

TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Local Governments and Citizens Working Together

TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC)

July 13, 2023

Time: 9:00 a.m.

In-Person/Virtual

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Yuma, Arizona 85364

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Member	Erika Peterson, Associate Planner, City of Yuma
Member	Mark Hoffman, Senior Planner, ADOT
Member	Frank Sanchez, County Engineer, Yuma County
Member	Dave Wostenberg, City Engineer, City of Yuma
Member	Susan Cowey, CIP Administrator, City of Yuma
Member	Kelly Fricke, Interim Public Works Director, Yuma County
Member	Charles Gutierrez, Public Works Director, City of Somerton
Member	Allen Heck, Planning Director, Cocopah Indian Tribe

YMPO TAC EX-OFFICIOS

Caltrans	Beth Landrum
EPA	John Kelly
FHWA	Romare Truly
FTA	Ariana Valle
YCIPTA	Shelly Kreger

1. Call to Order and Declaration of Votes

The meeting will be called to order and the City of Yuma will declare the number of their votes.

2. Title VI of the Civil Rights ACT of 1964

A brief message will be read out reminding members of our Title VI obligations. YMPO has survey cards on the TAC Website, for the public to complete. Please send these to JR Aguilar, YMPO Title VI Coordinator, at jraguilar@ympo.org.

This item is on the agenda for information only and Mr. Jesus Aguilar (JR), YMPO Mobility Manager, will read the YMPO Title VI Statement.

3. Call to the Public

This item is to provide an opportunity for comments by the public. Individuals that wish to address the committee need not request permission in advance, but are limited to three (3) minutes.

4. Approval of Minutes

A copy of the draft minutes of the regular TAC meeting from June 8, 2023, and special TAC meetings that occurred on June 22 and 29, 2023 will accompany this agenda. Members will have the opportunity to review, report any changes, and/or approve the minutes of the June 2023, TAC meetings.

This item is on the agenda for information, discussion, and/or possible action to approve the minutes of the regular TAC meeting of June 8, 2023, and Special TAC meetings of June 22 and 29, 2023.

5. TAC Officers

Since, TAC Vice-Chairman Eric Holland no longer represents the Cocopah Tribe. The new Cocopah representative is Mr. Allen Heck. Nominations of who will become the Vice-Chair of the TAC will be presented at this meeting.

This item is on the agenda for information, discussion, and/or possible action to elect a Vice-Chair. Further details are contained in an information summary that is included with this agenda packet, as Item 5.

6. Regional Bicycle Coordinator Need

Yuma County has proposed to discuss the need for a Regional Bicycle Coordinator. Open discussion is encouraged to brainstorm possibilities and engage in solutions.

This item is on the agenda for information, discussion, comment only.

7. 2023 RAISE Grant and Additional Funding Opportunities for US 95

On June 27, 2023, Arizona Senators announced the U.S. Department of Transportation RAISE grants awards for transportation projects in Arizona. One of the selected projects included safety improvements to U.S. Highway 95 along Wellton-Mohawk Canal to Aberdeen Rd in Yuma County for \$8.5M. YMPO Staff will provide an update of additional funding opportunities for US 95.

This item is on the agenda for information, discussion, comment only. Further details are contained in an information summary that is included with this agenda packet, as Item 7.

8. Possible Regional Project Priority List for 2024

The RTAC has reported that the budget surplus for the coming 2024 fiscal year is likely to continue. As a result, they have suggested that member agencies should develop another list of possible projects for consideration for state funding. A distribution of last year's projects and number one priority was distributed July 5, 2023, and members have been asked to review and submit their number one priority.

This item is on the agenda for information, discussion, comment and possible action. Further details are contained in an information summary that is included with this agenda packet, as Item 8.

9. YMPO FY 2024 Title VI Update, Training and Guidance

YMPO Title VI Coordinator will update the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) with the latest update in respect to the Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Limited English Proficiency (LEP), and the Public Participation Plan.

Mr. Aguilar will make a presentation on the Title VI Package and will be available by July 10th on website; this item is on the agenda for, discussion, comment, and possible action to approve the detailed changes to the 2024 YMPO Title VI Report, contingent on no major comments or objections. Further details are contained in an information summary that is included with this agenda packet, as Item 9.

10. The Transportation Alternatives (TA) Program

Under the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL)'s Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Program, the TA Program set aside provides funding for projects that help States build a variety of smaller-scale alternative transportation projects that achieve safer, connected, and equitable on-road networks for all users. The latest update from the developing program consultant indicates a call for projects will likely occur on July 17, 2023.

This item is on the agenda for information, discussion, and/or possible comment only. Further details are contained in an information summary that is included with this agenda packet, as Item 10.

11. Rural and Tribal Assistance Pilot Program (RTAPP)

The BIL created the RTAPP, which makes \$10M available over years to provide states, local governments, and tribal governments with grants to support project development leading to future application to DOT grant programs. The Application

will be available on August 14, 2023, 11am Arizona time)

This item is on the agenda for information, discussion, and/or possible comment only. Further details are contained in an information summary that is included with this agenda packet, as Item 11.

12. AZ SMART Fund

Funding for the AZ State Match Advantage for Rural Transportation (SMART) is still available to assist eligible cities, towns, counties, and ADOT in competing for federal discretionary grants. YMPO staff will provide an update on funding.

This item is on the agenda for information, discussion, and/or possible only. Further details are contained in an information summary that is included with this agenda packet, as Item 12.

13. Call for Projects

The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law established the 5-Year Carbon Reduction Program formula funds for members to use on qualified projects in the region. YMPO TAC members are being asked to submit a Project Nomination sheet and Mini-Design Concept Report for projects of interest to be evaluated by the TAC and undergo the selection process. Including FY22 and FY23 funding, there is approximately \$795,000 to be programmed in FY 24.

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14. In-Kind Match Forms

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15. TAC Status Reports

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Traffic Operations Center;
South Gila Canal Bridge Replacement.

City of Somerton: No projects listed.

ADOT:

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Statewide POE Barrier Protection.

Cocopah Indian Tribe: No projects listed.

16. Future Agenda Items

Members will have the opportunity to suggest future items for the TAC agenda.

- a. Regional Priority Projects for 2024 (continued);
- b. A possible change to YMPO By-Laws may be forthcoming regarding the official designation of TAC Members, Alternates, and/or Proxies.

17. Progress Reports

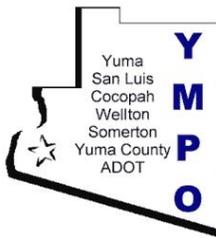
YMPO staff has provided a list of recent activities:

- a. Jun 8 - TAC Meeting (CF, PW, NC, JH, JR, BD)
- b. Jun 8 - Yuma O3 & PM Initial Meeting (CF)
- c. Jun 8 - Meeting with Mayor Doug Nicholls (CF)
- d. Jun 8 - YMPO Planning Meeting (CF, BD, PW, NC)
- e. Jun 8 - AZ Mobility Managers Statewide Virtual Meeting (JR)
- f. Jun 9 - COG/MPO Planners Meeting (CF)
- g. Jun 12 - RTAC Advisory Committee (CF)
- h. Jun 12 - ADOT/YMPO Monthly Coordination Meeting (CF, PW)
- i. Jun 12 - Meeting with Larry Talley from ADOT RE: Regional Safety Study (CF, PW, BD, NC)
- j. Jun 13 - ADA Guru Webinar (JR)
- k. Jun 13 - Employee Evaluation - Blenda Dale (CF, BD)
- l. Jun 13 - Employee Evaluation - Norma Chavez (CF, NC)
- m. Jun 13 - Performance/Goals Check-In - JR Aguilar (CF, JR)
- n. Jun 13 - MGM Design - Logo/Rebranding (CF)
- o. Jun 14 - COG/MPO Director's Meeting (CF)
- p. Jun 14 - ADOT HPMS Group visit to YMPO (JH, JR, PW)
- q. Jun 14 - Yuma County's Regional Economic Development Qtly Mtg (CF)
- r. Jun 15 - Yuma County and YMPO Partnership Meeting (CF, BD)
- s. Jun 15 - Rural and Tribal Assistance Pilot Program Informational Webinar (NC)
- t. Jun 15 - Yuma County HR and YMPO Partnership Meeting (CF, BD)
- u. Jun 15 - WACOG Networking for Community Resources Meeting (JR)
- v. Jun 16 - AZ State Transportation Board in Florence (CF)
- w. Jun 19 - RTAC Board Meeting (CF)
- x. Jun 19 - YMPO/YCIPTA Transit TIP Overview (CF, PW)
- y. Jun 19 - Pass-Trainer Timeline Development (CF, JR)
- z. Jun 20 - ADOT Civil Rights Office's Annual FHWA Title VI Training (CF)
- aa. Jun 20 - Yuma PM10 SIP Update Meeting (CF)
- bb. Jun 20 - ADOT Civil Rights Office's Annual FHWA Title VI Training (JR)
- cc. Jun 21 - RTS Planning Meeting (CF, BD, NC, JR, JH)
- dd. Jun 21 - Meeting with Walker & Armstrong RE: Audit Schedule (CF, BD)
- ee. Jun 22 - Special TAC Meeting (CF, PW, BD, NC, JH)
- ff. Jun 25 - Executive Board Meeting (CF, PW, NC, BD, JH, JR)
- gg. Jun 26 - Transportation Alternative Program Bylaws Subcommittee (CF)
- hh. Jun 26-27 Walker & Armstrong Office Visit (BD)
- ii. Jun 27 - 5310 2023 Transit Awards Meeting with Mark Hoffman (CF)
- jj. Jun 28 - USDOT RAISE Grant Announcement

- kk. Jun 28 - Transportation Alternative Program TAC Meeting #2 (CF)
- ll. Jun 29 - Special TAC Meeting (CF, BD, NC, JR)
- mm. Jun 29 - Executive Board Meeting (CF, BD, JH, NC)
- nn. Jun 30 - RTS Sponsorship Meeting with NADBank (CF)
- oo. Jun 30 - Yuma TDM Results Discussion (CF)
- pp. Jul 4 - Independence Day (Office Closed)
- qq. Jul 10 - ADOT/YMPO Monthly Coordination Meeting (CF)
- rr. Jul 10 - Rural Transportation Summit Tribal Program Discussion (CF)
- ss. Jul 10 - RMC 5310 Meeting (JR)
- tt. Jul 11 - Staff Meeting (CF, BD, JH, NC, JR, RA)
- uu. Jul 12 - RTS Planning Meeting (CF, BD, JH, NC, JR)
- vv. Jul 12 - Senior Transportation Planner Manager Interview - Fernando Villegas (CF)
- ww. Jul 12 - Senior Transportation Planner Manager Interview - Blenda Dale (CF)

18. Adjournment.

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YMPO TAC MEMBERS ABSENT

- Chairman Eulogio Vera, Public Works Director, City of San Luis.

ADDITIONAL PRESENT

- Isabell Garcia, ADOT
- Mark Henige, ADOT
- Gene Dalbey, Yuma Region Bicycle Coalition

YMPO STAFF PRESENT

- Executive Director Crystal Figueroa
- Principal Engineer Paul Ward
- Accountant II Blenda Dale
- Administrative Assistant Norma Chavez
- Mobility Manager Jesus R Aguilar Jr
- IT Manager Jeff Heinrichs

1. **Call to Order and Declaration of Votes.**

In the absence of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman, Dave Wostenberg, City of Yuma, called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M. The City of Yuma declared votes as Susan Cowey (one vote), Erika Peterson (two votes), and Dave Wostenberg (2 votes). YMPO Executive Director, Crystal Figueroa, introduced and welcomed new TAC members: Erika Peterson, City of Yuma Associate Planner, Charles Gutierrez, City of Somerton Public Works Director, and Alan Heck, Cocopah Indian Tribe Planning Director.

2. **Title VI of the Civil Rights ACT of 1964.**

The YMPO Title VI Nondiscrimination Notice to the Public was read by YMPO Mobility Manager, Jesus Aguilar JR.

3. **Call to the Public**

Gene Dalbey, Yuma Region Bicycle Coalition, greeted everyone present.

4. **Approval of Minutes**

The May 11, 2023, TAC meeting minutes had been included with the agenda. Joe Grant, Town of Wellton, moved to approve the minutes and Frank Sanchez, Yuma County, seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

5. **Regional Project Priority List for 2023.**

Paul Ward introduced this item. Mr. Ward reminded the TAC that in recent years, the Arizona State Budget has provided surpluses and the State Legislature has consistently provided additional funds, over and above the normal HURF and Federal funds, to transportation projects throughout the state. During this time, YMPO developed prioritized lists of possible projects to be funded with these surplus state funds and the TAC was instrumental in this effort. The Rural Technical Advisory Committee (RTAC) collected similar lists of prioritized projects from around the state and submitted them to the legislature for consideration. Recently, the Governor signed HB 2543, which contained approximately \$39 million for projects in the Yuma region. Ms. Figueroa noted that \$33.3 million will be going toward the next phase of US-95 and approximately \$6 million will be going toward County 22nd Street and County 17th Street.

Mr. Gutierrez referred to Information Summary 5, which states that the \$33 million includes \$13 million that had been granted under previous years' allocations but has not already been spent. He questioned whether the State Legislature is swiping the \$13 million that was previously allocated.

Ms. Figueroa said that essentially that is what happened and learned about the adjustments made by State Legislature to several projects around the state from a presentation at the State Transportation Board Meeting.

Mr. Ward concluded this item by reiterating that approximately \$39 million was granted in allocations to the YMPO region, which included the \$13 million that had been granted last year.

6. Possible Regional Project Priority List for 2024.

Mr. Ward stated that RTAC has indicated that the Arizona budget appears to be producing surplus funds once again. They will continue efforts to try to increase State funding for local transportation projects in the rural areas of Arizona. RTAC proposed an increased, combined dollar limit of \$400 million statewide for their list. The population-based division of that amount estimated the possible allocation of funds to the YMPO region at just over \$48 million. As a result, they have suggested that member agencies should develop another list of possible projects for consideration for state funding for next year. Mr. Ward presented a tentative schedule for producing the YMPO region’s priorities for this list:

Date	Likely Action Needed
Jul 1, 2023	Member agencies submit project requests to YMPO TAC meeting
Aug 10, 2023	The TAC recommends a draft list of prioritized projects
Aug 31, 2023	The Board approves a list of prioritized projects
Sep 4, 2023	The list is submitted to the RTAC for submittal to the AZ legislature

Ms. Cowey asked whether a project would get a higher priority ranking if agencies combine their efforts in a particular project.

Mr. Gutierrez mentioned that the reason why County 22nd Street and County 17th Street project was ranked higher was because it touched other local cities, such as the Cities of San Luis, Somerton, and Yuma. Therefore, the MPO, specifically the TAC, might favor a combined project as opposed to a project within a city.

Ms. Figueroa asked Ms. Cowey what project she was referring to. Ms. Cowey said the 40th Street Corridor encompasses Yuma County. Mr. Wostenberg continued by stating that the 40th Street project also relieves traffic from the Foothills area, and it is a direct access to Marine Corps Air Station (MCAS) Yuma.

Ms. Figueroa stated that the 40th Street project seems like a great candidate for the regional project priority list for FY 2024.

As information, Mr. Gutierrez said that last year, each agency produced its top 3 projects and eventually dwindled it down to its number 1 project.

Last year's regional project priority list was shown to the TAC.

Mr. Ward said the RTAC plans on presenting this list to the legislators at the Rural Transportation Summit being held in Yuma on October 18-19, 2023. Mr. Ward suggested that agencies may submit as many projects as they want but ultimately, the projects given to RTAC will be worth approximately \$48 million.

Ms. Figueroa recommended that all agencies send their projects in the fact sheet version.

Mr. Ward concluded this item by stating that further guidance on how member agencies will be submitting all the information needed to YMPO.

Mr. Dalbey asked TAC agencies to keep bicyclists in mind when dealing with their projects.

7. FY 2024-28 YMPO Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

Mr. Ward presented this item. YMPO TAC members have submitted projects for consideration of, and possible inclusion in, the FY 2024-28 YMPO Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The TIP is a continuously moving document and changes to projects are possible, even at this stage. The TIP contains all projects funded with Title 23 Federal Transportation funds within the YMPO region. Effectively, anything that changes the transportation model network, regardless of whether it is federally funded or not, should be on the TIP. Mr. Ward provided a copy of the draft version of the TIP to all TAC members, which includes an updated list of projects. Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBG) funds are available for programming and the process of selecting projects for those funds will be discussed in the upcoming TAC meetings. Additionally, Carbon Reduction Program (CRP) funds will also need to plan projects for, which some member agencies have already made their requests.

Mr. Ward informed the TAC that the TIP provided has not yet been presented as a document for approval; however, if the TAC feels it is appropriate to do so, the item is on the agenda for a recommendation for approval to the Executive Board on June 29, 2023, for possible approval and a Resolution of support. Following this, the TIP will be sent to the Governor for her approval (or her designee) and eventual inclusion into the State TIP, which is then reviewed by the various Federal authorities. Mr. Ward suggested the TAC hold a special meeting in two weeks to allow the TAC to review and revise the projects listed.

Mr. Wostenberg agreed to move forward and schedule a special meeting to provide time for any revisions needed by member agencies.

Ms. Cowey recommended that more time is needed to review the TIP.

Mark Hoffman, ADOT, said if there were to be conformity issues, then it would not be a conforming TIP and will be held up and not taken to the Executive Board for approval until that is completed.

Ms. Cowey moved to table the discussion for one week and hold a special meeting and Ms. Peterson seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

Mr. Sanchez asked if it was possible to have the special meeting on June 22, 2023, instead.

Mr. Wostenberg asked Ms. Cowey to amend her motion. Ms. Cowey moved to table the discussion for two weeks and schedule a special meeting for June 22, 2023, at 9:00 A.M. to discuss this item. Ms. Peterson seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.

8. Status of YMPO Federally Funded Projects.

This item was tabled to July's TAC meeting.

9. The Transportation Alternatives (TA) Program.

Ms. Figueroa introduced this item by informing the TAC that the TA Program (TA) Set-Aside from the STBG Program is being developed by ADOT. The TA provides funding for a variety of generally smaller-scale transportation projects such as pedestrian and bicycle facilities, safe routes to school projects, community improvements such as historic preservation and vegetation management, and environmental mitigation related to stormwater and habitat connectivity. Furthermore, the TA is a competitive grant program, which means that the process will allow eligible entities to submit projects for funding that achieve program objectives, and this process must include prioritization of project location and impact in high-need areas as defined by the State.

Mr. Ward began his presentation by explaining that the TA Program Call for Projects announcement is currently anticipated to take place in early June 2023. The 2-step application process consists of:

1. Project Screening
2. Project Evaluation

The screening application will open as soon as the call for projects is announced. ADOT will review on a tolling basis and notify Project Sponsors if their project can advance to Step 2: Project Evaluation. Project Sponsors will have up to 8 weeks to submit a screening application. However, submitting early will give more time to complete an evaluation application, should the project advance. The evaluation application will open as soon as projects start advancing from the screening phase

and will remain open until mid-August. Evaluation applications will be sent to the TAC for review. The TAC will have 4 weeks to complete reviews and provide input.

Mr. Ward said that although project eligibility/criteria was vague, he believed a project such as turning Cocopah Indian Tribe's rail line, which is no longer in use, into a multi-use path would be a good candidate.

Ms. Figueroa informed the TAC that ADOT is working on a TA Guidebook that will be solidified and sent out to all TAC members soon.

Mr. Ward suggested applications be submitted as funds available are from FY 2022-2024.

Mr. Gutierrez asked if there was any guidance as far as ranking internally through COGs/MPOs, including applications from non-profits within the YMPO region. Ms. Figueroa said the applications will be vetted through a TAC composed of COG/MPO Directors. As far as how to handle applicants in the YMPO region, that is something that will be determined internally.

Mr. Hoffman stated that non-profit entities are eligible applicants, which include local governments, transit agencies, natural resource and public land agencies, school districts, tribal governments, and any other local regional government entity that is responsible for oversight and transportation or recreational trails.

Mr. Wostenberg asked if an update could be provided in the June 22, 2023, special meeting.

Mark Henige, ADOT, directed all members to the FHWA website for more information on the TA Program. He also suggested that all applicants be cautious of costs escalating as this was an issue in prior years due to the local agency having to be responsible for the increase in cost. Based on the TA guidelines, the scoring will be based on schedule feasibility, meaning can the project be completed within two years, design feasibility that is not too complex, and community support. Additionally, if the project required right-of-way, the TA program funds would not be available as this incurs costs and requires more time for completion.

10. TAC Officers.

Mr. Ward introduced this item. Mr. Ward informed the TAC that Vice-Chairman Eric Holland no longer represents the Cocopah Tribe. The new Cocopah representative is Mr. Heck. Mr. Heck expressed his desire not to serve as Vice-Chair because he is not familiar with the TAC. Based on the YMPO TAC Officers calendar, it seems Yuma County would be next to serve as Vice-Chair. Mr. Ward

asked the TAC for input on this item. This item will be tabled until July's TAC meeting for possible nomination and action to appoint a Vice-Chair.

Mr. Sanchez stated he would have no issue with being Vice-Chair.

11. YMPO and ADOT.

- a. YMPO - Mr. Ward had no update for the TAC.
- b. ADOT MPD Update - Mr. Hoffman stated that ADOT is finalizing deliverables, such as the Funding Gap Analysis, and Resilience Analysis for the State System, as part of the State Long Range Transportation Plan. Additionally, ADOT is finalizing and working through the State Transportation Board to set the funding levels for the individual categories of preservation, modernization, and expansion, which will be used to develop the 5-year program each year. There will be a remaining 30-day public comment review period of the draft plan after it is presented to the Board.

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Town of Wellton:

Joe Grant, Town of Wellton, said no projects were listed.

Yuma County:

Mr. Sanchez reported the following updates:

Avenue D/E Corridor: 16th Street to 23rd Street - Held a public information meeting in mid-May.

Martinez Lake and Red Cloud Mine Roads - Looking to finalize the design for the last portion of the project in August.

North Frontage Road: Avenue 10E to Fortuna Road - Scheduled to start construction in July.

City of San Luis:

Cesar Chavez (Juan Sanchez) Boulevard Improvements;
County 24th Street.

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32nd Street Paving, Ave B to Ave C - Road will be closed beginning June 12th.

Avenue 3-1/2 E Paving, 32nd St to 40th St.

North End Pavement Replacement - Work will begin June 26th.

Avenue C Waterline Replacement, 16th St to 18th St - Work will begin in the summer

Avenue B Reconstruction, 24th St to 16th St - Will be advertising in 2-3 weeks

45th Avenue Paving, 16th St to 20th St - Will be advertising in the summer

Pavement Marking Upgrade, Citywide;

Pedestrian Hybrid Beacons - A total of 8 around Downtown

Traffic Signal Flashing Yellow Turn Arrow Installation - At 3 different locations

40th Street Construction, 7 1/2E to 6 3/4E - 100% design by April 2024

Bridge - Ave 7E & 40th St over A Canal - Starting construction in October

28th St Widening, 45th Ave to 33rd Dr - Currently working on right-of-way

18th Street and Avenue C Traffic Signal - Currently in design

Hotel Del Sol Multimodal Center;

40th Street Construction 7 1/2E to 10E;

Avenue 3E and 32nd Street Median Landscape;

28th St Reconstruction, 8th Ave to Madison Ave and Virginia, 28th St to 27th St;

Traffic Operations Center;

City of Somerton:

Mr. Gutierrez provided the following updates:

Started the pavement preservation of City Hall

ADOT:

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Statewide POE Barrier Protection.

Cocopah Indian Tribe:

Mr. Heck provided the following updates:

Cocopah is installing lights to increase capacity within the community.

Bus stop installation at Center Street and Steamboat Street

14. Future Agenda Items.

Members will have the opportunity to suggest future items for the TAC agenda.

- a. Special Meeting on June 22, 2023, for possible recommendation of approval of the TIP and update on the TA Program.
- b. A possible change to YMPO By-Laws may be forthcoming regarding the official designation of TAC Members, Alternates, and/or Proxies.

15. Progress Reports.

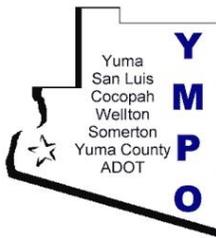
YMPO staff has provided a list of recent activities:

- a. May 11 - TAC Meeting (CF, PW, NC, JR, JH).
- b. May 11 - YRBC Meeting (JR, PW).
- c. May 15 - Meeting with LSC Transportation Re: Next Steps for RCP (CF).
- d. May 15 - CTS Meeting (CF).
- e. May 15 - ADOT/YMPO Monthly Coordination Meeting (CF, PW).
- f. May 15 - RTAC Advisory Committee Meeting (CF).
- g. May 15 - RTS Planning Meeting (CF, CG, BD, NC, JR, RA).
- h. May 15 - Council for Technical Solutions Meeting (CF).
- i. May 16 - UPWP Edits (CF, BD).
- j. May 16 - Web Presence Executive Summary and Plan (CF, JH).
- k. May 16 - Yuma PM-10 SIP Update Meeting (CF, PW).
- l. May 17 - YMPO/Quechan Meeting (CF, PW, JR, JH).
- m. May 18 - AAS Properties Visit Re: Retaining Wall (CF, NC).
- n. May 19 - AZSTB Meeting in Gilbert (CF, PW).
- o. May 21-25 - CTAA and OTA Expo 2023 (JR).
- p. May 22 - RTAC Board Meeting (CF).
- q. May 24 - RTS Planning Meeting (CF, PW, BD, JH, NC, JR).
- r. May 25 - Executive Board Meeting (CF, PW, JH, BD, NC, JR).
- s. May 25 - Notarize SAM.GOV Appointment Letter at Wells Fargo (CF).
- t. May 31 - RTS Planning Meeting (CF, PW, BD, NC, JR, RA).
- u. May 31 - Yuma County ED & IGA / YMPO - CANAMEX Corridor (CF).
- v. Jun 1 - Arizona State Transportation Board (STB) Study Session (CF).
- w. Jun 1 - Cybersecurity Insurance - A.T. Pancrazi (BD).
- x. Jun 2 - May Mobility Intro and Transportation Summit (CF).
- y. Jun 5 - Staff Meeting (CF, PW, BD, NC, JH, JR, RA).
- z. Jun 5 - Real Teams Training (CF, PW, BD, NC, JH, JR, RA).
- aa. Jun 6 - Planning Meeting for FY24/25 (CF).
- bb. Jun 7 - RTS Planning Meeting (CF, PW, BD, NC, JR, RA).

16. Adjournment.

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TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Local Governments and Citizens Working Together

TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC)

June 22, 2023

Time: 9:00 a.m.

In-Person/Virtual

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Member	Joseph Grant, Public Works Director, Town of Wellton.
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Member	Erika Peterson, Associate Planner, City of Yuma.
Member	Alan Heck, Planning Director, Cocopah Indian Tribe.
Member	Charles Gutierrez, Public Works Director, City of Somerton.

YMPO TAC MEMBERS ABSENT

Chair	Eulogio Vera, Public Works Director, City of San Luis.
Vice Chair	Vacant.

YMPO TAC EX-OFFICIOS

YCIPTA	Shelly Kreger.
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ADDITIONAL PRESENT

Gene Dalbey, Yuma Region Bicycle Coalition

YMPO STAFF PRESENT

Executive Director	Crystal Figueroa
Principal Engineer	Paul Ward
Accountant II	Blenda Dale
Administrative Assistant	Norma Chavez
IT Manager	Jeff Heinrichs
Mobility Manager	Jesus Aguilar JR

1. **Call to Order and Declaration of Votes.**

In the absence of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman, Dave Wostenberg, City of Yuma, called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M. The City of Yuma declared votes as Dave Wostenberg (2 votes), Erika Peterson (2 votes), and Susan Cowey (1 vote).

2. **Title VI of the Civil Rights ACT of 1964.**

The YMPO Title VI Nondiscrimination Notice to the Public was ready by YMPO Administrative Assistant/Bookkeeper, Norma Chavez.

3. **Call to the Public**

Gene Dalbey, Yuma Region Bicycle Coalition (YRBC), expressed his appreciation for everyone's punctuality and attendance at the TAC meetings.

4. **FY 2024-28 YMPO Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).**

Paul Ward, YMPO Principal Engineer, presented this item. The FY 2024-28 YMPO TIP was on the agenda during the previous meeting, on June 8, 2023, for possible action to recommend to the YMPO Executive Board for approval at its June 29, 2023 meeting. The final copy of the TIP document was not available in sufficient time for TAC members to adequately review the document and, as a result, members deferred action until a Special meeting could be called on June 22, 2023. Mr. Ward began by displaying changes to the Transit projects that, in collaboration with YCIPTA, have been included in the TIP. The TIP was updated to include 2026-28 transit projects. Mr. Ward clarified that the apportionment year doesn't directly reflect the year in which the project sits due to transit operating on a grant basis.

Mark Hoffman, ADOT, asked how the recent 5310 awards will be added to the YMPO 2022-26 TIP? Mr. Hoffman stated that ADOT is requesting the 5310 awards for the region be added to the YMPO TIP for their grant application submittal and approval by FTA.

Mr. Ward said that the projects Mr. Hoffman is referring to are listed in the new TIP in FY 24.

Mr. Hoffman responded that ADOT is looking for the 5310 awards to be amended into the YMPO 2022-26 TIP and approved by the Executive Board so that ADOT can include them in the STIP quicker. Not doing so would delay funding.

Crystal Figueroa, YMPO Executive Director, confirmed that the 5310 awarded projects must be added to the current FY 2022-26 YMPO TIP.

Mr. Hoffman confirmed that the 5310 awards must be added to YMPO's FY 2022-26 TIP in the year 2023.

Charles Gutierrez, City of Somerton, said that in the past, the 5310 awards were immediately installed into the TIP as they were announced. Mr. Gutierrez asked that since the 27-28 TIP has not been filled in yet, when would the final DCR for the City of Somerton be reviewed for programming for the available 27-28 funding?

Mr. Ward said that hasn't been decided.

Mr. Gutierrez asked if this would be something that could be decided on during the meeting.

Mr. Wostenberg said that the item was not on the agenda for the current meeting and therefore could not be acted on.

Ms. Cowey motioned to hold a special session for the TAC to approve the 5310 awards.

Ms. Figueroa requested additional information regarding the project Mr. Gutierrez was referring to for the City of Somerton.

Mr. Gutierrez stated it was a redevelopment project that Saul Albor, City of Somerton, presented to the TAC.

Frank Sanchez, Yuma County, reported that the county also had a mini DCR ready for submittal, but was waiting until the TAC created a format on how to submit projects. Additionally, Mr. Sanchez asked if it was possible to take action on the addition of the 5310 awards to the TIP during this meeting.

Mr. Hoffman reiterated that the 5310 awards being added to the current TIP cannot be decided today as the item was not on the agenda. However, the awards must be amended to the current TIP as quickly as possible to be included in the STIP.

Mr. Wostenberg reminded the TAC that there was a motion on the floor to hold a special meeting to amend the 5310 awards into the current TIP.

The TAC agreed that a special meeting would be held on June 29, 2023, at 9:00 A.M.

Following Ms. Cowey's motion, Joe Grant, Town of Wellton, seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Ward continued with his presentation of the FY 2024-2028 YMPO TIP. Mr. Ward showed all changes to the TIP.

Mr. Gutierrez requested an update to the Title VI portion of the TIP on page 2 of 45.

Mr. Sanchez requested that the graphs/tables indicated in the TIP correlate to the correct page number on the document.

Kelly Fricke, Yuma County, identified a typo on page 33 of 45.

Mr. Hoffman suggested the deletion of YMPO's self-certification from the TIP document on page 45.

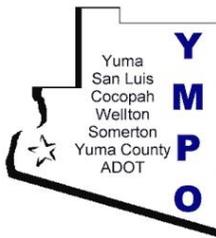
Ms. Cowey motioned to recommend approval of the YMPO TIP with amendments as noted during the meeting. Mr. Sanchez seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

5. The Transportation Alternatives (TA) Program

Ms. Figueroa introduced this item. During the last TAC meeting, members requested additional information regarding the TA Program, as soon as it became available. Further information in the form of a Program Guidebook has been released and provided in the TAC packet. Ms. Figueroa stated that the call for projects was initially scheduled for the month of June but can assume that it will be scheduled for July. The final copy of the program guidebook will be distributed to the TAC as soon as it becomes available.

6. Adjournment.

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ADDITIONAL PRESENT

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- Sanja Katic-Jauhar, ADOT

YMPO STAFF PRESENT

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3. **Call to the Public**

Charles Gutierrez, City of Somerton, congratulated YMPO for being awarded an \$8.5 million Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) Grant for the widening project of US Highway 95. YMPO Executive Director, Crystal Figueroa, recognized Mr. Gutierrez's assistance in the grant process during his time with YMPO. Ms. Figueroa also announced that Paul Ward, former Principal Engineer at YMPO, was no longer with the organization due to personal reasons.

4. **FY 2022-26 YMPO Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #8.**

Ms. Figueroa presented this item. The FY 2022-26 YMPO TIP was originally approved on July 29, 2021, and has since been amended seven times, most recently on March 30, 2023. Another TIP Amendment was necessary to add some FTA 5310 awarded projects funded for FFY 2023 for the region, which is year one of the two-year application cycle. Year two awards would be posted in 2024. This item was discussed during the previous TAC special meeting, on June 22, 2023, for possible action to recommend to the YMPO Executive Board for approval at its June 29, 2023, meeting. Ms. Figueroa presented the changes listed in the transit TIP tables provided, for FFY 2023.

Mr. Wostenberg motioned to recommend approval of the FY 2022-26 YMPO TIP Amendment #8. Mr. Gutierrez seconded the motion, and the motion was unanimously approved.

5. **FY 2022-2045 YMPO Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) Amendment #1**

Ms. Figueroa presented this item. Ms. Figueroa stated that an amendment to the FY 2022-2045 YMPO Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) was needed to allow the Yuma County Avenue E/D project to move forward with the design and right-of-way acquisition programmed in FY 24. Yuma County requested to extend the Avenue E/D project by two miles from County 18th to County 16th, which would require an update to the regional conformity analysis at an estimated cost of \$15,000. Since Avenue E/D is a federally funded project, ADOT will review the environmental clearance on the corridor as a whole.

Mr. Gutierrez asked if it was possible to wait until YMPO began updating their current LRTP, which was happening soon.

Ms. Figueroa stated that the two available options are to update the current LRTP or include the project in the new LRTP. Due to the approximate 18 months needed to update the LRTP, it was determined that the best choice would be to amend the current LRTP and update the regional conformity analysis.

Mr. Wostenberg asked, for informational purposes, why an update to the regional conformity analysis was needed when the project was only adding a center lane.

Ms. Figueroa clarified that an update to the Conformity Analysis was needed because the LRTP only identified up to County 18th, meaning that it did not include County Roads 16 and 17.

Ms. Figueroa concluded her presentation by stating that FY 2022-2045 YMPO LRTP Amendment #1 will be presented to the Executive Board for possible approval.

6. Adjournment.

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YMPO TAC INFORMATION SUMMARY for Agenda Item 5

TAC Officers

DATE: July 13, 2023.

SUBJECT: TAC Officers

SUMMARY:

In May, YMPO was notified that Vice-Chair Eric Holland no longer represented the Cocopah Indian Tribe and appointed Mr. Allen Heck as the new representative to the YMPO Technical Advisory Committee. During June’s meeting, YMPO staff informed the TAC of the newly vacated position, Vice-Chair. Since Mr. Heck expressed no desire to fill the position as he recently was onboarded as the Cocopah staff member and lacked familiarity with the role, the YMPO TAC Officers yearly rotation calendar indicated that Yuma County would be the next to serve as Vice-Chair. At that point, Yuma County Engineer Mr. Sanchez said he had no issue being the Chair.

A decision according to the Bylaws Section 2(b) on page 5 directs as follows:

Elected officers of the TAC shall serve on a rotation basis, whereby, when the Chair’s position is vacated, the Vice Chair assumes the position of Chair. The TAC must then elect another TAC member to serve as Vice Chair.

Included is the yearly rotation for the last 13 years.

Year	Chair	Vice Chair	Notes
2010	Paul Melcher	John Starkey	
2011	John Starkey	Sam Palacios	
2012	Sam Palacios	Joel Olea	
2013	Joel Olea	Joe Grant	
2014	Joe Grant	Roger Patterson	
2015	Roger Patterson	John Starkey	
2016	John Starkey	Sam Palacios	
2017	Sam Palacios	Jennifer Albers	
2018	Jennifer Albers	Maggie Castro	
2019	Maggie Castro - August	Eulogio Vera	
2019	Eulogio Vera - September	Joe Grant	
2020	Eulogio Vera - February	Joe Grant	
2020	Joe Grant - Interim - March	Sam Palacios	
2021	Sam Palacios - Feb	Jeff Kramer	
2022	Chris Young - End May	Eulogio Vera	
2023	Eulogio Vera	Eric Holland	Eric Holland was VC until April

POSSIBLE ACTION NEEDED:

This item is on the agenda as information, discussion, and/or action to elect a new Vice-Chair to fulfill the remainder of the year.

CONTACT PERSON: Crystal Figueroa, Executive Director, 928-783-8911

YMPO INFORMATION SUMMARY for Agenda Item 7 **2023 RAISE Grant and Additional Funding Opportunities for US 95**

DATE: July 13, 2022

SUBJECT: 2023 RAISE Grant and Additional Funding Opportunities for US 95

SUMMARY:

The Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) Discretionary Grant program, provides Department of Transportation (DOT) an opportunity to invest in transportation infrastructure projects. In partnership with ADOT, the YMPO was the lead applicant for safety improvements to U.S. Highway 95 along Wellton-Mohawk Canal to Aberdeen Rd Planning Grant in Yuma County for \$8.5M. On June 27, 2023, Arizona Senators announced the Department of Transportation RAISE grants awards for transportation projects in Arizona and the safety improvements on US 95 project was selected; funding will facilitate full design of the remaining three segments of US 95 and make it shovel ready for construction.

To supplement the RAISE grant funding, ADOT has agreed to apply for \$4M of the ADOT AZ SMART Fund and is expected to go to the State Transportation Board for approval this month, or at the latest in August for possible approval.

Recently released on June 26, 2023, was the Multimodal Project Discretionary Grant (Mega, Infra, and Rural) program and was identified as a potential funding opportunity considering final design of US 95. It would allow for shovel-ready project for construction funds in the near future and the 2023 State Legislation funding available to match such grant.

YMPO Staff is currently in the consulting stages with Wilson and Company to seek feasibility of grant for US 95 widening project to write the grant application. The deadline for applications is on August 21, 2023.

PUBLIC INPUT:

No members of the public have commented on this request, to date.

TECHNICAL & POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

TECHNICAL: The 2023 RAISE Grant and AZ SMART funds will fully fund the design of the remaining phases of US 95. The project is anticipated to begin in August 2023 with a final design and be shovel ready for construction funding opportunity.

POLICY: The region utilized local funds to apply for federal Grants.

ACTION NEEDED:

This item is on the agenda for information, discussion, and possible comment only at this stage.

CONTACT PERSON:

Crystal Figueroa, Executive Director, 928-783-8911

YMPO TAC INFORMATION SUMMARY for Agenda Item 8

Regional Project Priority List for 2024.

DATE: July 13, 2023.

SUBJECT: Regional Project Priority List for 2024.

SUMMARY:

Following the previous successful 2023 State Legislative process of HB2543 for Greater Arizona Transportation Priority Projects by the Rural Transportation Advocacy Council (RTAC), which contained approximately \$39 million for projects in the Yuma region. The RTAC has reported that the budget surplus for the coming 2024 fiscal year is likely to continue. As a result, they have suggested that member agencies should develop another list of possible projects for consideration for state funding. A distribution of last year's projects and number one priority was distributed on July 5, 2023, and members have been asked to review and submit their number one priority.

RTAC had suggested an increased, combined dollar limit of \$400 million statewide for their list, plus \$100 million for the SMART Fund. The population-based division of that amount estimates the possible allocation of funds to the YMPO region at just over \$48 million.

A tentative schedule for producing the YMPO region's priorities for this list, is as follows:

Date	Likely Action Needed
Jul 13, 2023	Member agencies submit project requests to YMPO TAC meeting
Jul 13 – 31, 2023	YMPO Staff compile Fact Sheets received from member.
Aug 10, 2023	The TAC recommends a draft list of prioritized projects to Ex. Bd.
Aug 31, 2023	The Board approves a list of prioritized projects.
Sep 4, 2023	Early submittal of list to RTAC
Oct 1, 2023	Deadline Fact Sheet Submittal to RTAC for submittal the AZ legislature

POSSIBLE ACTION NEEDED:

No action is anticipated for this agenda item.

CONTACT PERSON:

Crystal Figueroa or Jeff Heinrichs 928-783-8911.

YMPO Regional Priority Project List

Agency	Rank	Project Name	Project Description	Total
		City of Yuma		
	1	40th St: Avenue 8E to Avenue 10E	Construct	\$8,000,000
	2	Pacific Ave Multi-Use Path: Colorado River Levee to 12th Street	Construct multi-use path	\$500,000
	3	1st Street: 4th Avenue to Avenue B - Restripe to 3 lanes and bike lanes per RS	Design and Construct	\$2,250,000
	4	32nd St Multi-Use Path: Avenue 3E to Avenue 7 1/2 E	Construct multi-use path	\$3,000,000
	5	Ave B: 8th Street to 1st Street	Design and Construct	\$5,000,000
	6	Ave B: 24th Street to 8th Street	Design and Construct	\$3,000,000
	7	Ave C: 24th Street to 32nd Street	Design and Construct	\$3,000,000
	8	Ave C: 32nd Street to 40th Street	Design and Construct	\$3,000,000
	9	Ave D: 16th Street to 24th Street	Design and Construct	\$3,000,000
	10	Ave D: 24th Street to 32nd Street	Design and Construct	\$3,000,000
	11	32nd Street: Arizona Avenue to Avenue 10E	Design and Construct	\$46,000,000
	12	County 14th Street: SR-195 to Avenue 10E	Construct	\$12,000,000
		Total for the City of Yuma		\$91,750,000

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YMPO Regional Priority Project List

Agency	Rank	Project Name	Project Description	Total
Yuma County		Yuma County		
	1	US 95: County 22nd St to County 11th St	3" Mill & Overlay	\$16,400,000
Divided in 3 Phases	1a	Phase 1 - County 22nd St to County 17th St		\$5,600,000
	1b	Phase 2 - County 17th St to Avenue "D"		\$5,200,000
	1c	Phase 3 - Avenue "D" to County 11th St		\$5,600,000
	2	Fortuna Road: I-8 to HWY 95	Reconstruction and widening	\$3,800,000
	3	8th Street: Ave D to Somerton Ave	Reconstruction and widening	\$5,000,000
	4	Somerton Ave: Co 11th to Co 14th	Reconstruction	\$2,600,000
	5	Somerton Ave: Co 8th to Co 11th	Reconstruction	\$2,600,000
	6	Foothills Blvd: 48th St to Co 14th	Reconstruction and widening	\$4,000,000
	7	Avenue E/D: Co 23rd to Co 18th	New construction	\$18,000,000
	8	County 14th St: 10E to foothills blvd	Construct	\$12,000,000
	9	Bridge No. 9481; Somerton Ave and Co 10 1/4 Street	Reconstruct Bridge	\$1,200,000
	10	Bridge No. 8515; Ave 3E and County 14 1/2 Street	Reconstruct Bridge	\$1,200,000
	11	Bridge No. 8795; Ave 1E and County 14 1/2 Street	Reconstruct Bridge	\$850,000
	12	Foothills Blvd: S. Frontage Road to 48th Street	3" Mill and Overlay	\$3,000,000
		Total for Yuma County		\$70,650,000

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YMPO Regional Priority Project List

Agency	Rank	Project Name	Project Description	Total
City of San Luis		City of San Luis		
	1	4th Avenue and Union Street Intersection Improvements	Traffic Signal and Turn Lanes	\$800,000
	2	Cesar Chavez Blvd Widening	Widening Project (Main St to 10th Avenue)	\$6,000,000
	3	Cesar Chavez Blvd Widening	Widening Project- (10th Ave. to Avenue E)	\$2,000,000
	4	6th Avenue Extension - Union St to Co. 22nd	New Roadway	\$2,000,000
	5	County 22nd & 4th Avenue	Traffic Signal	\$400,000
	6	Avenue F and Co. 24th Street Intersection Improvements	Traffic Signal	\$400,000
	7	Avenue E and San Luis Lane Pedestrian Crossing Improvements	Traffic Signal/Ped Crossing	\$800,000
	8	Bike Lane Incorporation Project	Widening/Restriping/Signing	\$500,000
	9	County 24th Street - Avenue F1/2 to H	Pave Dirt Road	\$2,300,000
	10	East Main Canal Pathway	8th Avenue to Cesar Chavez Blvd	\$1,000,000
	11	Avenue E and Co. 24th Street Intersection	Traffic Signal	\$600,000
	12	F Street Widening - San Luis Lane to Cesar Chavez Blvd	Widening Project	\$1,000,000
	13	County 22nd & Sidewinder Road	Intersection Improvements - Turn Lanes	\$500,000
	14	County 22nd Widening - 4th to Sidewinder Road	Widening Project	\$1,800,000
	15	Citywide Traffic Signal Update	Traffic Signal/ITS	\$1,800,000
	16	10th Ave Widening - Co. 22nd to Cesar Chavez Blvd.	Widening Project	\$1,200,000
	17	Merrill Avenue Widening - Los Oros to Co. 22nd St	Widening Project	\$1,400,000
	18	Port of Entry Traffic Re-routing with HAWK	HAWK, Signage and Striping	\$800,000
	19	Pedestrian HAWK Crossings	D St, William Brooks, 9th Ave, and Lakin Drive	\$800,000
	20	Avenue B Improvements - North of SR195	Safety Improvements	\$2,000,000
		Total for the City of San Luis		\$28,100,000

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YMPO Regional Priority Project List

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City of Somerton		City of Somerton		
		Main St. (Hwy 95) & Som. Ave.	Somerton Ave. Traffic Signal Upgrade	\$ 600,000.00
		Main St. (Hwy 95) to Fern St.	S. Somerton Ave. Pathway Project	\$ 230,000.00
		Main St (Hwy 95)	New Traffic Signal High School	\$ 850,000.00
	1	Somerton Ave. to State Ave.	Downtown Redevelopment Plan Phase 1	\$2,000,000.00
		C.Chavez Ave. & Garvin St.	Cesar Chavez Ave. Pavement Replacement	\$ 200,000.00
		Somerton Ave. & CO.17TH	Somerton Avenue Bridge Replacement	\$ 700,000.00
		City Limits (Hwy 95)	Main St. (HWY 95) Mill and Fill Overlay	\$1,000,000.00
		Main St. (Hwy 95) & Bingham Ave.	Bingham Ave. Traffic Signal Upgrade	\$ 600,000.00
		Rural Roads Pavement Preservation	CO.15TH,17TH,16TH, Ave. B,D Mill&Fill OV	\$5,000,000.00
		City Limits CO.17TH to CO.15TH	Avenue D/E Corridor	\$1,000,000.00
		Total for the City of Somerton		\$12,180,000

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YMPO Regional Priority Project List

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Town of Wellton		Town of Wellton		
	1	25E Alignment	Cty 14 to cty 12	\$10,000,000
	2	County 12th Street; 27E to 29E	Design & Build	\$2,500,000
	3	Ave 31 E Bridge	TI Construct	\$35,000,000
	4	County 11th St. 29E to 31 E	Design & Build	\$2,500,000
	5	County 12th St. 29E to 31 E	Design & Build	\$2,500,000
		Total for the Town of Wellton		\$52,500,000
Cocopah Indian Tribe		Cocopah Indian Tribe		
?	1	County 14th and West Main Canal Rd	West Reservation Bridge R&R Project	\$750,000
	2	County 14th and Avenue H to Yuma Levee Rd (1.37 miles)	West Reservation Pavement R&R Project	\$1,370,000
	3	Salt Cedar Drive (.5 miles)	East Reservation Pavement R&R Project	\$500,000
	4	Salt Cedar St. (.25 miles)	East Reservation Pavement R&R Project	\$250,000
		Total for the Cocopah Indian Tribe		\$2,870,000
ADOT Southwest District		ADOT Southwest District		
	1	US 95, Wellton-Mohawk Canal Bridge-Aberdeen Road Widening	Phase 3 Design & Construction	\$95,400,000
Divided in 3 Phases based on priority	1a	US 95, Imperial Dam Rd to Aberdeen Rd		\$33,300,000
	1b	US 95, Wellton-Mohawk Canal Bridge-to Dome Valley Rd		\$30,400,000
	1c	US 95, Dome Valley Rd to Imperial Dam Rd		\$31,700,000
	2	US 95 & Araby Road Intersection Improvements	Design & Construction	\$3,500,000
	3	SR 280 @ Gila Ridge Road Reconstruction & Widening	Design & Construction	\$4,000,000
	4	I-8, Avenue 29E TI Ramp Improvements	Design & Construction	\$3,500,000
	5	I-8, 16th Street TI Ramp Improvements	Design & Construction	\$3,500,000
	6	SR 195 & County 14th Street Intersection Improvements	Design & Construction	\$3,500,000
	7	Avenue 3E & 24th Street Roundabout	Design & Construction	\$5,000,000
	8	I-8 @ Foothills Blvd, Ramps & South Frontage Rd Intersection Improvements	Design & Construction	\$4,500,000
		Total for the ADOT Southwest District		\$122,900,000

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YMPO Regional Priority Project List

Agency	Rank	Project Name	Project Description	Total
		Combined Total for All Agencies		\$382,895,000

71

Key

- Selected #1 priority by member agencies
- Funded for FY 23/24 State Budget as part of HB2543



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YMPO REGIONAL PRIORITY PROJECTS

84 Member Projects

\$402,500,000

**City of Yuma - 12 Projects
\$91,750,000**

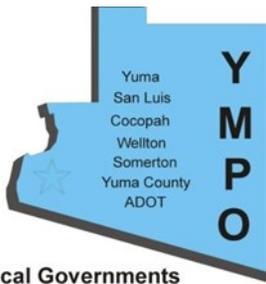
**Yuma County - 12 Projects
\$70,600,000**

**City of San Luis - 20 Projects
\$25,300,000**

**City of Somerton - 23 Projects
\$30,000,000**

**Town of Wellton- 5 Projects
\$52,500,000**

**Cocopah Indian Tribe - 4 Projects
\$2,900,000**



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YMPO REGIONAL PRIORITY PROJECTS

YMPO MEMBER NUMBER ONE (1) PROJECTS

**Arizona Department of Transportation
\$95,400,000**

**City of Yuma
\$8,000,000**

**Yuma County
\$16,400,000**

**City of San Luis
\$800,000**

**City of Somerton
\$2,000,000**

**Town of Wellton
\$10,000,000**

**Cocopah Indian Tribe
\$1,000,000**



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YMPO REGIONAL PRIORITY PROJECT

ADOT

\$95,500.000

Arizona Department of Transportation

US - 95 Corridor

Ave 9E to Aberdeen Road

- #1 - Imperial Dam Road to Aberdeen Road
- #2 - Wellton/Mohawk Canal Bridge to Dome Valley Road
- #3 - Dome Valley Road to Imperial Dam Road



YMPO REGIONAL PRIORITY 1 (US-95)



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OVERVIEW

US - 95: Imperial Dam Road to Aberdeen Road

- US-95 Improvements: 6 segments within a 16-mile distance. All serve the Yuma Proving Grounds (YPG) the largest proving grounds in the USA
- One project was complete (Fortuna Wash bridge) in 2017
- One segment is currently underway, Avenue 9E to Rifle Range Road
- Four segments remain. All segments carry >10,000 daily traffic, with heavy military and agricultural use and need to be widened from two lanes to four lanes
- This segment (Imperial Dam Road to Aberdeen Road) is 3.8 miles.
- This project (95-4) is the second highest priority in the YMPO region for funding.

Project Schedule

Start: Winter 2024 -2025

Completion: Spring 2026

Project Cost

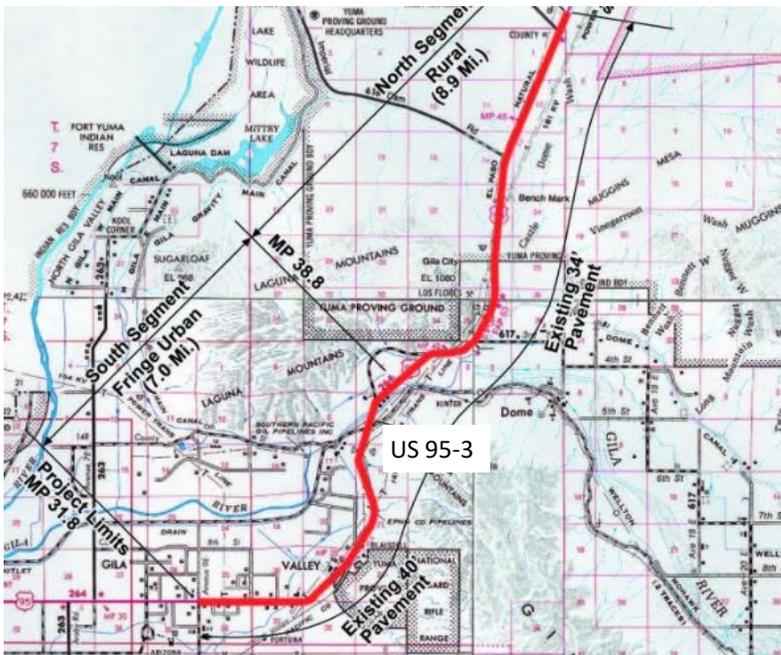
\$33,300,000

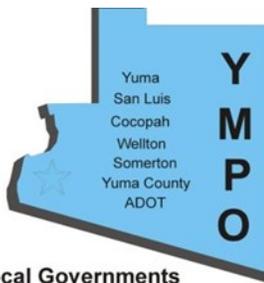
General Fund Request

For More Information

**Crystal Figueroa
Executive Director**

US 95 - 1





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YMPO REGIONAL PRIORITY 2 (US-95)



OVERVIEW

US - 95: Wellton-Mohawk Canal Bridge to Dome Valley Road

- US-95 Improvements: 6 segments within a 16-mile distance. All serve the Yuma Proving Grounds (YPG) the largest proving grounds in the USA
- One project was complete (Fortuna Wash bridge) in 2017
- One segment is currently underway, Avenue 9E to Rifle Range Road
- Four segments remain. All segments carry >10,000 daily traffic, with heavy military and agricultural use and need to be widened from two lanes to four lanes
- This segment (Wellton/Mohawk Canal to Dome Valley Road) is 2.3 miles
- This project (95-3) is the third highest priority in the YMPO region for funding

Project Schedule

Start: Summer 2026

Completion: Winter 2027/28

Project Cost

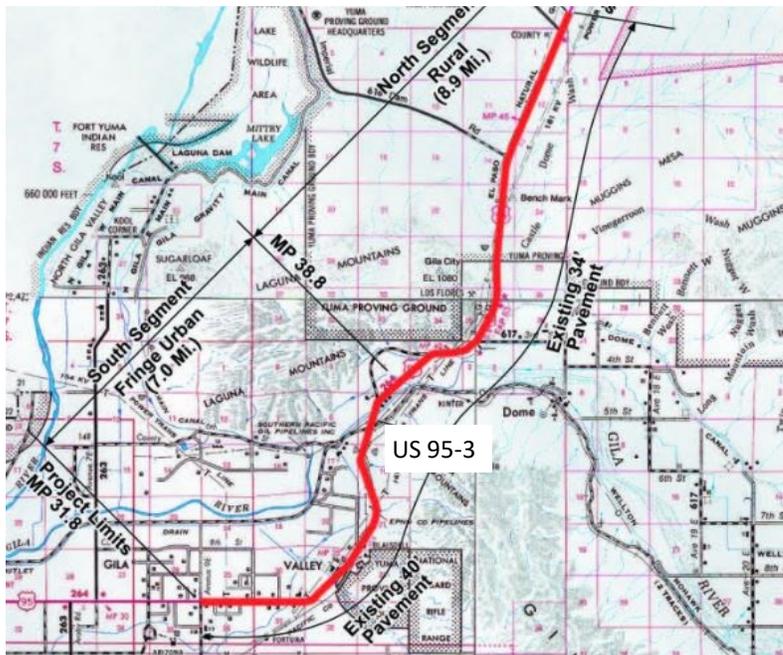
\$30,400,000

General Fund Request

For More Information

**Crystal Figueroa
Executive Director**

US 95 - 2





YMPO REGIONAL PRIORITY 3 (US-95)



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OVERVIEW

US 95: Dome Valley Road to Imperial Dam Road

- US-95 Improvements: 6 segments within a 16-mile distance. All serve the Yuma Proving Grounds (YPG) the largest proving grounds in the USA
- One project was complete (Fortuna Wash bridge) in 2017
- One segment is currently underway, Avenue 9E to Rifle Range Road
- Four segments remain. All segments carry >10,000 daily traffic, with heavy military and agricultural use and need to be widened from two lanes to four lanes
- This segment (Dome Valley Road to Imperial Dam Road) is 3.3 miles
- This project (95-4) is the fourth highest priority in the YMPO region for funding

Project Schedule

Start: Spring 2028

Completion: Autumn 2029

Project Cost

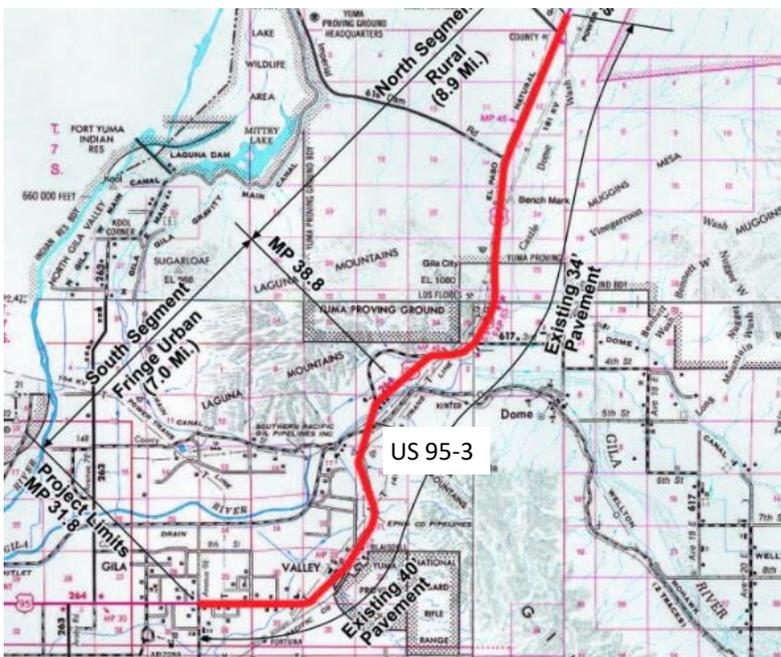
\$31,700,000

General Fund Request

For More Information

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US 95 - 3





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YMPO REGIONAL PRIORITY PROJECT

City of San Luis

\$49,400,000

City of San Luis

**4th Ave and Union Street
Intersection Improvement**



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Project Overview

4th Avenue and Union Street Intersection Improvements Project

- 4th Avenue and Union Street Intersection Improvements Project is number 1 of 20 total projects for the YMPO.
- Fourth Avenue is one of the main north-south corridors in San Luis that connect the San Luis valley traffic to the downtown area.
- Widening and turn lane intersection improvements at the intersection will help circulation by increasing level of service.
- Benefits to the City/Town and/or Region

Project Schedule

Start: Winter 2022

Estimated Completion:

September 2023

Project Cost

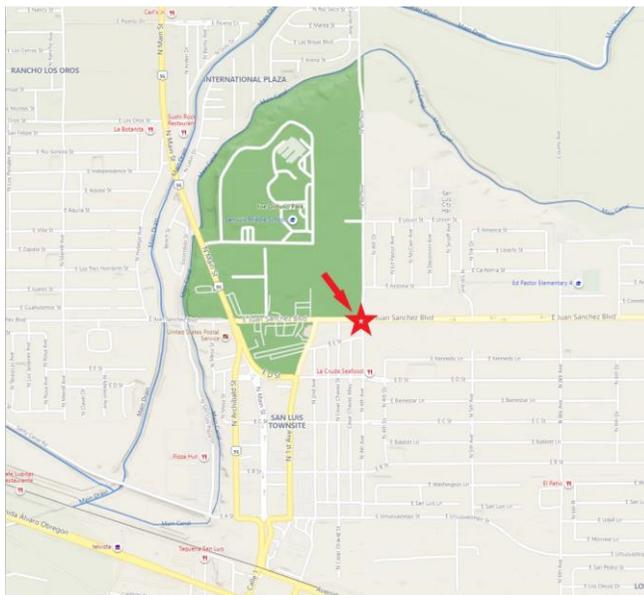
\$800,000

General Fund Request

For More Information

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Director of Public Works



PROJECT VICINITY MAP



PROJECT LOCATION MAP



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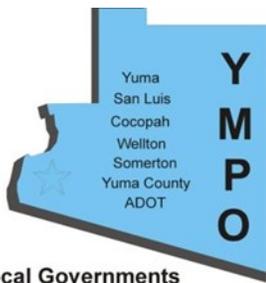
YMPO REGIONAL PRIORITY PROJECT

City of Somerton

\$30,000,000

City of Somerton

**Main Street Improvements Phase 1
Somerton Avenue/Sanguinetti Park**



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SOMERTON

OVERVIEW

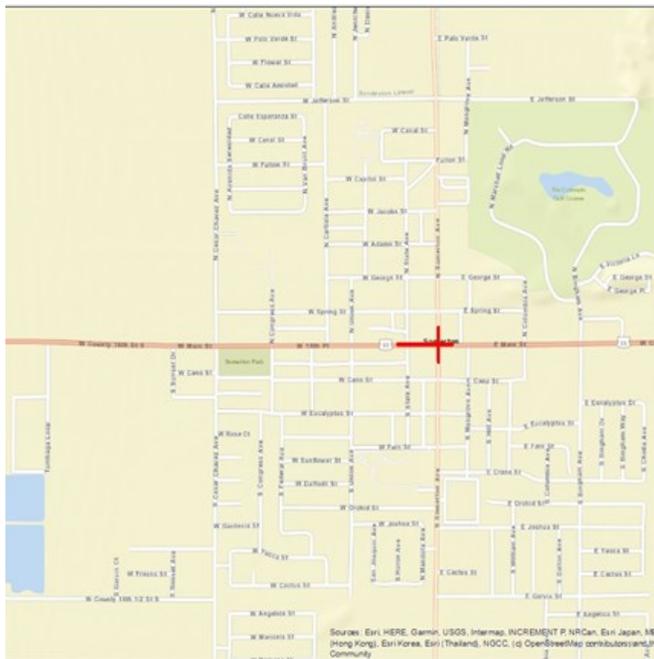
Main Street (Hwy 95) Improvements Phase I, Somerton Avenue/Sanguinetti Park

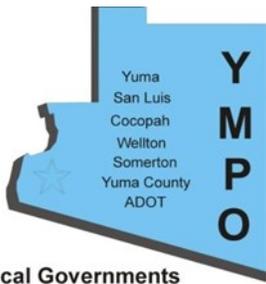
- Project 1 of 7 total priority projects within the Yuma Metropolitan Planning Organization (YMPO) that will be funded out of the total allocation to the YMPO region.
- This project is a priority for our local and regional traffic. Main Street (Hwy 95) is a Highway that connects four jurisdictions and will provide a needed upgrade/replacement to the traffic signal at the intersection of Main Street (Hwy 95) and Somerton Ave. and will replace the existing sidewalks and ramps in order to be in compliance with ADA Standards.
- Project contemplates widening the narrow and uneven sidewalks and ramps to meet ADA standards, traffic signal upgrade/replacement to improve traffic circulation and replace old, damaged asphalt.
- This project will be a significant benefit to the local and regional community by creating ADA accessible pedestrian sidewalks and ramps, solve the traffic congestion and improve the Level of Service at the intersection of Somerton Avenue and Main Street (Hwy 95).

Project Schedule
 Start: **January 2023**
 Estimated Completion: **July 2023**

Project Cost
 General Fund Request: **\$2,000,000**
 Local Contribution:
\$160,000 (Design)

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YMPO REGIONAL PRIORITY PROJECT

City of Yuma

\$95,700,000

City of Yuma

40th Street - Avenue 8E to Avenue 10E



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PROJECT OVERVIEW

40th Street – Avenue 8E to Avenue 10E

- A priority project of the City of Yuma to be funded out of the total allocation to the YMPO region.
- The roadway segment will provide a needed connection between Avenue 8E and Avenue 10E for a fast growing area of the City.
- The Project will involve the construction of approximately 2 miles of new roadway connection existing roadways to the East and West.
- This project will be a significant benefit to the community as it will not only provide a new connection east/west for the subdivisions in the area but will also relieve traffic on South Frontage Road and the Avenue 10E/South Frontage Road intersection by providing a new western connection for commuters.

Project Schedule

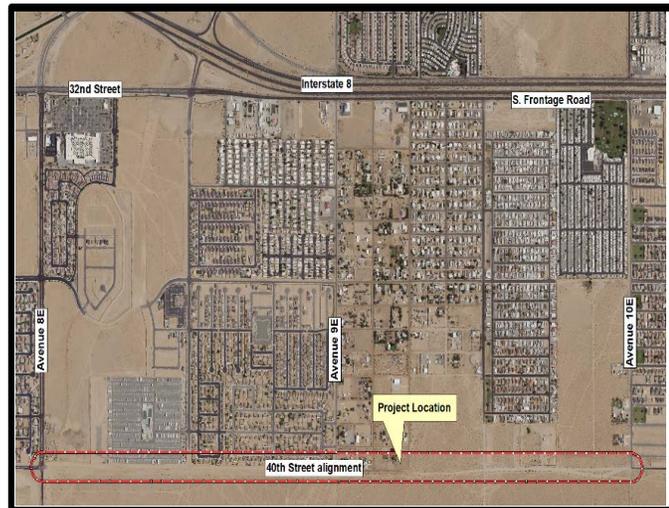
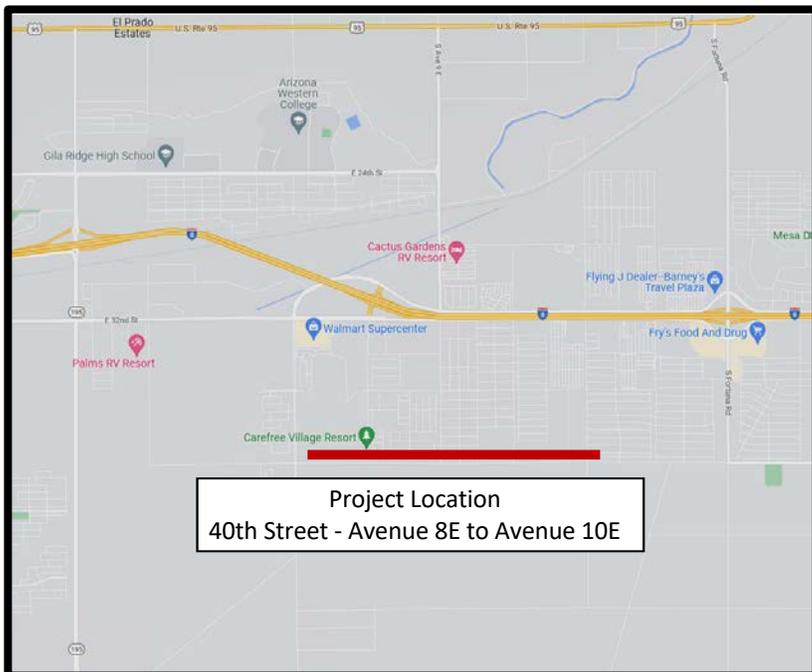
Start: Spring 2024
 Estimated Completion:
12 months from start

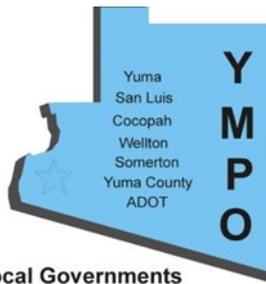
Project Cost
\$8,000,000

General Surplus Request:
 \$8,000,000

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YMPO REGIONAL PRIORITY PROJECT

Yuma County
\$70,600,000

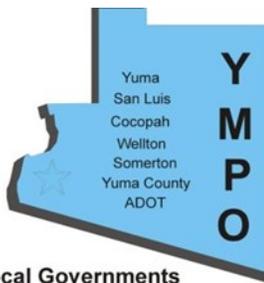
Yuma County

US - 95

County 22nd Street to County 11th Street

**To Rehabilitate the U.S. 95 Corridor, in 3 Segments,
from County 22nd Street (City of San Luis)
to County 11th Street (City of Yuma)**

- Phase 1—County 22nd Street to County 17th Street
- Phase 2—County 17th Street to Avenue “D”
- Phase 3—Avenue “D” to County 11th Street

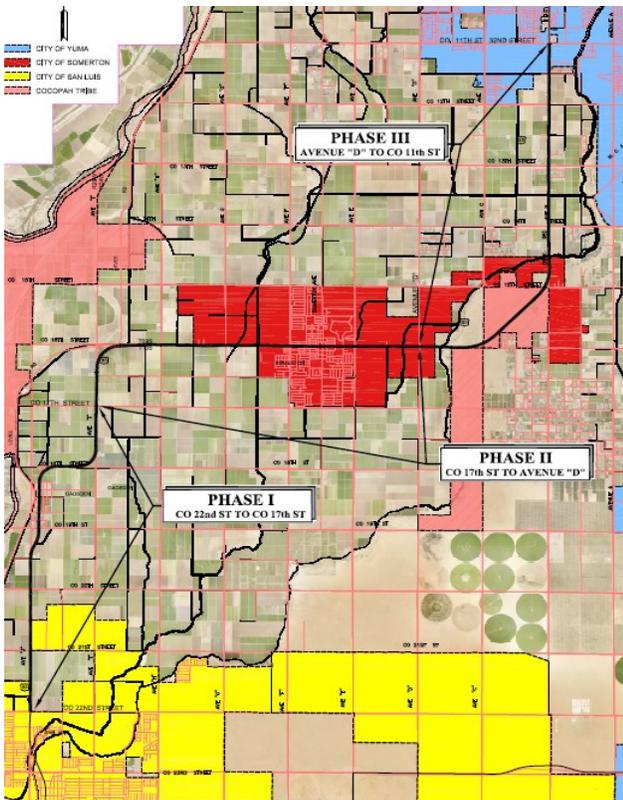


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PROJECT OVERVIEW

US-95: County 22nd St to County 11th St 3 inch Mill and Overlay

- US 95 is a major arterial roadway on the NHS, US 95 is a priority project within Yuma MPO and will be funded out of the total allocation for the region.
- This roadway serves as the Western Canamex corridor and is a vital corridor through San Luis, Somerton, Cocopah, City of Yuma and Yuma County to the San Luis Ports of Entry I and II.
- This project limit is approximately 18 miles 3 inch mill and overlay.
- Project will be done in three phases of approximately equal lengths and costs. Project serves all four local agencies in the Yuma Valley.



Project Schedule

- Phase I - Start: **Mid 2022**
Estimated Completion: **Early 2023**
- Phase II - Start: **Early 2023**
Estimated Completion: **Late 2023**
- Phase III - Start: **Late 2023**
Estimated Completion: **Mid 2024**

Project Cost

\$16,400,000 - Total

Phase I - **\$5,600,000**

Phase II - **\$5,200,000**

Phase III - **\$5,600,000**

General Fund Request

Local Contribution: **20% from HURF**

Partnering Agencies:

Phase I - **Yuma County, City of San Luis**

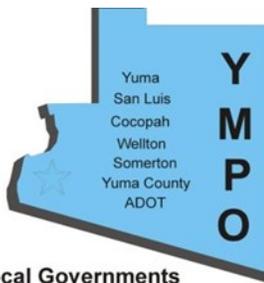
Phase II - **Yuma County, City of Somerton**

Phase III - **Yuma County, Cities of Yuma & Somerton, and Cocopah Indian Tribe**

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PROJECT OVERVIEW

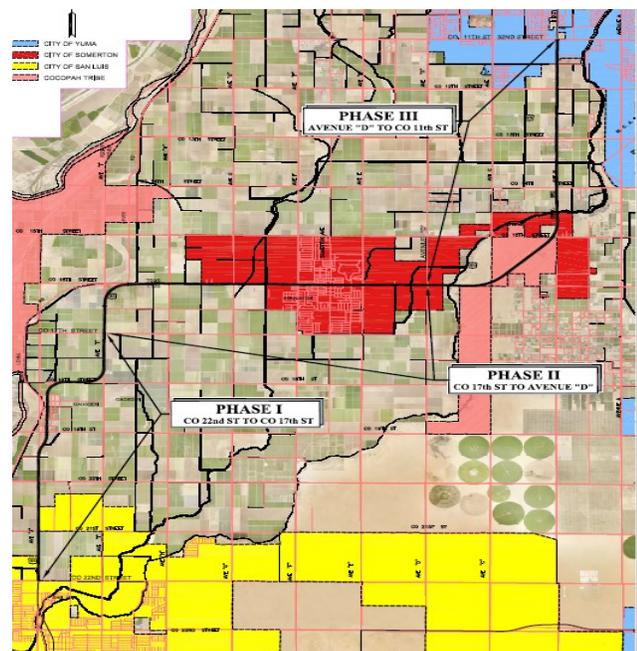
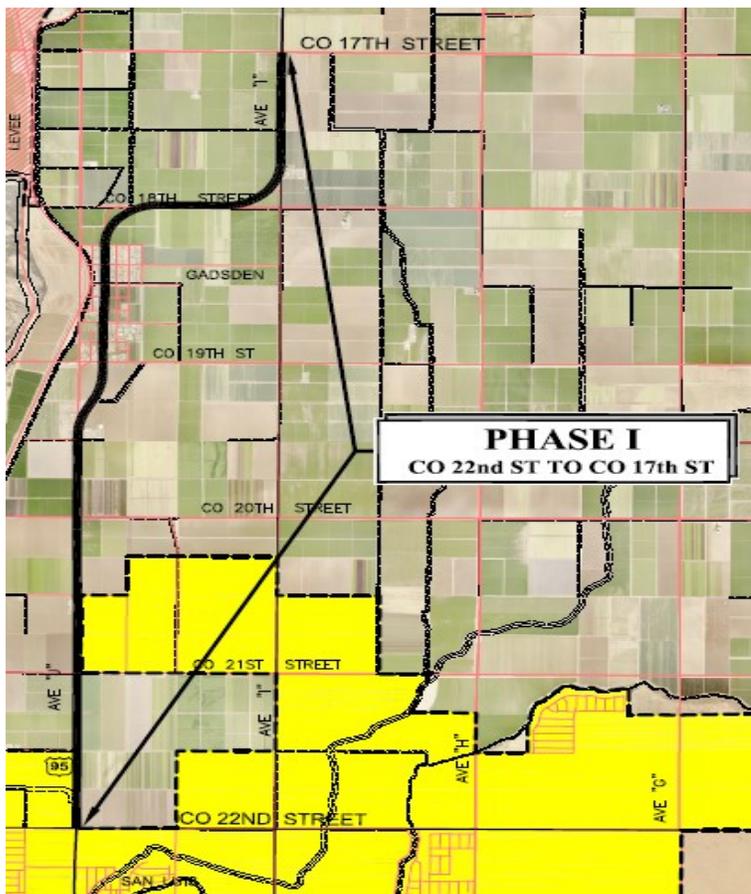
US-95: County 22nd St to County 17th St 3 inch Mill and Overlay - Phase I

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- This segment of roadway serves as part of the Western Canamex corridor and is a vital corridor through San Luis and Yuma County to the San Luis Ports of Entry I and II.
- This project length is approximately 6.00 miles 3 inch mill and overlay.

Project Schedule
Phase I - Start: **Mid 2022**
Estimated Completion: **Early 2023**

Project Cost
\$5,600,000—Total
General Fund Request
Local Contribution: **20% from HURF**
Partnering Agencies:
Yuma County & City of San Luis

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PROJECT OVERVIEW

US-95: County 17th St to Avenue D 3 inch Mill and Overlay - Phase II

- US-95 is a major arterial roadway on the NHS. US-95 is a priority project within Yuma MPO and will be funded out of the total allocation for the region.
- This segment of roadway serves as part of the Western Canamex corridor and is a vital corridor through Somerton and Yuma County to the San Luis Ports of Entry I and II.
- This project limit is approximately 5.7 miles 3 inch mill and overlay.

Project Schedule

Phase II - Start: **Early 2023** Estimated
Completion: **Late 2023**

Project Cost

\$5,200,000 - Total

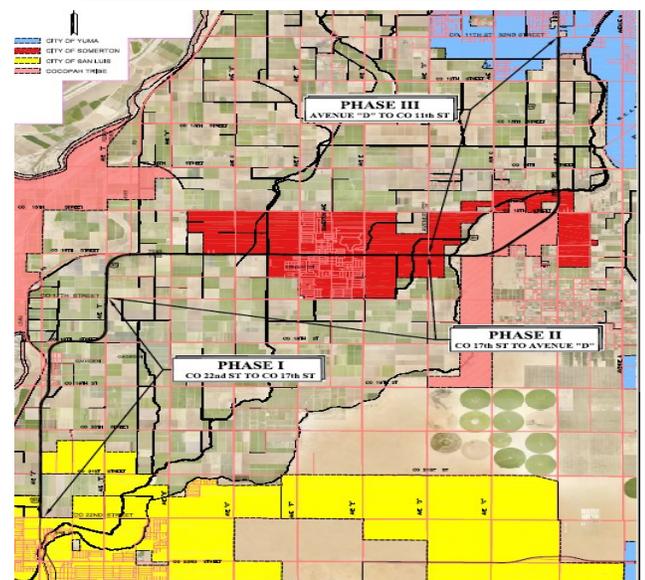
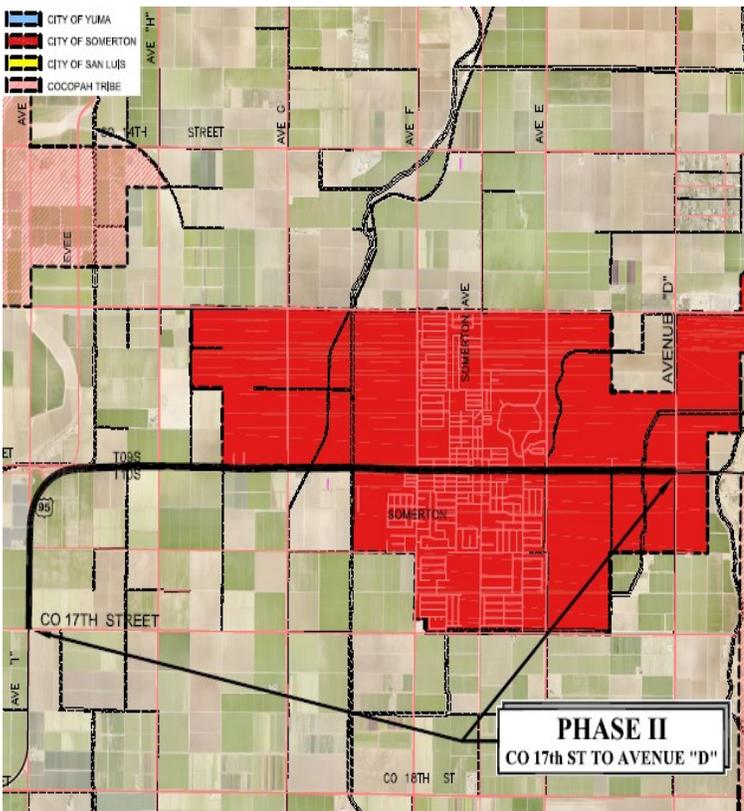
General Fund Request

Local Contribution: **20% from HURF**
Partnering Agencies: **Yuma County
& City of Somerton**

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PROJECT OVERVIEW

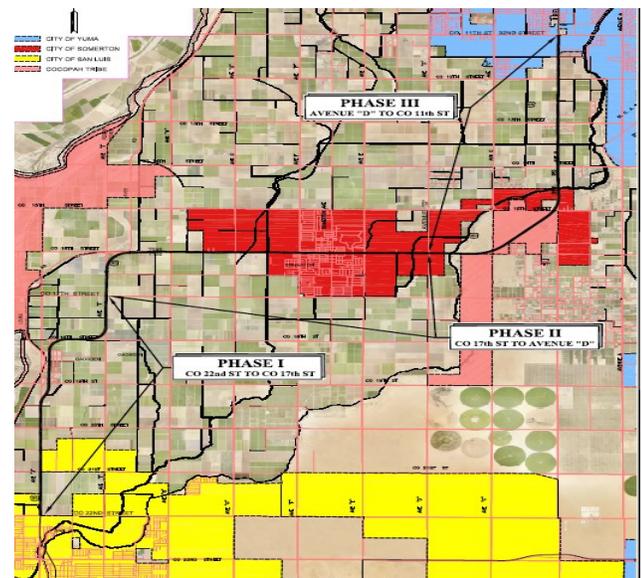
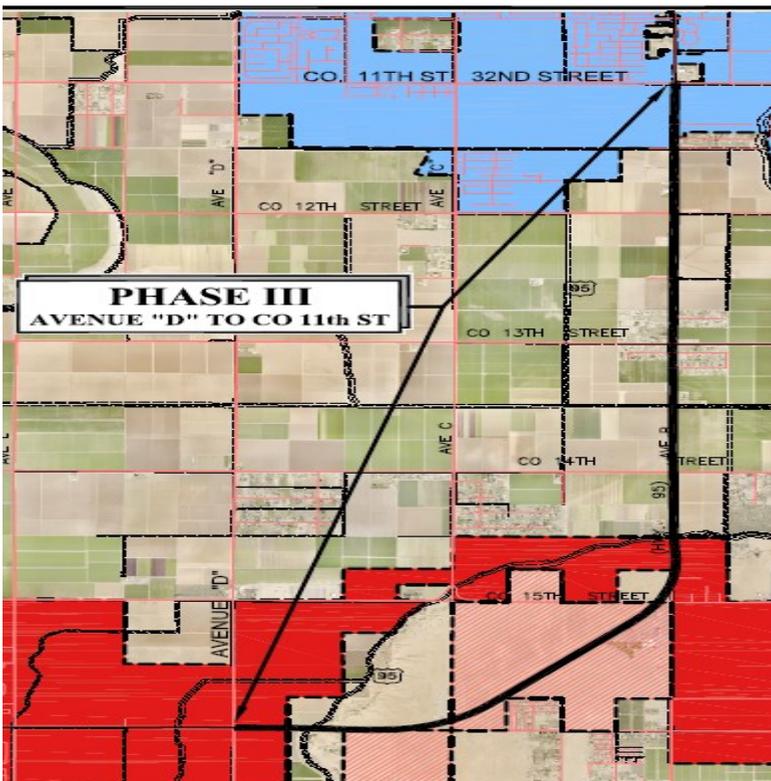
US-95: Avenue D to County 11th Street 3 inch Mill and Overlay - Phase III

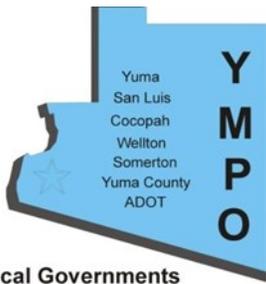
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- This segment of roadway serves as part of the Western Canamex corridor and is a vital corridor through Somerton, Cocopah Indian Reservation, City of Yuma and Yuma County to the San Luis Ports of Entry I and II.
- This project limit is approximately 6.4 miles 3 inch mill and overlay.

Project Schedule
Phase II Start: Late 2023
Estimated Completion: Mid 2024

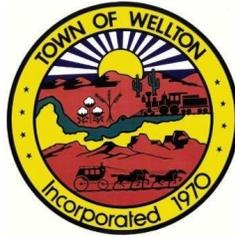
Project Cost
\$5,600,000—Total
General Fund Request
 Local Contribution: **20% from HURF**
 Partnering Agencies: **Yuma County, City of Yuma & Somerton, & Cocopah Indian Reservation**

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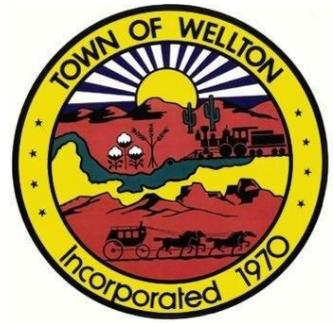
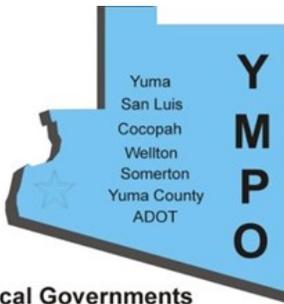
Town of Wellton

\$52,500,000

Town of Wellton

Ave 25E Alignment

County 14th Street to County 12th Street



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Town of Wellton

OVERVIEW

Avenue 25 E Alignment: County 14th St to County 12 Street

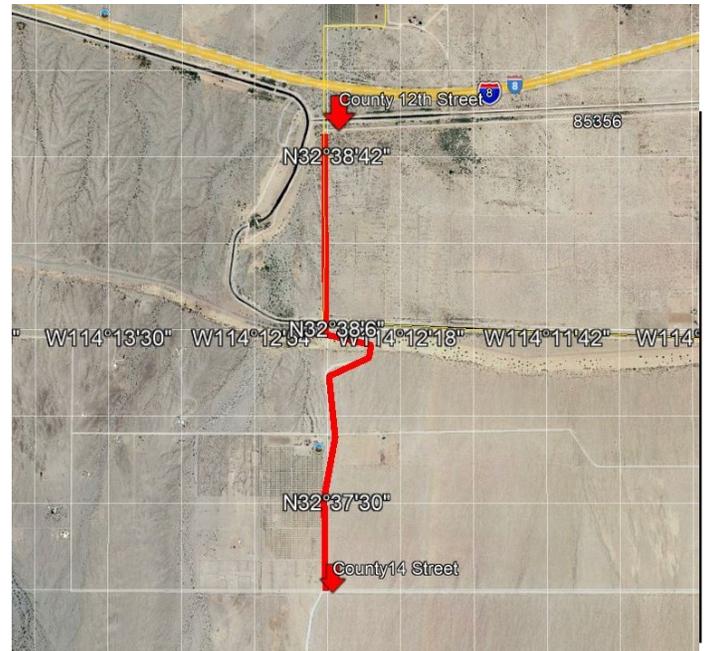
- County 25E is the western terminus of the Camino del Diablo Trail, and it is also the main entrance for the U.S. Marines from MCAS-Yuma to enter the Barry Goldwater range . Most importantly there is a community of houses west of 25E at Gila Ranch Road scattered west to the base of the Laguna mountains.
- Although, the military does most of the damage to this primitive road. They have shown no interest in improving the road or at least helping to maintain it.
- The road consists mainly of native sand and gravel which makes it impossible to keep in a safe passable condition. A Jeep recently broke a tie rod and rolled on the road injuring the driver, due to the wash boards.
- So, one can imagine how difficult this makes it to provide common services and especially emergency services to this area.
- This project is to realign and finish paving 25E from County 12th Avenue to County 14th Avenue.

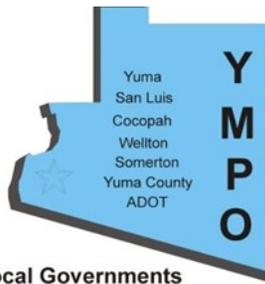
Project Schedule
Start: Mid 2022
Completion: Late 2023

Project Cost
\$10,000,000
General Fund Request

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Avenue 25 E Alignment





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YMPO REGIONAL PRIORITY PROJECT

Cocopah Indian Tribe

\$2,800,000

Cocopah Indian Tribe

1. County 14th Street & West Main Canal Road - Bridge R & R Project
2. County 14th Street & Avenue H to Yuma Levee Road Pavement R & R Project
3. Salt Cedar Drive (.5 Mile) East Reservation Pavement R & R Project
4. Salt Cedar St (.25) East Reservation Pavement R & R Project

YMPO TAC INFORMATION SUMMARY AGENDA ITEM 9

YMPO FY 2024 Title VI Update, Training and Guidance

DATE: July 7,2023

SUBJECT: YMPO FY 2024 Title VI Update, Training and Guidance

SUMMARY:

YMPO is required by Federal Guidance to submit a Title VI Plan and Report yearly. The Title VI Plan includes such major components as the PPP and a LEP.

The Title VI Plan is further made to protect all classes of people in that ***“No person in the United States shall, on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance”.***

YMPO will begin each meeting with a brief Title VI statement and that Survey Cards are available at each meeting. We are required at any change of the structure of the YMPO, to update the Title VI documentation. The Title VI Training of the Boards and committees will be an ongoing element.

Changes made to the document are as follows:

- YMPO Title VI Officer: Chair Gary Knight, Council Member, City of Yuma
- YMPO Title VI Liaison: Crystal Figueroa, Executive Director, YMPO
- YMPO Title VI Coordinator: Jesus “JR” Aguilar, Mobility Manager, YMPO
- Yuma Area Map
- Demographics Maps: Hispanic, Black/ African American, Native American & Poverty
- Surface Transportation Block Grant apportionment Maps
- Notice to the Public
- Title VI Complaint Forms
- Languages Spoken at Home Chart

YMPO also has a Limited English Proficiency (LEP) requirement that must be approved according to Executive Order 13166 signed August 11, 2000. YMPO is engaged with individuals from diverse cultures, backgrounds, and businesses throughout its programs and activities. Limited English Proficiency (LEP is a term used to describe individuals who do not speak English as their primary language and who have limited ability to read, write, or understand English. YMPO’s LEP Plan is designed to comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and Executive Order 13166, which prohibits recipients of Federal financial assistance from discrimination based on National Origin.

The YMPO’s Public Participation Plan is an element of the Title VI Package and is approved at the same time. The purpose of this plan is to ensure the public involvement

process be considered in all phases of the MPO decision and opportunities. The MPO has various methods to ensure the public is or has the ability to be engaged in the development of transportation plans and programs.

A training element will be made at each meeting, two times per year, and as necessary of any major changes to the document(s).

ACTION NEEDED:

This item is on the agenda for presentation, discussion, and possible action to approve the detailed changes to the 2024 YMPO Title VI Report, contingent on no major comments or objections being received during this comment period.

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YMPO TAC INFORMATION SUMMARY for Agenda Item 10

The Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP)

DATE: July 13, 2023

SUBJECT: The Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP).

SUMMARY:

The Transportation Alternatives Program or TAP program encompasses a variety of smaller-scale alternative transportation and related projects, these projects may include:

- Pedestrian and bicycle facilities
- Recreational trails
- Safe routes to school projects (SRTS)
- Other community improvements:
 - Historic preservation
 - Vegetation management
 - Environmental mitigation projects related to stormwater and the habitat

Previously TAP program funds were included within the STBG programs because the money available to the smaller MPOs and COGs wasn't significant enough to warrant being managed as a stand-alone TA program. As part of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law the TAP funds have significantly increased. Now the TA Program is a 10% set-aside of the Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Program and ADOT expects for FY 2022-2026 to receive an average of \$18.4 million annually for the TA program.

ADOT is designing and implementing an updated TAP program and guidebook. On July 12 ADOT has scheduled the launch of a TA website that will provide guidance, link to the application and other resources. The current communicated timeline is as follows:

Date	Major Deliverable(s)
July 17	Call for projects
Jul 17 to Sep 1	ADOT Screening Review
Sep 29 – Oct 13	TA Technical Advisory Committee Review
Oct 20	Generate TACs recommended project priority list
Nov 17	State Transportation Board Approves Project Awards

PUBLIC INPUT:

There has been no public input on this subject, to date.

ACTION NEEDED:

This item is on the agenda for information, discussion, and possible comment only.

CONTACT PERSON:

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YMPO TAC INFORMATION SUMMARY for Agenda Item 11

Rural and Tribal Assistance Pilot Program (RTAPP)

DATE: July 13, 2023.

SUBJECT: Rural and Tribal Assistance Pilot Program (RTAPP)

SUMMARY:

The U.S. Department of Transportation's (DOT's) Build America Bureau recently released a Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for a new pilot program created by the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL). The Rural and Tribal Assistance Pilot Program (RTAPP) offers technical assistance grants to rural and tribal communities. The grants can support legal, technical, and financial advisors to help advance infrastructure projects. The Program makes \$10 million available over five years to advance infrastructure projects in these communities. The NOFO combines two years of funding (Fiscal Years 2022 and 2023), \$3.4 million in total, to eligible applicants on a first-come, first-served basis. Individual awards will range in value up to the statutory limit of \$360,000. There is no local funding match required to participate in this program and no letters of support required.

The Bureau has created a simple, four-page funding application, and will begin accepting submissions at 2:00 p.m. ET on August 14, 2023. Application reviews will conclude once the full \$3.4 million has been awarded, or on September 27, 2023, 45 days after the application period opened.

POSSIBLE ACTION NEEDED:

This item is on the agenda for information, discussion, and possible comment only at this stage.

CONTACT PERSON:

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BUILD AMERICA BUREAU

 U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

**Rural and Tribal Assistance Pilot Program
Webinar
June 15, 2023**

Rural and Tribal Assistance Pilot Program



\$10 million over 5 years

\$3.4 million available first two fiscal years – one application

Maximum award is \$320,000 from FY 2022 funds and \$360,000 from FY 2023 funds

\$800,000 of each year funding specifically for tribal governments

No local match!



Grants for technical, financial or legal support

Technical

- Feasibility studies
- Project planning
- Preliminary engineering/design
- Environmental review
- Property development and land use feasibility analysis
- Public outreach
- Cost estimation
- Public benefit studies

Financial

- Revenue forecasting
- Economic assessments and cost-benefit analyses
- Value for money analysis and procurement options
- Evaluating opportunities for private financing and project bundling
- Financial feasibility analysis; funding/financing options analysis
- Evaluation of costs to sustain project (such as operations and maintenance costs)

Legal

- Statutory and regulatory analysis
- Drafting and negotiation of concession agreements
- Drafting and negotiation of interagency agreements
- Procurement support



Eligibility

- Local governments or political subdivisions located outside of an urbanized area with a population >150,000 residents
- State governments applying on behalf of a project in an area outside an urbanized area >150,000 residents
- [Federally recognized Indian Tribes](#)
- Department of Hawaiian Home Lands



Sample Categories of Projects

- Highway projects, bridges and tunnels
- Public transportation projects
- Freight rail projects
- Airport projects
- Wildlife crossing projects
- Highway-railway grade crossing or grade separation
- Surface transportation project within the boundaries/ functionally-connected to an international border crossing that improves a facility owned by Federal/State/local government



Application process

- **First come, first served** – we will have IT experts available to help
- Application submission will begin at 2 p.m. ET on **August 14th**
- Application will remain open for a period of 45 days- until **September 27th**
- Copy of application is viewable – suggest drafting answers in Word for insertion
- Funding may be fully committed before the open period concludes
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<https://www.transportation.gov/buildamerica/RuralandTribalGrants>



How to apply

Opportunity Number, DOT-RTAPP-FY22-01



- 1) Register at sam.gov for a unique entity number well in advance
- 2) View the application and draft your answers off-line
- 3) Fill out application on Bureau website when submission date and time open
- 4) The form is short!

Transportation.gov/BuildAmerica/RuralandTribalGrants



Important! Register Now – SAM.gov

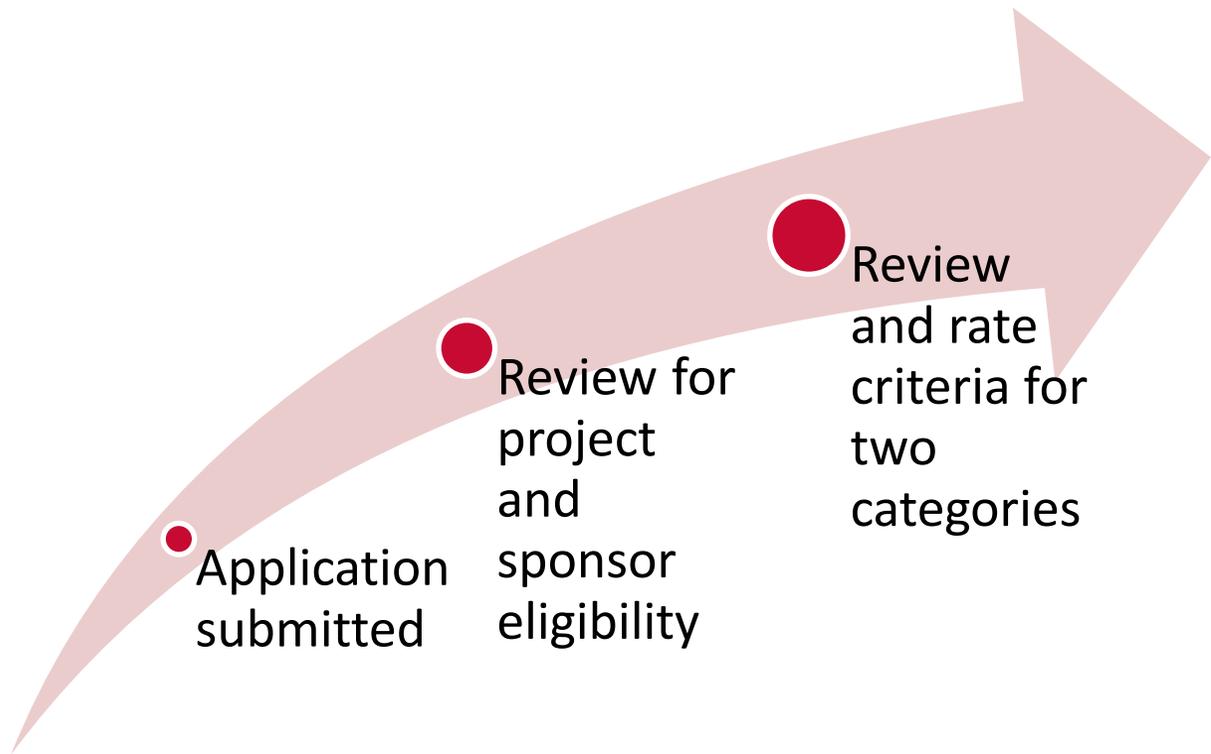
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1. Applicants must register in advance
2. UEI (Unique Entity Identifier): will be issued by SAM.gov after registering – can take a month
3. (SAM.gov registration must be completed prior to submitting application.)
4. Maintain active SAM registration at all times

Already registered? Good to go!



Proposed Selection Process and Criteria



Appropriateness of services requested

Viability of grant funds requested

Confidential and pre-decisional

Application

- 13 questions
- Fillable on-line form
- First page is basic information about organization
- Required information is noted with a *

Rural and Tribal Assistance Pilot Program
Review copy of Online Application
questions

**All fields must be complete.*

1. Name and contact information of person for matters involving this application:

First and last name*:

Title*:

Phone*: Email*:

2. Entity name, address, and website:

Organization/Entity Name*:

Address (#, street- no post office box numbers)*:

City*:

State*: Zip Code*:

Website address, if applicable:

3. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN)*:

4. Organization/entity Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) assigned by SAM.gov*:

5. Entity/Organization headquarters is in this congressional district(s)*:

Program/project is in this congressional district(s)*:

6. Below is a list of eligible entities for this program. Please select the one option that describes your eligibility*: (See Section C.1: Eligible Applicants of the Notice)

- A unit of local government or political subdivision seeking to advance a project that is located outside of an urbanized area with a population of more than 150,000 residents (*Urbanized area listing should be drawn from the 2020 Census results. For 2020 Census results, visit: <https://www.census.gov/programs-surveys/geography/guidance/geo-areas/urban-rural.html>*)
- A State seeking to advance a project located outside of an urbanized area with a population of more than 150,000 residents
- A federally recognized Indian Tribe
- The Department of Hawaiian Home Lands

7. Project title*: (Descriptive title of project for which you seek funding)

8. Project location (no more than 100 words)*: Include city and state if providing street name(s). Latitude/longitude is also acceptable. (See Section C.1.i Eligible Applicants of the Notice. Note: For Indian Tribes and the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands, the project location does not have to meet the non-urban area requirement.)

9. Briefly describe the overall project (no more than 500 words)*: Include project type (i.e., bridge, new roadway, transit service), features to be constructed, project schedule, and estimated total project cost. Describe the anticipated project benefits, such as increasing affordable transportation options, improving safety, connecting Americans to good-paying jobs, fighting climate change, or improving access to resources and quality of life. State which funding program(s) you expect your project would qualify for. (See Section C.3: Eligible Projects of the Notice)

Estimated total project cost*:

Application highlights

- Only 4 entities eligible for this grant –only select one
- Important section – your project description
- Estimated cost – we understand this is very much an estimate

10. Is the applicant delinquent on any federal debt*?

- Yes
- No

If yes, explain:

11. Appropriateness of services requested*: *(See the table in Section A of the Notice for examples of advisory services anticipated, and Section E.2.a: Criterion(1) of the Notice)*

a. Please describe the task(s)/advisory services for which you are seeking program funds and how these services will materially advance your overall project. (no more than 400 words)*

b. Requested funds from this program*:

c. Estimated cost of task proposed*:

d. Describe what project-related development activities are completed - if any. List N/A if none. Also, list any data or information that has been collected or activities conducted that are necessary to complete the task(s)/advisory services. (no more than 250 words) *

Application highlights

- Criteria #1:
 - Describe the task
 - Funding requested
 - Estimated cost of task
 - What has already been done?

12. Viability of grant services requested (See Section E.2.b: Criterion (2) of the Notice)

a. Please describe the following: Either 1) your organization's experience procuring advisory services or 2) your organization's process for timely hiring of staff (i.e. defined job description, recruitment process). State if you have additional funds available to commit to this effort should grant funding provided prove insufficient to complete the proposed task(s). If additional funds will be provided, include the amount and source of the local funding commitment. (no more than 400 words)*

b. Applicants are encouraged to seek bids or quotes, or estimate the amount of dedicated staff time for the services being requested to demonstrate the reasonableness of the requested funding in this application. **Have you obtained a bid, quote, or estimate for the services requested in this application?***

Yes (to be submitted later if awarded grant)

No (provide statement of how you determined estimated cost of proposed task)

13. By checking this box and submitting this application, I certify that the statements contained herein are true, complete, and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I also provide the required assurances and agree to comply with any resulting terms if I accept an award. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties. (U.S. Code, Title 18, Section 1001)*

Signature (e-signature is sufficient)*

Date*

Application highlights

- Criteria #2:
 - Describe your experience procuring consultants or process for hiring staff
 - Do you have a bid, quote, or estimate?

Next Steps

- Read the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) in spring 2023 for Fiscal years 2022 and 2023 of funding
- <https://www.transportation.gov/buildamerica/RuralandTribalGrants>
- Application portal will open on August 14th
- FAQ's and more information will be on the website



Questions and Answers



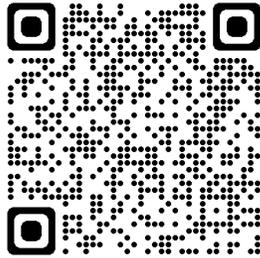
- Please submit through the Q&A tab
- Recording of this webinar will be included on the website
- Answers to frequently asked questions will be posted on www.transportation.gov/buildamerica/RuralandTribalgrants



DOT Navigator

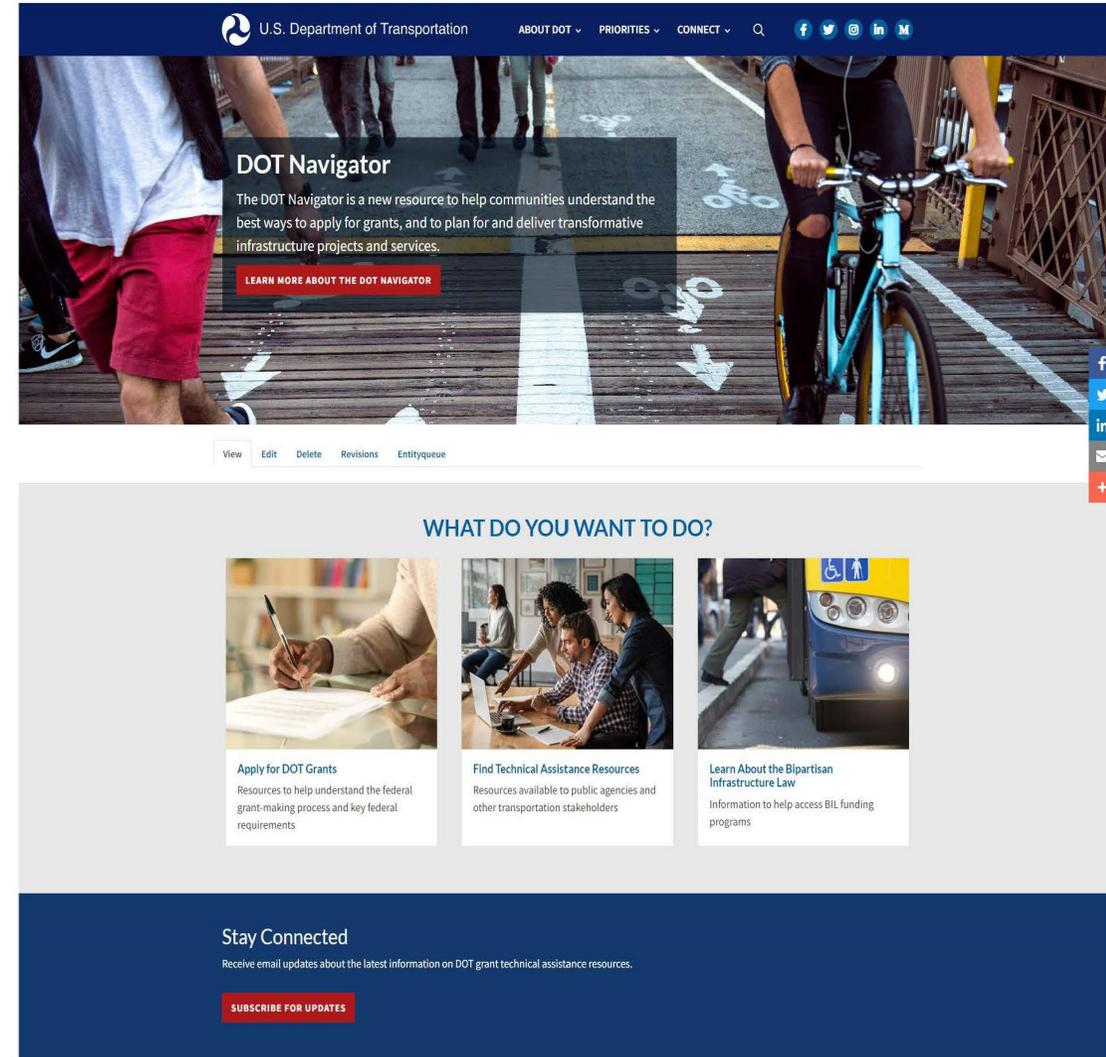
Coordinating and Improving Access to the range of DOT
Technical Assistance Resources

<https://transportation.gov/dot-navigator>



Sample Grant Application Resources

- Overview of DOT Funding and Financing
- USDOT Discretionary Grant Process
- Maximizing Award Success
- Is Federal Funding the Right Fit for My Organization?



The screenshot shows the DOT Navigator website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the U.S. Department of Transportation logo, the text "U.S. Department of Transportation", and menu items for "ABOUT DOT", "PRIORITIES", and "CONNECT". A search icon and social media icons for Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, LinkedIn, and YouTube are also present. The main content area features a large image of a person walking and a person riding a bicycle on a wooden boardwalk. Overlaid on this image is the "DOT Navigator" title and a brief description: "The DOT Navigator is a new resource to help communities understand the best ways to apply for grants, and to plan for and deliver transformative infrastructure projects and services." Below this is a red button that says "LEARN MORE ABOUT THE DOT NAVIGATOR". Underneath the main image is a metadata bar with "View", "Edit", "Delete", "Revisions", and "Entityqueue" options. The next section is titled "WHAT DO YOU WANT TO DO?" and contains three cards: "Apply for DOT Grants" (Resources to help understand the federal grant-making process and key federal requirements), "Find Technical Assistance Resources" (Resources available to public agencies and other transportation stakeholders), and "Learn About the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law" (Information to help access BIL funding programs). At the bottom, there is a "Stay Connected" section with the text "Receive email updates about the latest information on DOT grant technical assistance resources." and a red button that says "SUBSCRIBE FOR UPDATES".



Rural Resources and Technical Assistance

DOT's **ROUTES Initiative** addresses disparities in rural transportation infrastructure to improve safety, mobility, and economic competitiveness nationwide.

Tools and Toolkits

- [Rural Eligibility Map](#)
- [Point of Contact Map](#)
- [DOT Discretionary Grants Dashboard](#)
- [Grant Applicant Toolkit](#)
- [Rural EV Infrastructure Toolkit](#)

Webinars

- [BCA for Rural Projects](#)
- [TIFIA Rural Projects Initiative](#)
- [NRSS for Rural Communities](#)

Funding Opportunities

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YMPO TAC INFORMATION SUMMARY for Agenda Item 12

AZ SMART Fund Update

DATE: July 13, 2023

SUBJECT: AZ Smart Fund Update

SUMMARY:

During the January 12, 2023, TAC meeting, members were informed that the Arizona Legislature established the AZ State Match Advantage for Rural Transportation (SMART) Fund of \$50 million in state fiscal year 2023 to assist eligible cities, towns, counties, and ADOT in competing for federally discretionary grants. Applications to the AZ SMART Fund must first be approved by the applicant's Council of Government (COG) or Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO). Furthermore, ADOT administers this fund, and the State Transportation Board (STB) approves all awards.

Since then, various projects have been approved and awarded across the State by the State Transportation Board, two of which are in the Yuma Region. As part of negotiations between the Governor and Legislative leaders, on May 11, the Governor signed a package of bills including funding for Transportation Infrastructure. Senate Bill 1722, Sec 15 appropriated \$12.5 million to the AZ SMART fund in the State Fiscal Year budget; and will add \$2.5 mil to each five applicant categories, effective July 1, 2023.

All our member agencies are eligible to receive such funds for the following uses associated with developing a project, applying for, or providing a local, non-federal match on a federal grant. In addition, applicants may be eligible for reimbursement for the following activities based on population criteria:

- Up to 50% of the eligible costs associated with Grant Development and submission of an application for federal grant limited to
 - Counties with population of less than 100,000 and
 - Cities/towns with population of less than 10,000
- Match for a federal grant.
- Design and other engineering services (preliminary engineering through final design related to a road, bridge, rail, or transit infrastructure construction project).

The following is the activity and available funds by category as of July 3, 2023, the latest projects are expected to be approved by the STB on July 21, 2023.

As of 7/3/2023	Cumulative AZ SMART Fund Report				
	ADOT	Muni < 10K	Muni 10K+	County < 100K	County 100K+
	ARS928-339 F.5	ARS928-339 F.4	ARS928-339 F.3	ARS928-339 F.2	ARS928-339 F.1
	DT6000	DT6010	DT6015	DT6020	DT6025
Total Revenue					
Legislative Appropriations /1	\$ 12,500,000	\$ 12,500,000	\$ 12,500,000	\$ 12,500,000	\$ 12,500,000
Interest Revenue to Date	\$ 214,787	\$ 215,182	\$ 215,182	\$ 215,182	\$ 215,182
Total Revenues	\$ 12,714,787	\$ 12,715,182	\$ 12,715,182	\$ 12,715,182	\$ 12,715,182
Set Aside					
Grant Development		\$ -		\$ -	
Match Awards	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,277,008	\$ -	\$ 29,000
Design & Engineering	\$ -	\$ 1,819,264	\$ 3,903,707	\$ -	\$ 1,210,000
1% Program Administration	\$ -				
Match Released	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (3,277,008)	\$ -	\$ -
Total Approved (Set Aside, Underway and Expended)					
Grant Development		\$ -		\$ -	
Match Awards	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,000,000	\$ -	\$ 29,000
Design & Engineering	\$ -	\$ 1,819,264	\$ 3,903,707	\$ -	\$ 1,210,000
Miscellaneous/Overhead	\$ 100,000				
Total	\$ 100,000	\$ 1,819,264	\$ 6,903,707	\$ -	\$ 1,239,000
Available for Awards	\$ 12,614,787	\$ 10,895,918	\$ 5,811,475	\$ 12,715,182	\$ 11,476,182
Pending Requests					
Grant Development		\$ -		\$ -	
Match Awards	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,400,000	\$ -	\$ 3,705,842
Design & Engineering	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,400,000	\$ -	\$ 3,705,842
After Approval of Pending Requests	12,614,787	10,895,918	2,411,475	12,715,182	7,770,340
Notes:					
1/ FY 2023 - \$10.0 mil; FY 2024 - \$2.5 mil					

PUBLIC INPUT:

No public comments were made about this process.

ACTION NEEDED:

This item is on the agenda for information, discussion, and comment only.

CONTACT PERSON:

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YMPO INFORMATION SUMMARY for Agenda Item 13

Call for Projects for the FY 2024-28

Transportation Improvement Program

DATE: July 13, 2023

SUBJECT: CRP Call for Projects for the FY 2024-28 YMPO Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

SUMMARY:

During prior TAC meetings, the Carbon Reduction program was introduced along with eligibility criteria and a call for projects was initiated. At this point, one Project Nomination Sheet and Mini Design Concept has been received. Many of you have expressed potential projects; however, we will still need a formal submittal, including total cost and description for each project, by July 31, 2023. The information will then be distributed within the TAC for review by the next TAC meeting on August 10. The TAC will then be able to rate, prioritize, and begin programming selected projects. Although there is not a fully established process for project programming, traditionally it involved submitting a Mini-DCR as an application for funding consideration. Until the Federally Funded Program is developed, we shall continue to utilize the established process.

The YMPO region, each year, generally receives about \$300 million in Carbon Reduction Program (CRP) funds specifically for programming projects in the region. This should be available at least through 2026.

IIJA (5 years)	
FY	CRP
FY 22&23	\$ 497,456.00
FY 24	\$ 297,939.00
FY 25	\$ 297,939.00
FY 26	\$ 297,939.00

To review, the Carbon Reduction Program provides funds for projects designed to reduce transportation emissions, defined as carbon dioxide (CO2) emissions from on-road highway sources.

Some examples of eligible projects would include projects that support the reduction of transportation emissions, including, but not limited to:

- projects to establish or operate a traffic monitoring, management, and control facility or program, including advanced truck stop electrification systems
- public transportation projects eligible under 23 U.S.C. 142
- a transportation alternative project such as the construction, planning, and design of on-road and off-road trail facilities for pedestrians, bicyclists, and other nonmotorized forms of transportation

- projects for advanced transportation and congestion management technologies
- deployment of infrastructure-based intelligent transportation systems capital improvements and the installation of vehicle-to-infrastructure communications equipment
- projects to replace street lighting and traffic control devices with energy-efficient alternatives
- a project or strategy designed to support congestion pricing, shifting transportation demand to nonpeak hours or other transportation modes, increasing vehicle occupancy rates, or otherwise reducing demand for roads, including electronic toll collection, and travel demand management strategies and programs
- efforts to reduce the environmental and community impacts of freight movement
- a project that supports the deployment of alternative fuel vehicles, including the acquisition, installation, or operation of publicly accessible electric vehicle charging infrastructure or hydrogen, natural gas, or propane vehicle fueling infrastructure; the purchase or lease of zero-emission construction equipment and vehicles, including the acquisition, construction, or leasing of required supporting facilities
- a project described in 23 U.S.C. 149(b)(8) for a diesel engine retrofit
- certain types of projects to improve traffic flow that are eligible under the CMAQ program, and that do not involve the construction of new capacity
- any project that reduces transportation emissions at port facilities, including through the advancement of port electrification; and any other STBG-eligible project, if the Secretary certifies that the State has demonstrated a reduction in transportation emissions, as estimated on a per capita and per unit of economic output basis.

Next month the TAC will be asked to recommend a tentative list of projects considering the the funds available.

PUBLIC INPUT:

There has been no public input on this subject, to date.

ACTION NEEDED:

This item is on the agenda for information, presentation and discussion only, at this stage.

CONTACT PERSON:

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