



Transportation Technical Advisory Committee

November 20, 2025 Meeting Minutes

DATE: November 20, 2025
TIME: 1:00 P.M.
LOCATION: via ZOOM Webinar

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Travis Ashbaugh - *Chairman*
(City of Globe)

Amanda Kenney – *Vice Chair*
(Kearny)

Thomas Goodman
(Gila County)

Will Randolph
(ADOT - MPD)

Gloria Ruiz
(Winkelman)

Bill Clemans
(Payson)

Nina Arredondo
(Pinal County)

Tina Ridings
(Star Valley)

MEMBERS ABSENT:

VACANT
(Hayden)

Nick Cruz
(Superior)

Sandra Shade
(Ak-Chin Indian Community)

LaReesa Sanchez
(White Mountain Apache Tribe)

VACANT
(Mammoth)

Barney Bigman
(San Carlos Apache Tribe)

Alexis Rivera
(Town of Miami)

GUESTS PRESENT:

Dale Miller, Rick Powers

CAG Staff:

Steve Abraham
(Transportation Planning Director)

Andrea Robles
(Executive Director)

I. Call to Order

Chair Ashbaugh called the meeting to order at 1:04 PM.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

Transportation Director Abraham led the Committee in the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Roll Call

Roll call was taken. Eight (8) voting members were present, constituting a quorum as established by the CAG TTAC Bylaws.

IV. Introductions & Title VI Notice

Introductions were made. Mr. Abraham read a statement of where and how to file a complaint regarding Title VI violations and requested the TTAC members complete the Self-Identification Survey provided.

V. Approval of Minutes

A. September 18, 2025

Chair Ashbaugh asked if there were any changes by the TTAC. Hearing none, Chairman Ashbaugh called for a motion. Member Clemans motioned to approve the minutes as presented, Vice-Chair Kenney seconded, motion passed unanimously.

B. October 23, 2025

Chair Ashbaugh asked if there were any changes by the TTAC. Hearing none, Chairman Ashbaugh called for a motion. Member Goodman motioned to approve the minutes as presented, Member Randolph seconded, motion passed unanimously.

VI. Call to the Public

No one answered the Call to the Public.

VI. Standing Reports

A. Member Jurisdictions:

City of Globe

Charman Ashbaugh reported on one (1) item:

1. (GLB 24-01D) "Globe Broad Street Sidewalk Replacement" - Design

- a. After review of the potential design changes the City optioned to decline the awarded TA Grant due to the timeline for completion of the changes not aligning with ADOT's preferences to take the project out to bid. The City anticipates applying for the grant again in the next grant cycle.

B. Multi-Modal Planning Division, ADOT

Mr. Randolph had the following updates for the TTAC:

1. **ADOT FY27-31 Tentative Five-Year Construction Program:** The final FY27-31 planning level scoping meeting for projects in the tentative program have recently been completed.
2. **ADOT 2055 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP):** The new ADOT LRTP 2050 listening tour kicked off at the Rural Transportation Summit in October. Feedback was provided from area representatives to pick a time period to meet with the MPO and the participating government agencies. As part of this listening tour – meetings will be one on one to discuss transportation priorities & challenges, with the agencies in Fall 2025/Spring 2026, and the general public beginning in Summer 2026. Please contact the ADOT PM Jennifer Hobert with any questions.
3. **Transportation Alternatives:** The CAG region received 3 TA Awards for the Tonto National Forest, Town of Globe and Town of Superior. These TIP Amendments were sent to ADOT to update in ESTIP. Please visit the TA Program website for detailed information <https://azdot.gov/TA>.
4. **HSIP:** The NTP for scoping of local HSIP applications for Design and Construction projects for FY27-29 were issued the week 7/14 week. Once the local matches are submitted, the local agencies will be contacted by our scoping consultants (being either Burgess & Niple and Jacobs as the sub, and/or Kimley-Horn).
 - a. The consultants will be holding virtual and onsite visits of the project work limits as they review SOW, cost estimates and schedule. *It is requested that the local agencies provide*

any requested materials, make themselves available for meetings or other necessary requirements in order for the consultants to meet their schedules.

- b. Also noted that scoping should be a team effort between the consultant, ADOT, and local agency to ensure the most accurate final HSIP application is submitted. This is to hopefully preclude the local agencies from having to provide additional funding for design and or construction, or having to reduce the scope of the project later down the road.

- 5. **Off System Bridge Program FY27 Call for Projects:** applications are open and will be due by December 31st, 2025. Reach out to Mark Henige ADOT LPA Program Manager with any questions.

6. Status of ADOT studies:

- a. **287/87 SR Corridor Profile Study:** The report has been posted to the ADOT CPS webpage at <https://azdot.gov/planning/transportation-studies/corridor-profile-studies>
- b. **Phoenix-Tucson Intercity Passenger Rail Study:** The current FRA Step 1 initiation package—comprising the scope of work, schedule, and budget—has been approved by FRA. Recent updates from FRA have expressed that they anticipate issuing a NOFO by the end of this year for Step 2 of the services development grant. If the NOFO is issued, then it'll likely take a couple months to get the grant agreement executed and funding obligated to formally kickoff the project in early 2026. The quarterly meeting that was planned for Nov. 12 was canceled due to the pending NOFO for Step 2 of the Corridor ID program. The next meeting with the Executive Leadership Team including the MPO directors is scheduled for January 20, 2026. Project Website: azdot.gov/PhoenixTucsonPassengerRail
- c. **N/S Corridor Segment Tier 2 Study:** Deliverables are ongoing, the project is in the information collection stage (biological, cultural resources, land use development, travel demand modeling, drainage), and there will be continued bi-weekly core team meetings. Please visit the project website for any other needed information. <https://azdot.gov/north-south-corridor-study-proposed-new-transportation-route-pinal-county>
- d. **Town of Miami Trails Study:** The latest TAC meeting was held 11/19 to cover project recommendations. The recommendations deliverable was received, reviewed on 11/14 and sent out to the TAC on 11/19 for comments. The AZER representative consultant was added to the TAC who has information for the prior Section 130 railroad crossing improvement recommendations.
- e. **Other studies:** The State Freight Plan update is underway, current transportation alternative studies are still being conducted by individual ADOT planning managers, and so is the COG/MPO manual update.

Transportation Director Abraham added that another meeting regarding the SR 24 extension was conducted last week and the traffic engineering report that will show

how much expected traffic will be diverted out of the Gold Canyon Area is expected to be completed soon.

C. Local Public Agency, ADOT

No update was presented

D. District Engineers, ADOT

No update was presented

E. CAG Transportation Planning Update

Transportation Director Abraham provided the following updates for the TTAC:

1. Pinal County Mobility Gap Analysis.

Director Abraham used a power point. He went over the final report highlighting the following sections:

- A. **Service/Spatial Gap Analysis:** This section provides an in-depth analysis of the transit service levels in Pinal County. It provides a transit propensity score and visual representations of that propensity score to which areas of the County have a high need of transit based on population characteristics vs. transit options/availability.
- B. **Financial Gap Analysis:** This section shows approximately what are the costs associated with transit system enhancement or creation and contrasts that against currently known and available funding sources.
- C. **Information Gap Analysis:** This section shows and recommends techniques to enhance knowledge of available services in the County. There are several recommendations contained within the report to create informational materials a “Coordinated Mobility Providers Toolkit” to make it easy for residents to understand what providers those providers are currently out there and how they conduct service, i.e. hours of operation, routes, scheduling procedures, cost, etc.
- D. **Summary:** This section provides long-term, medium term and short-term recommendations and strategies to address the transit needs of the County.

2. Gila County Intergovernmental Transit Authority (GCIPTA).

Director Abraham informed the TTAC that CAG staff had issued an RFP for consultant services to begin the GCIPTA Administrative Development Project. He reminded the TTAC that this project was started to create the administrative and financial documents that are required for GCIPTA to ultimately become a “5310 Program” recipient. He also commented that this effort was merged into CAG’s “Work Program” several months ago and is moving forward in a meaningful way.

3. General Updates.

- A. **RTAC:** CAG staff will continue outreach effort regarding the RTAC proposals, with the legislative lunch and meet and greet in January and committee hearings after as the legislative session progresses.

- B. ADOT P2P:** Director Abraham updated the TTAC on the annual Statewide P2P process. He commented that there were several CAG Region Projects that were identified but unfortunately were ranked medium to low on the priority list as the planning process developed. He added that his focus was to advocate and promote all the recommendations from the “Passing and Climbing Study” that made it onto the project list. Lastly, he added that thankfully, previous projects identified in the CAG region remained on the P2P priority list and were not removed and if anyone on the TTAC wanted to see the final list he can provide it.

VIII. Old Business:

- a. FY 2026 – 2030 CAG Transportation Improvement Program: Adoption Schedule, Regional Priority Identification, Scenario Options (Continued from the October 23, 2025 CAG TTAC Meeting)**

Director Abraham used power point and started his presentation by providing a recap of the TIP planning activities thus far. He briefly recapped the Planning scenarios, project identification and based on those efforts and dialogue today, hopes to program and recommend adoption of the Draft TIP to the CAG Regional Council. He then went over the planned public outreach methods including the required public meeting which will be held at CAG central offices on December 17th, 2025 at 6 p.m.

Director Abraham then went over the identified projects and TIP programming for this planning cycle. The items include:

- The addition of a project to update the Gila County County-Wide Transportation Plan funded for \$329,144
- The addition of a project to conduct a pavement assessment study for the City of Globe funded for \$70,000
- The addition of a project to conduct a pavement assessment study for the Town of Kearny funded for \$70,000
- A CAG Work Program Supplement funded for \$20,000

Director Abraham added that an important programming activity for the projects would be to “loan” the available 2030 funds to FY 2027 and all projects would commence in FY 2027. He commented that he will be meeting with ADOT finance in the near future to devise the best way to transfer the funds to reduce the amount of loan and processing paperwork. After that meeting the TTAC may see items after the first of the year that will streamline the amount of leger activity.

Director Abraham then told the TTAC that he asked the project sponsors to prepare a brief presentation for today’s discussion to help explain the projects under consideration. He asked project sponsors to explain and include the following criteria for consideration by the TTAC for inclusion in the Draft TIP:

- Cost Estimate & Project Programming
- Project Need
- Project Work Description
- Project Inclusion in Previous Plans
- Community Transportation Benefits
- Safety
- Other Considerations

Director Abraham asked Member Goodman to conduct a brief presentation on the Gila County Transportation Plan. Member Goodman used a power point presentation to explain the project and provide justification with the 7 factors as identified by Director Abraham.

Chairman Ashbaugh asked if the TTAC had any questions, hearing none he asked Director Abraham to present the CAG sponsored items.

Director Abraham used a power point to present CAG's sponsored projects. Director Abraham presented the (Town of) Kearny pavement assessment using the factors for consideration identified earlier. He then briefly described how the work program supplement funding will be used to supplement the Transportation Department and administrative functions of CAG.

Chairman Ashbaugh asked if the TTAC had any questions, hearing none he went on to present the City of Globe pavement assessment study proposal. Chairman Ashbaugh used a power point to provide justification using the 7 factors for consideration as mentioned earlier in the meeting.

Chairman Ashbaugh asked if the TTAC had any questions, hearing none he asked Director Abraham to continue his presentation on the Draft TIP.

Director Abraham used a power point to go over the programming of these projects within the proposed TIP he showed a slide that had the programs and proposed loan activity indicated in yellow highlight to show the impacts of the projects and loan activity in specific detail.

Chairman Ashbaugh asked the TTAC if there were any questions.

Member Randolph asked if ADOT finance had been made aware of this proposal ("loan" and ledger activity). Director Abraham responded that he will discuss this plan with ADOT Finance in the near future once he can get the meeting together but prior to Regional Council action, which is slated for late January of 2026.

There was a general discussion amongst TTAC members regarding "loan" activity and ADOT's policies and procedures.

After the discussion the TTAC resolved to direct Mr. Abraham to report back to the TTAC at the next meeting on the results of the meeting with ADOT finance and any changes that need to be made on the programming side after the first of the year.

Chairman Ashbaugh asked the TTAC if there were any questions on the programming part of the presentation, hearing none Chairman Ashbaugh called for a motion.

Member Goodman made a motion to forward a recommendation of approval to CAG Management Committee, the proposed CAG FY2026 – 2030, 5-year Transportation Improvement Program as presented. Member Arredondo seconded. Motion passed 7-0-1, with member Randolph abstaining.

VII. Round Table:

- a. Natan Elsberg, CEO RDV Systems. Mr. Elsberg used a presentation to introduce the products and software RDV Systems. RDV products and software focus on 3D visualization, cloud computing, A.I., LiDAR analytics and road safety simulations and improvement analysis.

IX. Future Agenda Items: The TTAC had no additional items.

X. Scheduling of Next Meetings: TBD.

XI. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 2:43 P.M.