



# Transportation Technical Advisory Committee THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2018 – 1:00 PM

CAG Conference Room | 2540 West Apache Trail, Apache Junction, AZ 85120

## MINUTES

### MEMBERS PRESENT:

Dedrick Denton – *Chair*  
(Pinal County)

Anna Flores  
(Kearny)

Jerry Barnes  
(Globe)

Curtis Ward - *PHONE*  
(Payson)

Mark Guereña – *PHONE*  
(Gila County)

Jason Bottjen - *PHONE*  
(ADOT – MPD)

### MEMBERS ABSENT:

Sylvia Kerlock  
(Winkelman)

Tim Grier  
(Star Valley)

Don Jones  
(Mammoth)

Joe Heatherly  
(Miami)

Tara Chief  
(White Mountain Apache Tribe)

Sandra Shade  
(Ak-Chin Indian Community)

Todd Pryor  
(Superior)

Marvin Mull  
(San Carlos Apache Tribe)

VACANT  
(Hayden)

### GUESTS PRESENT:

Jennifer Henderson  
(ADOT LPA)

Rick Powers  
(Jacobs Engineering)

Bill Harmon - *PHONE*  
(SE ADOT District)

### CAG STAFF:

Travis Ashbaugh  
(Transportation Planning Manager)

### **I. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Denton called the meeting to order at 1:02 PM.

### **II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chair Denton led the Committee in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **III. ROLL CALL**

Roll call was taken. Six (6) voting members were present or called in, constituting a quorum as established by the CAG TTAC Bylaws.

GILA COUNTY: GLOBE, HAYDEN, MIAMI, PAYSON, STAR VALLEY, WINKELMAN  
PINAL COUNTY: APACHE JUNCTION, CASA GRANDE, COOLIDGE, ELOY, FLORENCE, KEARNY, MAMMOTH, MARANA, MARICOPA, QUEEN CREEK, SUPERIOR  
TRIBAL GOVERNMENTS: AK-CHIN INDIAN COMMUNITY, GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY, SAN CARLOS APACHE TRIBE, WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

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#### IV. INTRODUCTIONS

Introductions were made by those present in the room and on the phone. Mr. Ashbaugh, at this time, read a statement of where and how to file a complaint with regard to Title VI violations.

#### V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – (October 11, 2018)

Mr. Barnes made the motion to approve the October 11, 2018 minutes as presented. Ms. Flores seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

#### VI. STANDING REPORTS

##### A. Member Jurisdictions

###### Globe

Mr. Barnes reported on three (3) items:

1. The “**Oak Street/Hill Street**” pavement rehabilitation project (**Project # GLB 17-01C**), is currently undergoing change orders, but is expected to be complete in February 2019.
2. The “**Broad Street**” rehabilitation and upgrades project (**Project # GLB 18-01C**) has been pushed back for bid until spring 2019 due to topography issues.
3. Water Infrastructure Finance Authority (WIFA) projects are also being implemented throughout the City.

###### Payson

Mr. Ward reported on three (3) items:

1. The “**Bonita Street**” project (**Project # PAY 16-01C**) is substantially complete, however, the town is working on the Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan activities before receiving final stabilization notice.
2. The Design for the “**Longhorn Road and McLane Road Roundabout**” (**Project # PAY 19-02D**) received some legal descriptions and will review them in the near future.
3. The “**Granite Dells Road**” project (**Project # PAY 19-01D**) is ready to be authorized as a HURF Exchange project. The Town is working on the official paperwork for submittal in the near future.

The Town of Kearny, Pinal County, and Gila County did not have anything new to report at this time.

##### B. Multi-Modal Planning Division, ADOT

Mr. Bottjen reported that the Tentative Five-year Transportation Construction Program for FY 2020 to FY 2024 underwent the P2P process in ADOT and all projects have been scored and the final list was being submitted. The AZ State Transportation Board will get their first look at the 5-year draft plan at the January 29, 2019 study session meeting, after ADOT leadership takes a look at draft.

Mr. Bottjen also reported that ADOT MPD has announced their FY 2019 Statewide studies. There were four (4) selections made: 1) Arizona Port of Entry Study; 2) Statewide Storm Water and Erosion Control Plan; 3) SR 38 Drainage Study; and 4) US 70 Corridor Profile Study (Safford to the New Mexico State Line).

Mr. Bottjen also announced that there is an anticipated call for projects from ADOT with regards to the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HISP) funds in January 2019 for FY 2023 and FY 2024. There is approximately \$70 million available over the course of the two Fiscal Years for programming.

Ms. Henderson announced that a call for project regarding “Off-System” Bridge funds was coming soon and that the guidelines were out for review. All applications will be processed through the COGs/MPOs. ADOT anticipates officially announcing the call no later than the first week of December 2018. The applications are anticipated to be submitted before the end of January 2019. Reviews on the submittals are anticipated to be conducted in February/March 2019 with award announcements sometime in April 2019.

Mr. Ashbaugh asked who would be part of the review panel in determining the awards. Ms. Henderson responded that it will be different ADOT staff from the bridge group and appropriate ADOT staff from the districts who are still being identified.

Mr. Ashbaugh, in reference to the City of Globe’s “Jesse/Hayes Bridge” project, asked if the project needed to be resubmitted as there appears to be some miscommunication between ADOT and Globe on how to move forward. Ms. Henderson stated that funds have been depleted for about 2-3 years and that is one of the reasons why the program is going to competitive bid. Further detailed discussion on anticipated application criteria, details, and funding scenarios regarding the “Jesse/Hayes Bridge” occurred. Mr. Ashbaugh stated the TIP can be amended to suit a scenario that works. A future meeting will be scheduled soon among affected parties to discuss what can be done.

**C. District Engineers, ADOT**

Mr. Harmon reported on three (3) items:

1. The “**Pinto-Creek Bridge**” project on the US 60 is expected to be re-advertised for bid in December 2018. The re-advertisement is due to changes in the design. Construction is anticipated to begin in the Spring 2019.
2. The “**US 60/Claypool**” intersection improvement project is near completion.
3. The “US 70 Passing Lane” project is near completion. The design of the new passing lane to be extended is just east of the casino.

**D. CAG Transportation Planning Update**

Mr. Ashbaugh reported on four (4) items:

1. He is attempting to play more of a role in participating with the Road Safety assessment (RSAs) studies within the region. Typically, only ADOT district staff was only involved. A new RSA on the US 60 from mile post 226.4 to 229.4 was going to have a kickoff meeting within the coming weeks.
2. CAG will be reapplying for 5310 transit grant funding to continue Mobility Management services and activities for the CAG and Sun Corridor MPO regions. The grant process requires CAG to apply every year until 2020 in which the grant requests will then be on a two-year cycle.

3. He has been in contact with Works Consulting with regards to the Statewide effort on reclassifying the Federal Functional Classification roadways. Comments sent in from Pinal County and Payson have been resolved, however comments from Gila County needs further discussion. He asked Mr. Guerena to see if he could provide an update in the near future.
4. The Request for Proposal (RFP) for CAG Regional Traffic Count Data Collection is being finalized and will be out for open bid.

## **VII. OLD BUSINESS**

### **Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)**

No action was taken with regards to the TIP as there were no issues or adjustments needed at this time.

## **VIII. NEW BUSINESS**

### **A. Distractive Driver Ordinance**

Chair Denton provided background information on Yavapai County's newly adopted Distractive Driver Ordinance and was seeking input from the local agencies to see if there would be any interest in supporting to do something similar in Pinal County. The request stems from the County Manager within Pinal County to see where the interest levels are and move on from that point. General discussion pursued with regards to such an ordinance on how it would be implemented if moved further.

Mr. Ward made a motion to encourage local governments to address the issue of distractive driving using verbal communication devices while driving. Mr. Barnes seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

### **B. Future Agenda Items**

Mr. Ashbaugh asked if there was anything the Committee would like to discuss to be placed on future agendas. No specifics items were mentioned.

## **IX. CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

No one answered the call to the public.

## **X. SCHEDULING OF NEXT MEETING**

Mr. Ashbaugh stated the next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 10, 2019 at 1:30 PM.

## **XI. ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Denton adjourned the meeting at 2:10 PM.