



## TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

DATE:	February 25, 2020	TIME:	1:00 PM
PLACE:	WEBEX - Meeting Access Code: 187 867 1236		
	520-705-5153 Jason's Cell		

Shaded items are action items: Action may not be taken on any other items on the agenda..

	TAC Members	Guests/Staff
Attendees:	Duane Eitel, Casa Grande Matt Rencher, Coolidge Dedrick Denton, Pinal County Tammy Valadez Paz, Eloy Jason James, ADOT	Irene Higgs, SCMPD Jason Hafner, SCMPD Michael James, CivTech Dan Marum, Wilson & Co Jennifer Love, AECOM Ed Stillings, FHWA

ITEM	AGENDA ITEM	
1	Call to Order and Introductions	1:00 PM
2	Title VI Statement	
3	Approval of Minutes from the December 17, 2020 TAC Meeting	APPROVED 5-0
	<i>Dedrick Denton made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from the December 17, 2020 TAC Meeting. Matt Rencher seconded.</i>	
4	RTAC Update (Information Only)	
	<i>Kevin Adam provided an overview of the State and Federal outlook.</i>	
5	ADOT Planner Report (Information Only)	
	<i>Jason James provided the attached update.</i>	
6	ADOT Southcentral District Report (Information Only)	
	<i>Doug Moseke provided the following update:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• I-10; SR387 - SR587 Pavement Preservation project is in final closeout.</li><li>• SR87/SR287 Kenworthy and Christensen turn lane project is in Design.</li><li>• SR287; Hacienda - SR87 - Stage II Plans expected in mid April.</li></ul>	
7	FHWA Report (Information Only)	
	<i>Ed Stillings provided the following update:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• FHWA continues to work remotely.</li><li>• The SCMPD Work Plan review meeting is scheduled for March 29, 2021.</li></ul>	
8	Every Day Counts meeting Update (Information Only)	



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	<p><i>Duane Eitel provided the following update:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The next EDC meeting is on March 11 at 10 am.</li></ul>
9	Pinal County Transit Governance Study Update (Information Only) <p><i>Dedrick Denton provided the attached update.</i></p>
10	Pinal County RTA Update (Information Only)
	<p><i>Jason Hafner provided the following update:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Escrow account currently holds \$53 million.</li><li>• The next TAC meeting is scheduled for 3/9.</li><li>• The next Board meeting is scheduled for 3/17.</li><li>• Board members have volunteered to be in working groups to develop Policy Operations and Procedures and Local Roadways Guidance documents.</li><li>• The PRTA Transit Committee has been reestablished.</li><li>• Wilson and Co and the PRTA Attorney are developing IGAs and fact sheets for distribution to lead agencies.</li></ul>
11	Air Quality Update (Information Only)
	<p><i>Jason Hafner provided the following update:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Winter 2020 AQ Conformity:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Approval of the Finding of Conformity and corresponding TIP Amendment is on today's Agenda. Executive Board approval is in March.</li></ul></li><li>• Spring 2021 AQ Conformity:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Project lists were due 02/24 and will be compiled and sent to MAG 02/26.</li><li>• Special TAC meeting scheduled for 03/02 to approve the final list and for the Advertisement of the 30-day review and comment period.</li><li>• Approval of the Conformity Analysis and TIP Amendment will be at the June TAC meeting.</li></ul></li></ul> <p><i>Mike Sundblom provided the following update:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The Serious Area planning effort is ongoing. Based on the difficulty of reaching attainment by the required date (12/2022), the current plan is to request an extension. The current plan is to have a draft ready for Public Review by September, 2021.</li><li>• Unpaved Road Reports are due to Pinal County Air Quality.</li></ul>
12	Regional Traffic Count, Data Collection and Mapping Update (Information Only)



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	<p><i>Jason Hafner provided the following update:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Counts are completed for 2020 and all data has been uploaded into the MS2 system. 388 sites were completed this Fall.</li><li>• SCMPO staff is currently working on termini locations for each remaining location. These will be distributed to the TAC for review prior to sending them to TRA.</li><li>• TRA is currently working on the GIS maps of the count locations. These will be distributed when completed.</li><li>• SCMPO staff is currently working on a Contract Amendment with TRA. They were acquired by All Traffic Data.</li></ul>	
13	<p><i>MPO Update (Information Only):</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• MPO Progress Report (13.0)</li><li>• Ledger (13.1)</li><li>• Project Update (13.2)</li><li>• Administrative TIP Amendment #3 (13.3)</li><li>• I-10 Broadway Curve Improvement Project (13.4)</li></ul>	
	<p><i>Jason Hafner provided an update on:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 13.0 - The meetings attended by MPO staff since the last TAC meeting</li><li>• 13.1 - The Federal Ledger</li><li>• 13.2 - The status of various Design and Construction projects in the MPO</li><li>• 13.3 - Administrative TIP Amendment #3</li><li>• 13.4 - I-10 Broadway Curve Improvement Project</li></ul>	
14	<p><i>BUILD Grant Update - Inland Port Arizona</i></p>	
	<p><i>Dedrick Denton provided the attached update.</i></p>	
15	<p>Recommend Approval of Amendment #4 to the FY 2020-2029 TIP and RTP 2040 Update</p>	<b>APPROVED 5-0</b>
	<p><i>Matt Rencher made a motion to approve TIP Amendment #4 to the FY 2020-2029 TIP and RTP 2040 Update. Tammy Valadez Paz seconded.</i></p>	
16	<p>Recommend Approval of the New Finding of Conformity for the 2020-2029 TIP and RTP 2040 Update</p>	<b>APPROVED 5-0</b>
	<p><i>Dedrick Denton made a motion to approve the new finding of conformity for the FY 2020-2029 TIP and RTP 2040 Update. Matt Rencher seconded.</i></p>	
17	<p>Recommend Approval of Amendment #5 to the FY 2020-2029 TIP and RTP 2040 Update (Contingent on the New Finding of Conformity)</p>	<b>APPROVED 5-0</b>



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	<i>Dedrick Denton made a motion to approve TIP Amendment #5 to the FY 2020-2029 TIP and RTP 2040 Update, contingent on the new finding of conformity. Tammy Valadez Paz seconded.</i>	
18	Recommend Approval of CAG/SCMPO Human Services Transportation Coordination Plan	<b>APPROVED 5-0</b>
	<i>Dedrick Denton made a motion to approve the CAG/SCMPO Human Services Transportation Coordination Plan. Jason James seconded.</i>	
19	Recommend Approval of Amendment #1 to the Sun Corridor MPO Technical Advisory Committee Bylaws	<b>APPROVED 5-0</b>
	<i>Tammy Valadez Paz made a motion to approve Amendment #1 to the Sun Corridor MPO Technical Advisory Committee Bylaws. Dedrick Denton seconded.</i>	
20	Local Government Project Report: Casa Grande, Coolidge, Eloy, Pinal County	
	<p><i>Duane Eitel provided the following update for Casa Grande:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>The Jimmie Kerr Blvd and Sunland Gin Dr. Traffic Signal project is close to Bid. Hoping for Construction completion by late Summer/early Fall.</i></li></ul> <p><i>Matt Rencher provided the following update for Coolidge:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>N/A</i></li></ul> <p><i>Tammy Valadez Paz provided the following update for Eloy:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>The Battaglia Rd Reconstruction project had Bid Opening on January 14. Construction is scheduled to start on March 1, with a 60 day Construction schedule.</i></li></ul> <p><i>Dedrick Denton provided the attached update for Pinal County:</i></p>	
21	<p>Upcoming Meetings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• PRTA TAC meeting, March 9, Apache Junction</li><li>• Sun Corridor MPO Executive Board meeting, March 9, Eloy</li><li>• PRTA TAC meeting, April 13, Apache Junction</li><li>• State Transportation Board meeting, March 19, Marana?</li><li>• PRTA Board meeting, March 24, Apache Junction</li><li>• State Transportation Board meeting, April 16, Gilbert?</li></ul>	
22	<p>Call to the Public:</p> <p>This item is to provide an opportunity for citizens wishing to address the Technical Advisory Committee on issues within the jurisdiction of the Sun Corridor MPO planning area that are not on the Agenda. Comments shall be limited to three (3) minutes or less.</p>	
	<i>A Call to the Public was made and nobody chose to speak.</i>	



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23	Future Agenda Items	
	<i>No Future Agenda Items were identified by the TAC.</i>	
24	Next SCMPO TAC Meeting Date - March 2, 2021 (telephone) - April 22, 2021	
25	Adjourn	<b>2:14 PM</b>



## SIGN-IN FORM / STANDARD IN-KIND CONTRIBUTED SERVICES FORM

Please Sign. Your Time Counts!

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Name	Title	Organization	Email Address			IN-KIND MATCH			Miles Traveled	Initials
				Elected Official (✓ if yes)	Federal Funded (✓ if yes)	Hours Worked On Project	Preparation	Meeting	Travel	
Duane Eitel	Transportation Engineer	City of Casa Grande	deitel@casagrandeaz.gov							X
Dedrick Denton	Sr. Transportation Planner	Pinal County	dedrick.denton@pinal.gov			1.00	1.25	0.0	0.0	X
Matt Rencher	Civil Engineer	City of Coolidge	mrencher@coolidgeaz.com			1.00	1.25	0.0	0.0	X
Tammy Valadez Paz	Project Engineer	City of Eloy	tvaladezpz@eloyaz.gov			1.00	1.25	0.0	0.0	X
Jason James	Planning Program Mgr	ADOT	jjames6@azdot.gov		X					X
Adam Langford	Transportation Planner	Works	adam@worksconsulting.com							
Andy Smith	General Manager	Pinal RTA	Andrew.Smith@pinal.gov							
Bethany Whitaker	Principal	Nelson Nygaard	bwhitaker@nelsonnygaard.com							
Brent Crowther	Project Manager	Kimley Horn	Brent.Crowther@kimley-horn.com							
Brittanie Hambrick	GIS Analyst	Works	brittanie@worksconsulting.com							
Dan Marum	Principal	Wilson & Company	dan.marum@wilsonco.com							X
Dawn Cartier	Principal	Civtech	dcartier@civtech.com							
Douglas Eberhart	Senior Environmental Planner	Wilson & Company	douglas.eberhart@wilsonco.com							X
Douglas Moseke	Assistant District Engineer	ADOT Southcentral District	dmoseke@azdot.gov		X					X
Ed Stillings	Senior Transportation Planner	FHWA - Region 1	ed.stillings@fhwa.dot.gov		X					X
Irene Higgs	Executive Director	SCMPO	ihiggs@scmpo.org		X					X



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James Meyer	HPMS Manager	ADOT	jmeyer@azdot.gov		X					
Jason Bottjen	Planning Supervisor	Pinal County	jbottjen@pinal.gov							
Jason Hafner	Deputy Director	SCMPO	jhafner@scmpo.org		X					X
Jay Gomes	Traffic Engineer	ADOT	jgomes@azdot.gov		X					
Jennifer Henderson	Project Coordinator	ADOT	jhenderson@azdot.gov							
Jennifer Love	SR. Transportation Planner	AECOM	jennifer.love@aecom.com							X
Jill Dusenberry	Transit Group Manager	ADOT	jdusenberry@azdot.gov		X					
John Wennes	Regional Planner	ADOT	jwennes@azdot.gov		X					
Jon Vlaming	Community Development Director	City of Eloy	jvlaming@eloyaz.gov							
Jothan Samuelson	Transportation Engineer	Works	jsamuelson@worksconsulting.com							
Keith Brown	Public Works Director	City of Eloy	kbrown@EloyAZ.gov							
Kevin Adam	Director	RTAC	kadam@rtac.net							X
Mark Henige	Program Manager	ADOT	mhenige@azdot.gov		X					
Michael James	Planning Director	CivTech	mhjames@civtech.com							X
Mike Blankenship	Principal	Green Light TE	mikeb@greenlightte.com							X
Mike Sundblom	Director	Pinal County - Air Quality	mike.sundblom@pinal.gov							X
Regis Reed	Operations Manager	City of Eloy	rreed@eloyaz.gov							



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Robert Mawson	Mobility Manager	CAG./SCMPO	rmawson@cagaz.org		X					
Rod Lane	SC District Engineer	ADOT	rlane@azdot.gov		X					
Rossio Araujo	Development TES	ADOT	raraajo@azdot.gov		X					
Sage Donaldson	GIS Analyst	ADOT	sdonaldson@azdot.gov		X					
Sara Allred	Assistant Transit Mgr	ADOT	sallred@azdot.gov		X					
Scott Kelley	Principal	Green Light TE	scottk@greenlightte.com							
				TOTAL		3.00	3.75	0.0	0.0	

February 25, 2021

Jason Hafner, Deputy Director  
Sun Corridor Metropolitan Planning Organization (SCMPO)  
211 North Florence Street, #103  
Casa Grande, AZ 85122

Subject: ADOT MPD Report – 2/25/21 SCMPO Technical Advisory Meeting

Dear Jason,

Below is the ADOT MPD Report for the 2/25/21 SCMPO Technical Advisory Meeting:

1. **FY2022-2026 Tentative Five Year Program**: An update of the Tentative Five Year Program was presented to the STB on February 19, 2021. Planned public hearings will be held in March, April, and May. Projected approval of the Five Year Program scheduled for June 18, 2021.
2. **HSIP Call for Projects – FY25/26**: The HSIP Call for Projects for FY25/26 is scheduled to advertise on July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021. Due date for the HSIP applications is November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021.
3. **3/11/2021 Every Day Counts (EDC) Stakeholder Webinar**: In place of the March 11, 2021 Every Day Counts (EDC) Stakeholder meeting, ADOT LPA will be following up on a topic previously discussed and identified as a subject to improve delivery on federal-aid projects. The topic is "Planning Level Estimating - Part 3". ADOT Traffic Safety Section, WACOG, and Greenlight Traffic Engineering would like to invite all COG/MPOs and member agencies to attend an online training session on Thursday, March 11, 2021 at 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM. The training will consist of the following:
  - ADOT Traffic Safety - 1A. Report on EDC 5 Initiative for "Reducing Rural Roadway Departures" (25 Minutes). 1B. Introduction to HSIP Projects (10 Minutes).
  - WACOG & Greenlight - "HSIP Application Project Cost Estimate" (50 Minutes).

The focus of the training is to discuss reducing rural roadway departures and developing a "Good Estimate" for HSIP Projects at the Planning Level for Programming.

4. **MUTCD 11<sup>th</sup> Edition Review**: The 11th edition of the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) has been published in the Federal Register and all supplemental documents are posted as well. The allowable time to provide the review comments is only 90 days. Please see the link below that will take you to the FHWA website where you can find the NPA and associated documents: <https://www.regulations.gov/document?D=FHWA-2020-0001-0038>.

Please provide your comments to Hasina Luna, P.E. ([HLuna2@azdot.gov](mailto:HLuna2@azdot.gov) or 602-712-8686) by March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021.

5. **ADOT Roadway Design Guidelines:** The updated 2021 Edition is available at:  
<https://azdot.gov/sites/default/files/media/2021/01/2021-roadway-design-guidelines.pdf>.
6. **Project Delivery Academy (PDA):** ADOT LPA Group is working on training modules focused on the ADOT Project Life Cycle, specific for COG/MPO regions. These training modules (called the Project Delivery Academy) will include information on the following topics:
  - Planning and Programming
  - Scope, Schedule, and Budget
  - Design and Clearances
  - Meeting Federal Requirements
  - Project Advertising and Construction
  - Construction Closeout and Maintenance

The purpose of this PDA is to provide training sessions for COG/MPO agencies to better understand ADOT Project Life Cycle processes. The ADOT Local Public Agency section kicks off Local Public Agency, COG, and MPO training on April 29, 2021. For more information, please contact Jennifer Catapano (ADOT LPA Liaison) at [jcatapano@azdot.gov](mailto:jcatapano@azdot.gov).

Please let me know if you have any questions or comments – take care!

Respectfully,

Jason James

Transportation Planning Program Manager

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## Sun Corridor Metropolitan Planning Organization

*TAC Meeting: February 25, 2021*

### Pinal County Transit Governance Study Update

#### **Summary:**

- Project Name: Pinal County Transit Governance Study
- Contract executed with Nelson-Nygaard on August 21, 2019
- Technical Work Group Meetings
  - October 30, 2019 – Meeting #1
  - January 30, 2020 – Meeting #2
  - February 25, 2020 – Meeting #3
  - May 28, 2020 – Meeting #4
  - July 22, 2020 – Meeting 5 (as a follow up on the stakeholder workshop)
- Technical Working Documents
  - March 2020 – Technical Memorandum 1 - Existing Conditions – Final
  - March 2020 – Technical Working Paper 1 – Peer Review and Stakeholder Interviews – Draft Final

#### **Updated 2.25.2021**

- Draft final report has been completed.
- Recommendation: (hybrid model with three options)
  - Pinal RTA as lead agency
  - CART as lead agency
  - Formation of a new entity as lead agency
- Final presentation for CAG Management Committee on March 10, 2021 and CAG Regional Council on March 24, 2021.
- CAG has a study website page with all finalized documents:  
<http://cagaz.org/Departments/tpt/pctransitstudy.html>



## PINAL COUNTY

WIDE OPEN OPPORTUNITY

### IPAZ BUILD Grant Update

#### **Summary:**

- Project Name: Inland Port Arizona Improvement Project
- Pinal County was selected to receive \$15.3 million of Federal funds with \$2.7 million matching funds to improve access to and from the Inland Port
  - Road improvements along Hanna and Houser Roads
  - Railroad intersection improvements at Hanna and Houser Roads
  - Road intersection improvements at State Route 87
    - Eligible includes environmental review, design work, other pre-construction activities, construction, environmental mitigation, and construction contingencies
- Pinal County has elected to be the direct recipient of the BUILD grant funds
- Second round of comments on the Grant Agreement Template are approved and the template was sent to USDOT/OST Chief Counsel for final review and drafting June 19, 2020
- Second round of comments on the Budget Narrative document were addressed and submitted to the BUILD PM June 23, 2020
- Third round of comments on the Grant Agreement Template from the USDOT/OST Chief Counsel were received on June 28. Comments were addressed and submitted back to USDOT/OST Chief Counsel for final review and drafting on June 29.
- A Design Services contract was awarded to TY Lin on July 1.
- Received an update from Ammon Heier with FHWA Arizona Division on July 9 stating that the Grant Agreement is with the **Office of the Secretary of Transportation (OST)** for review.
- Third round of comments on the Budget Narrative were received on July 21, 2020. Comments were addressed and submitted on July 23, 2020.
- Received confirmation that the Office of the Secretary of Transportation (OST) has approved the Grant Agreement on August 4th.

#### **Updated 2.25.2021**

- 60% plans were submitted on February 21, 2021. Today, SR-87 plans, traffic analysis and drainage report to be submitted to ADOT.
- Class I Literature Review submitted on 1/21, reviewed by 1/25. Email sent by FHWA on 2/4.
- Received additional feedback from UPRR on 1/16/21 for Hanna Road Crossing stating that a widening was required. Modifications to the proposed improvements were re-submitted to UPRR for review on 1/20/21 - Modifications approved by UPRR.
- Crossing at Houser Road will remain and will be treated as a maintenance project.
- Pinal County and T.Y. Lin continued coordination with ADOT:
  - Meeting with ADOT on 1/26/20 to discuss Drainage (box culvert) - approved 2/1
  - Meeting with ADOT on 2/22 to discuss Permit process



## PINAL COUNTY

WIDE OPEN OPPORTUNITY

### Transportation Project Status Report

#### **Summary:**

- Budget Year 2020-2021
  - Improvement Projects
    - Red Rock Access Road: Red Rock to Pinal Airpark
      - Study as not yet begun, will be done in conjunction with other traffic analysis surrounding the airpark. Will likely roll into next fiscal year.
- Budget Year 2021-2022
  - Improvement Projects
    - Peart Road: Interstate 8 to Early Road
      - Programmed but has yet to begin (FY begins July 1<sup>st</sup> , 2021)
    - Pinal Airpark Road: Interstate 10 to Trico Road
      - Programmed but has yet to begin (FY begins July 1<sup>st</sup> , 2021)
    - Trekkell Road: Hanna Road to Interstate 8
      - Programmed but has yet to begin (FY begins July 1st , 2021)
- Currently, no maintenance projects within the Sun Corridor MPO
- Coolidge's FTA Section 5307/5339 Bus Shelter Project (Coolidge, Florence, Central Arizona College, and Pinal County)
  - 10 Bus Stop Shelters (5 within Cotton Express and 5 within CART routes)
    - \$100,000 for shelter procurement and installation
  - 2 Pinal County facility locations to install and maintain
    - 1891 Historic Courthouse
    - Casa Grande County Complex