

MARICOPA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

INFORMATION SUMMARY... for your review

DATE:

February 4, 2003

SUBJECT:

Conformity Consultation

SUMMARY:

A proposed amendment to the FY 2003-2007 Transportation Improvement Program involves the addition of five new Transportation Enhancement projects in fiscal years 2003 and 2004. In addition, the amendment also includes the deferral of two Maricopa County intersection safety improvement projects and one Transportation Enhancement project from FY 2002 to FY 2003. An amendment is required to add the new projects to the TIP. The amendment involves new projects that are considered exempt from conformity determinations and minor project revisions that do not require a conformity determination. A description of the projects is provided in the attached interagency consultation memorandum.

PUBLIC INPUT:

A copy of the conformity assessment has been distributed for consultation to the Federal Highway Administration, Federal Transit Administration, Arizona Department of Environmental Quality, Arizona Department of Transportation, Regional Public Transportation Authority, Maricopa County Environmental Services Department, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, and other interested parties including members of the public. Comments on the conformity assessment are due by February 21, 2003.

PROS & CONS:

PROS: Interagency consultation for the amendment notifies the planning agencies of project modifications to the TIP.

CONS: The review of conformity assessments requires additional time in the project approval process.

TECHNICAL & POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

TECHNICAL: The amendment may not be considered until the consultation process for the conformity assessment is completed.

POLICY: Consultation on the conformity assessment has been prepared in accordance with MAG Conformity Consultation Processes adopted by the Regional Council in February 1996, and with MAG Transportation Conformity Guidance and Procedures adopted by the Regional Council in March 1996. In addition, federal guidance is followed in response to court rulings regarding transportation conformity.

ACTION NEEDED:

For consultation.

PRIOR COMMITTEE ACTIONS:

Transportation Review Committee: On January 30, 2003, the Transportation Review Committee made a recommendation to approve an amendment to the FY 2003-2007 Transportation Improvement Program.

MEMBERS ATTENDING

Scottsdale: Jan Dolan, Chairperson
Phoenix: Tom Callow for
Jack Tevlin, Vice Chairperson
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*Telecommunications Advisory Group:

* Members neither present nor represented by proxy.

CONTACT PERSON:

Dean Giles, MAG, (602) 254-6300.

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SUBJECT:

Revised Funding Distribution for the Clean Cities Dedicated Alternative Fuel Vehicle Rebate Program

SUMMARY:

On July 25, 2001, the Regional Council approved a distribution of the \$70,000 in grant funding from the Clean Cities Dedicated Alternative Fuel Rebate Program. As of January 2003, three entities informed MAG that the remaining grant funds would not be spent when the grant ends on May 31, 2003. Two agencies indicated that they could expend the remaining funds. It is recommended that the City of Phoenix receive the remaining \$12,000 from the Rebate Program. In the prior funding distribution, the City of Phoenix had received significantly less funding than the city which had received the highest amount of funding. The proposed revised funding distribution is provided in the attachment.

MAG was awarded the Clean Cities Dedicated Alternative Fuel Vehicle Rebate Program grant by the U.S. Department of Energy in July 2000. The Program provides a rebate of \$2,000 per dedicated, new, original equipment manufacturer alternative fuel vehicle. Recently the U.S. Department of Energy advised MAG that by February 28, 2003, MAG must advise the National Clean Cities Program office of any vehicles on order that will be included in the rebate total, who has ordered them, and how many. If vehicles have not been ordered by this date, MAG will be asked to process rebate applications for another Clean Cities coalition that already has vehicles on order.

PUBLIC INPUT:

No public input has been received.

PROS & CONS:

PROS: The revised distribution of the Clean Cities Program funds will allow the region to utilize the remaining grant funds and provide rebates for six dedicated, new, original equipment manufacturer alternative fuel vehicles.

CONS: None.

TECHNICAL & POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

TECHNICAL: The MAG Clean Cities Committee initially requested \$200,000 to fund a total of 100 alternative fuel vehicles over a three year period. MAG was awarded the Clean Cities Dedicated Alternative Fuel Vehicle Rebate Program grant for \$140,000 on July 26, 2000. On May 1, 2001, MAG was informed by the Department of Energy that due to budget constraints, only \$70,000 would be available to fund 35 vehicles.

POLICY: While the MAG Regional Council approved the transfer of the Maricopa Clean Cities Program to ENRG on October 30, 2002, MAG however, still administers the remaining \$70,000 Department of Energy Dedicated Alternative Fuel Vehicle Rebate Program through which cities and school districts have received funding.

ACTION NEEDED:

Recommend approval of the revised distribution of the remaining \$12,000 in funds from the U.S. Department of Energy for the Clean Cities Dedicated Alternative Fuel Vehicle Rebate Program.

PRIOR COMMITTEE ACTIONS:

None.

CONTACT PERSON:

Dean Giles, (602) 254-6300.

**REVISED FUNDING DISTRIBUTION FOR THE
CLEAN CITIES DEDICATED ALTERNATIVE FUEL VEHICLE REBATE PROGRAM**

Entity	Number Vehicles Requested (per \$70,000)	Award Amount per Vehicle	MAG Regional Council Funding Distribution July 25, 2001	Funds Awarded as of May 31, 2002	Remaining Rebate Funds as of January 2003	Proposed Revised Funding Distribution	Fuel Type	Use of Vehicle
Washington School District	2	\$2,000	\$4,000	\$4,000			CNG	Security and Maintenance
Paradise Valley School	0	\$2,000	\$0				CNG	School
Maricopa County	2	\$2,000	\$4,000		\$4,000		CNG	Facilities Maintenance
Madison School District	1	\$2,000	\$2,000		\$2,000		CNG	Maintenance Support
City of Phoenix	9	\$2,000	\$18,000	\$18,000		\$12,000	CNG	General staff
City of Mesa Fire Department	3	\$2,000	\$6,000	\$6,000			CNG	Administrative Support
City of Mesa	15	\$2,000	\$30,000	\$30,000			CNG	Police patrol
City of Goodyear	3	\$2,000	\$6,000		\$6,000		CNG	Staff
City of Litchfield Park	0	\$2,000	\$0				Electric	Public Works
Grand Total	35		\$70,000	\$58,000	\$12,000	\$12,000		

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SUBJECT:

Amendment to the FY 2003 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget for the Telework Outreach Program

SUMMARY:

The Regional Public Transportation Authority Telework Outreach Program promotes telework and provides technical assistance to public agencies and private businesses. The program is funded in the FY 2003 MAG Unified Planning Work Program for an amount of \$300,000. The RPTA is requesting to use \$160,000 of this amount to launch an Ozone Education Program this Spring. On January 30, 2003, the Air Quality Technical Advisory Committee made a recommendation to amend the FY 2003 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and FY 2003-2007 MAG Transportation Improvement Program to use \$160,000 from the Telework Outreach Program for an Ozone Education Program conducted by the Regional Public Transportation Authority.

Due to the economy, there has been a reduction in the number of employers requesting telework assistance and a savings has accrued. In addition, RPTA has been working with the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality and Maricopa County on a new Ozone Education Program for the Spring to address the more stringent 8-hour ozone standard. For these reasons, RPTA would like to use the savings accrued from the reduction in telework assistance for an Ozone Education Program.

PUBLIC INPUT:

No public input has been received.

PROS & CONS:

PROS: Amending the 2003 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget as well as the FY 2003-2007 Transportation Improvement Program will make it possible to conduct an Ozone Education Program for the more stringent 8-hour ozone standard.

CONS: None. Funding for the adjustment is available from the Telework Outreach Program.

TECHNICAL & POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

TECHNICAL: An amendment to the FY 2003 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget is necessary to add the Ozone Education Program for Spring 2003.

POLICY: The FY 2003 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget was approved by the Regional Council in May 2002. In September 2002, the MAG Regional Council amended the 2003 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget to add \$300,000 for the Telework Outreach Program.

ACTION NEEDED:

Recommend approval of an amendment to the FY 2003 MAG Unified Planning Work Program to use \$160,000 from the Telework Outreach Program for an Ozone Education Program conducted by the Regional Public Transportation Authority.

PRIOR COMMITTEE ACTIONS:

Air Quality Technical Advisory Committee: On January 30, 2003, the MAG Air Quality Technical Advisory Committee made a recommendation to amend the FY 2003 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and FY 2003-2007 MAG Transportation Improvement Program to use \$160,000 from the Telework Outreach Program for an Ozone Education Program conducted by the Regional Public Transportation Authority. Voting was 18 members Yes and two No (*italics*).

MEMBERS PRESENT

Stephen Cleveland, City of Goodyear,
Chairman

Avondale: Michael Powell

Chandler: Jim Weiss

*Gilbert: Tami Ryall

Glendale: Doug Kukino

Mesa: Collum Hunter for Christine Zielonka

Phoenix: Gaye Knight

Scottsdale: Larry Person

*Surprise: Robert Zobel

*Tempe: Tom Moore

*Citizen Representative: Walter Bouchard

*Arizona Lung Association: David Feuerherd

Salt River Project: Wendy Crites for Chris
Janick

Southwest Gas Corporation: Brian O'Donnell

*Arizona Public Service Company:
Scott Davis

**Western States Petroleum Association:

Gina Grey

Valley Metro: Bryan Jungwirth

*Arizona Motor Transport Association: Dave
Berry*

*Maricopa County Farm Bureau:
Jeannette Fish*

*Arizona Rock Products Association:
Rusty Bowers

*Greater Phoenix Chamber of Commerce:
Heidi Koopman

*Associated General Contractors: David Martin

*Homebuilders Association of Central Arizona:
Connie Wilhelm-Garcia

*American Institute of Architects - Central
Arizona: Stephen J. Andros

*Valley Forward: Peter Allard

University of Arizona - Cooperative Extension:
Patrick Clay

Arizona Department of Transportation: Pat
Cupell

Arizona Department of Environmental Quality:
Peter Hyde

Maricopa County Environmental Services
Department: Jo Crumbaker

Arizona Department of Weights and
Measures: Duane Yantorno for Mark Ellery
Federal Highway Administration: Ed Stillings
for Dennis Mittelstedt

*Arizona State University: Judi Nelson

*Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community:
B. Bobby Ramirez

Citizen Representative: David Rueckert

*Members neither present nor represented by proxy.

**Participated via telephone conference call.

CONTACT PERSON:

Dean Giles, (602) 254-6300.

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SUBJECT:

Red Letter Notification

SUMMARY:

The Regional Council approved the Red Letter Process in 1996 to provide early notification of potential development in planned freeway alignments. Development activities include actions on plans, zoning, and permits. Key elements of the process include:

Notifications:

- ADOT will periodically forward Red Letter notifications to MAG
- Notifications will be placed on the consent agenda for information and discussion at the Transportation Review Committee, Management Committee, and Regional Council meetings.
- If a member wishes to take action on a notification, the item can be removed from the consent agenda for further discussion. The item could then be placed on the agenda of a subsequent meeting for action.

Advance acquisitions:

- ADOT is authorized to proceed with advance right of way acquisitions up to \$2 million [per year] in funded corridors.
- Any change in funding limits for advance right of way acquisitions constitutes a material cost change as well as a change in freeway priorities and therefore would have to be reviewed by MAG and would require Regional Council action.
- In June 1999, the Regional Council allocated \$5 million per year through FY 2003 for advance acquisition requests where needed to prevent development in freeway alignments.

For information, the ADOT Advance Acquisition policy allows the expenditure of funds to obtain right of way where needed to address hardship cases (residential only), forestall development (typical Red Letter case), respond to advantageous offers or, with remaining funds, acquire properties in the construction sequence for which right of way acquisition has not already been funded.

ADOT received 100 Red Letter notifications for the last six months of calendar year 2002, with seven properties in or potentially in freeway right of way (see the attached). Of the seven, three were submitted by the Town of Gilbert (Val Vista / Santan traffic interchange, for the Spectrum development; Williams Field Road / Santan; and Val Vista Road/ Frye Road), two by the City of Phoenix (Beardsley Road/22nd Street/Loop 101; and Washington Street/Van Buren/SR 143), and one each by the Cities of Chandler (Gilbert Road/Santan) and Peoria (El Caminito Drive/91st Avenue/Loop 101).

Eight other notices were distributed by ADOT with recommendations that the developer's engineer or architect get in touch with the ADOT Engineer in charge of that area in order to verify boundary lines. ADOT did not receive any requests for advance acquisition in the six-month period covered by the report.

PUBLIC INPUT:

None received to date, although a public input opportunity was provided at the January 30, 2003 meeting of the MAG Transportation Review Committee.

PROS & CONS:

PROS: Notification can lead to action to forestall development activity in freeway corridors that will minimize cost and ensure eventual completion of the facility.

CONS: By utilizing funds for advance purchase of right of way, these funds are not available for other uses such as design and construction.

TECHNICAL & POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

TECHNICAL: Development within freeway alignments will result in increased future right of way costs.

POLICY: In June 1999, the MAG Regional Council approved the regional Transportation Improvement Program which includes approval of \$5 million per year for advance right of way acquisition in funded freeway corridors through FY 2003.

ACTION NEEDED:

Information and discussion.

PRIOR COMMITTEE ACTIONS:

Transportation Review Committee: On January 30, 2003, the Transportation Review Committee considered these notifications for information and discussion as part of the consent agenda. The consent agenda was approved unanimously.

MEMBERS ATTENDING

Scottsdale: Jan Dolan, Chairperson
Phoenix: Tom Callow for
Jack Tevlin, Vice Chairperson
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ITS Committee: Jim Book

*Pedestrian Working Group: Reed
Kempton, Maricopa County Dept. of
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*Telecommunications Advisory Group:

* Members neither present nor represented by proxy.

CONTACT PERSON:

Chris Voigt or Eric Anderson, (602) 254-6300.

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INFORMATION SUMMARY... for your review

DATE:

February 4, 2003

SUBJECT:

Approval of Rubberized Asphalt Improvements

SUMMARY:

MAG member agencies and the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) have proposed changes to the current ADOT 2003-2007 Five Year Highway Construction program to implement a program of paving freeways with rubberized asphalt. Rubberized asphalt has been determined to be very effective at reducing noise on urban freeways. Existing freeways will be resurfaced and new sections of the Red Mountain, Santan and Sky Harbor Freeways will have rubberized asphalt included during the original construction phase. In January, the \$34 million funding plan for the rubberized asphalt improvements was approved by the Regional Council, contingent upon the map of the improvements being approved at the February meeting. ADOT has developed a map showing the proposed schedule for implementation of the program and, at their January 30, 2003, meeting, the Transportation Review Committee unanimously recommended approval of this program. A copy of the map is attached.

PUBLIC INPUT:

Public comments received at the January 8 Management Committee meeting, the January 15 Transportation Policy Committee meeting, and January 29 Regional Council meeting include: That the funds being used for rubberized asphalt would be better used on human service needs, or dial-a-ride, wheels to work or bus passes for students, elderly or low income, or persons with disabilities. Questions on the effectiveness of the noise reduction qualities of rubberized asphalt over time. Concern over a perceived cut in park and ride lots to pay for the improvement. That the funds would be better used for social services instead of cosmetic repairs. Concern about possible allergies to the rubber so used.

PROS & CONS:

PROS: Approval of this item will allow the rubber asphalt program to proceed.

CONS: None.

TECHNICAL & POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

TECHNICAL: The rubberized asphalt program is targeted to receive \$34 million in Federal Transportation funds with approximately \$2 million match in State and/or Local Highway funds. Funding changes have already been approved.

POLICY: This program will be reviewed and approved by the Transportation Policy Committee.

ACTION NEEDED:

Recommend approving the map to implement the rubberized asphalt improvements.

PRIOR COMMITTEE ACTIONS:

Transportation Review Committee (TRC): On January 30, 2003, the TRC recommended approval of the Implementation plan for Rubberized Asphalt, with the understanding that Scottsdale will work with MAG, ADOT, and Member Agencies to attempt to advance the McDonald Drive to McKellips Road segment of the Loop 101 to FY 2004.

MEMBERS ATTENDING

Scottsdale: Jan Dolan, Chairperson	Goodyear: Grant Anderson
Phoenix: Tom Callow for Jack Tevlin, Vice Chairman	Guadalupe, Antonio Figueroa
ADOT: Chuck Eaton for Dan Lance	* Litchfield Park: Mike Cartsonis
Avondale: Kristin Skabo for Dave Fitzhugh	Maricopa County: Chris Plumb for Tom Buick
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EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS ATTENDING

* Regional Bicycle Task Force: Pat McDermott, Chandler	* Pedestrian Working Group: Reed Kempton, Maricopa County Dept of Transportation
* Street Committee: Don Herp, Phoenix ITS Committee: Jim Book	* Telecommunications Advisory Group: Vacant

* Members neither present nor represented by proxy.

Regional Council: On January 29, 2003, the Regional Council approved the material change to the Regional Freeway Program and amended the FY 2003-2007 MAG Transportation Improvement Program to provide \$34 million to ADOT for rubberized asphalt as shown in the tables that were attached, contingent upon TPC approval of the rubberized asphalt map.

MEMBERS ATTENDING

Mayor Wendy Feldman-Kerr, Queen Creek, Chair	Vice Mayor Ken Jones for Mayor J. Woodfin Thomas, Litchfield Park
Mayor Joan Shafer, Surprise, Vice Chair	Supervisor Don Stapley, Maricopa County
* Mayor Douglas Coleman, Apache Junction	Mayor Keno Hawker, Mesa
Mayor Ron Drake, Avondale	* Mayor Edward Lowry, Paradise Valley
Mayor Dusty Hull, Buckeye	Vice Mayor Ella Makula for Mayor John Keegan, Peoria
Mayor Edward Morgan, Carefree	Mayor Skip Rimsza, Phoenix
* Vice Mayor Ralph Mozilo, Cave Creek	* President Joni Ramos, Salt River Pima- Maricopa Indian Community
* Mayor Boyd Dunn, Chandler	Mayor Mary Manross, Scottsdale
Mayor Robert Robles, El Mirage	Mayor Neil Giuliano, Tempe
* Mayor Jon Beydler, Fountain Hills	* Mayor Adolfo Gamez, Tolleson
* Mayor Chuck Turner, Gila Bend	#Mayor Lon McDermott, Wickenburg
Governor Richard Narcia, Gila River Indian Community	Mayor Daphne Green, Youngtown
Mayor Steven Berman, Gilbert	* Rusty Gant, ADOT
Mayor Elaine Scruggs, Glendale	Joe Lane, ADOT
Vice Mayor Seth Kanter, Goodyear	F. Rockne Arnett, Citizens Transportation Oversight Committee
* Mayor Margarita Cota, Guadalupe	

* Those members neither present nor represented by proxy.

Attended by videoconference or by telephone conference call.

Transportation Policy Committee: On January 15, 2003, the TPC recommended approval of the material change to the Regional Freeway Program and amend the FY 2003-2007 MAG Transportation Improvement Program to provide \$34 million to ADOT for rubberized asphalt as shown in the attached tables, contingent upon TPC approval of the rubberized asphalt map.

MEMBERS ATTENDING

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| Mayor Neil Giuliano, Tempe, Chair | Mayor Keno Hawker, Mesa |
| Mayor Elaine Scruggs, Glendale, Vice Chair | Senator Marilyn Jarrett, Arizona Senate |
| Benito Almanza, Bank of America Arizona | Eneas Kane, DMB Associates |
| F. Rockne Arnett, Citizens Transportation Oversight Committee | Vice Mayor Seth Kanter, Goodyear |
| Mayor Steven Berman, Gilbert | Mayor Mary Manross, Scottsdale |
| Dave Berry, Swift Transportation | Mayor Lon McDermott, Wickenburg |
| Jed S. Billings, FNF Construction | * Representative Gary Pierce, Arizona House |
| Councilmember Peggy Bilsten, Phoenix | * Diane Scherer, Phoenix Assn of Realtors |
| Councilmember Pat Dennis, Peoria | Vice Mayor Daniel Schweiker, Paradise Valley |
| Mayor Ron Drake, Avondale | Martin Shultz, Pinnacle West Capital Corp. |
| * Mayor Boyd Dunn, Chandler | Supervisor Don Stapley, Maricopa County |
| Rusty Gant, ADOT | Mayor J. Woodfin Thomas, Litchfield Park |

* Not present

#Participated by videoconference or telephone conference call

Management Committee: On January 8, 2003, the MAG Management Committee recommended approving the material change and amending the FY 03-07 TIP accordingly, with one abstention (shaded).

MEMBERS ATTENDING

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| #Peoria: Terry Ellis, Chairman | Paradise Valley: Tom Martinsen |
| Mesa: Mike Hutchinson, Vice Chair | Phoenix: Frank Fairbanks |
| Apache Junction: George Hoffman | Queen Creek: Cynthia Seelhammer |
| Avondale: Todd Hileman | Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community: Bryan Meyers |
| Buckeye: Joe Blanton | Scottsdale: Jan Dolan |
| * Carefree: Jon Pearson | Surprise: Bill Pupo |
| * Cave Creek: Usama Abujbarah | Tempe: Shannon Wilhelmsen for Will Manley |
| Chandler: Donna Dreska | #Tolleson: Reyes Medrano for Ralph Velez |
| El Mirage: Stuart Brackney | Wickenburg: Shane Dille |
| * Fountain Hills: Tim Pickering | * Youngtown: Mark Fooks |
| Gila Bend: David Everts | ADOT: Dale Buskirk for Victor Mendez |
| * Gila River Indian Community: Urban Giff | Maricopa County: Mike Sabatini for David Smith |
| Gilbert: George Pettit | RPTA: Bryan Jungwirth for Ken Driggs |
| Glendale: Terry Zerkle for Ed Beasley | |
| * Goodyear: Stephen Cleveland | |
| Guadalupe: Tom Morales | |
| Litchfield Park: Horatio Skeete | |

Those members neither present nor represented by proxy.

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CONTACT PERSON:

Eric Anderson, MAG, (602) 254-6300

MARICOPA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

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DATE:

February 4, 2003

SUBJECT:

Amendment to the FY 2003-2007 MAG Transportation Improvement Program for Safety and Enhancement Fund Projects

SUMMARY:

The FY 2003-2007 MAG Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) was approved by the Regional Council on July 24, 2002. Recently, the State Transportation Board approved Transportation Enhancement Activity (TEA) funding for four projects within the MAG region. In addition, MAG was notified of two Surface Transportation program, Hazard Elimination Safety (STP-HES) funded Maricopa County projects and two TEA funded projects (one for Chandler and one for ADOT) that need to be added to the TIP. These latter four projects were originally programmed in earlier TIPs and were incorrectly reported as being underway during the development of more recent TIPs. It is necessary to amend the current TIP to include these projects in FY 2003 and FY 2004 so that they may proceed to construction. All of the projects concerned are regarded as exempt for air quality purposes and the consultation for this item is considered as a separate agenda item. At their meeting on January 30, 2003, the Transportation Review Committee unanimously recommended approval of this amendment.

PUBLIC INPUT:

An opportunity for public input was provided at the MAG Transportation Review Committee meeting on January 30, 2003. No public comment was received.

PROS & CONS:

PROS: Approval of this TIP amendment will allow the projects to proceed in a timely manner.

CONS: None.

TECHNICAL & POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

TECHNICAL: Projects that wish to utilize transportation federal funds need to be shown in the TIP in the year that they expect to commence.

POLICY: This amendment request is in accord with all MAG guidelines.

ACTION NEEDED:

Recommend approval of the Transportation Review Committee's recommendation for an amendment to the FY 2003-2007 MAG Transportation Improvement Program for federal Transportation Safety and Enhancement funds as shown on the attached Table One.

PRIOR COMMITTEE ACTIONS:

Transportation Review Committee (TRC): On January 30, 2003, the TRC unanimously recommended approval of this amendment.

MEMBERS ATTENDING

Scottsdale: Jan Dolan, Chairperson
Phoenix: Tom Callow for
Jack Tevlin, Vice Chairperson
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*Telecommunications Advisory Group:

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CONTACT PERSON:

Paul Ward, MAG, (602) 254-6300

**Table One - Project Additions to the FY 2003-2007 MAG Transportation Improvement Program (TIP Amendment Number Five)
NONE of the listed projects involve FTA funds or the transfer of FHWA funds to FTA**

Project #	Agency	Location	Type of Work	FY	Fund Type	Local Cost	Federal Cost	Total Cost
Projects being deferred from FY 2002 to FY 2003:								
MMA02-217	Maricopa County	Loop 303 at Northern Ave	Intersection safety improvements	2003	STP-HES	\$59,000	\$531,000	\$590,000
MMA02-218	Maricopa County	Loop 303 at Olive Ave	Intersection safety improvements	2003	STP-HES	\$59,000	\$531,000	\$590,000
DOT01-137	ADOT	60 (Grand Ave) at 83rd Ave and Peoria Ave	Construct four at-grade pedestrian crossings	2003	STP-TEA	\$27,148	\$449,133	\$476,281
Projects being added to FY 2003:								
CHN00-004	Chandler	Consolidated Canal (Paseo multi-use trail)	Design and construct multi-use path	2003	STP-TEA	\$30,500	\$500,000	\$530,500
Projects being added to FY 2004:								
PHX04-347	Phoenix	Camelback Rd at 20th St and 24th St	Design and reconstruct intersection to improve pedestrian and bicycle enhancements	2004	STP-TEA	\$62,500	\$392,491	\$454,991
GLB04-303	Gilbert	Various locations along the Consolidated and Eastern Canals	Design and install four pedestrian bridges	2004	STP-TEA	\$39,000	\$180,000	\$219,000
GDL04-301	Guadalupe	Guadalupe Rd: I-10 to Tempe City Limits	Design and construct roadway enhancements to complete the Sun Circle Trail	2004	STP-TEA	\$60,000	\$500,000	\$560,000
GLN04-315	Glendale	43rd Ave at Peoria Ave	Design and construct gateway facility	2004	STP-TEA	\$283,500	\$336,826	\$620,326
Total being added to the FY 2003-2007 MAG TIP:						\$620,648	\$3,420,450	\$4,041,098

MARICOPA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

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DATE:

February 4, 2003

SUBJECT:

Approval of Recommendations for Social Services Block Grant Fund Recommendations, SFY 2003-2004

SUMMARY:

Under a planning contract with the Arizona Department of Economic Security (DES), the MAG Human Services Planning program annually researches and solicits input on human services needs in the MAG region. The needs are prioritized and stated as problems. The MAG Human Services Coordinating Committee identifies which services should be directed to the problems. Services funded by the SSBG include assistance to the most vulnerable people in our region, including our very low income children and families, elderly people, victims of domestic violence, homeless people and those with disabilities.

However, the federal government has not specified and appropriated SSBG funding to the states yet for the 2003-2004 fiscal year. In order to move the funding allocation process along as soon as funds become available, DES has requested that MAG identify services and funding amounts using the same funding allocation figures as in the 2002-2003 fiscal year.

Therefore, the MAG Human Services Coordinating Committee recommendations for the 2003-2004 fiscal year are identical to those for the 2002-2003 fiscal year, and focus on the SSBG funding level for the 2002-2003 amount of \$4,090,500. Attached are the priority needs, services, and funding recommendations for the SFY2003-2004 SSBG Plan according to the four target groups of adults, children and families, the elderly, persons with disabilities, and persons with developmental disabilities. Members of the Management Committee are asked to approve the funding recommendations due to DES by February 15, 2003.

PUBLIC INPUT:

The normal public participation process has not occurred for these funding reductions, due to the timing of the federal actions and of the request from DES for a shortened process. However, the committees in making their recommendations took into account the community priorities expressed in previous processes, looked at areas in which additional funds are available and considered waiting list information when provided.

PROS & CONS:

PROS: DES allows MAG to identify, at the most local level, priority needs to be funded and contracted by DES in local communities. The Social Services Block Grant is one of the most flexible of funding sources, and we can guide use of these limited funds through DES in any way we choose, from year to year, for human needs.

CONS: The needs exceed the funds available. The funding base continues to decrease at the federal level and state transferred TANF funds are becoming less available – causing significant cuts at the local level.

TECHNICAL & POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

TECHNICAL: The shortfall in state revenue funds negatively impacted the amount of funds that have been made available to compensate for federal reductions in SSBG suffered over the past six years. In addition, since 1996 it has been a challenge to have mid-year changes to funding levels that often include retroactive effective dates. The flexibility of the funds and the MAG process allow us to respond to the changes.

POLICY: Since the advent of welfare reform in 1996, Congress has reduced the federal allocation of SSBG by 15 percent. This has forced the state to backfill losses to SSBG with TANF savings accumulated from the reduction in the welfare case loads. Although helpful, this policy has been a challenge to our planning process because not all of the SSBG funded services target families and children. This has forced the Committee to swap SSBG funds with TANF funds over the years. Since the federal SSBG allocation continues to diminish, and the state TANF replacement funds have been cut, significant reductions to locally planned SSBG services have resulted. The future of both the locally and state planned SSBG services depends on the recognition of the importance of these dollars at the federal level and a restoration of SSBG to its original \$2.38 billion level.

ACTION NEEDED:

Recommend approval of the priority needs, services and funding recommendations for SFY 2003-2004 to be forwarded to the Arizona Department of Economic Security for advertisement and contracting.

PRIOR COMMITTEE ACTIONS:

The Executive Committee of the Human Services Coordinating Committee met on January 31, 2003 via conference call to determine and approve the priority needs, services, and funding recommendations for SFY2003-2004. Because of the DES deadline of February 15, 2003, these recommendations are identical to those of the SFY 2002-2003.

MEMBERS ATTENDING

SSBG AD HOC COMMITTEE OF THE HSTC

Sandra Reagan, Southwest Community Network, Chairman
Jeannie Jertson, Maricopa County Human Services Department
Wayne Tormala, City of Phoenix Human Services
Jim Knaut, Area Agency on Aging
Susan Neidlinger, DES Development Disabilities

HSCC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Dennis Cahill, Councilmember of Tempe,
Marie Lopez-Rogers, Vice Mayor of Avondale
Manual Martinez, Councilmember of Glendale
Phillip Westbrook, Councilmember of Chandler
Mary Rose Wilcox, Maricopa County Supervisor

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A RESOLUTION OF THE MARICOPA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS REGARDING COMMENT ON REAUTHORIZATION OF THE FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION ACT

WHEREAS, the Maricopa Association of Governments is the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for Maricopa County Arizona; and

WHEREAS, the Maricopa Association of Governments is charged with developing regional policies and plans in areas such as transportation, air quality, land use, water quality, solid waste and human services; and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21) expires on September 30, 2003; and

WHEREAS, the Maricopa Association of Governments supports the basic principles set forth within TEA-21 which include more transportation funding, more responsibility for and cooperation between the state and local governments, improved regional planning, appropriate consideration for all modes of transportation, greater flexibility and simplicity, and assurances that transportation derived revenues are used for transportation purposes; and

WHEREAS, ISTEA and TEA-21 recognized that major infrastructure decisions have impacts on the region and communities and that local elected officials are the closest to their residents; and

WHEREAS, the Administration and the Congress of the United States should continue to recognize the major responsibility and role local governments have in maintaining the national transportation system and empower local officials to be directly involved in the planning and programming of federal transportation funds; and

WHEREAS, TEA-21 Reauthorization is of extreme importance to the citizens living within Maricopa County, the State of Arizona, and the United States; and

WHEREAS, transportation infrastructure and mobility are paramount to the economic sustainability, growth and security of the citizens of the region, the State, and the Nation;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Regional Council for the Maricopa Association of Governments encourages the Administration and the Congress of the United States to support and enact a Reauthorization Bill for Surface Transportation that includes the following:

1. Protect and maintain TEA-21's core principles: These principles include more transportation funding, more responsibility for and cooperation between the state and local governments, improved regional planning, appropriate consideration for all modes of transportation, greater flexibility and simplicity, and assurances that transportation derived revenues are used for transportation purposes.
2. Protect, maintain and enhance the funding allocation: Nationwide, the funds available for transportation fall short of meeting transportation needs. Additionally, funding fluctuations can cause serious problems in project delivery. The funding allocation can be protected, maintained and enhanced by:

- ▶ Maintaining the firewalls established with TEA-21.
- ▶ Enhancing levels of funding to the States and MPOs by eliminating obligation authority constraints.
- ▶ Maintain and improve Revenue Aligned Budget Authority (RABA) with refinements that limit large fluctuations.

3. Maximize funding for transportation needs: Transportation planners and decision-makers are faced with a dual problem when addressing transportation needs:

- a) The need for new infrastructure to meet the demand of growing populations; and
- b) The need to replace/maintain the existing aging infrastructure.

Maximizing the funding available is the only way to insure that our country's transportation network will continue to function and grow to meet the needs of future generations.

4. Increase and encourage cooperation with and support for local decision-makers: Any increase in funding to the States needs to penetrate to the local levels of government. Local/regional taxation has become more difficult given trends that increasingly require local communities to shoulder the burden of social programs and activities. State and regional transportation systems are interdependent on each other and are the backbone of the national system. The support for local jurisdictions could be accomplished by incorporating the following:

- ▶ Ensuring any increases in funding to the States are passed through to local levels by allocation to the MPOs.
- ▶ Restoring to MPOs the minimum guarantee sub-allocation as was the case with the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA).
- ▶ Increasing MPO planning funds.
- ▶ Continuing to require that annual revenue forecasts and financial plans be developed cooperatively and mutually agreed among the State, MPOs and Transit Operators.
- ▶ Focusing the conformity process on the Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) rather than the short-range Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).
- ▶ Increasing the RTP update cycle from three years to five for all areas.
- ▶ Increasing funding for safety and suballocation of safety funds to MPOs.
- ▶ Strengthening the Borders and Corridors program.

5. Increase flexibility and streamlining throughout the funding program. Increasing program flexibility will ensure more projects are completed in a timely manner. Increased flexibility and timeliness can be accomplished by:

- ▶ Working toward major changes to or streamlining the federal process (environmental/funding) to improve project delivery.
- ▶ Allowing concurrent review processes.
- ▶ Provisions to guarantee local projects are not delayed by lengthy state review processes such as guaranteed turn round periods for specific review items.

6. Recognize the Importance of Transportation to Homeland Security. Homeland Security is one of the Nation's top priorities. However, the Administration and Congress need to look beyond appropriations for direct measures and realize that the interconnected regional, state and interstate transportation infrastructure and the mobility it provides are paramount to the Nation's security and its ability to function and respond in times of emergency. Our aging and congested roadways and bridges are vulnerable to subversive activities and efforts to improve their flow and structural integrity should be given priority.

The transportation system can be adequately prepared to handle a range of emergency services, relief, traveler information and/or evacuation programs by:

- ▶ Continuing and increasing investment in communication and transportation technologies such as freeway management systems, traveler information systems and other Intelligent Transportation Systems technologies.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE MARICOPA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS THIS 26TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2003.

Wendy Feldman-Kerr, Chair
MAG Regional Council

ATTEST:

Dennis Smith, Interim Executive Director
Maricopa Association of Governments

Potential Reauthorization-Related Projects
(Order Does Not Indicate Priority)

Valley Metro Staff has prepared multi-year funding request for reauthorization that include bus maintenance facility projects, continuation and expansion of the Central Phoenix/East Valley Light Rail Transit (LRT) Project, and Job Access/Reverse Commute grant requests. It is important to note that although regional bus purchases are not included in the request, Federal formula funds received annually by the region can accommodate these purchases. The reauthorization requests build upon previous year appropriations for transit in the region. The requests have also been developed through the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), the Valley Metro Bus Maintenance Facilities Master Plan, and the financial plan submitted to the Federal Transit Administration as part of the annual New Starts submittal for LRT New Starts.

In summary the three requests are included in the following table by federal fiscal year (in millions).

Project	FY04	FY05	FY06	FY07	FY08	FY09
Bus Maintenance Facilities	\$23.2	\$19.5	\$39.9	\$4.6	\$8.2	\$16.6
Central Phoenix/ East Valley LRT*	\$80.0	\$80.0	\$80.0	\$80.0	\$80.0	\$80.0
Job Access/ Reverse Commute Grant#	\$2.5	\$2.625				

*Amounts depicted are estimates only and may be modified by Valley Metro Rail, Inc. Funding requests for extensions (eg. Metro Center, Glendale) to the minimum operating segment (MOS) will also be made.

#JARC funding requests are made over a two year period only due historical Congressional authorizing committee protocols.

MARICOPA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

INFORMATION SUMMARY... for your review

DATE:

February 4, 2003

SUBJECT:

ADOT Life Cycle Program for the MAG Regional Freeway System and the MAG Region ADOT Statewide Program

SUMMARY:

Each year, ADOT prepares a revised Life Cycle Program for the MAG Regional Freeway System and a Five-Year Highway Construction Program for the MAG region. Even though MAG is not going to be updating the MAG Transportation Improvement Program and the MAG Long Range Transportation Plan this year, ADOT is requesting that the attached Life Cycle Program and the MAG Region Statewide Program be approved by MAG for the purpose of public review and comment. Once public comment is received and any subsequent program changes are made, the ADOT projects will be incorporated into the next update of the MAG TIP and LRTP, subject to air quality conformity analysis.

The first attachment is for the Life Cycle Program for the MAG Regional Freeway System, with the changes listed on the top two pages followed by a complete listing of the projects needed to finish the freeway program. Note that the north half of the Bethany Home TI is a new project being added to the FY 2008 program using funding from the ADOT statewide program.

The second attachment lists the MAG Region ADOT Statewide Program. These projects are funded from the ADOT Discretionary Program funds. The projects being added for the new year of the program (2008) are listed on the first page. This is followed by a three-page summary of the changes to the statewide program for the MAG region and then by the full listing of the projects.

PUBLIC INPUT:

Opportunities for the public to provide input to the project selection process are held throughout the year. No public comment on the specific projects being recommended has been received to date.

PROS & CONS:

PROS: MAG, ADOT and Valley Metro each year prepare a cooperatively-developed funding estimate and recommended projects in accordance with federal law. Approval of the project lists will allow for public review and comment concerning the projects being recommended.

CONS: None.

TECHNICAL & POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

TECHNICAL: MAG, ADOT and Valley Metro each year prepare a cooperatively-developed funding estimate and recommended projects in accordance with federal law.

POLICY: MAG has the responsibility to approve changes to the Life Cycle Program according to State law. In addition, MAG, as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) works in cooperation with ADOT and Valley Metro to develop a cooperative-developed program for this region.

ACTION NEEDED:

Recommend approval of the Life Cycle Program for the MAG Regional Freeway System and the MAG Region Statewide Program for the purpose of public review and comment.

PRIOR COMMITTEE ACTIONS:

Transportation Review Committee: On January 30, 2003, the MAG Transportation Review Committee unanimously approved the proposed list of projects for ADOT funding for 2008.

MEMBERS ATTENDING

Scottsdale: Jan Dolan, Chairperson
Phoenix: Tom Callow for
Jack Tevlin, Vice Chairperson
ADOT: Chuck Eaton for Dan Lance
Avondale: Kristin Skabo for Dave Fitzhugh
*Buckeye: Joe Blanton
*Chandler: Patrice Kraus
*Fountain Hills: Randy Harrell
Gilbert: Tami Ryall
Glendale: Jim Book

Goodyear: Grant Anderson
*Guadalupe, Antonio Figueroa
*Litchfield Park: Mike Cartsonis
Maricopa County: Chris Plumb for
Tom Buick
Mesa: Jim Huling for Jeff Martin
*Paradise Valley: Robert M. Cicarelli
Peoria: David Moody
RPTA: Ken Driggs
Surprise: Scott Phillips
Tempe: Mary O'Connor

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS ATTENDING

*Regional Bicycle Task Force:
Pat McDermott, Chandler
*Street Committee: Don Herp, Phoenix
ITS Committee: Jim Book

*Pedestrian Working Group: Reed Kempton,
Maricopa County Dept of Transportation
*Telecommunications Advisory Group:
vacant

* Members neither present nor represented by proxy.

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MARICOPA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

INFORMATION SUMMARY... for your review

DATE:

February 4, 2003

SUBJECT:

Discussion of the FY 2004 Proposed Revenues and Expenditures and Projects in the MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget

SUMMARY:

Each year, staff develops the Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget. The Work Program is reviewed each year by the federal agencies in April and approved by the Regional Council in May. A review of the detailed draft Work Program and Budget is scheduled for March. This presentation is an overview of MAG's early FY 2004 draft revenues and expenses and proposed new projects for the FY 2004 Work Program. The draft time line has been updated to reflect changes in the production of the Budget. This information is considered draft and subject to change.

In addition to the detailed MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget, we are producing a summary budget document, "MAG Programs in Brief," that will allow our members to quickly decipher the financial implications of the MAG budget. The summary budget is anticipated to be four to five pages and will highlight changes from the prior year budget in a summarized form. It was suggested that the summary document include a list of new projects with summary narrative, new staff positions, and the budgeted resources needed to implement these items.

Information for this presentation of the developing budget is included for your early review and input. Enclosed for your information are the following documents:

- Attachment I is an initial draft of the "MAG Programs in Brief." The projects and the associated budget estimates represent actual budgeted amounts for the recommended projects.
- Attachment II is a draft copy of our projected funding sources and uses for FY 2004
- Attachment III is the draft functional line item expenditures. These expenditures are comprised of personnel costs and overhead and do not include consultant or pass through items.
- Attachment IV is an updated timeline for the budget process.

The budgeted amounts will be subject to adjustments as they are reviewed in final form.

PUBLIC INPUT:

A citizen commented that the budget should consider the long term.

PROS & CONS:

PROS: MAG is presenting a review of the overall revenues and expenditures for the FY 2004 budget along with information on proposed new projects and the associated estimated costs for FY 2004. This will provide for an incremental review of key budget details in February and a review of the complete draft budget and work program in March of 2003. Additionally, we are producing a summary budget document, "MAG Programs in Brief," for your review in February. This will allow our members to quickly decipher the financial implications of the MAG budget.

CONS: None.

TECHNICAL & POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

TECHNICAL: None

POLICY: None

ACTION NEEDED:

Information, discussion and input on the development of the Work Program and Annual Budget.

PRIOR COMMITTEE ACTIONS:

On December 9, 2002, the MAG Regional Council Executive Committee was provided a proposed budget timeline, proposed dues and assessments, and information regarding the summary budget document, "MAG Programs in Brief." On January 8, 2003, the Management Committee was provided a proposed budget budget timeline, proposed dues and assessments, and information regarding the summary budget document, "MAG Programs in Brief." On January 29, 2003, MAG Regional Council was provided a proposed budget budget timeline, proposed dues and assessments, and information regarding the summary budget document, "MAG Programs in Brief."

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MARICOPA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

INFORMATION SUMMARY... for your review

DATE:

February 4, 2003

SUBJECT:

2005 Population Options Status Report

SUMMARY:

At the January Management Committee meeting, George Pettit, Chair of the Subcommittee on 2005 Population Options gave a status report on efforts to provide for a more cost-effective method than conducting a full Special Census for deriving a 2005 population count for distributing state-shared revenue. It was reported that the Census Bureau had estimated that it would cost \$3.6 million to conduct a survey of the region compared to \$30 million for a Special Census; and that the subcommittee requested that the Census Bureau recalculate the cost of conducting a survey assuming a higher level of accuracy for deriving a 2005 population count. The Census Bureau is currently working on a revised cost estimate for a survey, which is anticipated to be available by the Management Committee meeting. In addition, state legislation has been proposed which would allow for the use of population estimates, a survey or a 2000 Census population count in lieu of a Special Census to derive 2005 population figures for distributing state-shared revenues. At the January 24, 2003 meeting of the State Population Technical Advisory Committee, concerns were raised about the accuracy of using estimates or surveys for distributing state-shared revenue.

PUBLIC INPUT:

A citizen encouraged efforts to ensure he is counted in the Special Census. Another citizen commented on problems associated with hard to count population groups.

PROS & CONS:

PROS: With about \$1 billion in revenue distributed annually, based upon census counts, and with the rapid growth in the metropolitan area, it is crucial that member agencies understand their options and the risks and benefits associated with obtaining a 2005 population figure for distributing state-shared revenue.

CONS: Pursuing a Special Census is an expensive option and will require a great deal of preparatory work; undertaking a survey will cost less, but is subject to sampling error and will still require a great deal of preparatory work.

TECHNICAL & POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

TECHNICAL: The logistics of carrying out a Special Census for the region or a survey will be very demanding, but carry certain benefits of economies of scale and regional promotional activities to get participation and staffing.

POLICY: The 2005 population counts will be used to distribute more than a billion dollars annually in state-shared revenues between 2005 and 2010. The ability to use Federal Highway Administration funds to defray a portion of the cost of a Special Census or survey will require that the entire region pursue one option or the other.

ACTION NEEDED:

Information and discussion.

PRIOR COMMITTEE ACTIONS:

Management Committee: On October 14, 2002, the Management Committee approved establishment of a Subcommittee on 2005 population options to explore alternatives to deriving a 2005 population figure for distributing stated shared revenue. The motion was unanimously approved.

MEMBERS ATTENDING

Peoria: Terry Ellis, Chairman	Guadalupe: Tom Morales
Mesa: Mike Hutchinson, Vice Chair	Litchfield Park: Horatio Skeete
Apache Junction: Pat Brenner for George Hoffman	Paradise Valley: Tom Martinsen
Avondale: Kristin Greene Skabo for Todd Hileman	Phoenix: Norris Nordvold for Frank Fairbanks
* Buckeye: Joe Blanton	Queen Creek: Cynthia Seelhammer
Carefree: Jon Pearson	*Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community: Bryan Meyers
Cave Creek: Usama Abujarah	Scottsdale: Steve Olson for Jan Dolan
Chandler: Patrice Kraus for Donna Dreska	Surprise: Bill Pupo
El Mirage: Stuart Brackney	Tempe: Amber Wakeman for Will Manley
* Fountain Hills: Tim Pickering	Tolleson: Reyes Medrano for Ralph Velez
Gila Bend: Shane Dille	*Wickenburg: Jerry Stricklin
* Gila River Indian Community: Urban Giff	Youngtown: Mark Fooks
Gilbert: Tami Ryall for George Pettit	ADOT: Dale Buskirk for Victor Mendez
Glendale: Ed Beasley	Maricopa County: Mike Sabatini for David Smith
Goodyear: Stephen Cleveland	RPTA: Ken Driggs

*Those members neither present nor represented by proxy.

Participated by videoconference or telephone conference call.

Regional Council: On April 24, 2002, the Regional Council approved reserving at least \$6 million of MAG federal funds over a four year period (\$1.5 million per year) to keep our options open regarding taking a 2005 Special Census or using an estimate and to forward an assessment schedule to the MAG member agencies reflecting \$24 million over a four year period. The motion was approved, with one voting no (*italics*).

MEMBERS ATTENDING

Peoria: Mayor John Keegan, Vice Chair	* Mesa: Mayor Keno Hawker
Avondale: Mayor Ron Drake	Paradise Valley: Mayor Edward Lowry
* Buckeye: Mayor Dusty Hull	<i>Phoenix: Councilmember Peggy Bilsten for Mayor Skip Rimsza</i>
* Carefree: Mayor Edward C. Morgan	Queen Creek: Mayor Wendy Feldman-Kerr
* Cave Creek: Vice Mayor Ralph Mozilo	* Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community: President Ivan Makil
* Chandler: Mayor Jay Tibshraeny	* Scottsdale: Mayor Mary Manross
El Mirage: Mayor Roy Delgado	Surprise: Mayor Joan Shafer
* Fountain Hills: Mayor Sharon Morgan	* Tempe: Mayor Neil Giuliano
* Gila Bend: Mayor Chuck Turner	* Tolleson: Mayor Adolfo Gamez
* Gila River Indian Community: Governor Donald Antone	Wickenburg: Mayor Lon McDermott
Gilbert: Mayor Steven Berman	Youngtown: Councilmember Lucille Retherford for Mayor Daphne Green
Glendale: Mayor Elaine Scruggs	ADOT: Joe Lane
Goodyear: Mayor Bill Arnold	ADOT: Dallas Gant
* Guadalupe: Mayor Margarita Cota	Citizens Transportation Oversight Committee: F. Rockne Arnett
* Litchfield Park: Mayor J. Woodfin Thomas	
Maricopa County: Supervisor Max W. Wilson for Supervisor Don Stapley	

*Those members neither present nor represented by proxy.

Participated by videoconference or telephone conference call.

Management Committee: On April 10, 2002, the Management Committee recommended reserving at least \$6 million of MAG federal funds over a four year period (\$1.5 million per year) to keep our options open regarding taking a 2005 Special Census or to develop an estimate and to forward an assessment schedule to the MAG member agencies reflecting \$24 million over a four year period. The motion was recommended, with one abstention (shaded).

MEMBERS ATTENDING

Wickenburg: Fred Carpenter, Chairman
Avondale: Kristin Greene for Scott Schrader
* Buckeye: Joe Blanton
* Carefree: Jon Pearson
* Cave Creek: Usama Abujbarah
Chandler, Donna Dreska
El Mirage: Stuart Brackney
* Fountain Hills: Paul Nordin
Gila Bend: Shane Dille
* Gila River Indian Community: Urban Giff
Gilbert: George Pettit
Glendale: Tim Ernster for Ed Beasley
Goodyear: Stephen Cleveland
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