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TO: Members of the MAG Population Technical Advisory Committee

FROM: George Pettit, Gilbert, Chair

SUBJECT: TRANSMITTAL OF MEETING NOTICE AND TENTATIVE AGENDA

Tuesday, March 21, 2006 - 10:00 a.m.
MAG Office, Suite 200, Saguaro Room
302 North 1st Avenue, Phoenix

A meeting of the MAG Population Technical Advisory Committee (POPTAC) will be held at the time and place noted above.

Members of the POPTAC may attend either in person, by telephone conference call or by videoconference. To videoconference to the meeting, prior arrangements need to be made with Craig Chenery at MAG and or your site coordinator. Those attending by telephone conference call are requested to call 602-261-7510 between 9:55 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. After prompting, please enter the meeting ID number 767822 (POPTAC) on your telephone key pad followed by the pound sign. If you have a problem or require assistance, please dial 0 after calling the number above.

If you are driving, please park in the garage under the Compass Bank building. Bring your ticket to the meeting and parking will be validated. For those using transit, the RPTA will provide transit tickets for your trip. For those using bicycles, please lock your bicycle in the bike rack in the garage.

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Please be advised that under procedures approved by the MAG Regional Council on June 26, 1996, all MAG committees need to have a quorum to conduct business. A quorum is a simple majority of the membership or 13 people for the MAG POPTAC. If you are unable to attend the meeting, please make arrangements for a proxy from your jurisdiction to represent you. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Harry Wolfe at (602) 254-6300.

TENTATIVE AGENDA

COMMITTEE ACTION REQUESTED

1. Call to Order

2. Call to the Audience

An opportunity will be provided to members of the public to address the MAG POPTAC on items not scheduled on the agenda that fall under the jurisdiction of MAG, or on items on the agenda for discussion but not for action. Members of the public will be requested to limit their comments to 3 minutes. A total of 15 minutes will be provided for this agenda item, unless the Chair of the POPTAC requests an exception to this limit. Those wishing to comment on action agenda items will be given an opportunity at the time the item is heard.

3. Approval of Meeting Minutes of February 21, 2006

4. 2005 Census Survey

On March 2, 2006 MAG and the Census Bureau held a Census Survey workshop. The process for deriving counts of population in group quarters, and figures for housing units and population in households were discussed. Additionally preliminary figures for population in group quarters were distributed. The preliminary census figures for total housing units, occupied housing units and persons in households will be distributed on or about March 15, 2006.

The Census Bureau has established an appeals process for preliminary counts on population in Group Quarters and a review process for housing units and population in housing units. These processes will be discussed. Please see Attachment One.

2. For information.

3. For information, discussion and approval of the minutes of February 21, 2006.

4. For information and discussion.

5. July 1, 2006 Resident Population Updates

DES is in the process of collecting data for the preparation of the July 1, 2006 resident population estimates. In Maricopa County these estimates will use the results of the Census Survey as the base.

6. MAG Socioeconomic Projections

MAG is preparing for the next set of socioeconomic projections. MAG staff have been collecting from member agencies and assembling the base data that will be used to generate draft projections.

MAG has begun the distribution of base data and build-out for those member agencies that have provided complete data sets. It is anticipated that all member agencies will receive the base and buildout for review by March 31, 2006 and will have three weeks to review their data. A status report will be provided.

7. Town of Buckeye Growth Trends

A representative from the town of Buckeye will present information related to development in their jurisdiction. This will include a review of major projects, master planned communities, ongoing studies, general plan updates and infrastructure regional impacts.

8. AZ Socioeconomic Modeling, Analysis and Reporting Toolbox (AZ-SMART)

The Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG) is developing a project to create an Arizona Socioeconomic Modeling, Analysis and Reporting Toolbox (AZ-SMART). This socioeconomic modeling suite will use a variety of software products to support socioeconomic activities. The modeling suite will be a platform on which to build, calibrate, run, and analyze socioeconomic projections and projection models and will seamlessly integrate with other third party models. A status report will be provided.

5. For information and discussion.

6. For information and discussion.

7. For information and discussion.

8. For information and discussion.

9. 2006 Boundary and Annexation Survey

Each year the Census Bureau distributes a Boundary and Annexation Survey (BAS) to cities and towns. The purpose of the survey is to update the corporate limits of local jurisdictions based upon new annexations for use in Census programs.

In January 2006 the BAS was mailed out to MAG member agencies with a deadline of April 1, 2006 for returning the completed survey. It is important that MAG member agencies provide any updates to the Census Bureau as they will be used in the 2005 American Community Survey and next year's census population estimates. Please also forward this information to Maricopa County staff so that they can keep the jurisdictional boundaries of MAG member agencies up-to-date. A status report will be provided.

10. Regional Updates

Members of MAG agencies will be provided an opportunity to provide an update on development within their jurisdiction.

11. Next Meeting of the MAG POPTAC

The next meeting of the MAG POPTAC is scheduled to be held on Tuesday, April 18, 2006 at 10:00 a.m.

9. For information and discussion.

10. For information and discussion.

11. For information.