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REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING SUMMARY

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

**City of Yuma – Public Works
155 W. 14th 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	Paul Brooberg, City Engineer, City of Yuma
Member	Mark Hoffman, Senior Planner, ADOT
Member	Roger Patterson, Yuma County Engineer
Member	John Starkey, Public Works Director, City of San Luis

YMPO RTP TAC MEMBERS ABSENT:

Member	Jennifer Albers, Principal Planner, City of Yuma
Member	Samuel Palacios, Public Works Director, City of Somerton
Member	Omar Heredia, Planner, Cocopah Indian Tribe

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Bruce Fenske	ADOT
Noah Cullis	City of Yuma
Triguna Israel	PEG
Mirna Rodriguez	City of Somerton
Dan Sanders	City of Yuma
Tim Eisenman	NEI
Michael Grandy	Kimley-Horn and Associates
Dave Perkins	Kimley-Horn and Associates

YMPO STAFF PRESENT:

Sr. Transportation Planner	Mark Teuscher
Traffic Data Mgt. Supervisor	Charles Gutierrez

I. CALL TO ORDER

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

II. SUMMARY OF APRIL 11, 2013 MEETING

Approval of the April 11, 2013 meeting summary was tabled and will be distributed by YMPO staff for action at the June 13, 2013 TAC meeting.

III. STUDY PROGRESS TO DATE (POWERPOINT)

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

- Prepared initial project list and revenue estimates in early April
- Participated in the April 10, 2013 interagency air quality teleconference
- Received project priorities from the TAC on April 11, 2013
- Attended focus area discussions and open house on April 16, 2013
- Prepared and distributed an initial cost-constrained RTP plan for 2014-2037 and conducted teleconferences with all TAC members in late April
- Distributed revised revenue estimates and projects on May 6, 2013
- Coordinated with YMPO staff on the TIP process in April
- Prepared travel demand model runs for 2014, 2016, 2024, 2034, and 2037 (AQ analysis years) in late April
- Revised RTP outline and style guide
- Continued to develop RTP elements

Summary of Focus Area Discussions and Open House

Eleven people attended and actively participated in the Focus Area Discussion session. All input received during the facilitated Focus Area Discussions is listed on the YMPO website along with detailed input received from the Yuma school district representative on school safety issues.

Seven people attended the Public Open House. Input received included the need for transportation projects in general, the need for bicycle improvements, the need for sidewalks, and recognition of improvements to the transit system.

Roadway system revenues and projects

Michael Grandy distributed maps and spreadsheets of the updated project lists. He described the changes made to the project lists using input received during TAC teleconferences. Questions by the TAC resulted in discussions of unfunded projects. It was agreed that projects that were started during the 2014-2037 planning period but not completed should be listed as unfunded projects (there are 10 of these projects). It was also agreed that "special unfunded projects" that would be implemented should funding become available should be listed as unfunded projects (no projects were initially identified for this unfunded project list). The TAC agreed that the project lists should be included in the draft YMPO 2014-2037 RTP. The TAC reserved the option of revising the project lists as part of the review of the draft RTP.

Dave Perkins presented initial performance results of the 2014-2037 RTP capital projects. Following a discussion of the results, it was decided that the names of the project categories should be modified to improve clarity and that additional work would be required to present and clearly communicate the performance for the RTP.

Progress on other RTP elements

Dave Perkins reviewed the status of in-progress RTP elements and presented an updated style guide for the RTP document. The updated style guide used brighter colors and fonts that could be legible when photocopied in black and white.

Next Steps

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

- Performance testing – May 10
- Air quality analysis – mid-May
- Initial draft RTP to YMPO – May 27
- Comments from YMPO – May 30
- Draft electronic RTP to TAC – June 6
- Comments due from TAC – June 11
- TAC meeting to approve release of draft RTP – June 13
- 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

YMPO staff asked that the TAC be responsive to schedule requirements to allow the RTP to be approved in July 2013.

IV. Round Table Discussion

- Projects listed for the Town of Wellton reflected input received from the Town.
- ADOT projects reflected input received from ADOT representatives.
- It was clarified that unfunded projects were not shown on the map of projects.
- It was asked if written approval of the project lists were needed. It was clarified that informal approval that jurisdiction inputs were reflected in the project lists was sufficient.
- Further TAC revisions to the project lists were requested by May 13, 2013.
- Charles Gutierrez asked that project priority information be provided to the City of Somerton. A set of handouts was provided to a representative of the City of Somerton.

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