

March 26, 2009

Mr. John Halikowski, Interim Director  
Arizona Department of Transportation  
206 South 17th Avenue  
Phoenix, Arizona 85007

Dear <sup>Juhy</sup> Mr. Halikowski:

On July 25, 2007, the MAG Regional Council approved the FY 2008-2012 MAG Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). On March 25, 2009, the MAG Regional Council approved an amendment and an administrative modification to the FY 2008-2012 TIP for transportation funding from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009. This amendment and administrative modifications 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 TIP's 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.

All of the above mentioned projects are regarded as either exempt for air quality purposes or are regarded as minor project revisions that do not require conformity determinations. The conformity consultation process on these projects concluded on March 25, 2009 with no specific comments regarding the projects being received.

Your support and the assistance of your staff in ensuring the timely progression of these projects is 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 Eileen Yazzie 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  
Administrative Modifications to the FY08-12 TIP  
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<b>TABLE A</b>										
<b>Highway Projects - TIP FY2008-2012 Administrative Modifications</b>										
TIP #	Agency	Project Location	Project Description	FY	Length	Fund Type	Local Cost	Federal Cost	Total Cost	Requested Change
DOT09-815	ADOT	I-10: Verrado Way - Sarival Rd	Construct General Purpose Lane	2009	1	ARRA		\$43,200,000	\$ 43,200,000	Admin Mod: Change funding type from State (STAN funding not available) to American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funds.
DOT09-818	ADOT	I-17: SR74-Anthem Way	Construct General Purpose Lane	2009	5	ARRA		\$20,868,488	\$ 20,868,488	Admin Mod: Change funding type from State (STAN funding not available) to American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funds. Budget has decreased from \$30.5 million to \$20.9 million.
DOT09-6C00R	ADOT	US 60: SR 303L - 99th Ave	10 Miles Widening	2009	10	ARRA		\$45,000,000	\$ 45,000,000	Admin Mod: Change funding type from NHS funds to American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funds.
DOT07-332	ADOT	US 60: 99th Ave - 83rd Ave	2.5 Miles Widening	2009	1.7	ARRA		\$11,200,000	\$ 11,200,000	Admin Mod: Change funding type from NHS funds to American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funds.
DOT12-840	ADOT	Loop 101: Beardsley Rd / Union Hills	TI Improvement - Widening Union Hills and Bridge with Beardsley connector	2009	0.2	ARRA	\$18,250,000	\$9,250,000	\$ 27,500,000	Admin Mod: Change funding type from State funds to American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funds.

**Request for Project Change**  
**Administrative Modification & Amendment to the FY08-12 TIP**  
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**TABLE B**

**Transit Projects - TIP FY2008-2012 Amendment & Administrative Modification**

PROJ #	Agency	FTA ALI #	Project Location	Project Description	Fiscal Year	Local Cost	STP-Flex	5307	Federal - ARRA	Total Cost	Requested Change
AVN09-803T	Avondale	11.31.04	Avondale Blvd/I-10	Park-and-Ride site selection	2009	NA	NA		\$ 250,000	\$ 250,000	Amend - New Project - 100% funded with ARRA funds.
GDY06-204T	Goodyear	11.33.04	I-10/Litchfield Rd	Construct regional park-and-ride (I-10/Litchfield)	2009	\$ 508,666	\$ 2,034,665		\$ 1,083,602	\$ 3,626,933	Admin Mod: ARRA funding is added to the project.
MES10-809T	Mesa	11.33.04	Country Club/US 60	Park-and-Ride construction	2009	NA	NA		\$ 9,400,000	\$ 9,400,000	Admin Mod: ARRA funding will replace the 5309 and regional funding.
PHX09-837T	Phoenix	11.23.01	Bell Rd/SR-51	Bus access crossover	2009	NA	NA		\$ 640,070	\$ 640,070	Amend - New Project - 100% funded with ARRA funds.
PHX10-818T	Phoenix	11.34.01	Central Avenue/Van Buren	Central Station Transit Center Refurbishments	2009	NA	NA		\$ 5,000,000	\$ 5,000,000	Admin Mod: Upgrade the transit center including shading techniques, hardscape and landscape improvements, building upgrades, links between all passenger areas and signage are integral to the site. (Complete September 2010)
PHX08-705T	Phoenix	11.33.04	I-17/Happy Valley	Happy Valley/I-17 Park and Ride - construct	2009	NA	NA		\$ 5,500,000	\$ 5,500,000	Admin Mod: 7.7-acre park-and-ride to include the following: Approximately 500 covered parking spaces, landscaping/irrigation, lighting, surveillance cameras, security building, passenger platform, 29 <sup>th</sup> Avenue Street improvements, and a direct connection for buses to the SB I-17 on-ramp and "transit-only" lane. The project site is located at the SWC of the Happy Valley Road/I-17 interchange in North Phoenix. (Open December 2010)
PHX09-838T	Phoenix	11.34.04	Pecos Road/40th Street	Pecos/40th St Park and Ride Expansion	2009	NA	NA	NA	\$ 3,000,000	\$ 3,000,000	Amend: New Project - This project will entail the expansion of the overcrowded Pecos/40th Street Park-and-Ride located at the NWC of this intersection. It will include the following design features: Approximately 300 additional covered parking spaces, Street and canopy lighting, Additional CCTV monitoring that should be routed to and monitored from the existing Security Building, Landscaping, sidewalks and irrigation, Expansion should match existing phase 1 as much as possible and take into account any upgrade required to make the two phases function as one. Open July 2010
PHX09-611T	Phoenix	11.7A.00	Regionwide	Preventive Maintenance	2009	\$ 1,312,799	NA	\$ 5,251,196	\$ 5,400,000	\$ 11,963,995	Admin Mod: This project will entail preventive maintenance for fixed route bus operations. The project will include preventive maintenance beyond that which is currently federally funded.
PHX09-839T	Phoenix	11.42.08	Regionwide	Intelligent Transportation System Enhancement: Regional Transit Stop Data Overhaul	2009	NA	NA	NA	\$ 300,000	\$ 300,000	Amend: New Project - Acquire a complete software system designed to maintain up-to-date inventories of bus stops and their amenities. Complete December 2009
PHX09-840T	Phoenix	11.32.10	Citywide	Bus Stop Improvements	2009	NA	NA	NA	\$ 4,321,217	\$ 4,321,217	Amend - New Project - Install bus stop amenities at bus stops through-out Phoenix. Complete July 2012

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PHX09-841T	Phoenix	11.34.04	Regionwide	LRT Park and Ride Shade Canopies	2009	NA	NA	NA	\$ 5,000,000	\$ 5,000,000	Amend - New Project - Install shade canopies at existing LRT park-and-rides in Phoenix. Complete July 2010
VMT10-807T	RPTA	11.22.01	Arizona Avenue/Country Club (Service between Ocotillo Ave/Alma School and Sycamore and Main using Arizona Ave/CC)	Bus Rapid Transit - Arizona Avenue/Country Club (Phase I) - Acquire ROW	2010	NA	NA		\$ 2,500,000	\$ 2,500,000	Admin Mod: In the TIP, the project is currently split into two phases (2010 and 2011). The first project (VMT10-807T) will need to be changed to reflect \$2.5M TOTAL ARRA funds for ROW with service beginning in July 2010. Planned service is 15 one-way miles (30 round trip).
VMT10-807T	RPTA	11.23.01	Arizona Avenue/Country Club (Service between Ocotillo Ave/Alma School and Sycamore and Main using Arizona Ave/CC)	Bus Rapid Transit Arizona Avenue/Country Club (Phase I) - Construct busway improvements and stations	2010	NA	NA		\$ 12,500,000	\$ 12,500,000	Admin Mod: In the TIP, the project is currently split into two phases (2010 and 2011). The first project (VMT10-807T) will need to be changed to reflect \$2.5M TOTAL ARRA funds for ROW with service beginning in July 2010. Planned service is 15 one-way miles (30 round trip).
SCT09-803T	Scottsdale	11.33.04	Loop 101/Scottsdale Rd	Park-and-Ride construction	2009	NA	NA		\$ 5,000,000	\$ 5,000,000	Admin Mod: ARRA funding will replace the 5309 and regional funding and not be in addition to it.
TMP09-806T	Tempe	11.41.03	East Valley Operations and Maintenance Facility	Expansion/Upgrade	2009	NA	NA		\$ 6,500,000	\$ 6,500,000	Amend - NEW Project: The expansion will only use 100% ARRA funding and needs to be listed a new project. construction of additional bus parking; bus shade structures; installation of equipment upgrades to better meet the needs of the new generation of regional buses; complete the expansion of the CNG fueling capacity; construction of bio-diesel fueling station; install additional security cameras; install improvements to meet employee needs; and to construct an additional shaded defueling facility.