

YMPO EXECUTIVE BOARD REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

EXECUTIVE BOARD The Meeting will be held In-Person and/or using Regular Meeting GoToMeeting by Video and/or Teleconference from Thursday, July 31, 2025 the Main Conference Room at the YMPO Offices at 230 West Morrison Street, Yuma, Arizona 85364

YMPO EXECUTIVE BOARD

Chair Maria Cecilia Cruz, Councilmember, City of San Luis Vice-Chair Wynnie Ortega, Councilmember, Cocopah Indian Tribe

Secretary/Treasurer Luis Galindo, Councilmember, City of Somerton

Member Cecilia McCollough, Councilmember, Town of Wellton Member Martin Porchas, Board of Supervisors, Yuma County Member Darren Simmons, Board of Supervisors, Yuma County

Member Art Morales, Councilmember, City of Yuma Member Karen Watts, Councilmember, City of Yuma Member Carol Smith, Deputy Mayor, City of Yuma

Member Sam Elters, State Transportation Board, ADOT

Please join the GoTo meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone. https://meet.goto.com/675888245. You can also dial in using your phone. United States (Toll Free): 1 877 309 2073 Access Code: 675-888-245.

1. Call to Order and the Pledge of Allegiance.

The meeting will be called to order and members will be asked to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Roll Call Attendance and Declaration of Votes.

Lourdes (Lulu) Lopez, YMPO Accountant II/Executive Assistant, will call the attendance roll, and if any members of the City of Yuma are not in attendance, those members that are in attendance will have the opportunity to declare the number of votes that each member will exercise, including any proxy votes.

3. <u>Title VI Declaration and Call to the Public.</u>

Jesus Aguilar, Jr., YMPO Mobility Manager, will read a brief message, reminding members of our Title VI obligations. In addition, this item provides an opportunity for comments by the public on subjects *not* on the agenda. Individuals wishing to address the Board need not request permission in advance and are limited to three (3) minutes. Any members of the public attending by teleconference are requested to contact YMPO staff with any questions they may have prior to the meeting.

4. Consent Agenda

- A. Approval of June 26, 2025, Board Meeting Minutes.
- B. YMPO Income/Expenditure Report for June 2025.

A copy of the draft minutes of the Regular Board meeting from June 26, 2025, will accompany this agenda. Members will have the opportunity to review, report any changes, and/or approve the minutes. The June 2025 financial report is also expected to accompany this agenda and will be available for comment.

This item is on the agenda for information, discussion, and possible action to approve the Consent Agenda. Copies of the draft minutes and financial report are attached as Items 4A and 4B, respectively.

5. <u>FY 2026-2050 YMPO Long-Range Transportation Plan and Resolution Adoption</u>
The YMPO FY 2026-2050 YMPO LRTP is finally complete, along with the 30-day public review period, and is being presented to the Executive Board for possible approval. Kittleson & Associates will present the final draft report. Customarily, the Board also adopts a resolution to signify approval of the LRTP.

This item is on the agenda for information, discussion, and possible action to adopt the FY 2026-50 YMPO LRTP and Resolution 158. YMPO Executive Director Crystal Figueroa will introduce the item, and Vamshi Yellisetty, Kittleson and Associates Project Manager, will provide a presentation. Further information is available in an information summary as item 5, including Resolution 158. The reference agenda document is available to download from the YMPO Website.

6. <u>FY 2026-2030 YMPO Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and Resolution Adoption</u>

In conjunction with the development of the LRTP, YMPO has also produced a new version of the TIP, covering the first five years of the LRTP. This update includes more than \$145 million in Federal, State, and locally funded projects. At the regular meeting on July 10, 2025, the YMPO TAC recommended approval of the TIP. Similar to the LRTP, the Board also adopts a Resolution to signify approval of the TIP.

This item is on the agenda for information, discussion, and possible action to adopt the FY 2026-2030 YMPO Transportation Improvement Program and Resolution 159. YMPO Senior Transportation Planner Fernando Villegas will present this item; further details are contained in information summary 6, including Resolution 159. The reference agenda document is available to download from the YMPO Website.

7. <u>2026 Air Quality Conformity Analysis (AQCA) and Resolution Adoption</u>

Due to the status of the Yuma region being in nonattainment for Particulate Matter of less than ten microns (PM-10) and Ozone (O3), the region is required by federal law to undergo an air quality conformity analysis for any transportation plans and/or programs that the region produces. The reason is to ensure that the plans concerned do not make air quality any worse and that the plans conform to required air quality goals. The consultant will present the latest status of the 2025 Air Quality Conformity Analysis on the FY 2026-2050 YMPO LRTP and the FY 2026-2030 YMPO TIP.

This item is on the agenda for information, discussion, and possible action to adopt the 2026 Air Quality Conformity Analysis on the FY 2026-2050 LRTP and the FY 2026-2030 TIP and Resolution 160. Ms. Figueroa will introduce the item, and consultant Yellisetty will present this item; further details are contained in information summary 7, including Resolution 160. The reference agenda document is available to download from the YMPO Website.

8. Complete Streets Concept Study (CSCS) Final Report

The Complete Streets Concept Study to guide how Complete Streets principles are integrated into the planning and programming process for roadway improvements in Yuma County is complete. The final report is being presented to the Executive Board for possible approval.

This item is on the agenda for information, discussion, and possible action to approve the CSCS Final Report. Consultant Chris Joannes, the Kimley Horn Project Manager, will present this item, further information is available in an information summary as item 8.

9. Gary Knight Memorial Highway Proposal Approved

Staff will provide a brief update on the Arizona State Board on Geographic and Historic Names' approval of the Gary Knight Memorial Highway designation on July 22, 2025. Several regional representatives spoke in support of the proposal during the public meeting. This action honors City of Yuma Gary Knight's contributions to transportation in Yuma County and the State of Arizona.

This item is on the agenda for information and discussion only. Ms. Figueroa, will present this item, further information is available in an information summary as item 9.

Notification of FTA Grant for Buses and Bus Facilities Program – City of San Luis Letter of Support

YMPO recently received a request from City of San Luis to provide a regional letter of support for a Federal Transit Administration (FTA) FY 2025 Buses and Bus

Facilities and Low or No Emission Grant Program for a proposed Downtown Park and Ride Transit Facility project. The city has coordinated with YCIPTA, and on July 13, 2025, the City of San Luis Council executed a resolution for local match commitment.

Councilmember/Chairwoman Cruz recommended a regional letter of support. The requested deadline was reported to be July 14, 2025, and as the deadline was prior to the Board meeting, YMPO Executive Director executed a letter of support on her own authority, considering it aligns with transit improvements.

This item is on the agenda for information, and possible comment only, at this stage. Ms. Figueroa will introduce this item and Armando Esparza Director of Economic Development will provide additional information.

11. Personnel: Executive Director's Evaluation

During the February 27, 2025, Board meeting, the Executive Director's Performance Evaluation Subcommittee was established and agreed that YMPO staff evaluations would align best if conducted in June of 2025 to implement any raises effective at the start of the new fiscal year July 1, 2025. On July 25, 2025, Chairwoman Cruz met with Deputy Mayor Smith, Councilmember Galindo, and YMPO Executive Director Ms. Figueroa and completed their evaluation of her performance. A copy of the updated evaluation will be distributed to all members of the Board for their review and comment during the Executive Session.

This item is on the agenda for information, discussion and possible action for evaluating the Director's performance. Ms. Figueroa will present this agenda item and further information is included in an Information Summary that is being sent to members with this agenda packet as Item 11.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Executive Board may vote to go into Executive Session during the noticed meeting concerning agenda item mentioned above. If authorized by the requisite vote of the Board, the Executive Session will be held immediately after the vote and will NOT be open to the public. The Executive Session, if held, will be at the same meeting location set forth above. The discussion may relate to personnel, public records, confidential legal advice or counsel, litigation, real estate, or other matters permitted pursuant to A.R.S. §§ 38-431.03(A)(1)-(7). The Chair or other presiding officer shall instruct the persons present at the Executive Session regarding the confidentiality requirements of the Open Meeting Laws.

This item is on the agenda for information, discussion, and/or action. The Chairwoman will call for a motion to convene the YMPO Executive Session for the Evaluation of the Executive Director.

12. Reconvene to Public Meeting

This item is on the agenda for action to convene back to the YMPO Regular Meeting.

13. Executive Director's Evaluation – Open Discussion

This item is a follow up to the previous two agenda items. The Board will have the opportunity to discuss or comment on the Executive Director's evaluation in open session.

This item is on the agenda for information, discussion, and possible action regarding the Executive Director's evaluation, pay scale, and pay for performance adjustments. No further information is provided on this subject in addition to agenda item 11.

14. <u>Summary of Current Events/Board Member Reports/Executive Director's Report & Comments by Other Participants.</u>

This agenda item is an opportunity for members and staff to update the Board regarding recent occurrences, as shown below. If written information is available, it will be included in the attached information summary.

- A. Staff Reports Future Meetings.
- B. TAC Minutes.
- C. Conference Updates (AZRTS, and Roads and Streets).
- D. MPO/COG Director/Planner Meetings.
- E. Rural Transportation Advocacy Council activities.
- F. Projects Economic Development and Transportation.
- G. Status Report on AZ Smart Fund.

This item is on the agenda for information, discussion, and for Board members and other staff reports and comments.

15. <u>Possible Future Agenda Items</u>

The following items will be heard at a future meeting. Members are encouraged to suggest topics for discussion at a future Board meeting:

- A. Transportation Alternatives Program
- B. YMPO FY 2026 Title VI Plan Update
- C. RTAC Regional Priority Project Funding for 2026 Legislation
- D. Gary Knight Memorial Highway Update

15. <u>Progress Reports.</u>

Members and staff will update the Board on the progress of ongoing projects and other recent events:

- A. Jun 27 Daily 2025 US-95 DCIP Proposal Updates Meeting (CF, JH)
- B. Jun 30 Daily 2025 US-95 DCIP Proposal Updates Meeting (CF, JH)
- C. Jul 01 DCIP Application Submission (CF, JH)

- D. Jul 02 YMPO AQ EPA Comments Review (CF)
- E. Jul 08 Yuma MPO LRTP Update PMT Meeting (FV)
- F. Jul 09 Canyon State Bus Sales Meeting (JR)
- G. Jul 10 YMPO Technical Advisory Committee Meeting (JR, FV, LZ)
- H. Jul 10 Yuma TMP Bi-Weekly Check-in (FV)
- Jul 10 Transportation Alternatives TAC Meeting #3 Selection of Projects/Debrief (FV)
- J. Jul 14 Regional Mobility Committee Meeting (JR)
- K. Jul 14 ADOT/YMPO Coordination Meeting (CF, JH, FV)
- L. Jul 15 Yuma PM10 SIP Update Meeting (CF, FV)
- M. Jul 15 Staff Meeting (CF, JR, JH, FV, LL, LZ)
- N. Jul 17 Arizona Incoming Planner Information Exchange (JR, FV)
- O. Jul 17 T0634 40th Street Ave 6E to Fortuna Rd Meeting (CF, FV)
- P. Jul 17 YMPO CSCS and RORS Monthly Check-In Meeting (CF, JH, FV)
- Q. Jul 18 Arizona State Transportation Board Meeting (CF)
- R. Jul 21 RTAC Advisory Committee (CF)
- S. Jul 21 MPO/COG SAFE ROADS information gathering (CF)
- T. Jul 21 RTAC Advisory Committee (CF)
- U. Jul 21 CTS Meeting (FV)
- V. Jul 22 Yuma MPO LRTP Update PMT Meeting (JH, FV)
- W. Jul 22 Arizona State Board Geographic and Historic Names (CF)
- X. Jul 23 Farallon/Yuma Metropolitan Check In (JR)
- Y. Jul 23 JH Performance Evaluation (CF, JH)
- Z. Jul 24 5310 Program Visit (JR)
- AA. Jul 24 Yuma Transportation Master Plan Steering Committee Meeting #5 (CF, FV)
- BB. Jul 24 Quarterly SWAZ WLG Professional Development Seminar (CF)
- CC. Jul 25 YMPO Director Evaluation (CF)
- DD. Jul 28 RTAC Board Meeting (CF, FV)
- EE. Jul 30 YMPO/YCIPTA SRTP Update Discussion (CF, FV)
- FF. Jul 31 YMPO Executive Board Meeting (CF, JR, JH, FV, LL, LZ)

16. Adjournment.

Notice: In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, YMPO does not discriminate on the basis of disability, in the admission of, or access to, or treatment or employment in, its programs, activities, or services. If you have any questions regarding YMPO programs, activities, or services, please contact Crystal Figueroa at 928-783-8911.

Anticipated Future 2025 Meetings

Future meetings will continue at the YMPO office at 230 West Morrison Street, Yuma, Arizona 85364. Members may participate in person, OR they may participate electronically by computer and/or telephone (or both), using the GoToMeeting portal. In general, meetings will be the last Thursday of each month, and the next two meetings are tentatively scheduled for August 28, 2025 and September 25, 2025.

Yuma Metropolitan Planning Organization Revenue & Expense Budget Performance June 2025

	Jun 25	Jul '24 - Jun 25	YTD Budget	% of Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense				
Income				
4000 · ADOT Grant				
4001 · PL	106,226.95	493,277.58	621,062.00	79.43%
4002 · SPR	55,043.95	243,915.18	303,036.00	80.49%
4004 · STBG	23,645.42	48,723.92	275,795.00	17.67%
4005 · 5305d (CPG)	20,585.01	134,108.98	181,284.00	73.98%
Total 4000 · ADOT Grant	205,501.33	920,025.66	1,381,177.00	66.61%
4007 · PL ISATO	3,563.00	3,563.00	10,239.97	34.8%
4050 · ADEQ Grant	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	100.0%
4055 · 5310 Funds				
4056 · RTAP	0.00	6,695.04	6,695.04	100.0%
4055 · 5310 Funds - Other	0.00	76,704.79	107,447.00	71.39%
Total 4055 · 5310 Funds	0.00	83,399.83	114,142.04	73.07%
4200 · YMPO UPWP Dues	0.00	78,954.50	78,954.49	100.0%
4400 · Interest Income	2,997.18	29,317.77	23,020.10	127.36%
4600 · Charges for Services				
4904 · Traffic Count Revenue	12,971.40	23,517.98	12,971.00	181.31%
4600 · Charges for Services - Other	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
Total 4600 · Charges for Services	12,971.40	23,517.98	12,971.00	181.31%
4700 · Other Revenue				
4790 · Other Income	0.00	7,000.00		
Total 4700 · Other Revenue	0.00	7,000.00	0.00	100.0%
Total Income	235,032.91	1,155,778.74	1,630,504.60	70.89%
Gross Profit	235,032.91	1,155,778.74	1,630,504.60	70.89%
Expense		.,,	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	
5110 · Payroll Expenses				
5111 · Fringe Benefits	3,429.15	34,488.09	35,028.93	98.46%
5112 · Part Time Staff-Salaries				
5133 · Part Time Staff-Salaries- Local	0.00	6,219.57	9,722.00	63.97%
5112 · Part Time Staff-Salaries - Other	4,882.79	48,829.94	58,213.00	83.88%
Total 5112 · Part Time Staff-Salaries	4,882.79	55,049.51	67,935.00	81.03%
5113 · Full Time Staff-Salaries	39,942.63	395,954.51	399,682.00	99.07%
5115 · Health Insurance-ER Portion	6,509.50	73,274.00	78,114.00	93.8%
5116 · ASRS	4,875.30	47,725.56	49,040.98	97.32%
5117 · Workman's Comp Insurance	0.00	1,229.00	1,231.00	99.84%
5118 · FUTA Payroll Expense	24.74	557.59	504.00	110.63%
5120 · Life Insurance	130.00	1,794.00	1,872.00	95.83%
Total 5110 · Payroll Expenses	59,794.11	610,072.26	633,407.91	96.32%
5123 · Consulting Services		•		
5134 · Contractual-Local	12,125.00	13,276.95	83,651.95	15.87%
5123 · Consulting Services - Other	113,353.91	472,816.68	620,124.05	76.25%

Yuma Metropolitan Planning Organization Revenue & Expense Budget Performance June 2025

	Jun 25	Jul '24 - Jun 25	YTD Budget	% of Budget
Total 5123 · Consulting Services	125,478.91	486,093.63	703,776.00	69.07%
5124 · Staff Training/Education				
5137 · Staff Training/Edu Reimb-Local	0.00	1,980.00	5,000.00	39.6%
5124 · Staff Training/Education - Other	249.00	629.67	4,000.00	15.74%
Total 5124 · Staff Training/Education	249.00	2,609.67	9,000.00	29.0%
5125 · Audit Services	0.00	23,500.00	23,500.00	100.0%
5126 · Payroll Processing Fees	417.08	4,917.90	4,500.00	109.29%
5128 · Accounting Services	0.00	21,346.50	25,000.00	85.39%
5129 · Public Participation	0.00	0.00	750.00	0.0%
5130 · Reimbursement of Expenses	112.45	0.00	7,000.00	0.0%
5131 · Data Process, Software, Hardwar	0.00	13,832.26	14,500.00	95.4%
5132 · Furniture and Equipment	0.00	1,363.70	8,000.00	17.05%
5138 · Capital Outlay	0.00	32,323.37		
5139 · RTAP Expense	0.00	3,650.00	3,650.00	100.0%
5140 · Legal	2,722.50	6,237.50	7,000.00	89.11%
5147 · Mobility Management Program	1,238.55	5,121.78	16,020.56	31.97%
5150 · IT Support	0.00	0.00	1,500.00	0.0%
5151 · Building Ins, property tax	0.00	4,668.00	7,400.00	63.08%
5152 · Equipment Maintenance	189.49	775.56	900.00	86.17%
5153 · Office Supplies	196.25	2,655.39	3,000.00	88.51%
5154 · Postage	0.00	92.05	300.00	30.68%
5155 · Printing	0.00	-40.44	1,200.00	-3.37%
5157 · Publications, Subscriptions	0.00	931.70	1,400.00	66.55%
5158 · Registration Fees	910.00	11,585.00	12,000.00	96.54%
5159 · Special Meetings	0.00	0.00	3,000.00	0.0%
5160 · Telecommunications	499.08	11,050.25	11,500.00	96.09%
5161 · Vehicle Purchase	0.00	4.00	5,676.63	0.07%
5162 · Vehicle Insurance	0.00	7,681.59	8,000.00	96.02%
5163 · Vehicle Maint., Repairs, Parts	0.00	286.50	2,000.00	14.33%
5164 · YMPO Memberships & Dues	0.00	4,459.68	5,000.00	89.19%
5165 · Finance Charges and Interest	-106.13	0.00	200.00	0.0%
5166 · Website Maintenance	0.00	1,146.00	1,657.00	69.16%
5167 · Miscellenous Consumables	23.60	3,091.11	3,500.00	88.32%
5168 · Employee Recruitment	0.00	287.57	500.00	57.51%
5169 · Miscellaneous-Expense	86.92	3,143.77	7,000.00	44.91%
5171 · Alarm System	0.00	534.19	750.00	71.23%
5173 · Electric Bill	1,073.80	8,847.38	7,500.00	117.97%
5174 · Grounds Maintence	250.00	9,510.00	13,510.00	70.39%
5175 · Janitorial	720.00	9,180.00	9,360.00	98.08%
5179 · Office Building Repairs				
5181 · Pest Control	0.00	480.00	500.00	96.0%
5179 · Office Building Repairs - Other	9,436.55	12,984.55	20,000.00	64.92%

Yuma Metropolitan Planning Organization Revenue & Expense Budget Performance June 2025

	Jun 25	Jul '24 - Jun 25	YTD Budget	% of Budget
Total 5179 · Office Building Repairs	9,436.55	13,464.55	20,500.00	65.68%
5182 · Sewer & Water	288.07	3,345.47	3,500.00	95.59%
5190 · Travel - Local & Outside County	519.37	18,604.02	18,000.00	103.36%
5191 · T530- Traffic Count Fuel	200.98	2,343.36	2,700.00	86.79%
5630 · T530 Traffic Count Equipment				
5631 · T530-Local COY Materials	347.77	1,855.21	2,162.00	85.81%
5630 · T530 Traffic Count Equipment - Other	30.27	5,065.72	5,100.00	99.33%
Total 5630 · T530 Traffic Count Equipment	378.04	6,920.93	7,262.00	95.3%
5711 · T600 LRTP	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
Total Expense	204,678.62	1,335,636.20	1,614,920.10	82.71%
Net Ordinary Income	30,354.29	-179,857.46	15,584.50	-1,154.08%
Other Income/Expense				
Other Income				
4900 · In-Kind Match Revenue	0.00	102,877.71	167,789.00	61.31%
Total Other Income	0.00	102,877.71	167,789.00	61.31%
Other Expense				
9200 · In-Kind Match Expenses	0.00	102,877.71	167,789.00	61.31%
Total Other Expense	0.00	102,877.71	167,789.00	61.31%
Net Other Income	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
Net Income	30,354.29	-179,857.46	15,584.50	-1,154.08%

10000 - Wells Fargo - YMPO General Account	\$33,521.65
10009 - Wells Fargo - YMPO Payroll Account	\$42,209.17
10100 - Yuma County Treasurer - YMPO Account	\$1,056,142.90
	\$1,131,873.72



YMPO EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

EXECUTIVE BOARD	The Meeting will be held In-Person and/or using
Regular Meeting	GoToMeeting by Video and/or Teleconference from
Thursday, June 26, 2025	the Main Conference Room at the YMPO Offices at
3:30 P.M.	230 West Morrison Street, Yuma, Arizona 85364

1. Call to Order and the Pledge of Allegiance

The Yuma Metropolitan Planning Organization (YMPO) Chairwoman, City of San Luis Councilmember, Maria Cecilia Cruz, called the YMPO Executive Board (the Board) meeting to order at 3:32 p.m. and asked Mr. Morales to lead, and the Board to join him, in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Roll Call Attendance and Declaration of Votes

The YMPO Accountant II/Executive Assistant, Lulu Lopez, called the roll as follows:

YMPO Executive Board Members Present:

Chairwoman	Maria Cecilia Cruz, Councilmember, City of San Luis ^
Vice-Chair	Wynnie Ortega, Councilmember, Cocopah Indian Tribe ~
Member	Cecilia McCollough, Councilmember, Town of Wellton ~
Member	Darren Simmons, Board of Supervisors, Yuma County ^

Member Arturo Morales, Councilmember, City of Yuma ^
Member Carol Smith, Deputy Mayor, City of Yuma ^

Member Sam Elters, Arizona State Transportation Board, ADOT ~

Member Karen Watts, Councilmember, City of Yuma ^

As six out of the seven constituent member agencies were present, the quorum requirement was met.

YMPO Executive Board Members Absent

Secretary/Treasurer Luis Galindo, Councilmember, City of Somerton *
Member Martin Porchas, Board of Supervisors, Yuma County *

Not present, but was represented by proxy by another member, or attendee.

* Not present, and not represented by proxy by another member, or attendee.

[^] Attended in person.

[~] Participated by teleconference.

Other Attendees Present:

Paul Patane, Southwest District Administrator, ADOT Chris Joannes – Kimley Horn Ryan McKell – Kimley Horn Vamshi Yellisetty – Kittelson & Associates Kevin Adam, RTAC Liaison, RTAC

YMPO Staff Present:

Crystal Figueroa Executive Director

Fernando Villegas Senior Transportation Planner

Jesus Aguilar, Jr Mobility Manager

Lourdes Lopez Accountant II/Executive Assistant
Jeffery Heinrichs IT Manager/Associate Planner

Lucia Zamudio Administrative Assistant/Bookkeeper

Declaration of Votes

As all three designated representatives from the City of Yuma were present, the annual declaration of votes stands as affirmed, with the following allocation: Councilmember Art Morales with two (2) votes, Deputy Mayor Carol Smith with two votes, and Councilmember Karen Watts with one vote, for a total of five votes representing the City of Yuma.

3. Title VI Declaration and Call to the Public

The Chairwoman called on Jesus Aguilar, Jr., YMPO Mobility Manager, who read the YMPO Title VI obligations.

No members of the public were present to address the Board.

4. Consent Agenda

- A. Approval of May 29, 2025, Board Meeting Minutes
- B. YMPO Income/Expenditure Report for May 2025.

MOTION: Supervisor Darren Simmons motioned to approve both Item A and B of the consent agenda. Councilmember Watts seconded, and the motion was unanimously approved.

5. <u>FY 2026-50 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) Update</u>

YMPO Executive Director, Crystal Figueroa, informed the board that the Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) project was nearing completion and had entered its third and final public outreach phase. This outreach was being conducted jointly with the City of Yuma's Transportation Master Plan in a cobranded effort. She noted that all related documents, including the LRTP, Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), and Air Quality Conformity Analysis, were available at www.greateryumamoves.com. Ms. Figueroa then

introduced Mr. Vamshi Yellisetty from Kittelson & Associates to provide a project update.

Mr. Vamshi Yellisetty confirmed that the draft final report was complete and currently available for public review through July 12. He stated that the documents had been made accessible and user-friendly, with technical details contained in supporting appendices. The Air Quality Conformity Report was under review by the EPA, ADEQ, and other Interagency Consultation members. He explained that Phase 3 of public outreach began on June 13 and included press releases, social media, and newspaper advertisements to increase public engagement. As of the meeting date, about 400 users had visited the project site, and 10 written comments had been submitted. Mr. Yellisetty concluded by stating that final approval of the LRTP, TIP, and conformity documents was anticipated at the July 31 Executive Board meeting, following TAC review and incorporation of public comments.

Ms. Figueroa added that flyers were available for those who wished to help share the link and public comment period dates.

6. Complete Streets Concept Study (CSC)

Ms. Crystal Figueroa introduced the next agenda item by welcoming the consulting team from Kimley-Horn and noting that Mr. Chris Joannes was online to present the update on the Complete Streets Concept Study.

Mr. Chris Joannes, representing Kimley-Horn, shared his screen and presented the findings from the Complete Streets Concept Study. He noted that it had been some time since the team last reported to the Board and explained that the study was now nearing completion. He walked the Board through the study's five main objectives, including identifying the benefits of complete streets for member agencies, defining goals and strategies, developing sample plans for street typologies and bus pullouts, and creating a prioritization process for implementation. He referenced several slides during his presentation, highlighting key visual tools such as matrices, design typologies, and sample street cross-sections intended to guide member agency staff during roadway planning and design phases.

Mr. Joannes noted that the final draft report was currently available for public review and had already been reviewed by the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC). The final steps included wrapping up the public outreach period and incorporating any remaining feedback before finalizing the document for Executive Board approval.

Mr. Ryan McKell of Kimley-Horn continued the presentation by discussing the bus pullout analysis. He explained that the team evaluated bus stops across the region,

using criteria such as route coverage, ridership, traffic volume, and crash history, with double weighting given to annual bus boardings. He highlighted several changes made to the top 20 priority bus stops based on TAC input and presented sample plans developed for those locations using standards from YCIPTA, Phoenix, and Las Vegas.

Mr. McKell also reviewed the implementation strategy, outlining near-term, medium-term, and long-term steps for applying Complete Streets recommendations throughout the YMPO region. These included updates to planning and design standards, as well as phased construction of priority improvements.

Mr. Joannes concluded by noting that public comments would be accepted through July 12 and that the final report would be returned to the Executive Board for approval the following month. He offered to answer questions from the Board.

Councilmember Arturo Morales asked for the public comment website. Ms. Figueroa responded that flyers with the website information were available and distributed during the meeting.

7. Roads of Regional Significance Study (RORS) Kick-Off

Ms. Crystal Figueroa introduced the next agenda item, noting that while two projects were nearing completion, YMPO had officially commenced the Roads of Regional Significance project. She explained that the estimated project timeline was approximately 10 months, and that Kimley-Horn & Associates had been contracted to lead the effort. She welcomed Mr. Chris Joannes to present the project kickoff to the Board.

Mr. Chris Joannes, representing Kimley-Horn, shared a visual presentation with the Board and outlined the project's primary objectives. He explained that the first task involved developing a definition for "roads of regional significance" specific to the YMPO region, a draft of which had already been prepared and was under review by the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC). The next step would involve identifying transportation improvements needed along these designated corridors over the next 25 years, ensuring that they continue to function effectively as regional routes. The team would also examine high-level environmental and right-of-way considerations, explore potential funding sources, and develop an implementation strategy to phase the recommended improvements.

Mr. Joannes reviewed task 10 of the scope of work, referencing several slides as he summarized key milestones. He described early project management coordination, confirmation of scope, and the decision to schedule public involvement later in the process, citing previous outreach conducted through the LRTP, the City of Yuma Transportation Master Plan, and the Complete Streets

Study. The consultant noted that engagement efforts would occur once draft project recommendations were developed, likely using a combination of virtual tools and in-person opportunities.

He emphasized that a major portion of the project would involve identifying and prioritizing needed improvements along regionally significant routes, including planning-level cost estimates and funding strategies. Mr. Joannes also highlighted plans to evaluate case studies from other regions to inform YMPO's approach and mentioned regular coordination with the TAC and Executive Board throughout the project timeline. Three Executive Board presentations were planned, this kickoff, one midway through the project (around October), and a final presentation in February 2026 to present the final draft report.

Chairwoman Cecilia Cruz asked about federal lands in the City of San Luis, specifically a large vacant strip from 10th Avenue to Avenue E. She inquired whether there were updates regarding the possible sale or lease of these lands, noting the significant impact such development could have on future transportation planning.

Mr. Joannes responded that he had only seen a high-level map of the areas under consideration and that the proposal to sell or lease federal lands appeared to be in its early stages. He acknowledged that if these parcels became available for development, it would likely shift transportation needs significantly, particularly since the city is currently divided by that federal land. He stated that additional information would be necessary to assess the full implications, but the YMPO team would incorporate any updates into the planning process as the project moved forward.

8. Approval of the YMPO Travel Policy

Ms. Crystal Figueroa informed the Board that, as part of the newly executed Joint Project Agreement (JPA) with ADOT for the FY 2026–2027 Work Program, all MPOs are required to formally adopt a travel policy aligned with the JPA and compliant with state policies. She noted that a draft of the travel policy had been presented at the previous Executive Board meeting, during which only one clarifying comment was received from ADOT. That comment was incorporated into the final draft. Ms. Figueroa explained that the policy closely follows the State of Arizona's travel policy, and while YMPO has long adhered to state guidelines, formal adoption is now required. She presented the final draft to the Board for approval.

MOTION: Supervisor Simmons motioned to approve the YMPO Travel Policy. Councilmember Watts seconded, and the motion was unanimously approved.

9. Government Finance Office Association (GFOA) Certificate of Achievement & FY 2025 Audit Schedule

Ms. Crystal Figueroa announced that YMPO had once again been awarded the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting by the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA). She explained that this is the highest form of recognition in governmental accounting and financial reporting and reflects YMPO's ongoing commitment to transparency and accountability. She noted that YMPO has received this recognition for five consecutive years.

Ms. Figueroa took a moment to highlight the role of YMPO's Accountant/Executive Assistant, Ms. Lourdes "Lulu" Lopez, as a central contributor to the preparation of the award-winning financial report. During the presentation of this item, the Executive Board and YMPO staff presented Ms. Lopez with a framed certificate in recognition of her achievement.

Chairwoman Cecilia Cruz formally read the GFOA's statement of recognition, congratulating Ms. Lopez on behalf of the Board and commending her outstanding work. She expressed pride in her contributions to YMPO's success.

Ms. Figueroa added that Ms. Lopez had taken the lead on the financial report while she was on maternity leave and praised her for quickly learning and executing the responsibilities with great attention to detail. She then introduced Ms. Lopez to provide an update on the upcoming audit.

Ms. Lopez thanked the Board, Ms. Figueroa, and YMPO staff for their support, noting that the preparation of the financial report was a team effort. She stated that the FY 2025 audit process had already begun, with the auditors initiating the test of control selections as part of the preliminary review. She provided the Board with an audit schedule outlining key tasks and timelines that help ensure continued eligibility for the GFOA award and offered to answer any questions at any point during the audit.

Ms. Figueroa concluded by reminding the Board that an audit committee had been appointed earlier in the calendar year. This committee would be involved in the final phase of the audit process and would receive a detailed presentation from the auditors before the final results are presented to the Executive Board.

10. Gary Knight Memorial Highway Update

Ms. Crystal Figueroa informed the Board that on August 22, 2024, the YMPO Executive Board had approved a resolution to formally recommend to the Arizona State Board on Geographic and Historic Names the designation of a portion of U.S. Highway 95, from milepost 31 to 48, as the "Gary Knight Memorial Highway". The proposal was submitted to the Arizona State Board on Geographic and Historic Names in December 2024, and while an initial vote by the Board was

expected in April 2025, it was postponed to July 22, 2025, to allow for further review. Ms. Figueroa stated that final efforts were underway to gather support ahead of the formal vote.

She noted that letters of support had already been submitted through the state's official response link, with all member jurisdictions participating. Additional outreach was conducted via social media and the local newspaper, Yuma Sun, including a segment on KYMA, to encourage public awareness and support. Ms. Figueroa encouraged Board members to continue spreading the word.

Chairwoman Cecilia Cruz asked whether there were other nominations being considered. Ms. Figueroa confirmed that other highway naming proposals were scheduled for review on the same day, but clarified that it was not a competitive process.

Councilmember Karen Watts inquired whether a specific number of public comments was required. Ms. Figueroa responded that while the total number of comments was not the deciding factor, strong support from key stakeholders such as member jurisdictions, Yuma Proving Ground, and the Knight family, carried the most weight.

11. YMPO Rebranding: Website

Mr. Jeff Heinrichs, YMPO IT Manager, presented an update on the ongoing YMPO rebranding initiative. He reminded the Board that the Executive Board had approved an updated Mission Statement in May 2022, marking the first step in the rebranding effort. This was followed by the Board's approval of the new Vision and Values statements and the redesigned YMPO logo in September 2024.

Mr. Heinrichs then showcased a preview of the redesigned YMPO website, noting that it represented a major improvement from the previous, text-heavy layout. He described the new site as visual and block-based, with easier navigation and updated imagery. He pointed out key sections such as Transportation Planning, Active Projects, Studies and Reports, Title VI Program, and Bylaws, as well as a new homepage slider with regional images. The site retained drop-down menus while enhancing accessibility through block links.

Chairwoman Cruz inquired whether the GFOA Certificate of Achievement was displayed on the site. Ms. Crystal Figueroa responded that it was not currently featured but confirmed that enhancing YMPO's digital presence, including on Facebook and other platforms, was part of the broader rebranding effort. Ms. Figueroa also added that the rebranding effort encompassed not only the website but also updated pamphlets and public outreach materials.

Councilmember Art Morales asked about the content of the "Get Involved" tab. Mr. Heinrichs explained that it included public engagement opportunities, job postings, and external resources such as guides on navigating roundabouts.

Mr. Morales further suggested that the website could benefit from more intuitive, public-facing prompts to encourage interaction, such as inviting feedback from cyclists, pedestrians, and other local users beyond specific planning windows. Mr. Heinrichs agreed and noted that public engagement would increasingly be driven through YMPO's social media channels, including Facebook and Instagram. He also mentioned that the website included a translation feature that allowed users to view content in multiple languages.

Chairwoman Cruz asked if Spanish version was available, to which Mr. Heinrichs confirmed it was.

12. RTAC Regional Priority Project Funding for 2026 Legislation

Ms. Crystal Figueroa provided an informational update on the current 2025 RTAC Priority Project Legislation process. YMPO submitted three projects for consideration: (1) U.S. 95 – Welton Mohawk Canal to Aberdeen, (2) U.S. 95 Pavement Rehabilitation Phase 2 between County 17 and Avenue D, and (3) Somerton Main Street Improvements.

Ms. Figueroa noted that the 2025 round had received a 20% inflation adjustment, but the overall state legislative outlook remained uncertain. While over \$600 million in revenue was available, the Legislative Finance Advisory Committee recommended a conservative cap of \$277 million. As of June 19, 2025, state budget negotiations were ongoing, and none of the 2025 YMPO's submitted projects were included in the proposed funding list. A Yuma County project, the Somerton Avenue bridge replacement, was listed under both House and Senate Bills, and was currently listed under Yuma County.

Ms. Figueroa reported that the RTAC Board continues to focus efforts on one-time transportation funding, considering funding challenges across the state in response to the lack of fuel tax increase. As such, they approved funding allocations on May 19, 2025, for the 2026 RTAC cycle. YMPO's estimated share decreased by \$243,984 to \$57,992.78 compared to the 2025 cycle.

She further explained that the decrease was primarily due to the formation of the Bullhead City MPO. TAC and Executive Board members would need to evaluate whether to maintain current priority projects and update their fact sheets accordingly. The item was presented for discussion and will be brought back to the Board in a future Board meeting. She then noted that a Legislative update would be provided by RTAC Liaison Kevin Adams at a later time during the meeting.

13. <u>2025 Transportation Policy Summit</u>

Ms. Lucia Zamudio, Administrative Assistant, extended an invitation to Executive Board members to attend the upcoming Arizona Transportation Policy Summit, formerly known as the Arizona Rural Transportation Summit. She explained that the name change reflects the broader statewide scope of transportation policy discussions that occur during the event, while still maintaining a focus on rural transportation needs.

The 25th annual summit is scheduled for October 15–17, 2025, at the Sierra Vista Air Community Innovation Center and will be hosted by the Sierra Vista Metropolitan Planning Organization. Ms. Zamudio encouraged board members to attend and requested that those interested contact her for registration and travel arrangements. She noted that early bird registration closes on July 31, with registrations beginning July 1.

Councilmember Art Morales inquired who had already registered, and Ms. Zamudio responded that Chairwoman Cruz was the only member who had requested her registration.

Ms. Crystal Figueroa added that YMPO typically coordinates a dinner during the summit with legislators and elected officials to discuss regional priorities, particularly related to RTAC project legislation.

Ms. Lourdes "Lulu" Lopez mentioned that if a board member is unable to attend, travel accommodations could be reassigned to an alternate representative in their place.

14. <u>Summary of Current Events/Board Member Reports/Executive Director's Report & Comments by Other Participants.</u>

This agenda item is an opportunity for members and staff to update the Board regarding recent occurrences, as shown below. If written information is available, it will be included in the attached information summary.

- A. Staff Reports Future Meetings.
- B. TAC Minutes.
- C. Conference Updates (AZRTS, and Roads and Streets).
- D. MPO/COG Director/Planner Meetings.
- E. Rural Transportation Advocacy Council activities.
- F. Projects Economic Development and Transportation.
- G. Status Report on AZ Smart Fund

Mr. Kevin Adam, RTAC Liaison, provided a legislative update on the status of the Arizona state budget and its implications for transportation funding. He noted that, with only days remaining before the start of the new fiscal year, the State of Arizona had yet to pass a budget, an unprecedented situation. He explained the

complexities arising from split partisan control, which have led to competing budget proposals from the House and Senate, including a "skinny budget" alternative supported by the House. Governor Hobbs vetoed the House proposals, and negotiations among legislative leaders and the governor were ongoing.

Mr. Adam explained that the budget gap between the proposals was relatively small, ranging from \$17 billion to \$17.6 billion, but the final outcome would significantly impact funding for transportation projects. Both the House and Senate versions included over \$100 million in one-time funding for transportation, with the Somerton Avenue bridge replacement (\$1.3 million) appearing in both versions, though none of YMPO's three RTAC-prioritized projects were included.

He also addressed the potential economic impact of federal tariffs, noting that increased tariffs could suppress economic activity, reduce state revenues, and increase demand for public services, all factors influencing the Legislature's cautious approach. He added that the Arizona SMART Fund was not included in the current proposals, and at the current pace of awards, it would be depleted within six months.

Chairwoman Cruz asked about the role of tariffs in state revenue, and Mr. Adam clarified that while tariffs do not fund transportation directly, they can weaken the overall economy and reduce tax collections.

Ms. Crystal Figueroa shared that she had sent a final letter of support for YMPO's projects to District 25 legislators, hoping to influence the remaining stages of the budget process. Mr. Adam responded that such outreach was helpful in showing awareness and advocacy, even if resources were limited, and encouraged continued engagement to represent the region's needs effectively.

15. <u>Possible Future Agenda Items</u>

- A. FY 2026-2050 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) and Resolution Adoption
- B. FY 2026-2030 Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) and Resolution Adoption
- C. 2025 Air Quality Conformity Analysis
- D. Transportation Alternatives Program
- E. RTAC Legislative Update
- F. Gary Knight Memorial Highway
- G. YMPO Executive Director's Evaluation

16. Progress Report

Members and staff will update the Board on the progress of ongoing projects and other recent events:

a. Jun 1-5 – CTAA and CALACT 2025 Expo (JR)

- b. Jun 3 Staff Meeting (CF, JH, FV, LL, LZ)
- c. Jun 4 YMPO CSCS and RORS Monthly Check-In Meeting (CF, JH, JR)
- d. Jun 5 Arizona State Transportation Board Meeting (CF)
- e. Jun 9 ADOT/YMPO Coordination Meeting (CF, JH, FV)
- f. Jun 9 Transportation Alternatives TAC Meeting #2 (CF, JH)
- g. Jun 9 Yuma Region Bicycle Coalition (JR)
- h. Jun 10 YMPO CSCS Monthly Check-In Meeting (FV)
- i. Jun 10 Yuma MPO LRTP Update PMT Meeting (CF, JH, FV)
- j. Jun 12 YMPO TAC Meeting (CF, JR, JH, FV, LL, LZ)
- k. Jun 12 Asset Management Plan Local NHS Assets Meeting (FV)
- I. Jun 12 AZ Mobility Managers Meeting (JR)
- m. Jun 12 SHRM FMLA Qualifying Reasons & Facts (LL)
- n. Jun 12 MPO/COG Director's Meeting (CF)
- o. Jun 13 COG/MPO Planner's Meeting (FV, CF, JH)
- p. Jun 13 Title VI Training Information COG/MPO Agencies (JR)
- q. Jun 16 Consensus on DCIP Proposal (CF, JH)
- r. Jun 16 FY 2026 STBG Funds and other Authorization Requests Meeting w/ADOT Finance (LL, CF)
- s. Jun 16 RTAC Advisory Committee Meeting (CF)
- t. Jun 17 YMPO Social Media & Online Engagement Policy Meeting (LL, CF, JH, LZ)
- u. Jun 17 Yuma PM10 SIP Update Meeting (CF, FV)
- v. Jun 18 2025 US-95 DCIP Proposal Meeting (CF, JH, JR)
- w. Jun 19 Brown & Brown Insurance Services Quotes for FY26 (LL, CF)
- x. Jun 19 Arizona Incoming Planner Information (JH, FV)
- y. Jun 19 Networking for Community Resources (JR)
- z. Jun 20 Arizona State Transportation Board Meeting (CF)
- aa. Jun 23 RTAC Board Meeting (CF, FV)
- bb. Jun 23 Transportation Alternatives TAC Meeting #2 (CF, JH)
- cc. Jun 23 Traffic count BKM Meeting (JH)
- dd. Jun 24 Yuma MPO LRTP Update Meeting (CF, FV, JH)
- ee. Jun 25 Procurement Workshop Federal Gov't Purchasing (LL)
- ff. Jun 25 2025 US-95 DCIP Proposal Meeting (CF, FV, JH, JR)
- gg. Jun 26 YMPO Executive Board Meeting (ALL)

17. Adjournment.

Having no further business to discuss, Chairwoman Cruz adjourned the meeting at 4:49 p.m.

Notice: In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, YMPO does not discriminate on the basis of disability, in the admission of, or access to, or treatment or employment in, its programs, activities, or services. If you have any questions regarding YMPO programs, activities, or services, please contact Crystal Figueroa at 928-783-8911.

Anticipated Future 2025 Meetings

Future meetings will continue at the YMPO office at 230 West Morrison Street, Yuma, Arizona 85364. Members may participate in person, OR they may

participate electronically by computer and/or telephone (or both), using the GoToMeeting portal. In general, meetings will be the last Thursday of each month, and the next two meetings are tentatively scheduled for July 31, 2025, and August 28, 2025

Preparation and Approval of Minutes:	Minutes prepared by:
	Lulu Lopez, Accountant II/Executive Assistant
Minutes reviewed to form by:	Minutes approved in regular session on July 31, 2025
Crystal Figueroa, Executive Director,	Councilmember Maria Cecilia Cruz,
Yuma Metropolitan Planning Organization	Chairwoman, YMPO Executive Board

YMPO INFORMATION SUMMARY for Agenda Item 05 FY 2026-2050 YMPO Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP)

DATE: July 31, 2025

SUBJECT: Recommendation to adopt the FY 2026-2050 YMPO LRTP and

Resolution 158

SUMMARY:

The Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) is a federally mandated document that guides long-term transportation planning for the Yuma Metropolitan Planning Organization (YMPO) to assess and prioritize investments to address critical short-term, mid-term, and long-term transportation needs. As a region designated as non-attainment for air quality, YMPO is required to update its Long-Range Transportation Plan every four years, in accordance with Title 23 U.S. Code § 134 and Title 49 U.S. Code § 5303. YMPO initiated the update to the LRTP in February 2024 and anticipates final approval by July 31, 2025.

This plan provides a vision for the region's future transportation needs and guides the investment of public funds in transportation facilities over the next 24 years.

The LRTP's goals, objectives, and performance measures will drive the transportation system's future in the YMPO region, resulting in a multimodal transportation system for safe and efficient movement of people and goods. Since these goals, objectives, and performance measures set the foundation for the entire planning effort, it is important that they reflect the community's direction.

The Yuma region has a strong foundation of transportation and land use planning, which has informed and shaped this update to the YMPO LRTP. Since the previous LRTP, a lot of good planning work has been completed in the region. This plan builds on these prior efforts by YMPO and its member agencies by reviewing and integrating recommendations from these plans so that we have a single list of projects that can advance with our region's limited transportation funding. By connecting the recommendations of past and ongoing plans, the LRTP helps advance the region's top priorities.

At the regular meeting on July 10, 2025, YMPO Technical Advisory Committee unanimously recommended approval of the final draft LRTP contingent on addressing any comments received during the public review period, which ended July 12, 2025. Since then, public feedback has been reviewed and incorporated into the final draft.

The LRTP in anticipated to be approved by the YMPO Executive Board along with Resolution 158 to signify approval of the LRTP and submitted for information purposes to the Governor, with copies sent to the FHWA and the FTA.

PUBLIC INPUT:

Throughout the LRTP planning process, input was gathered from community members, businesses, organizations, YMPO staff, member agency staff, and leaders to ensure that the LRTP reflects the needs and priorities of those using our transportation system.

A bilingual project website, <u>www.GreaterYumaMoves.com</u>, was launched in spring 2024 to provide public access to key information on the YMPO LRTP and City of Yuma TMP. It featured project details, a survey, and an interactive map for identifying areas of concern.

TECHNICAL & POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

TECHNICAL: Approval of the LRTP is one of three linked approvals. The first is the approval of the LRTP; the second is approval of the TIP and the third is associated Air Quality Conformity Analysis (AQCA), based on the LRTP and the TIP.

POLICY: This request meets all federal and YMPO requirements regarding the regional transportation planning process.

ACTION NEEDED:

This item is on the agenda for information, discussion, and possible action to adopt the FY 2026-2050 YMPO Long Range Transportation Plan and Resolution 158.

CONTACT PERSON:

Fernando Villegas, Senior Transportation Planner

YUMA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

230 West Morrison Street Yuma, Arizona 85364 Phone: (928) 783-8911 www.ympo.org



YUMA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION RESOLUTION NO. 158

A RESOLUTION OF THE YUMA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (YMPO) EXECUTIVE BOARD APPROVING THE FY 2026-2050 YMPO LONG-RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN

Whereas: YMPO has the responsibility for conducting the area-wide continuing, comprehensive, and cooperative transportation system planning process and periodically develops a Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) and a shorter-range (five-year) Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the region, pursuant to Section 134 of Title 23, US Code, and the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1970, as amended by the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21), upheld in the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST); and the most recently by the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), also known as the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL); and

Whereas: The YMPO LRTP is a central program management tool for structuring metropolitan transportation plans and reflects the integrated nature of the regional transportation system; and

Whereas: The YMPO reviews roadway, transit, and bicycle/pedestrian improvement programs prepared by the member agencies for correlation as a LRTP, and advises the jurisdictions concerned of any conflicts, and prepares, as a coordinated composite of local programs, a LRTP for the Yuma region; and

Whereas: The YMPO's Executive Board and Technical Advisory Committee, consisting of Local and State officials, are involved in a process to annually coordinate the preparation of a LRTP; and

Whereas: The joint Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) - Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Metropolitan Transportation Planning regulations call for the production of a LRTP; and

Whereas: The projects in FY 2026-2050 YMPO LRTP include projects in the FY 2026-2030 YMPO TIP, and the Transportation Policy Framework of goals, objectives, and policies; and

Whereas: The YMPO adopted, and FHWA/FTA approved, in cooperation with the Environmental Protection Agency, the 2026 YMPO Air Quality Conformity Analysis and shows conformity with the criteria and procedures outlined in EPA 40 CFR Parts 51 and 93, as well as the FY 2026-2050 YMPO LRTP and FY 2026-2030 YMPO TIP, and

Whereas: The YMPO HEREBY CERTIFIES that the metropolitan transportation planning process is being carried out in conformance with all applicable requirements of 23 U.S. Code, Section 134, as amended by the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21) and Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST); the 1990 Clean Air Act Amendments; and the most recently by the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), also known as the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL); and

Whereas: The YMPO FURTHER CERTIFIES that the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Program is being performed to satisfy the following federal regulations:

- 1. Statewide/Metropolitan Planning, Final Rule
- 2. Air Quality Conformity, Management and Monitoring Systems, Final Rule.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Yuma Metropolitan Planning Organization does HEREBY APPROVE the FY 2026-2050 YMPO Long-Range Transportation Plan, composed of project input provided by the Cities of Yuma, Yuma County, the Cities of San Luis and Somerton, the Town of Wellton, the Cocopah Indian Tribe, and the Arizona Department of Transportation.

Maria Cecilia Cruz, Chairwoman, Executive Board Yuma Metropolitan Planning Organization Councilmember, City of San Luis ATTEST:

Crystal Figueroa, Executive Director

Yuma Metropolitan Planning Organization

ADOPTED AND SIGNED this 31st day of July 2025.

YMPO INFORMATION SUMMARY for Agenda Item 06 FY 2026-2030 Transportation Improvement Program

DATE: July 31, 2025

SUBJECT: Recommendation to adopt the FY 2026-2030 Transportation

Improvement Program (TIP) and Resolution 159

SUMMARY:

The purpose of the TIP is to provide a prioritized listing of transportation projects covering a period of five years that is consistent with the YMPO Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP). The TIP contains all transportation projects within YMPO to be funded by Title 23 and Title 49 funds, and all regionally significant projects, regardless of funding source.

The TIP is a fiscally constrained multi-year, multi-agency listing of all transportation improvements for the YMPO region covering five years: 2026 through 2030. Included are projects on State routes which have approved for funding by the Arizona State Transportation Board (AZSTB), projects that are on Yuma area State Highways that are proposed for funding, projects funded under the Federal STBG Program, Off System Bridge (OSB) Program, Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP), Carbon Reduction Program (CRP), Transportation Alternatives (TA) Program, Tribal Projects, projects funded by the Federal Transit Administration, projects funded under the Highway Users Revenue Fund Exchange (HURFX) mechanism, any regionally significant roadway projects, and nonfederal local projects programmed by jurisdictions in Yuma County.

Each project proposed for implementation in this TIP is consistent with the FY 2026-2050 YMPO Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP). During the July 10, 2025, meeting, YMPO Technical Advisory Committee unanimously recommended approval of the FY 2026-2030 TIP contingent on addressing any comments received during the public review period, which ended July 12, 2025. Since then, public feedback has been reviewed and incorporated into final draft.

The FY 2026-2030 TIP is anticipated to be approved by the YMPO Executive Board along with Resolution 159 to signify approval and to be submitted for information purposes to the Governor, with copies sent to the FHWA and the FTA.

PUBLIC INPUT:

The FY 2026-30 TIP was available for public review from June 13, 2025, to July 12 on the same website developed for the LRTP update and the Air Quality Conformity Analysis.

The website included information for the YMPO LRTP and the City of Yuma Transportation Master Plan—the website address was www.GreaterYumaMoves.com.

The website was available in English and Spanish and included key project information, a survey, and an interactive online mapping tool to allow participants to pin areas of concern.

TECHNICAL & POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

TECHNICAL: Approval of the TIP is one of three linked approvals. The first is the approval of the LRTP; the second is approval of the TIP and the third is associated Air Quality Conformity Analysis (AQCA), based on the LRTP and the TIP.

POLICY: This request meets all federal and YMPO requirements regarding the regional transportation planning process.

ACTION NEEDED:

This item is on the agenda for information, discussion, and possible action to adopt the FY 2026-2030 YMPO Transportation Improvement Program and Resolution 159.

CONTACT PERSON:

Fernando Villegas, Senior Transportation Planner

YUMA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

230 West Morrison Street Yuma, Arizona 85364 Phone: (928) 783-8911 www.ympo.org



YUMA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION RESOLUTION NO. 159

A RESOLUTION OF THE YUMA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (YMPO) EXECUTIVE BOARD, APPROVING THE FY 2026 – 2030 YMPO TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP).

WHEREAS: The Yuma Metropolitan Planning Organization (YMPO) has the responsibility for conducting the area-wide continuing, comprehensive, and cooperative transportation system planning process and shall develop a long-range transportation plan and a (short-range) transportation improvement program for the region on a current basis pursuant to Section 134 of Title 23, US Code, and the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1970, as amended by the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21), upheld in the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST); and the most recently by the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), also known as the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL); and

WHEREAS: The YMPO's Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) is a central program management tool for structuring metropolitan transportation programs and reflects the integrated nature of the regional transportation system; and

WHEREAS: The YMPO reviews the roadway, transit, and bicycle/pedestrian improvement programs prepared by the member agencies for correlation as one regional TIP, and advises the jurisdictions concerned of any conflicts, and prepares, as a coordinated composite of local programs, a regional TIP for the Yuma region; and

WHEREAS: The YMPO's Executive Board and Technical Advisory Committee, consisting of local and State officials, are involved in a process to coordinate the preparation of a regional TIP; and

WHEREAS: The joint Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) - Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Metropolitan Transportation Planning regulations, call for production of a TIP including an Annual (or Biennial) Element; and

WHEREAS: The projects in this FY 2026-2030 YMPO TIP, including its 2026 Annual Element, are consistent with the FY 2026-2050 YMPO Regional Transportation Plan, and the Transportation Policy Framework of goals, objectives, and policies; and

WHEREAS: On May 26, 1994, the YMPO adopted a system of Regionally Significant Routes to assist in defining Regionally Significant Projects; and

WHEREAS: The YMPO adopted, and FHWA/FTA approved, in cooperation with the Environmental Protection Agency, the 2026 YMPO Air Quality Conformity Analysis and shows conformity with criteria and procedures outlined in EPA 40 CFR Parts 51 and 93, as well as the FY 2026-2050 YMPO LRTP and FY 2026-2030 YMPO TIP; and

WHEREAS: The YMPO HEREBY CERTIFIES that the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Process is being carried out in conformance with all applicable requirements of 23 U.S. Code, Section 134, as amended by the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21) and Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST); and the 1990 Clean Air Act Amendments; and the most recently by the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) also known as the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL); and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Yuma Metropolitan Planning Organization does HEREBY APPROVE the FY 2026-2030 YMPO Transportation Improvement Program with its 2026 Annual Element, composed of project input from the Cities of Yuma, San Luis, and Somerton, Yuma County, the Town of Wellton, the Cocopah Indian Tribe, and the Arizona Department of Transportation.

ADOPTED AND SIGNED this 31st day of July 2025.

Maria Cecilia Cruz, Chairwoman, Executive Board Yuma Metropolitan Planning Organization Councilmember, City of San Luis
ATTEST:
ALLEST:

Crystal Figueroa, Executive Director Yuma Metropolitan Planning Organization

FY 2026-2030 Transportation Improvement Program



City of Yuma

TIP No.	FY	Agency	Project Name/Location	Project Description	Func/Class	Fund Source	Federal \$	HURF/ STATE	Local \$	Total \$
	FY 2026 Projects									
YU 22-11	2026	Yuma	Yuma Multi-Modal Transportation Center	Multi-Modal Transportation Center-Construction	N/A	RAISE GRANT	\$10,614,225	\$ 0	\$3,538,075	\$14,152,300
YU 23-07C	2026	Yuma	Two Citywide Locations	Two Pedestrain Hybrid Beacons-Construction	N/A	HSIP 100%	\$1,742,344	\$ 0	\$0	\$1,742,344
YU 24-01C	2026	Yuma	Two City of Yuma Locations	Pedestrian Hybrid Beacons - Construction	N/A	HSIP 100%	\$1,166,513	\$0	\$0	\$1,166,513
YU 24-02C	2026	Yuma	Bus Pull-Outs (Avenue A at 16th St.)	Two far-side bus pull-outs on Avenue A at 16th St	FFC-3U	CRP 5.7%	\$190,486	\$0	\$11,514	\$202,000
YU 24 -03C	2026	Yuma	Shared-Use Pathway East Wetland Park	Pathway East Wetland Park to Pacific Avenue	N/A	CRP 5.7%	\$284,156	\$0	\$17,176	\$301,332
YU 25-03C	2026	Yuma	Yuma Multi-Modal Transportation Center	Multi-Modal Transportation Center-Construction	N/A	Local	\$0	\$0	\$3,537,057	\$3,537,057
YU-26-01D	2026	Yuma	40th Street Improvements: Avenue 6E to Fortuna Road	Design Concept Report (DCR) Completion	FFC-4U	Local	\$0	\$0	\$150,000	\$150,000
				FY 2027 Projects						
YU 23-08C	2027	Yuma	Three Locations Citywide	Install Flashing Yellow Arrow Signals	N/A	HSIP 100%	\$330,750	\$0	\$0	\$330,750
YU 27-01D	2027	Yuma	40th Street Improvements: Avenue 6E to Fortuna Road	Final Design and other related activities	FFC-4U	Local	\$0	\$0	\$1,100,000	\$1,100,000
				FY 2030 Projects						
YU 30-01D	2030	Yuma	40th Street Improvements: Avenue 6E to Fortuna Road	Final Design and other related activities	FFC-4U	Local	\$ 0	\$0	\$7,000,000	\$7,000,000

Yuma County

TIP No.	FY	Agency	Project Name/Location	Project Description	FundClass	Fund Source	Federal \$	HURF	Local \$	Total \$
	FY 2026 Projects									
YC 22-09R2	2026	Yuma Co.	Ave E/D Extension: Co. 23rd to Co. 16th St	New Roadway - Acquire ROW	FFC-3U	Local	\$0	\$0	\$100,000	\$100,000
YC 22-09D3	2026	Yuma Co.	Ave E/D Extension: Co. 23rd to Co. 16th St	New Roadway - Planning and Engineering	FFC-3U	Local	\$0	\$0	\$100,000	\$100,000
YC 23-04C1	2026	Yuma Co.	County 14th St at Avenue 4E	Traffic Signal & NB & SB Left Turn lane-Construction (1 to 2)	FFC-5U	HSIP 5.7%	\$965,396	\$0	\$58,354	\$1,023,750
YC 23-04C2	2026	Yuma Co.	County 14th St at Avenue 4E	Traffic Signal & NB & SB Left Turn lane-Construction (2 to 2)	FFC-5U	HSIP 100%	\$393,750	\$0	\$0	\$393,750
YC 24-03C	2026	Yuma Co.	Co. 14th St at Ave C	Traffic Signal - Construction	FFC-5U	HSIP 100%	\$733,889	\$0	\$0	\$733,889
YC 24-04C1	2026	Yuma Co.	Co. 14th St at Ave G	Traffic Signal and Left-Turn Lanes - Consruction (1 of 2)	FFC-5U	HSIP 100%	\$663,927	\$0	\$0	\$663,927
YC 24-04C2	2026	Yuma Co.	Co. 14th St at Ave G	Traffic Signal and Left-Turn Lanes - Consruction (2 of 2)	FFC-5U	HSIP 5.7%	\$471,245	\$0	\$28,486	\$499,731
YC 24-05C1	2026	Yuma Co.	US-95 at County 16th	Traffic Signal Construction	FFC-3U	HSIP 100%	\$716,756	\$0	\$0	\$716,756
YC 24-05C2	2026	Yuma Co.	US-95 at County 16th	Traffic Signal Construction	FFC-3U	Local	\$0	\$0	\$1,197,293	\$1,197,293
YC 24-06C	2026	Yuma Co.	Pathway-Avenue B to Avenue C / West Main Canal	Shared Pathway at West Main Canal- Avenue B to C	NIA	CRP 5.7%	\$574,667	\$0	\$34,736	\$609,403
YC 26-05P	2026	Yuma Co.	Railroad Crossing Elimination (Three Intersections)	Design Concept: Avenue 9E, Fortuna Rd, and S. Avenue 29E.	Various	RCE	\$640,000	\$0	\$160,000	\$800,000
				FY 2027 Projects						
YC 22-09R3	2027	Yuma Co.	Ave EID Extension: Co. 23rd to Co. 16th St	New Roadway - Acquire ROW	FFC-3U	Local	\$0	\$0	\$850,000	\$850,000
YC 22-09D4	2027	Yuma Co.	Ave EID Extension: Co. 23rd to Co. 16th St	New Roadway - Planning and Engineering	FFC-3U	Local	\$0	\$0	\$30,000	\$30,000
YC 24-01C1	2027	Yuma Co.	Ave B: Co. 18th St to SR-195	Widen Shoulder & Install Rumble Strips - Construct (1 of 2)	FFC-5U	HSIP 100%	\$580,471	\$0	\$0	\$580,471
YC 24-01C2	2027	Yuma Co.	Ave B: Co. 18th St to SR-195	Widen Shoulder & Install Rumble Strips - Construct (2 of 2)	FFC-5U	HSIP 5.7%	\$3,229,311	\$0	\$195,197	\$3,424,508
YC 24-02C1	2027	Yuma Co.	Ave G: Co. 11th St to Co. 16th St	Widen Shoulder and Install Rumble Strips - Construct	FFC-5U	HSIP 100%	\$147,500	\$0	\$0	\$147,500
YC 24-02C2	2027	Yuma Co.	Ave G: Co. 11th St to Co. 16th St	Widen Shoulder and Install Rumble Strips - Construct	FFC-5U	HSIP 5.7%	\$3,791,902	\$0	\$229,203	\$4,021,105
				FY 2028 Projects						
YC 22-09R4	2028	Yuma Co.	Ave EID Extension: Co. 23rd to Co. 16th St	New Roadway - Acquire ROW	FFC-3U	Local	\$0	\$0	\$1,200,000	\$1,200,000
YC 22-09D5	2028	Yuma Co.	Ave E/D Extension: Co. 23rd to Co. 16th St	New Roadway - Planning and Engineeting	FFC-3U	Local	\$0	\$0	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000
				FY 2029 Projects						
YC 22-09C1	2029	Yuma Co.	Ave E/D Extension: Co. 23rd to Co. 16th St	New Roadway - Construction Utilities	FFC-3U	Local	\$0	\$0	\$680,000	\$680,000
				FY 2030 Projects						
YC 22-09C2	2030	Yuma Co.	Ave E/D Extension: Co. 23rd to Co. 16th St	New Roadway - Construction Utilities	FFC-3U	Local	\$0	\$0	\$500,000	\$500,000

City of San Luis

TIP No.	FY	Agency	Project Name/Location	Project Description	Func/Class	Fund Source	Federal \$	HURF	Local \$	Total \$
FY 2026 Projects										
SL 23-06C1	2026	San Luis	10th Avenue at Los Alamos	Curve Realignment-Construction	FFC-6U	HSIP-100%	\$2,625	\$0	\$0	\$2,625
SL 23-06C2	2026	San Luis	10th Avenue at Los Alamos	Curve Realignment-Construction	FFC-6U	HSIP- 5.7%	\$1,310,638	\$0	\$79,222	\$1,389,860
SL 24-01C	2026	San Luis	Cesar Chvez Blvd. US95 to Ave. E (5 miles)	Widen Roadway (2 to 4 lanes)-Construction	FFC-3U	AZ Leg	\$33,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$33,000,000
SL 24-02C	2026	San Luis	US 95 Co. 20 1/2 St. to Co. 22nd St	Raised Median - Construction	FFC-3R	HSIP 5.7%	\$1,683,019	\$0	\$101,731	\$1,784,750

City of Somerton

TIP No.	FY	Agency	Project Name/Location	Project Description	Func/Class	Fund Source	Federal \$	HURF	Local \$	Total \$
FY 2026 Projects										
SO 24-01C	2026	Somerton	Co. 15th St Avenue D-Intersection	Crest Curve Correction-Construction	FFC-5U	HSIP 5.7%	\$1,587,045	\$0	\$95,930	\$1,682,975

Town of Wellton

TIP No.	FY	Agency	Project Name/Location	Project Description	Func/Class	Fund Source	Federal \$	HURF	Local \$	Total \$
FY 2026 Projects										
WE 25-02C	2026	Wellton	Williams St: Oakland Ave to Los Angeles Ave	Roadway Improvement-Construction	FFC-6R	HURFX	\$0	\$741,151	\$42,948	\$784,099

YMPO

TIP No.	FY	Agency	Project Name/Location	Project Description	Func/Class	Fund Source	Federal \$	HURF	Local \$	Total \$	
	FY 2026 Projects										
YMPO 26-01	2026	YMPO	LTAP	Technical Assistance Program	N/A	STBG	\$5,000	\$0	\$0	\$5,000	
YMPO 26-02P	2026	YMPO	Comprehensive Safety Action Plan	Development of a Comprehensive Safety Action Plan for the YMPO Region	N/A	SS4A	\$400,000	\$0	\$100,000	\$500,000	
	FY 2027 Projects										
YMPO 27-01	2027	YMPO	LTAP	Technical Assistance Program	N/A	STBG	\$5,000	\$0	\$0	\$5,000	
				FY 2028 Projects							
YMPO 28-01	2028	YMPO	LTAP	Technical Assistance Program	N/A	STBG	\$5,000	\$0	\$0	\$5,000	
	FY 2029 Projects										
YMPO 29-01	2029	YMPO	LTAP	Technical Assistance Program	N/A	STBG	\$5,000	\$0	\$0	\$5,000	
	FY 2030 Projects										
YMPO 30-01	2030	YMPO	LTAP	Technical Assistance Program	N/A	STBG	\$5,000	\$0	\$0	\$5,000	

ADOT

	ADOT Projects										
TIP No.	FY	Agency	Project Name/Location	Project Description	Func/Class	Fund Source	Federal \$	State	Local \$	Total \$	
	FY 2026 Projects										
DOT 26-01C1	2026	ADOT	US 95 Imperial Dam and Aberdeen Rd Intersections	Road-Intersection Improvements	FFC-3R	NHPP	\$4,715,000	\$0	\$0	\$4,715,000	
DOT 26-01C2	2026	ADOT	US 95 Imperial Dam and Aberdeen Rd Intersections	Road-Intersection Improvements	FFC-3R	AZ Leg	\$30,000,000	\$285,000	\$0	\$30,285,000	
	FY 2028 Projects										
DOT 28-01	2028	ADOT	I-8 Pavement Rehabilitation- Foothills Blvd to Dome Valley	Pavement Rehabilitation	FFC-1	NHPP	\$19,916,867	\$1,203,883	\$0	\$21,120,750	

Illustrative Projects

TIP No.	FY	Agency	Project Name/Location	Project Description	Func/Class	Fund Source	Federal \$	HURF/State	Local \$	Total \$
	Future Projects (Unfunded)									
FY 2026 Projects										
YU 26-01D	2026	Yuma	Hacienda Estates Pavement Replacement & Storm Drain Upgrades	Hacienda Estates Pavement Replacement & Storm Drain Upgrades	N/A	Local	\$0	\$0	\$227,478	\$227,478
YU 26-02C	2026	Yuma	Avenue 9E widening from Northern City Limits to North Frontage Road	Widening from two lanes to four lanes minor arterial	FFC-4U	Local	\$0	\$0	\$9,510,000	\$9,510,000
FY 2027 Projects										
YU 27-01C	2027	Yuma	16th Street widening from 3rd Avenue to Maple Avenue	Widen roadway from four lanes to six lanes	FFC-4U	Local	\$0	\$0	\$2,900,000	\$2,900,000
YC 27-02C	2027	Yuma Co.	US 95 from Avenue H 1/4 to Main Drain Pavement Mill & Fill	Mill and fill Paving Maintenance	FFC-3U	Local	\$0	\$0	\$3,500,000	\$3,500,000
SL 27-03C	2027	San Luis	Merrill Avenue safety improvements from Los Valles Street to County 22nd Street	Add Center Lane-Construction	FFC-6U	Local	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,300,000
SL 27-04C	2027	San Luis	Avenue F widening from San Luis Lane to Cesar Chavez Boulevard	Widen from two lanes to four lanes with a center turn lane	FFC-6U	Local	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,200,000
	FY 2028 Projects									
YU 28-01C	2028	Yuma	Hacienda Estates Pavement Replacement & Storm Drain Upgrades	Hacienda Estates Pavement Replacement & Storm Drain Upgrades	N/A	FMA & AZ SMART	\$3,943,875	\$480,000	\$834,625	\$5,258,500
SL 28-02C	2028	San Luis	4th Avenue safety improvements from Cesar Chavez Boulevard to County 22nd Street	Roadway Widening to include a center turn lane	FFC-6U	Local	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,200,000
SL 28-03C	2028	San Luis	10th Avenue safety improvements from Cesar Chavez Blvd to County 22nd Street	Roadway Widening to include a center turn lane	FFC-6U	Local	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,200,000
	FY 2029 Projects									
YC 29-01C	2029	Yuma Co.	County 17th Street from Avenue A to Avenue B paving	Roadway Paving	FFC-5U	Local	0	0	1,045,000	1,045,000
	FY 2030 Projects									
YU 30-01C	2030	Yuma	Avenue 10E widening from 32nd Street to 40th Street	Widening from two lanes to four lanes minor arterial	FFC-4U	Local	\$0	\$0	\$9,020,000	\$9,020,000

Next Steps

- July 31th, Executive Board Approval
- Final FY 2026-2030 TIP Document to FHWA and FT

YMPO INFORMATION SUMMARY for Agenda Item 07 2026 Air Quality Conformity Analysis Report

DATE: July 31, 2025

SUBJECT: Recommendation to adopt the 2026 Air Quality Conformity Analysis (AQCA) Report and Resolution 160

SUMMARY:

YMPO has the responsibility to ensure that the transportation plans and programs within the YMPO planning boundaries, generally the greater Yuma area, conform to the state and national air quality plans and standards. Specifically, the emissions generated from proposed projects in the YMPO's Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for FY 2026-2030 and the YMPO LRTP for FY 2026-2050 must be consistent with and conform to the NAAQS.

The YMPO is required to undertake an air quality conformity analysis for the following reasons:

- To ensure that transportation investments (projects), strategies, and programs, taken as a whole, have air quality impacts consistent with and conforming to state and national air quality plans and standards.
- To ensure that neither the transportation system as a whole nor individual transportation projects cause new air quality violations or worsen existing conditions.

Because there are nonattainment areas within the YMPO planning boundary, the regional TIP and LRTP are subject to transportation conformity requirements. This report presents the conformity analysis for the YMPO FY 2026-2030 TIP and the FY 2026-2050 LRTP Update.

The purpose of this conformity analysis is to demonstrate that the Yuma nonattainment area supports the implementation of the YMPO LRTP 2026-2050 and financially constrained 2026-2030 TIP by contributing to improved air quality and will therefore not jeopardize the Yuma region's attainment of the annual PM10 and 2015 8-hour ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS).

At the time of analysis, a revised SIP for the Yuma PM10 Nonattainment Area (NAA) is being prepared, and there are no approved emission budgets for the Yuma PM10 NAA and Ozone. As a result, the Build vs No Build interim emission test was conducted for the

PM10 and ozone conformity analysis. The No Build scenario includes all existing regionally significant highway and transit projects and all projects undergoing right-of-way acquisition, currently under construction, having completed the NEPA process, or in the first year of the previously conforming TIP. The Build" scenario is generally defined as all LRTP and TIP.

The Results show that the total PM10 emissions from the PM10 NAA for the Build scenario are less than the emissions of the No-Build scenario. Therefore, the LRTP and TIP passed the interim emission test and demonstrated conformity to the 1987 PM10 NAAQS. Also, the projected NOx and VOC emissions from projects contained in the YMPO LRTP 2026-2050 Update and 2026-2030 TIP passed the interim emission test and demonstrated conformity to the 2015 8-hour ozone NAAQS.

PUBLIC INPUT:

The Air Quality Conformity Report was available for public review from June 13, 2025, to July 12 on the same website developed for the LRTP update and the TIP. The website included information for the YMPO LRTP and the City of Yuma Transportation Master Plan—the website address was www.GreaterYumaMoves.com.

The website was available in English and Spanish and included key project information, a survey, and an interactive online mapping tool to allow participants to pin areas of concern.

TECHNICAL & POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

TECHNICAL: Approval of the Air Quality Conformity Report is one of three linked approvals. The first is the approval of the LRTP; the second is approval of the TIP and the third is associated Air Quality Conformity Analysis (AQCA), based on the LRTP and the TIP.

POLICY: This request meets all federal and YMPO requirements regarding the regional transportation planning process.

ACTION NEEDED:

This item is on the agenda for information, discussion, and possible action to adopt the the 2026 Air Quality Conformity Analysis of the FY 2026-2050 LRTP and the FY 2026-2030 TIP.

CONTACT PERSON:

Fernando Villegas, Senior Transportation Planner

YUMA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

230 West Morrison Street Yuma, Arizona 85364 Phone: (928) 783-8911

www.ympo.org



YUMA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION RESOLUTION NO. 160

A RESOLUTION OF THE YUMA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (YMPO) EXECUTIVE BOARD, APPROVING THE 2026 AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY ANALYSIS

WHEREAS: The Yuma Metropolitan Planning Organization (YMPO) is a multiagency transportation planning agency formed in 1983, for the purpose of preparing a regionwide transportation plan that provides for mobility and safe travel for citizens, economic growth, and environmental enhancements; and

WHEREAS: The YMPO's approved FY 2026-2050 YMPO Long-Range Transportation Plan and the FY 2026-2030 YMPO Transportation Improvement Program were approved in July 2025; and

WHEREAS: The YMPO has the responsibility to ensure that our transportation plans and programs within the PM-10 nonattainment area conform to State and National Ambient Air Quality Standards and Plans; and

WHEREAS: The 2026 Air Quality Conformity Analysis reports on the results of the contained analyses of the emissions from vehicles due to an increase in miles traveled during the period of the FY 2026-2030 YMPO Transportation Improvement Program; and

WHEREAS: The 2026 Air Quality Conformity Analysis Report demonstrated "conformity" between the FY 2026-2030 YMPO Transportation Improvement Program, the FY 2026-2050 YMPO Long-Range Transportation Plan, and the criteria and procedures outlined in the EPA 40 CFR Parts 51 and 93; and

WHEREAS: The YMPO Executive Board approved the 2026 Air Quality Conformity Analysis following a public meeting, by motion, at their regular business meeting on July 31, 2025; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Yuma Metropolitan Planning Organization does HEREBY APPROVE the FY 2026 Air Quality Conformity Analysis Report.

ADOPTED AND SIGNED this 31st day of July 2025.

Maria Cecilia Cruz, Chairwoman, Executive Board Yuma Metropolitan Planning Organization Councilmember, City of San Luis

ATTEST:

Crystal Figueroa, Executive Director Yuma Metropolitan Planning Organization YMPO INFORMATION SUMMARY for Agenda Item 8

Complete Streets Concept Study

DATE: July 31, 2025

SUBJECT: Complete Streets Concept Study (CSCS) Final Report

SUMMARY:

On August 26, 2024, YMPO, in partnership with consultant Kimley-Horn, launched the development of the Complete Streets and Connectivity Study (CSCS). The study is now complete and will serve as a strategic guide for incorporating Complete Streets principles into the planning and programming of roadway improvements throughout Yuma County.

Complete Streets is a planning approach that ensures streets are safe, accessible, and efficient for all users, regardless of age, ability, or mode of transportation. This includes pedestrians, bicyclists, transit riders, and motorists alike.

The final round of public outreach concluded on July 12, 2025. All feedback received was reviewed and incorporated, as appropriate, into the final report. The completed study is now being presented to the YMPO Executive Board for consideration and possible approval during the July 2025 meeting.

Final report is readily available on the YMPO website.

PUBLIC INPUT:

There has been no public input on this subject.

ACTION NEEDED:

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

CONTACT PERSON: Fernando Villegas, Senior Transportation Planner



YMPO Complete Streets Concept Study

July Executive Board Meeting



Overview

Project Objectives











Establish the benefits of Complete Streets for member agencies



Define Complete Streets goals, strategies, and a consistent planning process for member agencies



Inventory and define street typologies and bus pullout priorities



Develop sample plans for each street typology and bus pullouts



Develop an objective ranking process for complete streets implementation locations

Schedule

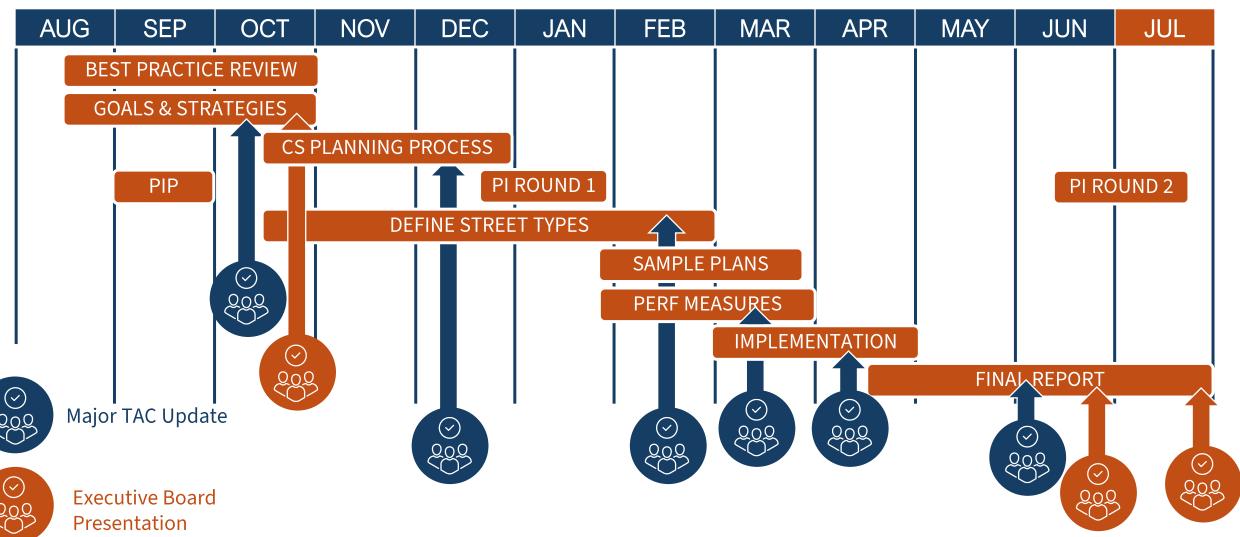














Final Report

Street Typologies





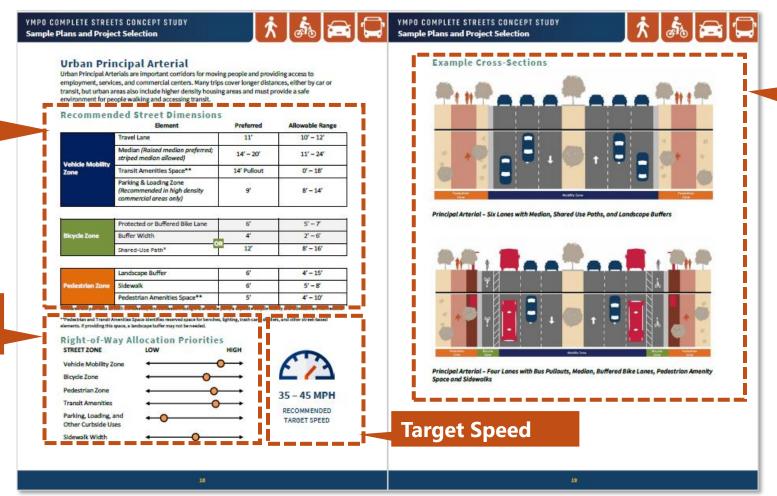




Example Layout

Recommended Street Dimensions

Right-of-Way Allocation



Example Cross Sections

Bus Pullout Sample Plans











NB QUANTITIES

DESCRIPTION	UNIT	QUANTITY	UNIT PRICE	COST
CONCRETE - SIDEWALK	SY	156	\$80.00	\$12480.00
CONCRETE - BUS PAD	SY	161	\$175.00	\$28175.00
CONCRETE — BUS SHELTER PAD	SY	9	\$35.00	\$315.00
CURB - OUTSIDE EDGE	LF	177	\$50.00	\$8850.00
BUS SHELTER	EA	1	\$70000.00	\$70000.00
STRIPING	LS	1	\$1500.00	\$1500.00
REMOVE AND RESET STREETLIGHT	EΑ	0	\$2000.00	\$0.00
REMOVE AND RESET EXISTING SIGN AND POST	EA	1	\$ 750.00	\$750.00
REMOVE AND SALVAGE PULLBOX	EΑ	0	\$300.00	\$0.00
INSTALL PULLBOX	EA	. 0	\$1800,00	\$0.00
UTILITY ADJUSTMENTS	LS	0	\$15000.00	\$0.00
RIGHT-OF-WAY	SF	0	TBD	TBD
	-	5.	SUBTOTAL	\$122070.00
		V	CONTINGENCY (30%)	\$36621.00
	į.	18	TOTAL	\$158691.00

SB QUANTITIES

DESCRIPTION	UNIT	QUANTITY	UNIT PRICE	COST
CONCRETE - SIDEWALK	SY	156	\$80.00	\$12480.00
CONCRETE - BUS PAD	SY	161	\$175.00	\$28175.00
CONCRETE — BUS SHELTER PAD	SY	9	\$35.00	\$315.00
CURB - OUTSIDE EDGE	LF	177	\$50.00	\$8850.00
BUS SHELTER	EA	1	\$70000.00	\$70000.00
STRIPING	LS	- 31	\$1500.00	\$1500.00
REMOVE AND RESET STREETLIGHT	EΑ	0	\$2000,00	\$0.00
REMOVE AND RESET EXISTING SIGN AND POST	EΑ	1	\$ 750.00	\$750.00
REMOVE AND SALVAGE PULLBOX	EΑ	0	\$300.00	\$0.00
INSTALL PULLBOX	EA	0	\$1800.00	\$0.00
UTILITY ADJUSTMENTS	LS	0	\$15000.00	\$0.00
RICHT-OF-WAY	SF	. 0	TBD	TBD
			SUBTOTAL	\$122070.00
			CONTINGENCY (30%)	\$36621.00
			TOTAL	\$158691.00

US HIGHWAY 95 @ WEST CASINO DRIVE NB AND SB

Complete Streets Planning Process









Context	Design	

Community Context

Multimodal Vision **Network**

Demand

Operations / Constraints Standards



Aspect of Street Design

Review the surrounding places, neighborhoods, and future land use plans Review transportation plans to determine the street type designation

Identify the recommended active transportation and transit elements for the street type assigned by the multimodal vision network

Review the right-ofway for each roadway and determine the limitations of the street design

Final guidance for roadway design is facilitated through guidelines approved by Public Works

Design Considerations

· What is the current land use and density?

· What is the current/future zoning?

· What is the City's vision for this area?

What mode of · How many vehicles travel should be per day are projected prioritized according for this roadway?

> · What elements are needed to comply with assigned network such as bike lanes, sidewalk, etc.?

· What is the available right-ofway?

· What utilities are required?

 What is the available funding?

 Can minimum design standards be met?

· Has cost/benefit analysis been conducted for the retrofit of Complete Street elements into the existing roadway?

 Unified Development Code

· Zoning Map

· Land Use Plans

YMPO LRTP

· Traffic impact studies

 Bike and pedestrian counts

· Transit ridership

· Right-of-way plans/ plats

 Construction estimates

Utilities Master Plan

 Engineering Design Manual

ADA Compliance

 AASHTO Guide for Development of **Bicycle Facilities**

Reference

Local

to applicable

transit, car)?

transportation plans

(walking, biking,

Transportation Master Plans · Local Trails Master

Plans · Local Bicycle Master Plans

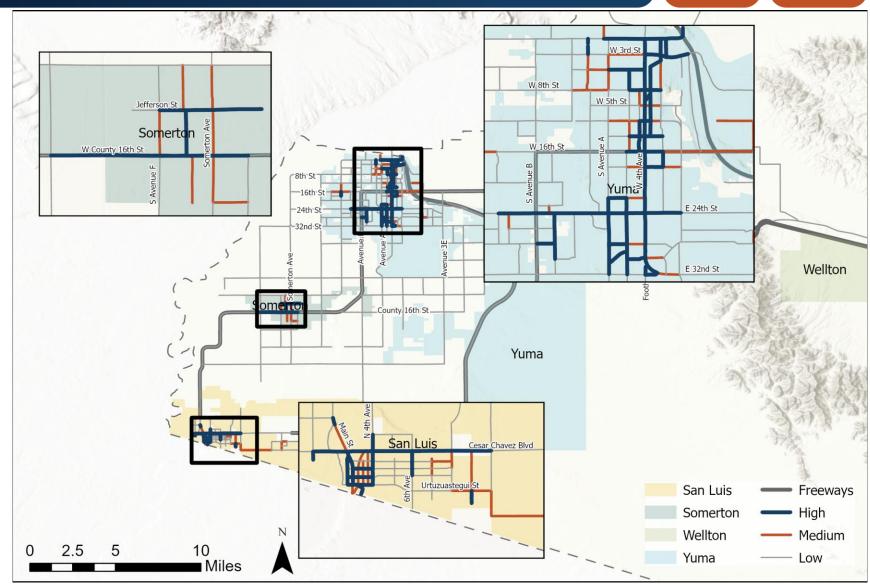
Priority Locations













Public Comment Period

Public Comment Period

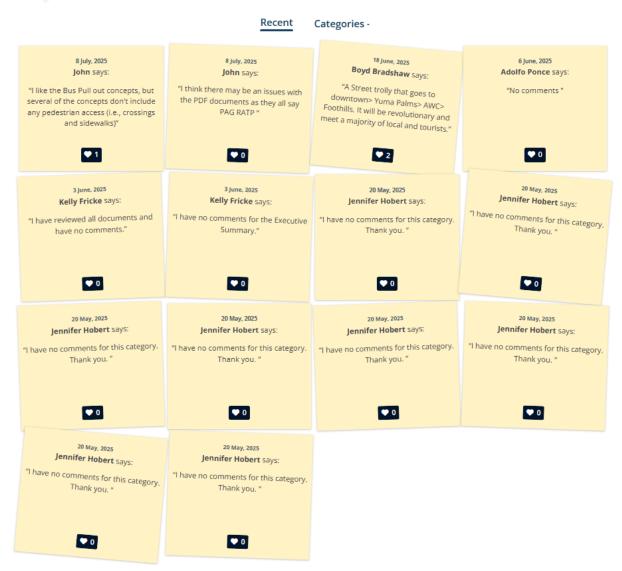








- Draft Final Report public comment period closed 7/12
- All comments were addressed by the project team





Next Steps

Next Steps









- TAC recommended approval at the July TAC meeting
- Executive Board vote to approve YMPO Complete Streets Concept Study Final Report







Thank You!

YMPO INFORMATION SUMMARY for Agenda Item 09

Gary Kight Memorial Highway Update

DATE: July 31, 2025

SUBJECT: Naming of U.S. Route 95 in Honor of the Late Gary Knight

SUMMARY:

YMPO is pleased to report that on July 22, 2025, the Arizona State Board on Geographic and Historic Names (ASBGHN) unanimously approved the proposal to designate a portion of U.S. Highway 95 (milepost 31 to 48) as the Gary Knight Memorial Highway.

This proposal, originally approved by the YMPO Executive Board through Resolution 156 on August 22, 2024, was a collaborative effort between YMPO staff, the Arizona Department of Transportation Southwest District, and consultant Doug Eberhart from Wilson & Company, who initially informed on the proposal opportunity to honor Gary Knight. Support was submitted by family, community stakeholders such as member jurisdictions in Yuma County, including the City of Yuma, friends, and partners across the state.

During the ASBGHN public meeting, multiple speakers from the region, including YMPO Director, Mayor Nicholls, Mr. Knights widow Bonnie Knight, daughter Missy, and RTAC liaison Kevin Adams provided in person public comments in strong support of the proposal. In addition, the Director of the Greater Yuma Port Authority virtually spoke in support. Speakers emphasized Gary Knight's legacy of leadership and his tireless advocacy for transportation infrastructure in Yuma County specifically on US Highway 95 and throughout rural Arizona.

This successful naming approval serves as a meaningful tribute to the public servant Mr. Knight embodies and the many contributions as a City of Yuma Councilmember, YMPO Board Member, Arizona State Transportation Board Member, and Chairman of the Rural Transportation Advocacy Council.

Next steps will include coordination with ADOT and local jurisdictions regarding the official installation of highway signage and potential opportunities for a formal dedication event.

ACTION NEEDED:

This item is on the agenda for information purposes only.

CONTACT PERSON:

Crystal Figueroa, Executive Director, 928-783-8911

YMPO INFORMATION SUMMARY for Agenda Item 11 Executive Director's Evaluation

DATE: July 31, 2025

SUBJECT: Executive Director's Evaluation

SUMMARY: The Director's annual performance evaluation process includes a review by a subcommittee composed of the Chairman and two other Board members from different jurisdictions. During the February 27, 2025, Board meeting, the Executive Director's Performance Evaluation Subcommittee was established and agreed that YMPO staff evaluations would align best if conducted in June of 2025 to implement any raises effective at the start of the new fiscal year, July 1, 2025.

Chairwoman Cruz met with Deputy Mayor Smith, Councilmember Galindo to evaluate the YMPO Executive Director on July 25, 2025. The subcommittee reviewed the Director's self-evaluation and gave their opinions, including evaluation scores and written notes.

The subcommittee members then present the updated evaluation during the Executive Board meeting (usually in Executive Session) during which members discuss their opinion of Ms. Figueroa's handling of YMPO operations. Subcommittee members are encouraged to provide their opinions of the Director's evaluation and to answer any questions from members. Members also have the opportunity to ask Ms. Figueroa direct questions, if they so desire. Ms. Figueroa has not requested that his evaluation be heard during Executive Session, but the actual review of Ms. Figueroa's performance and any questions usually occur during Executive Session, as members are freer to provide both positive and/or possibly critical comments during a closed session. Finally, members will also be requested to discuss any adjustments to the salary and/or benefits package as they see fit.

PUBLIC INPUT: No members of the public have provided any input on this item.

TECHNICAL & POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

TECHNICAL: On February 27, 2025, The Board motioned to have the Executive Director's evaluation occur in June 2025. Similarly, depending on annual evaluation, some YMPO Staff were evaluated and proper adjustments to their salary and benefits packages may be implemented at the start of the fiscal year, July 1, 2025. If an evaluation is delayed any change to salary is backdated to the beginning of the fiscal year period.

POLICY: Pay raises for YMPO staff are guided by the YMPO Personnel Policies and Procedures.

ACTION NEEDED:

This item is on the agenda for information, discussion, and possible action regarding the Executive Director's evaluation, pay scale, and pay for performance adjustments.

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