



EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

DATE:	March 8, 2016	TIME:	10:00 AM to 12:00 PM
PLACE:	City of Casa Grande Council Chambers, 510 E. Florence Blvd., Casa Grande, Arizona		
	Irene's Cell 520-705-5143		
Shaded items are action items: Action may be taken on any item on the agenda, or items brought up at the meeting.			
Attendees:	Louis Andersen in for Supervisor Steve Miller, PC Mayor Bob Jackson, CG Mayor Joel Belloc, Eloy Mayor Jon Thompson, Coolidge Kelly Anderson, ADOT	Harvey Krauss, Eloy Jill Dusenberry, Coolidge Duane Eitel, Casa Grande Susanna Struble, Coolidge Jerry James, ADOT Kevin Adam, RTAC Director Steve Stratton, ADOT Lance Dunagan, Eloy Carlos Lopez, ADOT Marisa Galindo, Walton	Irene Higgs, SCMPO Caren Rausis, SCMPO Brent Crowther, Kimley Horn Kathy Borquez, Pinal County Ed Stillings, FHWA Dominique Paukowits, FTA Steve Hogan, PB Marisa Galindo, Walton
ITEM	AGENDA ITEM		
1	Call to order, Pledge and Introductions		
2	Approval of Minutes of January 5, 2016 AND January 7, 2016	APPROVED 5 - 0	
	<i>The Executive Board approved the meeting minutes for January 5, 2016 and January 7, 2016.</i>		
3	Call to the Public		
	<i>There were no comments from the public.</i>		
4	RTAC		
	<i>Kevin Adam provided an update. See attached memo.</i>		
5	TAC Update		
	<i>Duane Eitel provided a general overview of the TAC.</i>		
6	ADOT Planner Update		
	<i>Charla Glendeing was not able to attend.</i>		
7	FHWA Update		
	<i>Ed Stillings stated that they are beginning to see some guidance coming out on the FAST ACT. The final rule on Safety - HSIP should be published either this week or next. Webinars will be coming out to provide guidance. FHWA and FTA will be doing the federal review on the Sun Corridor MPO WP this afternoon along with staff from ADOT.</i>		
8	District Engineer Update		
	<i>Jerry James provided an overview on current District projects within the Sun Corridor MPO region.</i>		

Anyone needing accommodations, please contact Irene Higgs at 520-705-5143 48 hours prior to the meeting.



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9	<p><i>ADOT Passenger Rail Study Update</i></p> <p><i>Carlos Lopez, ADOT Multimodal Planning Division, presented a PowerPoint presentation on the current status of the ADOT Passenger Rail Study. Presentation attached.</i></p>
10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>MPO Update (10)</i> • <i>MPO Ledger (10a)</i> • <i>Design/Construction Report (10b)</i> • <i>Safety Plan Update</i> • <i>Transit Feasibility Update - 5304 Grant (10c)</i> <p><i>MPO Update</i> - Irene Higgs reviewed some of the activities staff attended for the month of December, January and February - very busy months.</p> <p><i>MPO Ledger</i> - Irene Higgs reported that we do have over \$2.0 million of STP funding in FY2017 - 2020 that needs to either be loaned out or placed on projects. A call for STP projects was made to the TAC on February 25th; the MPO ledgers is balanced for FY2016. The STP loan with MAG has been secured and approved by ADOT.</p> <p><i>Design/Construction Report</i> - All projects within the MPO are all on track and moving forward.</p> <p><i>Safety Plan Update</i> - Irene Higgs provided an overview of the January Public Meetings - had 51 people attend. The TAC is currently developing the emphasis areas and safety strategies. We will begin the network screening process very soon where we actually look at spot locations and countermeasures. We are also looking at a "Online Public Survey Mapping Tool". A demonstration was provided to the TAC by Theresa Gunn. The anticipated cost is approximately \$4,000 to add this to the scope of work. We have ample funding to cover this additional scope in the current budget.</p> <p><i>Transit Feasibility Study</i> - The Sun Corridor MPO received the 5304 FTA Grant to conduct a study for the City of Casa Grande. This study will need to begin by October 1, 2016.</p>
11	<p>Approval of the Finding of Conformity for the Draft FY2016-2025 Sun Corridor MPO TIP and Draft Sun Corridor MPO Draft Regional Transportation Plan 2040 Tabled 5 - 0</p> <p><i>The Executive Board approved to table this item until March 15, 2016 ,so that Irene may respond to public comments made at the public hearing.</i></p>
12	<p>Approval of the Draft Sun Corridor MPO Regional Transportation Plan 2040 Tabled 5 - 0</p> <p><i>The Executive Board approved to table this item until March 15, 2016 ,so that Irene may respond to public comments made at the public hearing.</i></p>
13	<p>Approval of the Draft FY2016-2025 Sun Corridor MPO TIP Tabled 5 - 0</p> <p><i>The Executive Board approved to table this item until March 15, 2016 ,so that Irene may respond to public comments made at the public hearing.</i></p>
14	<p>Approval of the Draft Title VI Plan to go out for 45 day Public review/comment period Approved 5 - 0</p> <p><i>The Executive Board approved the Draft Title VI Plan to go out for 30 – 45 day public comment period.</i></p>

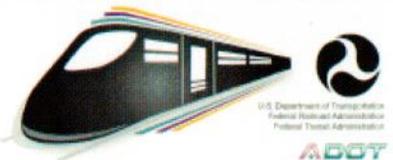


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15	Approval of the Draft Public Participation Plan to go out for 45 day Public review/comment period	Approved 5 - 0
	<i>The Executive Board approved the Draft Public Participation Plan to go out for 30 – 45 day public comment period.</i>	
16	Approval of the Sun Corridor MPO Draft Supplement for the CAG Human Services Transportation Coordination Plan	Approved 5 - 0
	<i>The Executive Board approved the Draft Supplement for the CAG Human Services Transportation Coordination Plan to go out for 30 – 45 day public comment period.</i>	
17	Approval of the proposed amendments to the Sun Corridor MPO (currently draft) FY2016 - 2025 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and Regional Transportation Plan 2040 (RTP) to proceed with Spring 2016 Air Quality Conformity Analysis and to proceed with minimum 30 day public review/comment period.	Approved 5 - 0
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18	Call for STP Projects - FY2017 - FY2020	
	<i>Information Only - Irene stated that a Call for Projects for Federal Highway Administration Surface Transportation Program (STP) funding was made at the February 28th TAC Meeting. A project nomination is due by Friday, April 1, 2016. TAC members will be scheduled to present their nominated projects at the April 28, 2016 TAC meeting.</i>	
19	New Executive Board Member - Steve Stratton	
	<i>The Executive Board welcomed Steve Stratton.</i>	
20	Member Jurisdiction Reports and Comments	
	<i>Louis Andersen reported that Pinal County will be holding a series of public meetings at the end of this month for the Pinal RTA.</i>	
21	Announcements and other items to discuss: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arizona State Transportation Board Meeting, March 18, Oro Valley - Public Hearing • Roads & Streets Conference, March 23 - 25, Tucson • AzTA Conference, April 10-12, Flagstaff • Arizona State Transportation Board Meeting, April 15, Phoenix - Public Hearing 	
22	Next Meeting Dates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • March 15, 2016 (Conference Call) • May 10, 2016 (Pinal County - Casa Grande) 	
23	Adjourn	10:15 a.m.

Arizona Passenger Rail Corridor Study Review

Sun Corridor MPO
March 8th, 2016



PASSENGER RAIL CORRIDOR STUDY
Tucson to Phoenix



Recommended Alternative



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Tucson to Phoenix

Service Development Plan Alternative Concepts

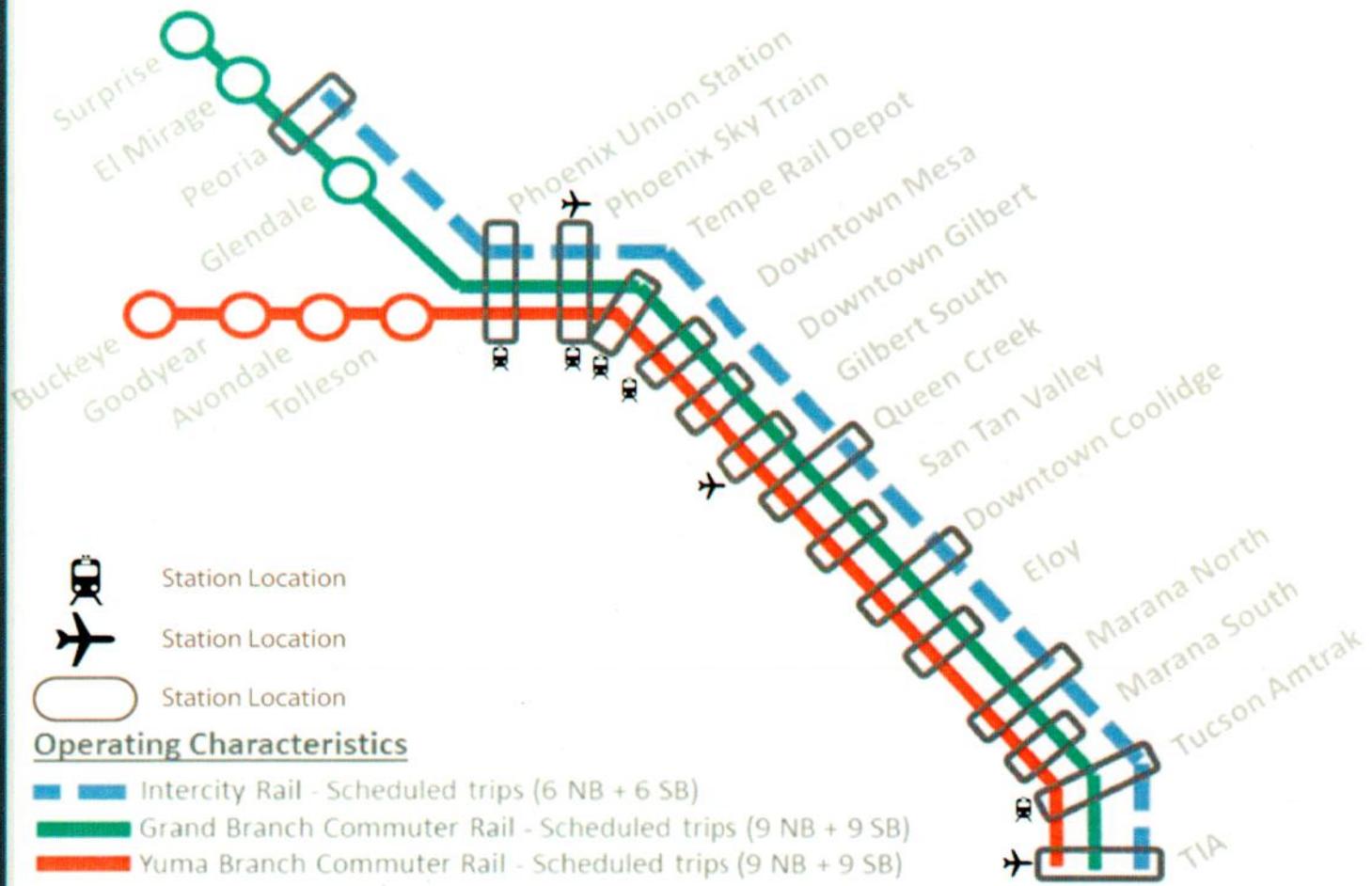
Base Service Plan (BSP)

- Intercity runs from Peoria to TIA
- Commuter services run the length of the corridor

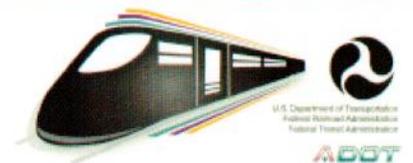
Alternative Service Plan (ASP)

- Based on ridership forecast from BSP
- Intercity runs from Peoria to TIA
- Commuter runs from Santan Valley to Buckeye and Surprise
- Commuter runs from Marana to TIA

Base Service Plan



Alternative Service Plan



Forecast Ridership and Travel Time

Alternative	Annual Ridership (2035)	Length (miles)
Intercity + Commuter	5,500,000	120

Travel Time in Minutes (Phoenix -Tucson)	Intercity	Commuter
Yellow Alternative	83	95

Criteria	Description	ASP	Criteria	Description	BSP
Daily Route Level Ridership (FTA STOPS)	Total ridership of ASP service	19,000 - 22,000	Daily Route Level Ridership (FTA STOPS)	Total ridership of BSP service	22,000 - 24,000
	<i>Commuter ridership (<50 mile trips)</i>	17,958		<i>Commuter ridership (<50 mile trips)</i>	20,370
	<i>Intercity ridership (>50 mile trips)</i>	2,520		<i>Intercity ridership (>50 mile trips)</i>	2,659
	<i>Home-based-Work ridership</i>	15,339		<i>Home-based-Work ridership</i>	18,015
	<i>Home-based-Other ridership</i>	3,833		<i>Home-based-Other ridership</i>	3,663
	<i>Non-Home-Based ridership</i>	912		<i>Non-Home-Based ridership</i>	887

High-Level Capital Cost Estimate

Includes:

- ROW impact
- Construction
- Equipment
- Facilities

Phase	Segment	Construction Begin	Open	Segment Cost
Phoenix Metro				
	Santan-Phoenix	2025	2029	\$ 1,540,000,000
	Phoenix-Surprise	2025	2029	\$ 564,500,000
	Phoenix-Buckeye	2025	2029	\$ 746,000,000
Tucson Metro				
	Marana-Tucson	2028	2030	\$ 900,000,000
	Tucson-TIA	2028	2030	\$ 306,000,000
Intercity				
	Santan-Marana	2033	2035	\$ 1,480,000,000

Operating Cost Estimate

SEGMENT	ALTERNATIVE PLAN	BSP	ASP
	Operating Cost		
Phoenix-Tucson (Intercity)		\$ 12,989,000	
Phoenix-Tucson (Commuter)		\$ 33,402,000	
Phoenix-Tucson (Intercity)			\$ 12,989,000
Phoenix- Tucson (Commuter - Santan-Phoenix)			\$ 11,487,000
Phoenix-Tucson (Commuter - Marana-Tucson)			\$ 5,102,000
Peoria-Phoenix (Intercity)	\$ 1,500,000		
Phoenix-Surprise (Commuter)	\$ 3,000,000		
Phoenix-Buckeye (Commuter)	\$ 4,250,000		
Tucson-TIA (Intercity)	\$ 2,000,000		
Tucson- TIA (Commuter)	\$ 760,000		
TOTALS	\$ 11,510,000	\$ 57,901,000	\$ 41,088,000



Sample Project Phasing Options



- Intercity Phase
- Phoenix Metro Phase
 - Surprise Extension
 - Buckeye Extension
- Tucson Metro Phase

Schedule

- Draft Tier I EIS – released September 2015
 - Public hearings were held on September 15, 16 and 17 in Phoenix, Tucson and Coolidge
- Final Tier I EIS/Record of Decision – Spring 2016
- Service Development Plan – Spring 2016