS and TAG Committees. The technical committees would review the request and take action.

Debra Bieber of Chandler voiced her concerns about adding applications to the network based on previous experiences and that her preference is to see the core system functioning before considering additional applications. Ryan stated that he doesn't feel that these additions would be an issue. Audrey suggested that sub groups are formed to discuss these areas to determine the impact. Three sub groups were suggested. Ryan will lead the dynamic message signs group, Bob will lead the signal communication group and Randy Jackson will lead the disaster recovery backup group.

6. Discussion items for next meeting

Subjects for discussion include an update on the project, a videoconferencing update, a Camera Chameleon testing update and a sub group update.