

TO: Members of the MAG Management Committee

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SUBJECT: FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR (FFY) 2008 YEAR END CLOSEOUT

FFY08 Obligation Authority

The amount of CMAQ and STP-MAG funds available for FFY 2008 is \$130.4 million.

The total amount of the projects programmed for FFY08 is \$134.8 million, however, member agencies have submitted request to defer or delete federal funds from a project for approximately \$40.1 million. Table A reflects the approved Project Deferrals and Removal of Funds. This leaves an unobligated balance for FFY08 of \$35.65 million. To balance the fiscally constrained Arterial Life Cycle Program (ALCP), \$21 million in MAG-STP funds will be carried forward to FFY2009. This would leave a remaining balance of \$14.7 million of unobligated funds for closeout.

The remaining balance of unobligated funds is subject to change dependent on member agency deferral notifications and the notification of redistributed obligation authority.

Projects Submitted for Closeout Funds

There were twenty one projects submitted to MAG for close-out funds. Of the twenty one projects, eighteen were submitted on or before the due date, and three were submitted after the due date.

Of the twenty one projects, seven projects were identified to be advanced, one project requested to be advanced and have additional funds, nine projects were requested to have additional funds added, and four are identified as new. These are identified in Table B. The total amount requested through the close-out is \$18,453,377. Of the \$18.45 million requested, \$4,741,958 is the total amount of funds requested for projects to be advanced, and \$13,711,419 is the total amount of funds requested as additional funds or new projects.

The Air Quality Technical Advisory Committee recommended a CMAQ evaluation to the TRC for the projects submitted for use of Closeout funds.

The Transportation Review Committee met on May 30, 2008 used the guidance from the current Closeout Priorities, and recommended that 18 projects are funded with FFY08 Closeout funds for a total of \$14.7 million, and a contingency list of 4 rank ordered projects are funded with any additional Closeout funds.

The current Closeout Priorities are:

- 1.The first priority for uncommitted and redistributed obligation authority occurring in the first year of the program will be to **advance current federally funded programmed projects** that are ready to be obligated.
- 2.The second priority is to **increase the federal share of projects** being obligated in the first year of the program. The process of selecting these projects will consider committee input and results of the management systems;
- 3.**Any other projects.**

Information regarding the FFY2008 Closeout is available electronically on the MAG website <http://www.mag.maricopa.gov/project.cms?item=413>, at the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) webpage. If there are any questions regarding the FFY08 year-end closeout process, or the submittal of projects, please call Eileen O. Yazzie at 602-254-6300.