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Mr. John Halikowski, Director
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Dear Mr. Halikowski:

On July 25, 2007, the MAG Regional Council approved the FY 2008-2012 MAG Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). On February 24, 2010, the MAG Regional Council approved an amendment and an administrative modification to the FY 2008-2012 TIP. This amendment and administrative modification includes highway projects and transit projects programmed with ARRA funds in the MAG region. Details of these project changes are shown in the attached table. As the Governor's designee for approval of TIPs and TIP amendments, we request your expeditious approval of the amendment and modification of the TIP, which are necessary to ensure the continuation of the projects involved. In addition to approval of the TIP amendment and modification, we also request that ADOT process the necessary amendment to the relevant Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) as soon as possible.

On February 24, 2010 the Regional Council approved a new finding of conformity for two of the projects included in this amendment to the FY 2008-2012 TIP and RTP; this is noted in the far right column of the attached table. MAG has requested a new conformity determination for the amended FY 2008-2012 TIP and RTP from the Federal Highway Administration. The remaining projects in the attached table are regarded as either exempt for air quality purposes or are regarded as minor project revisions that do not require conformity determinations.

Your support and the assistance of your staff in ensuring the timely progression of these projects are much appreciated. We look forward to a continuing close relationship with the State in meeting the transportation needs of our region. Please contact me or Eric Anderson at the MAG office if you need any clarification regarding these amendments.

Sincerely,

Dennis Smith
Executive Director

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Request for Project Change - 2008-2012 MAG Transportation Improvement Program
MAG Regional Council February 2010

Highway Projects

TIP #	Agency	Project Location	Project Description	FY	Length	Fund Type	Local Cost	ARRA Cost	Federal Cost	Regional Cost	Total Cost	Requested Change	New Finding of Conformity
DOT10-817	ADOT	202 (Santan Fwy): I-10 - Gilbert Rd	Design-Build to construct HOV and Ramps in both east and west directions	2010	11	ARRA II	$ -	$ 135,700,000	$ -	$ -	$ 135,700,000	Amend: Add a new Design-Build project in FY 2010 for $135,700,00 dependent on Air Quality Conformity Analysis, and funding availability. Funds will be obligated in 2010 and project will be open to traffic in 2011. **To expedite project delivery, RARF will be used for consulting engineering costs prior to federal authorization (estimated to be $100,000). STP with RARF match will be used after federal authorization, then switching to ARRA II funding if and when those funds become available. The project will proceed in FY 2010 even if ARRA II funds do not become available later.**	✔
DOT10-818	ADOT	101 (Agua Fria & Pima Fwy): I-10 - Tatum Blvd	Design-Build to construct HOV lanes in both directions, north/east and south/west, and continuation of general purpose lane near I-17	2010	29	ARRA II	$ -	$ 139,500,000	$ -	$ -	$ 139,500,000	Amend: Add a new Design-Build project in FY 2010 for $139,500,000 dependent on Air Quality Conformity Analysis, and funding availability. Funds will be obligated in 2010 and project will be open to traffic in 2011.**To expedite project delivery, RARF will be used for consulting engineering costs prior to federal authorization (estimated to be $100,000).**	✔
DOT09-757	ADOT	17: Loop 101 (Pima Fwy) to SR-74 (Carefree Hwy)	Construct landscape	2010	9	STP-AZ & STP-TEA			$ 10,373,000	$ 627,000	$ 11,000,000	Amend: Increase budget by $6,000,000 and federal funding amounts are now: $5 mill - STP-AZ, and $5.373 mill - STP-TEA.	
DOT10-819	ADOT	60: SR101L, Agua Fria - McDowell Rd, Phase 1	R/W Acquisition	2010	13	RARF				$ 8,400,000	$ 8,400,000	Amend: Create a new R/W project in FY 2010.	

DOT10-851	ADOT	60: San Domingo - Wittmann	Pavement Preservation	2010	11	ARRA	$ -	$ 9,000,000	$ -	$ -	$ 9,000,000	Establish contingency pavement preservation project to absorb local agency ARRA funds and exchange for STP-AZ funds provided that the applicable SR143/Sky Harbor Blvd TI project is unable to obligate in the required time. STP-AZ funds will be used if full amount ($9 million) ARRA funds are not available.	
PEO10-805	Peoria	Lake Pleasant Parkway: Dynamite to CAP	Design New Four Lane Arterial Roadway	2010	5	STP-MAG	$ 2,083,218		$ 2,700,000		$ 4,783,218	Amend: Add new design project funded with STP-MAG. Funding is through the ALCP from project savings from another Peoria project. Project budgets and life cycle expenditures are balanced.	
PEO10-806	Peoria	Lake Pleasant Parkway: Dynamite to CAP	Right of way acquisition	2010	5	STP-MAG	$ 7,052,823		$ 2,634,127		$ 9,686,950	Amend: Add new ROW project funded with STP-MAG. Funding is through the ALCP from project savings from another Peoria project. Project budgets and life cycle expenditures are balanced.	

Transit Projects

TIP #	Agency	Project Location	Project Description	FY	Length	Fund Type	Local Cost	ARRA Cost	Federal Cost	Regional Cost	Total Cost	Requested Change	A.L.I
VMT10-815T	Valley Metro	Regionwide	Purchase Replacement Standard - 40 ft Bus, using FY2008 funds	2010	n/a	5316	75,316		301,264	0	376,580	Amend: Add new project to the TIP.	11.12.01
VMT10-816T	Valley Metro	Regionwide	Purchase Expansion Vanpool Vans - using FY2008 funds	2010	n/a	5316	70,000		280,000	0	350,000	Amend: Add new project to the TIP.	11.13.15
VMT10-817T	Valley Metro	Regionwide	Operating: Operating Assistance - Marketing for Low income job seekers - using FY2008 funds	2010	n/a	5316	100,000		100,000	0	200,000	Amend: Add new project to the TIP.	30.09.01
VMT10-818T	Valley Metro	Regionwide	Operating; Operating Assistance - Vanpool Operating - using FY2008 funds	2010	n/a	5316	34,320		34,320	0	68,640	Amend: Add new project to the TIP.	30.09.01
VMT10-819T	Valley Metro	Regionwide	Operating; Operating Assistance - Route 685 Ajo/Gila Bend Casino - using FY2008 funds	2010	n/a	5316	50,822		50,822	0	101,644	Amend: Add new project to the TIP.	30.09.01
VMT10-820T	Valley Metro	Regionwide	Operating; Operating Assistance - Route 685 Gila River Casino - using FY2008 funds	2010	n/a	5316	203,500		203,500	0	407,000	Amend: Add new project to the TIP.	30.09.01
PHX10-810T	Phoenix	Regionwide	Program Administration - using FY2009 funds	2010	n/a	5316	0		192,654		192,654	Amend: Add new project to the TIP.	11.80.00
PHX10-811T	Phoenix	Regionwide	Operating:Operating Assistance - Sr Taxi Coupon Pilot Program - using FY2008 funds	2010	n/a	5317	62,778		62,778	0	125,556	Amend: Add new project to the TIP.	30.09.01
VMT10-821T	Valley Metro	Regionwide	Operating:Operating Assistance - EV Alternative Taxi Subsidy, Vol. Dri. Mile - using FY2008 funds ($199,004) and FY2009 funds ($195,996)	2010	n/a	5317	395,000		395,000	0	790,000	Amend: Add new project to the TIP.	30.09.01
VMT10-822T	Valley Metro	Regionwide	Operating:Operating Assistance - EV Recurring Medical Taxi Voucher - using FY2008 funds	2010	n/a	5317	129,648		129,648	0	259,296	Amend: Add new project to the TIP.	30.09.01

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VMT10-823T	Valley Metro	Regionwide	Operating:Operating Assistance - EV Super Senior 85 + Taxi Voucher - using FY2008 funds	2010	n/a	5317	93,927		93,927	0	187,854	Amend: Add new project to the TIP.	30.09.01
VMT10-824T	Valley Metro	Regionwide	Mobility Management - On-line Transportation Directory - using FY2008 funds	2010	n/a	5317	6,250		25,000	0	31,250	Amend: Add new project to the TIP.	11.7L.00
VMT10-825T	Valley Metro	Regionwide	Mobility Management - DAR/Taxi/Volunteer - using FY2008 funds	2010	n/a	5317	56,981		227,923	0	284,904	Amend: Add new project to the TIP.	11.7L.00
VMT10-826T	Valley Metro	Regionwide	Mobility Management - EV Travel Training Program - using FY2008 funds	2010	n/a	5317	36,153		144,613	0	180,766	Amend: Add new project to the TIP.	11.7L.00