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REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING SUMMARY

**REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (RTP TAC)
Thursday June 13, 2013
Immediately Following 9:00 AM Regular TAC Meeting**

**Yuma County – Aldrich Hall
2551 W. 26th St.
Yuma, AZ 85364**

YMPO RTP TAC MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chairman	Joel Olea, Dir. of Field Operations/Public Works, City of Yuma
Vice-Chairman	Joseph Grant, Public Works Director, Town of Wellton
Member	Paul Melcher, Planning & Zoning Director, Yuma County
Member	Jennifer Albers, Principal Planner, City of Yuma
Member	Samuel Palacios, Public Works Director, City of Somerton
Member	Paul Brooberg, City Engineer, City of Yuma
Member	Bruce Fenske for Mark Hoffman, Senior Planner, ADOT
Member	Frank Sanchez for Roger Patterson, Yuma County Engineer
Member	John Starkey, Public Works Director, City of San Luis

YMPO RTP TAC MEMBERS ABSENT:

Member	Omar Heredia, Planner, Cocopah Indian Tribe
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OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

John Andoh	YCIPTA
Tim Eisenman	NEI
Michael Grandy	Kimley-Horn and Associates
Dave Perkins	Kimley-Horn and Associates

YMPO STAFF PRESENT:

Sr. Transportation Planner	Mark Teuscher
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I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Joel Olea called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

II. SUMMARY OF APRIL 11, 2013 AND MAY 9, 2013 MEETINGS

The RTP TAC approved the April 11, 2013 and May 9, 2013 meeting summaries.

III. STUDY PROGRESS TO DATE (POWERPOINT)

Progress

Dave Perkins summarized the progress made since the May RTP TAC meeting. Progress was reported on the following activities:

- Performance testing
- Air quality analysis
- Pre-initial draft RTP

- Initial draft RTP
- Draft RTP
- June 13th Open House

Draft 2014-2037 RTP Review

Dave Perkins highlighted three elements of the draft RTP: Air Quality Conformity, RTP Roadway Revenues and Investments, and RTP Performance.

Dave reported that projected emissions levels for projects contained in the 2014-2037 RTP meet the applicable conformity tests and conforms under the PM10 National Ambient Air Quality Standards. He also reported that the analysis demonstrates conformity for the 2014-2018 TIP, the 2014-2037 RTP, and the State Implementation Plan.

Dave presented revenue and investment information that would be shown at the Public Open House on June 13, 2013. He pointed to a new way of presenting prior information on revenues by jurisdiction and projects by type (roadway widening, safety, etc.). **The TAC asked that an RTP Executive Summary be prepared to include introductory information and the Implementation chapter of the RTP.**

Dave explained that the RTP performance graphics presented at the May TAC meeting were revised to improve public understanding. Three condition scenarios were revised to: 2012 Existing, 2037 Baseline, and 2037 with Improvements. Two performance criteria were added including Roadway Network Miles Near or Over Capacity and Roadway Network Average Speed.

TAC Discussion of Draft RTP and Approval to Present to the Public

The TAC agreed that the draft RTP should be presented at the June 13, 2013 Public Open House and distributed for public review during the 30- public review period, June 13 through July 15, 2013.

June 13, 2013 Open House Overview

Dave previewed the information to be presented at the Public Open House, invited the TAC to attend the Open House, and announced that the Open House presentation boards are available for use in presentations.

Next Steps

Dave Perkins reported that the schedule for next steps for the RTP is as follows:

- Public open house – June 13
- End of 30-day public comment period – July 15
- Submit final draft RTP to TAC for review – July 16
- Special (additional) TAC meeting to approve release of final draft to Executive Board – July 18
- RTP approval by Executive Board – July 25

IV. Round Table Discussion

TAC members made the following statements.

- The revised RTP performance graphics were better and it is important to communicate that congestion will not improve but will be better than without the RTP investments.
- Congestion in general will increase but roads with extreme congestion will not significantly increase over today's levels of congestion.
- TAC members offered to do an email blast with an invitation to the Public Open House.

V. Adjournment

Chairman Olea adjourned the meeting at 11:30 p.m.

Summary prepared by:



David Perkins
KHA Project Manager

Summary submitted by:

Mark Teuscher
YMPO Senior Transportation Planner

Summary approved by:

Joel Olea, Chairman
YMPO RTP Technical Advisory Committee