



YMPO TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC)

August 14, 2025

Time: 9:00 a.m.

In-Person/Virtual

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Yuma, Arizona 85364

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1. Call to Order and Declaration of Votes

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

2. Title VI of the Civil Rights ACT of 1964

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

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

3. Call to the Public

This item provides an opportunity for the public to comment on items that are NOT on the agenda. Individuals who wish to address the committee need not request permission in advance, but each presentation is limited to three (3) minutes.

4. Approval of Minutes

A copy of the draft minutes from the July 10, 2025, TAC meeting will accompany this agenda.

This item is on the agenda for information, discussion, and/or possible action to review, change, and/or approve the minutes.

5. Roads of Regional Significance (RORS) Update

Consultant Kimley-Horn will provide a progress update on the Roads of Regional Significance (RORS) Study.

This item is on the agenda for information and discussion only. Chris Joannes will present this item.

6. Call for Projects STBG funds

The FY 2026-2030 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) was finalized and approved by the YMPO Executive Board on July 31, 2025. While the TIP outlines major regional transportation projects, no Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Program funds have been programmed for the outlying fiscal years 2027-2030.

Member agencies will have the opportunity to review STBG funding available and submit potential projects for programming consideration under the approved TIP. At this time, one project has been submitted for review and consideration.

This item is on the agenda for information, discussion, and possible action to recommend to the Executive Board the following:

- **Program \$1,022,077 in STBG funding for FY 2027 and \$1,022,077 in FY 2028 to the 32nd Street Pavement Rehabilitation Project, Phases I and II.**

- **Program the remaining STBG balance in fiscal year 2026 for the Shared Pathway Project along the West Main Canal, from Avenue B to Avenue C, in Yuma County.**

Fernando Villegas, Senior Transportation Planner, will present this item; further details are contained in the information summary 6.

7. RTAC Regional Priority Projects for 2026

The Rural Transportation Advocacy Council (RTAC) continues to work to provide State funding for local transportation projects in rural Arizona. This item is on the agenda to review priority projects and recommend the 2026 Regional Priority Projects to the YMPO Executive Board.

This year, the RTAC Committee and Board discussed supporting another round of the Regional Priority Projects for the 2026 legislation. However, the population-based division of the estimated funds allocated to the YMPO region was reduced by \$243,984.

This item is on the agenda for information, discussion, and possible action to recommend the 2026 Regional Priority Projects to the Executive Board. Mr. Villegas will present this item. Further information is available in the information summary in Item 7.

8. Transportation Alternatives (TA) Program Update

The TA Program is a set-aside from the Surface Transportation Block Grant Program under the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL). In March 2025, ADOT announced the opening of application submissions for the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP). The FY 2025 TA Projects have been scored and ranked by the TA TAC committee, and the recommended project priority list will be delivered for recommendation to the State Transportation Board for their August 15, 2025, meeting.

This item is on the agenda for information and discussion only. Mr. Heinrichs will present it, and further details are contained in the information summary 8.

9. AZ SMART Program Update

The AZ SMART Fund was established by the Arizona Legislature in 2022 to assist eligible cities, towns, counties, and the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) in competing for federal discretionary surface transportation grants. Only those applicants pursuing a federal discretionary grant may apply for AZ SMART funding.

In 2024, the Legislature significantly amended the AZ SMART program. Applications are continuously accepted based on the availability of funding. Information on available AZ SMART available funding will be provided.

This item is on the agenda for information and discussion only. Mr. Villegas will present this item; further details are provided in Information Summary 9.

10. 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 10.

11. YMPO and ADOT

YMPO and ADOT staff will have the opportunity to update any other business that is not fully covered in previous agenda items.

- a. YMPO
- b. ADOT MPD Update

This item is on the agenda for information and discussion only. Mr. Villegas will present this item.

12. In-Kind Match Forms

This item is on the agenda as a reminder that all YMPO business that any member or staff that does work for YMPO in any form (i.e., read, comment, attend meetings either in-person OR by teleconference), YMPO is able to capture portions, or all, of your time as 'soft' match for those YMPO programs.

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13. TAC Status Reports

Member agencies will have the opportunity to report the status of their projects (Local or Federal). A list of ongoing projects is shown in the information below.

Yuma County:

Avenue D/E Corridor: 16th Street to 23rd Street
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County 14th at Avenue 4E, Traffic Signal
County 11th and Avenue G Intersection Realignment Project

City of San Luis:

Cesar Chavez Boulevard US95 to SR195
10th Avenue Los Alamos St. Curve Realignment
US95-County 20 1/2 St to County 22nd Raised Medians

City of Yuma:

40th Street: Avenue 6E to Fortuna Road
Avenue 4E: B Canal Bridge (OSB)
3rd Street Bridge @ East Main Canal (OSB)
Crane Elementary School #13 21st Dr. & 30th St. Hawk Signal
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Traffic Signal, Pedestrian Hybrid Beacons (Various Locations)
Upgrade Pavement Markings on 5 Arterials (5 locations)
Hotel Del Sol Multimodal Center
Traffic Operations Center

Town of Wellton:

William St: Oakland Avenue to Los Angeles Avenue

Cocopah Indian Tribe:

No Projects

City of Somerton:

County 15th and Avenue D, Crest Curve Correction
Main Street Redevelopment
Cesar Chavez and Main Street Improvements

ADOT:

US-95: Wellton-Mohawk Canal to Imperial Dam Road
US-95: Imperial Dam Road to Aberdeen Road

14. Future Agenda Items

Members will have the opportunity to suggest future items for the TAC agenda.
a. L RTP Final Report

- b. FY 2026-2030 TIP Final Document
- c. Air Quality Conformity Analysis Report
- d. CSCS Final Report

15. Progress Reports

YMPO staff has provided a list of recent activities:

- a. Jul 10 – YMPO Technical Advisory Committee Meeting (JR, FV, LZ)
- b. Jul 10 – Yuma TMP Bi-Weekly Check-in (FV)
- c. Jul 10 – Transportation Alternatives TAC Meeting #3 – Selection of Projects/Debrief (FV)
- d. Jul 14 – Regional Mobility Committee Meeting (JR)
- e. Jul 14 – ADOT/YMPO Coordination Meeting (CF, JH, FV)
- f. Jul 15 – Yuma PM10 SIP Update Meeting (CF, FV)
- g. Jul 15 – Staff Meeting (CF, JR, JH, FV, LL, LZ)
- h. Jul 17 – Arizona Incoming Planner Information Exchange (JR, FV)
- i. Jul 17 – T0634 40th Street Ave 6E to Fortuna Rd Meeting (CF, FV)
- j. Jul 17 – YMPO CSCS and RORS - Monthly Check-In Meeting (CF, JH, FV)
- k. Jul 18 – Arizona State Transportation Board Meeting (CF)
- l. Jul 21 – RTAC Advisory Committee (CF)
- m. Jul 21 – MPO/COG - SAFE ROADS information gathering (CF, FV)
- n. Jul 21 – RTAC Advisory Committee (CF)
- o. Jul 21 – CTS Meeting (FV)
- p. Jul 22 – Yuma MPO LRTP Update - PMT Meeting (JH, FV)
- q. Jul 22 – New Hire Quarterly Check In (LL, LZ)
- r. Jul 22 – Arizona State Board Geographic and Historic Names (CF)
- s. Jul 23 – Farallon/Yuma Metropolitan Check In (JR)
- t. Jul 23 – JH Performance Evaluation (CF, JH)
- u. Jul 24 – 5310 Program Visit (JR)
- v. Jul 25 – YMPO Director Evaluation (CF)
- w. Jul 28 – RTAC Board Meeting (CF, FV)
- x. Jul 28 – Citian/Yuma MPO, AZ Meeting (CF, JH)
- y. Jul 29 – TA Project Selection Discussion w/YMPO (CF, JH, FV)
- z. Jul 30 – YMPO/YCIPTA SRTP Update Discussion (CF, JR, FV)
- aa. Jul 30 – Presentation to City of San Luis (CF)
- bb. Jul 31 – YMPO Executive Board Meeting (CF, JR, JH, FV, LL, LZ)
- cc. Aug 04 – YMPO Staff Meeting (CF, JR, JH, FV, LL, LZ)
- dd. Aug 04 – YMPO RORS Monthly Check-In (CF, FV)
- ee. Aug 05 – Yuma MPO LRTP Update – PMT Meeting (JH, FV)
- ff. Aug 05 – YMPO Presentation to Somerton City Council (CF)
- gg. Aug 06 – Yuma County Resource Guide Advisory Committee (JR)
- hh. Aug 06 – Priority Planning Advisory Committee (PPAC) (CF)
- ii. Aug 07 – ADOT Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Training (CF, LL, FV, JH, JR, LZ)
- jj. Aug 07 – Yuma TMP Biweekly meeting (JH, FV)
- kk. Aug 08 – COG/MPO Planners Meeting (CF, JR, JH, FV)
- ll. Aug 12 – ADOT/YMPO Coordination Meeting (CF, JH, FV)

- mm. Aug 14 – YMPO Technical Advisory Committee Meeting (CF, JR, JH, FV, LL, LZ)
- nn. Aug 14 – MPO/COG Directors Meeting (CF)

16. Adjournment.

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Member	Kelly Fricke, Public Works Director, Yuma County ^
Member	Jennifer Hobert, Regional Planner, ADOT ~
Member	Adolfo Ponce, Assistant Public Works Director, Town of Wellton ~
Alternate	Steve Wilson, Assistant City Engineer, City of Yuma ^

^ Attended in person.

~ Participated via teleconference.

YMPO TAC MEMBERS ABSENT

Chairman	Charles Gutierrez, Public Works Director, City of Somerton
Vice-Chairman	Dave Wostenberg, City Engineer, City of Yuma
Member	Arturo Durazo, Tribal Planner, Cocopah Indian Tribe

ADDITIONAL PRESENT

Kimley-Horn	Ryan McKell ~
Kittelson & Associates	Vamshi Yellisetty ~
Kittelson & Associates	Phyllis Huegel ~
MCAS Yuma	Antonio Martinez ~
RTAC	Kevin Adam ~

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EPA	John Kelly
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YCIPTA	Shelly Kreger

YMPO STAFF PRESENT

Senior Transportation Planner	Fernando Villegas
Mobility Manager	JR Aguilar
Bookkeeper/ Administrative Assistant	Lucia Zamudio

1. Call to Order and Declaration of Votes

TAC Member Frank Sanchez, County Engineer, Yuma County, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. The City of Yuma declared votes: Steve Wilson (3), Erika Peterson (1), Susan Cowey (1).

2. Title VI of the Civil Rights ACT of 1964

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4. Approval of Minutes

Approval of the June 12, 2025, TAC minutes. Fernando Villegas, Senior Transportation Planner, YMPO, noted the declaration of votes for Yuma County had to be removed due to a miscalculation of votes. Kelly Fricke, Public Works Director, Yuma County, motioned to approve the June 12, 2025, minutes with the stated correction. Steve Wilson, Assistant Director of Engineering, City of Yuma, seconded the motion, which was unanimously carried.

5. FY 2026-50 Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP)

Vamshi Yellisetty, Multimodal Transportation Planner, Kittleson & Associates, presented the final report for the FY 2026–2050 Long Range Transportation Plan. He noted that the public comment period is set to close on July 12, 2025. To date, 548 visits and 427 unique users have accessed the project website, with 16 public comments submitted. Mr. Yellisetty confirmed that most feedback aligns with the plan's current recommendations and that additional comments will be addressed before the final submission.

Mr. Yellisetty recommended the FY 2026-2050 YMPO LRTP be presented to the Executive Board for possible approval on July 31, 2025.

Mr. Wilson motioned to recommend approval for the FY 2026–2050 Long Range Transportation Plan, contingent upon addressing any comments received during the public review. Erika Peterson, Senior Planner, City of Yuma, seconded the motion, which was unanimously carried.

6. YMPO FY 2026-2030 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Mr. Villegas presented the FY 2026–2030 TIP, noting it includes transportation projects from member agencies for the next five years and must be consistent with the LRTP. Mr. Villegas presented the list of projects for each member agency, including a list of illustrative projects.

The public comment period ends July 12, 2025. Any additional comments or funding revisions (not involving scope or capacity changes) may still be submitted.

Mr. Yellisetty mentioned major changes would require a complete update of LRTP and Air Quality conformity process.

Mr. Wilson motioned to recommend approval of the FY 2026–2030 TIP on behalf of the Executive Board, including the list of unfunded projects, contingent on incorporating comments from the public and member agencies. Mrs. Fricke seconded the motion, which was unanimously carried.

7. 2025 Air Quality Conformity Analysis (AQCA)

Mr. Yellisetty presented the Air Quality Conformity Analysis, which supports the LRTP and TIP. Due to the YMPO region’s non-attainment status for PM10 and ozone, conformity analysis is required. Minor editorial comments were received from EPA and ADEQ, and no public comments were received as of July 10, 2025.

Mr. Wilson motioned to recommend that the Executive Board approve the 2025 Air Quality Conformity Analysis. Mrs. Peterson seconded the motion, which was unanimously carried.

(Incorrect year on item title: **2026** Air Quality Conformity Analysis)

8. Complete Streets Concept Study (CSCS) Final Report

Ryan McKell, ACIP Planner, Kimley-Horn, presented an update on the final draft of the Complete Streets Concept Study. The public comment period will continue through July 12, 2025. Outreach has been conducted via social media, press releases, and newspaper notices.

Mrs. Fricke motioned to recommend approval of the Complete Streets Concept Study Final Report, pending any significant public comments, on behalf of the

Executive Board. Mr. Wilson seconded the motion, which was unanimously carried.

9. Roads of Regional Significance (RORS) Update

Mr. McKell provided an update on the Roads of Regional Significance Study. He reviewed the scoring based on functional classification, route continuity, travel impact, and connectivity to regional destinations. Any route scoring three points or more was designated as regionally significant.

TAC members discussed adding specific road segments, including 40th Street, Avenue D-E, and Avenue 9E north of I-8. Mr. McKell confirmed the team would evaluate and incorporate these roads if they met the criteria.

This item was on the agenda for information and discussion only.

10. Call for Projects STBG funds

Mr. Villegas reminded TAC members that YMPO is accepting projects for FY 2027–2030 STBG funds. One application has been received for Yuma County. The Somerton Canal bridge replacement project. The project has since received \$1.3 million in state funding, making STBG funds likely unnecessary.

Additionally, the Town of Wellton submitted a revised estimate and requested additional STBG funds for their FY 2026 project. The project was reduced by one block, and the updated cost is \$784,098.60, an increase of \$262,331.78 from the original amount. The remaining FY 2026 STBG funds will cover the increased amount.

Adolfo Ponce, Assistant Public Works Director, Town of Wellton, motioned to include the increase of STBG funds for the Wellton project as part of the FY 2026-2030 TIP. Mrs. Fricke seconded the motion, which was unanimously carried.

11. RTAC Legislative Update

Kevin Adam, Legislative Liason, Rural Transportation Advocacy Council (RTAC), provided an overview of the recent Arizona state budget process and its implications for transportation funding. The state narrowly avoided a shutdown and allocated \$110 million to transportation, including \$1.3 million for a Somerton Avenue bridge in Yuma. He highlighted that the Arizona Smart Fund did not receive additional funding and may be depleted within a year, despite its effectiveness in leveraging federal dollars. A rebalancing of the remaining Smart Fund is expected, with approximately \$2.6 million per category potentially becoming available. Mr. Adam encouraged continued legislative engagement and swift action on funding opportunities.

This item was on the agenda for information and discussion only.

12. FY 2025 Defense Community Infrastructure Pilot (DCIP) Program Opportunity

Mr. Villegas informed TAC members that in collaboration with Yuma Proving Ground (YPG) and the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT). YMPO and Wilson & Company submitted a \$9 million federal funding request under the Defense Community Infrastructure Pilot Program for the U.S. 95 Roundabout Project.

The roundabout is part of the bigger US-95 safety improvement and enhancement project phase from Imperial Dam Road to Aberdeen Road. In 2022, the effort resulted in a successful ~\$13 million grant award, executed by ADOT, for improvements along US-95. YMPO did not apply during the FY 2023 cycle but re-engaged with YPG and ADOT to submit a strong proposal for FY 2024. The FY 2024 application was not selected for funding.

The Notice of Funding Opportunity for the FY 2025 DCIP grant opportunity was released on May 27, 2025, and YMPO submitted the DCIP proposal for \$9M on Tuesday, July 1st, 2025.

This item was on the agenda for information and discussion only.

13. Transportation Alternatives (TA) Program

Mr. Villegas notified TAC members that ADOT and the TA review committee were meeting later that day to rank all submitted projects. On August 15, 2025, the recommendations would go to the State Transportation Board for potential funding.

Two local projects were submitted: a shared-use path on Avenue 6E (City of Yuma) and the East Main Canal path from County 12th to 14th Street (Yuma County).

Mr. Sanchez requested an update on the outcome of the TA meeting.

This item was on the agenda for information and discussion only.

14. 2025 ACEC Arizona Conference on Roads and Streets

Lucia Zamudio, Bookkeeper/ Administrative Assistant, YMPO, reminded TAC members of this year's ACEC Arizona Conference on Roads and Streets, taking place on September 24 -26, 2025, at the Conquistador Hilton Resort in Tucson. Ms. Zamudio encouraged TAC members to notify her of their attendance before July 31st, 2025, for a better rate.

Mr. Sanchez confirmed his attendance.

This item was on the agenda for information and discussion only.

15. YMPO and ADOT

YMPO and ADOT staff will have the opportunity to update any other business not fully covered in previous agenda items.

- a. YMPO – No current updates
- b. ADOT MPD Update (presented by Jennifer Hobert, Regional Planner, ADOT):
 1. COG/MPO – Awarding contracts for the MPO manual update.
 2. 2025 ADOT LRTP – RFP has been posted, proposals due next week, consultant selection and award expected late July, early August.
 3. AZ Smart Program – application is disabled, new version of application is set to be posted on July 21st

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Pathway-Avenue B to Avenue C/West Main Canal – Seeking additional funding.

County 14th at Avenue G, Traffic Signal and Left Turn Lane – Waiting for stage 5 plans, should have them by the end of the month.

County 14th St. at Avenue C, Traffic Signal – Awaiting stage 5 plans, should have by the end of the month.

US95 at County 16th Street, Traffic Signal – Awaiting stage 5 plans, should have them by the end of the month.

County 14th at Avenue 4E, Traffic Signal – Awaiting state award.

County 11th and Avenue G Intersection Realignment Project – Out to bid.

Roadway Segments, Upgrade Paving Markings – Completed
County 19th and Avenue G Centerline Rumble Strips – Completed

City of San Luis: Update provided by Eulogio Vera, Public Works Director, City of San Luis.

Cesar Chavez Boulevard US95 to SR195 – Attempting to advertise in July.

10th Avenue Los Alamos St. Curve Realignment – Change order, consultant working on environmental work and right of way acquisition, design is finalized.

US95-County 20 1/2 St to County 22nd Raised Medians – Reviewing stage 3 plans.

City of Yuma: Update provided by Steve Wilson, Assistant Director of Engineering, City of Yuma

40th Street: Avenue 6E to Fortuna Road – DCR Conjunction with Yuma County to widen the road. The consultant is working on the final DCR (expected to be done within the next few months) and the environmental.

Avenue 4E: B Canal Bridge (OSB) – ADOT hired a consultant, and should begin soon.

3rd Street Bridge @ East Main Canal (OSB) – ADOT hired a consultant, should begin soon.

Crane Elementary School #13 21st Dr. & 30th St. Hawk Signal – 30% plans

Shared Use Pathway East Wetland Park to Pacific Ave. – Consultant addressing 60% comments.

Bus Pull-Outs: Avenue A and 16th Street – Consultant addressing 60% comments.

1st Street Shared Use Pathway from 4th Avenue to Avenue B. – 60% plans reviewed by COY.

32nd St; Avenue 3E to Avenue 7 1/2 E Shared Pathway – 30% plans.

Traffic Signal, Pedestrian Hybrid Beacons (Various Locations) – Two different projects, the first project has two locations that were recently advertised, the second project at 60 % plans.

Upgrade Pavement Markings on 5 Arterials (5 locations) – Working on rebidding project.

Hotel Del Sol Multimodal Center – Expecting 60% plans.

Traffic Operations Center – Nearly complete, anticipated to be operational by the end of the month. The City is upgrading 45 signals.

Town of Wellton: Update provided by Adolfo Ponce, Assistant Public Works Director, Town of Wellton

William St: Oakland Avenue to Los Angeles Avenue (1/2 mile) – Revised scope on budget, awaiting revised maps due to removal of a block.

Cocopah Indian Tribe: Not Present

No Projects

City of Somerton: Not Present

County 15th and Avenue D, Crest Curve Correction

Main Street Redevelopment

Cesar Chavez and Main Street Improvements

ADOT: Update provided by Jon Fell, Assistant District Engineer, ADOT

US-95: Wellton-Mohawk Canal to Imperial Dam Road – 60% design

US-95: Imperial Dam Road to Aberdeen Road – 95% design, project reduced to intersections and the segment between.

18. Future Agenda Items

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- b. Jun 12 – AZ Mobility Managers Meeting (JR)
- c. Jun 12 – Asset Management Plan - Local NHS Assets Meeting (FV)
- d. Jun 12 – COG/MPO Directors Meeting (CF)
- e. Jun 12 – Asset Management Plan Meeting (FV)
- f. Jun 13 – ADOT Annual FHWA/FTA Title VI Training for MPO/COG (JR)
- g. Jun 13 – COG/MPO Planners Meeting (FV)
- h. Jun 16 – RTAC Advisory Committee (CF)
- i. Jun 16 – Consensus on DCIP Proposal Format Meeting (CF, JH)
- j. Jun 16 – SFY2026 STBG Funds Meeting (LL)
- k. Jun 17 – Yuma PM10 SIP Update Meeting (CF, FV)
- l. Jun 19 – Networking for Community Resources Meeting (JR)
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- n. Jun 20 – Arizona State Transportation Board Meeting (CF)
- o. Jun 23 – RTAC Board Meeting (CF, FV)
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- q. Jun 24 – Yuma MPO LRTP Update - PMT Meeting (CF, JH, FV)
- r. Jun 24 – FY 2026 YMPO Insurance Policy Review (CF, LL)
- s. Jun 24 – MPO/COG 202 Training (CF)
- t. Jun 26 – YMPO Executive Board Meeting (CF, JR, JH, FV, LL, LZ)
- u. Jun 26 – Daily 2025 US-95 DCIP Proposal Updates Meeting (CF, JH)
- v. Jun 26 – FY 2026 Insurance Renewal Inquiry (CF, LL)
- w. Jun 26 – Executive Board Meeting (CF, JR, JH, FV, LL, LZ)
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YMPO SUMMARY AGENDA ITEM #6

CALL for PROJECTS STBG Funds

DATE: August 14, 2025

SUBJECT: Call for Projects STBG Funds

SUMMARY:

The YMPO FY 2026-2030 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) has been approved by the Executive Board in conjunction with the adoption of the FY 2026-2050 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) update. The TIP identifies significant regional transportation projects and must remain fiscally constrained. During the last three TAC meetings, members were informed that no Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Program funds have been programmed for fiscal years 27, 28, 29, and 30. The committee was also presented with the available STBG funding levels for the next 5 years.

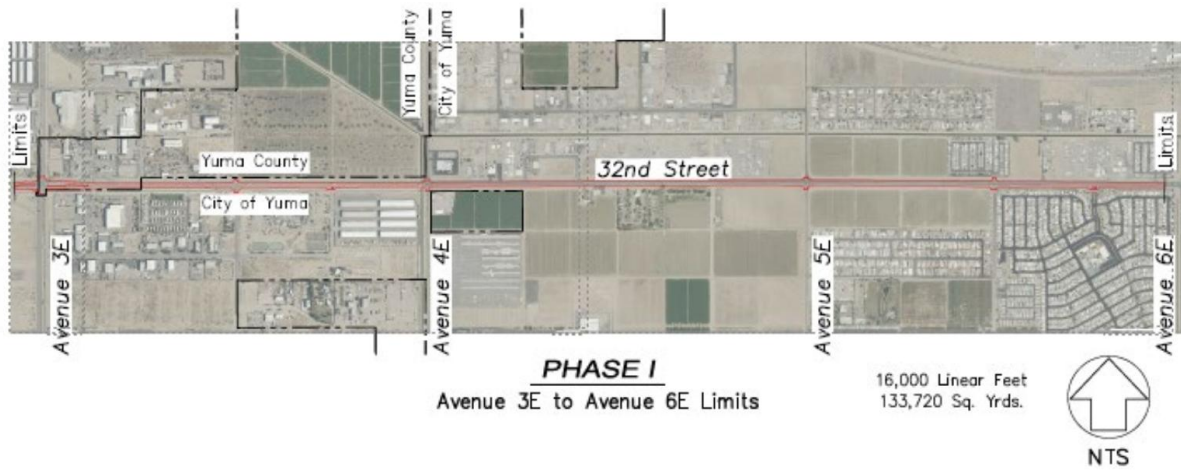
Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Funds (Obligation Authority)			
Fiscal Year	New Funds	Programmed Funds	Funds Available
FY 2026	\$1,027,077+\$10,929= \$1,038,006	\$561,169+\$104,359+ \$5,000 +\$262,331.78=\$932,859.78	\$105,146.22
FY 2027	\$1,027,077	\$5,000	\$1,022,077
FY 2028	\$1,027,077	\$5,000	\$1,022,077
FY 2029	\$1,027,077	\$5,000	\$1,022,077
FY 2030	\$1,027,077	\$5,000	\$1,022,077

During the May TAC meeting, the TAC members recommended submitting mini-DCRs for possible STBG funding. The City of Yuma recently submitted a mini-DCR, attached to this information summary, requesting STBG funding for FY 2027 and 2028.

The proposed request is a pavement rehabilitation project on 32nd Street from Catalina Drive to Avenue 8 ½ E. The project will be divided into three phases, and it will consist of mill and fill of asphalt pavement, upgrading pedestrian facilities at intersections, and minor signal modifications where necessary.

STBG funding is being requested for Phases I and II. Phase I will rehabilitate 32nd Street from Avenue 3E to Avenue 6E, with a construction cost of \$5,485,000 in fiscal year 2027. Phase II will rehabilitate 32nd Street from Avenue 6E to Avenue 8 ½ E, with a construction cost of \$5,670,000 in fiscal year 2028.

Exhibit A. Construction Sequencing



The City of Yuma requests \$1,022,077 in STBG funds in fiscal years 2027 and 2028 for a total of \$2,044,154 for the 32nd Street Pavement Rehabilitation Project phases I and II.

The table below shows the projects that have been programmed using STBG funding since 2022.

Past STBG/HURF Exchange projects

Fiscal Year	Member Agency	STBG Funds	HURF Funds
FY 2022	City of San Luis	\$1,345,760	\$1,211,184
FY 2022	Yuma County	\$1,000,000	\$900,000
FY 2023	No Project	\$0	\$0
FY 2024	Yuma County	\$1,128,737	\$1,015,863
FY 2024	City of Yuma	\$1,000,000	\$900,000
FY 2025	City of Yuma	\$1,000,000	\$900,000
FY 2026	Town of Wellton	\$823,501	\$741,151

Also, a formal request has been made for the remaining balance of STBG funds for FY 2026 for the shared pathway from Avenue B to Avenue C on the West Main Canal in Yuma County. A revised estimate is included following the information summary. The remaining balance is \$105,146.22.

Staff is just waiting for the formal approval of the FY 2026-2030 TIP from FHWA and FTA to present the request as amendment #1.

ACTION NEEDED:

This item is on the agenda for information, discussion, and possible action to recommend to the Executive Board the following:

- Program \$1,022,077 in STBG funding for FY 2027 and \$1,022,077 in FY 2028 to the 32nd Street Pavement Rehabilitation Project, Phases I and II.
- Program the remaining STBG balance in fiscal year 2026 for the Shared Pathway Project along the West Main Canal, from Avenue B to Avenue C, in Yuma County.

CONTACT PERSON:

Fernando Villegas, Senior Transportation Planner

YMPO TAC INFORMATION SUMMARY for Agenda Item #7

RTAC 2026 Regional Priority Projects

DATE: August 14, 2025

SUBJECT: 2026 Regional Priority Projects

SUMMARY:

The Rural Transportation Advocacy Council (RTAC) continues to work to provide State funding for local transportation projects in rural Arizona. This item is on the agenda to recommend the 2026 Regional Priority Projects to the YMPO Executive Board. The same projects have been submitted for funding consideration over the past two years; however, no funding has been allocated to the Yuma region.

Last year, the RTAC Board approved the direction to support the Regional Priority Project with a 20% inflation adjustment for the 2025 project legislation.

Project Name	Allocation	20% Increase
US-95 Wellton-Mohawk Canal to Aberdeen Road	\$40,000,000	\$48,000,000
US-95 Pavement Rehabilitation (Phase 2) between County 17th St to Avenue D	\$6,950,000	\$8,340,000
Somerton Main Street Improvements	\$1,377,320	\$1,652,784
Total	\$48,327,320	\$57,992,784

This year, the RTAC Committee and Board initiated discussion of supporting another round of the Regional Priority Projects for the 2026 legislation. At their May 19, 2025, meeting, the RTAC Board approved the following regional allocations for developing the 2026 RTAC priority project legislation.

COG/MPO	Population	Percentage	2026 Allocations
BHCMPO	63,569	3.682%	\$17,673,600
CAG	84,659	4.904%	\$23,539,200
CYMPO	172,302	9.981%	\$47,908,800
LHMPO	61,379	3.556%	\$17,068,800
MAG (Pinal)	298,989	17.320%	\$83,136,000
METROPLAN	95,845	5.552%	\$26,649,600
NACOG	291,576	16.891%	\$81,076,800
SVMPO	68,576	3.973%	\$19,070,400
SEAGO	153,403	8.887%	\$42,657,600
SCMPO	119,181	6.904%	\$33,139,200
WACOG	109,077	6.319%	\$30,331,200
YMPO	207,685	12.031%	\$57,748,800
TOTAL	1,726,241	100%	\$480,000,000

The population-based division of that amount estimated the possible allocation of funds to the YMPO region is \$57,748,800.

The YMPO allocation was reduced by \$243,984 primarily because the Bullhead City MPO was formed. YMPO TAC members will have the opportunity to discuss current priority projects and whether they should remain or add a project. Each project fact sheet, including requested funding amounts, must be updated.

A list of priority projects last updated in 2023 was sent to the member agencies for review. The list was used to select the Priority Projects in 2023. The same projects have been submitted for consideration since 2023 focused on improvements along US 95, one of the most critical corridors in the region, and a portion previously considered the highest priority from Wellton Mohawk Canal Rd. to Aberdeen Rd.

Today, the TAC members have the opportunity to update the project list and recommend the 2026 Regional Priority Projects to the YMPO Executive Board. The Board must approve the 2026 Regional Priority Projects by the end of September before the Rural Transportation Summit in October.

POSSIBLE ACTION NEEDED:

This item is on the agenda for information, discussion, and possible action to recommend the 2026 Regional Priority Projects to the Executive Board for approval.

CONTACT PERSON: Fernando Villegas, Senior Transportation Planner

YMPO Regional Priority Project List

Agency	Rank	Project Name	Project Description	Total	Notes
		City of Yuma			
	1	40th St Improvements: Avenue 6E to Avenue 10E	Construct	\$40,000,000	STBG/HURF X
	2	Pacific Ave Multi-Use Path: Colorado River Levee to 12th Street	Construct multi-use path	\$500,000	CRP Project
	3	1st Street: 4th Avenue to Avenue B - Restripe to 3 lanes and bike lanes per RSA	Design and Construct	\$2,250,000	TA Project
	4	32nd St Multi-Use Path: Avenue 3E to Avenue 7 1/2 E	Construct multi-use path	\$3,000,000	TA Project
	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	Completed ?
	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		\$123,750,000	
Yuma County		Yuma County			
Divided in 3 Phases	1	US 95: County 22nd St to County 11th St	3" Mill & Overlay	\$21,960,429	
	1a	Phase 1 - County 22nd St to County 17th St		\$5,910,429	Funded
	1b	Phase 2 - County 17th St to Avenue "D" (inflationary Cost Increase FY 25)		\$8,640,000	Priority Project
	1c	Phase 3 - Avenue "D" to County 11th St (inflationary Cost Increase FY 24)		\$7,410,000	
	2	County 14th St: 10E to foothills blvd	Construct	\$12,000,000	
	3	Fortuna Road: I-8 to HWY 95	Reconstruction and widening	\$3,800,000	
	4	8th Street: Ave D to Somerton Ave	Reconstruction and widening	\$5,000,000	
	5	Somerton Ave: Co 11th to Co 14th	Reconstruction	\$2,600,000	
	6	Somerton Ave: Co 8th to Co 11th	Reconstruction	\$2,600,000	
	7	Foothills Blvd: 48th St to Co 14th	Reconstruction and widening	\$4,000,000	
	8	Avenue E/D: Co 23rd to Co 18th	New construction	\$18,000,000	
	9	Bridge No. 8795: Ave 1E and County 14 1/2 Street	Reconstruct Bridge	\$850,000	
	10	Foothills Blvd: S. Frontage Road to 48th Street	3" Mill and Overlay	\$3,000,000	
		Total for Yuma County		\$73,810,429	
City of San Luis		City of San Luis			
	1	Cesar Chavez Blvd Widening	Wideninig Project (Main St to Avenue E)	\$10,000,000	Fully Funded
	2	4th Avenue and Union Street Intersection Improvements	Traffic Signal and Turn Lanes	\$900,000	
	3	County 22nd & 4th Avenue	Traffic Signal	\$600,000	
	4	County 22nd & Sidewinder Road - Phase 2	Traffic Signal	\$600,000	
	5	City Transportation Master Plan	Master Plan	\$200,000	
	6	Avenue E and Co. 24th Street Intersection Improvements	Traffic Signal	\$600,000	
	7	Citywide Traffic Signal Update	Traffic Signal/ITS	\$1,800,000	
	8	City Wide Street Lights Projects	Co. 22nd St, 10th Ave, 6th Ave, 4th Ave, CC Blvd	\$400,000	
	9	Aenue F Widening - San Luis Lane to Cesar Chavez Blvd	Widening Project	\$1,200,000	
	10	Merrill Avenue Widening - Los Oros to Co. 22nd St	Widening Project	\$1,500,000	
	11	Bike Lane Incorporation Project	Widening/Restriping/Signing	\$500,000	
	12	Avenue F and Co. 24th Street Intersection Improvements	Traffic Signal	\$600,000	
	13	Avenue E and San Luis Lane Pedestrian Crossing Improvements	Traffic Signal/Ped Crossing	\$800,000	
	14	Avenue E and Co. 24-1/2 Street Pedestrian Crossing Improvements	Traffic Signal/Ped Crossing	\$800,000	
	15	East Main Canal Pathway	8th Avenue to Cesar Chavez Blvd	\$1,000,000	
	16	Urtuzaastegui Street Pathway	6th Avenue to 10th Avenue	\$800,000	
	17	10th Ave Widening - Co. 22nd to Cesar Chavez Blvd.	Widening Project	\$2,500,000	
	18	County 22nd Widening - 4th to Sidewinder Road	Widening Project	\$2,500,000	
	19	Port of Entry Traffic Re-routing with HAWK	HAWK, Signage and Striping	\$800,000	
	20	Pedestrian HAWK Crossings	D St, William Brooks, 9th Ave, and Lakin Drive	\$800,000	
	21	Avenue B Improvements - North of SR195	Safety Improvements	\$2,000,000	
	22	6th Avenue Extension - Union St to Co. 22nd	New Roadway	\$3,000,000	
	23	6th Avenue Repaving	Urtuzaastegui St to Cesar Chavez Blvd	\$1,000,000	
	24	County 22nd Street Extension - East of 10th Ave connecting to Garcia Blvd.	New Roadway	\$2,000,000	Completed?
	25	County 24th Street Widening - 10th Ave	Widening Project	\$2,500,000	Completed?
		Total for the City of San Luis		\$39,400,000	
City of Somerton		City of Somerton			
	1	Main Street (US 95) Improvements	Downtown Redevelopment Plan Phase 1	\$ 3,000,000.00	
	1	Main Street (SR 95) Improvements Downtown Redevelopment Phase I	Downtown Redevelopment Plan Phase 1	\$ 1,704,784.00	Priority Project
		Somerton Ave. to State Ave.	Continue Downtown Redevelopment	\$ 2,000,000.00	
		Main St. (Hwy 95) to Fern St.	S. Somerton Ave. Pathway Project	\$ 230,000.00	
		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	\$ 2,000,000.00	
		Total for the City of Somerton		\$16,434,784	
Town of Wellton		Town of Wellton			
	1	Old Highway 80/Los Angeles: 27E to Wellton Mohawk Drive	Design & Construct	\$10,000,000	
	2	County 12th Street; 27E to 29E	Design & Construct	\$2,500,000	
	3	Ave 31 E Bridge	TI Construct	\$35,000,000	
	4	County 11th St. 29E to 31 E	Design & Construct	\$2,500,000	
	5	County 12th St. 29E to 31 E	Design & Construct	\$2,500,000	
		Total for the Town of Wellton		\$52,500,000	

YMPO Regional Priority Project List

Cocopah Indian Tribe		Cocopah Indian Tribe			
? No updates for 2023	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	Construction	\$123,500,000	
Divided in 3 Phases based on priority	1a	US 95, Imperial Dam Rd to Aberdeen Rd (based on FY 22 estimates)		\$33,300,000	Funded State Funds
	1a	US 95, Imperial Dam Rd to Aberdeen Rd (inflationary Cost Increase FY 25)		\$48,000,000	Priority Project
	1b	US 95, Wellton-Mohawk Canal Bridge-to Dome Valley Rd (inflationary cost increase FY 24)	Bridge	\$41,100,000	Completed
	1c	US 95, Dome Valley Rd to Imperial Dam Rd (inflationary cost increase FY 24)	Petroglyph	\$42,800,000	Completed
	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		\$151,000,000	

Key

	Selected #1 priority by member agencies
	Funded for FY 23/24 State Budget as part of HB2543
	2023 and 2024 Priority Project

US 95: Wellton-Mohawk Canal to Aberdeen Road



Project Overview

This project is located on US 95 in southwestern Arizona, close to the Arizona-California state line and the U.S. - Mexico border. It is east of the City of Yuma, in Yuma County, within the jurisdiction of the Yuma Metropolitan Planning Organization (YMPO). US 95 begins (milepost 0) at the US-Mexico International Port of Entry I (POE I) in San Luis and proceeds northward and eastward through the City of Yuma before heading northward through Arizona and California, ultimately reaching the Canadian border. Regionally, US 95 connects east-west Interstate 8 in Yuma to east-west Interstate 10 in Quartzsite (milepost 109), making it a logical connection for heavy truck traffic, including cargo going into or out of Mexico. Unfortunately, it is a two-lane highway in need of modernization and expansion improvements to efficiently serve this important function. Locally, US 95 is the main route providing access to Yuma's largest employer of civilians, the U.S. Army YPG.

US 95 east of Yuma, Arizona is a rural two-lane undivided highway with very few passing and left-turn lanes and is one of the busiest two-lane highways in the State. It has long been identified as a safety concern, and sadly, there have been fatal and serious injury crashes on just this segment of highway. US 95 is the main route providing access to YPG (Yuma's top employer of civilians), so crashes that close this highway for hours at a time are highly detrimental to the region.

The remaining 10 mile section of US 95 from the Wellton Mohawk Canal to Aberdeen Road received funding with the recent 2023 RAISE Grant award for final design. This funding will facilitate the corridor being shovel ready for construction. This 10 mile section is currently being designed as two projects. First, is the Wellton Mohawk Canal to Imperial Dam Road portion (5.3 miles), current estimated cost is \$123.5 million. Second, is the Imperial Dam Rd. to Aberdeen Rd., section is at 4.7 miles, current estimated cost is \$71.8 million.

In FY 24, \$33M was appropriated from the State general fund. This State funding request is for \$48 million. A request of \$44 million for FY 26 to fund construction of the 4.7 mile segment from Imperial Dam Rd to Aberdeen Rd. An additional \$4 million in FY 26 is being requested for funding of preconstruction development activities (e.g. right of way, utilities, project clearances, design) associated with the 5.3 mile segment of US 95 from Wellton Mohawk Canal to Imperial Dam Rd.

Vicinity Map & Site Photo



Project Lead

Arizona Department of Transportation



Project Schedule

Construction in 2025



Project Cost

Total Project Cost: \$195,358,094

State Funding Request: \$48,000,000



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Location



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US-95 Corridor: 3 Segments

County 22nd Street (San Luis) to County 11th Street (Yuma)

Phase II (Co. 17th to Avenue D)



Project Overview

This project is located in Yuma County in southwestern Arizona, close to the Arizona-California state line and the U.S.- Mexico border. It is South and West of the City of Yuma, in Yuma County, within the jurisdiction of the Yuma Metropolitan Planning Organization (YMPO). This roadway, US-95, is a major arterial roadway on the NHS, is the highest Yuma County Project being submitted for consideration. The roadway serves as the Western Canamex corridor and connects the Ports of Entry I and II, through San Luis, Somerton, Cocopah, City of Yuma and Yuma County.

This project limit is 18 miles. Project will mill and overlay three inches along the whole corridor, in three phases of approx. equal lengths and costs. The project serves five local agencies in the Yuma region. Phase I was funded in FY24 for approx. \$5.9M and construction is currently scheduled to start in September 2024. This request is to fund Phase II which is estimated to cost \$8.64M.

This roadway upon completion will serve the five communities will consist of a new pavement layer that will serve Regional and International traffic for future conditions. This roadway is characteristically challenged due to high concentrations of agriculture and winter visitors and is an established corridor of Regional Significance for the Yuma Metropolitan Planning Region for International Commerce and Agriculture.

Phase 2 of 3 of the entire project will be constructed with the \$8.34M State funding request and a local contribution of Highway Users Revenue Fund (HURF). This project was nominated by the Yuma County staff as the highest priority project. Local Partnering agencies are Cities of Yuma Somerton and San Luis, Cocopah Indian Tribe, and Yuma County.



Project Lead

Yuma County



Project Schedule

Design in 2025

Construction in 2026



Project Cost

Total Project Cost: \$20,270,000

State Funding Request: \$8,340,000

Local Contribution: \$300,000

Phase II: \$8,640,000



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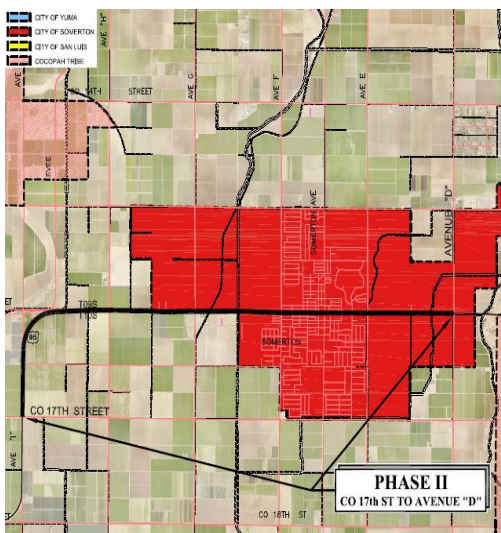
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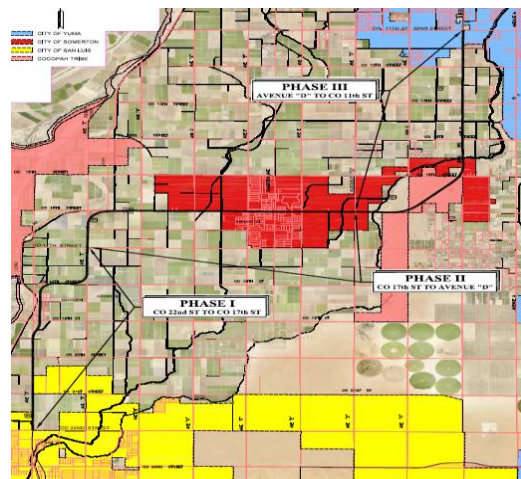


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PHASE II



Main Street (SR 95) Improvements Downtown Redevelopment Phase 1



Project Overview

This project is in the City of Somerton in Southwestern Arizona, near the Arizona-California state line and the U.S.-Mexico border. It is southwest of the City of Yuma in Yuma County and falls within the jurisdiction of the Yuma Metropolitan Planning Organization (YMPO). The focus is on Main Street (SR 95), a crucial East-West corridor, and the surrounding Somerton Avenue/Sanguinetti Park area, a key North-South route.

This project is a top priority for the City of Somerton, addressing essential upgrades and replacements. The traffic signal at the intersection of Main Street (SR 95) and Somerton Avenue will be replaced and upgraded to improve traffic flow and safety. Existing sidewalks and ramps will be replaced and widened to meet ADA standards, ensuring accessibility for all pedestrians. Additionally, the project will address traffic congestion and enhance the Level of Service at the intersection by improving circulation and replacing old, damaged asphalt.

This project is a significant benefit to the local and regional community by creating ADA accessible pedestrian sidewalks and ramps, reduce traffic congestion, and improve the Level of Service at the intersection.

This project will be designed and constructed in phases with \$1,652,784 requested from State funding local contribution of \$52,000. This project was nominated by city staff as the high priority project. Design is anticipated 2025 and construction expected in 2026.



Project Lead

City of Somerton



Project Schedule

Design in 2025

Construction in 2026



Project Cost

Total Project Cost: \$1,704,784

State Funding Request: \$1,652,784

Local Contribution: \$52,000



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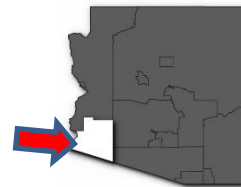
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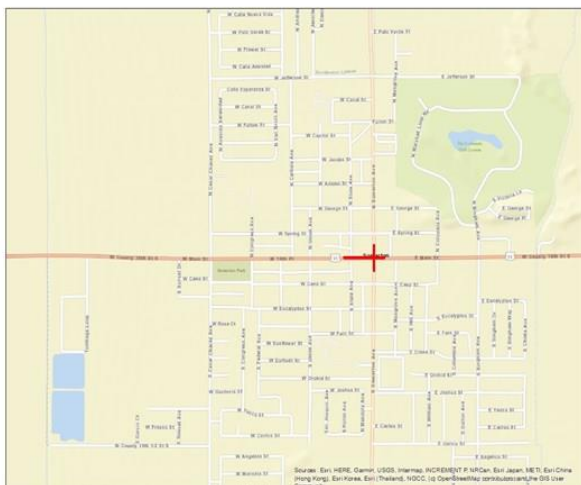
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YMPO INFORMATION SUMMARY for Agenda Item #8

The Transportation Alternatives (TA) Program

DATE: August 14, 2025

SUBJECT: The Transportation Alternatives (TA) Program

SUMMARY:

The TA Program is a set-aside from the Surface Transportation Block Grant Program under the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL). In FY2025, the TA Program for Greater Arizona has \$17M available in competitive grant funding. The TA screening application window was open from March 24th to June 6th. There were 38 Transportation Alternatives applications submitted throughout greater Arizona.

The TA TAC reviewed and scored the TA project applications. On July 10th, ADOT presented the ranked list. All construction-ready projects were selected to be funded with FY2026 TA funding. The remaining TA projects will be eligible for funding during FY27 and FY28. ADOT will provide the ranked and prioritized TA Program list of projects for recommendation to the State Transportation Board at their August 15, 2025, meeting.

The Yuma region had the following TA Program project submissions:

- **City of Yuma** – Shared Use Pathway, Design phase, Avenue 6E – 32nd Street to 36th Street
- **Yuma County** – Shared Use Pathway, Design phase, East Main Canal from Yuma Co. 12th St to Yuma Co. 14th Street

Date	Major TA Deliverables/Deadlines (2025)
March 24, 2025	Call for projects
March 24, 2025	ADOT Screening Application review begins
May 5, 2025	Initial Screening Application deadline
June 6, 2025	Final Evaluation Application deadline
July 10, 2025	TA TACs recommended project priority list
August 15, 2025	Arizona 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, at this stage.

CONTACT PERSON:

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YMPO INFORMATION SUMMARY for Agenda Item #9

Arizona SMART Fund

DATE: August 14, 2025

SUBJECT: AZ SMART FUNDS

SUMMARY:

The \$50 million AZ SMART Fund was established by the Arizona Legislature in 2022 to assist eligible cities, towns, counties, and the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) in competing for federal discretionary surface transportation grants. Applications to the AZ SMART funds must first be approved by the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO). ADOT administers this fund, and the State Transportation Board (STB) approves all awards.

In 2024, the Arizona Legislature amended the program, including an additional \$12M, MPOs became eligible applicants, and the State Transportation Board was allowed to redistribute funding across funding categories.

Applicants may request AZ SMART Funds for:

- Reimbursement of up to 50% of the eligible costs associated with Grant Development and Submission of an application for a federal discretionary grant. Limited to counties with a population of less than 100,000 and cities and towns with a population of less than 10,000. (Town of Wellton).
- Reimbursement of non-federal match for a federal grant.
- Reimbursement of design and other engineering services expenditures that meet federal standards for projects eligible for a federal grant.

AZ SMART FUNDS AWARDED

AWARDED YEAR	MUNICIPALITY	AWARD TYPE	FUNDING CATEGORY	PROJECT NAME	AWARD AMOUNT	FEDERAL GRANT	FEDERAL GRANT AMOUNT
2023	City of San Luis	DOES	Municipality Over 10K	Cesar Chavez Blvd Improvements	\$2,787,435	RSTGP 2023	\$25,000,000
2023	Yuma County	DOES	County Over 100K	Avenue E/D New Roadway Construction	\$610,000	RAISE 2025	Not Awarded
2024	City of Yuma	MATCH	Municipality Over 10K	Comprehensive Safety Action Plan	\$90,000	SS4A 2024	\$480,000
2024	City of Yuma	MATCH	Municipality Over 10K	Yuma Multi-Modal Transportation Center	\$3,537,057		\$10,614,225
2023	ADOT	DOES	N/A	US Highway 95, Wellton-Mohawk Canal to Imperial Dam Road	\$3,750,000	RAISE 2023	\$8,500,000
2025	Yuma County	MATCH	County Over 100K	Elimination of three UPRR Crossings (9E, Fortuna Rd, County 29E	\$160,000	FRA 2024	\$640,000
TOTAL					\$10,934,492		\$45,234,225

AVAILABLE FUNDING

In July, the State Transportation Board approved a redistribution of the funds for the AZ SMART program. The funds are redistributed equally across all five funding categories. The funding available is \$14,867,752, and each category now has \$2,973,550. No additional funding has been approved for this program this year.

6/30/2025	Cumulative AZ SMART Fund Report					
Funding Category	ADOT	Muni < 10K	Muni 10K+	County < 100K	County 100K+	Total
Revenue						
Legislative Appropriations	\$ 12,500,000	\$ 12,500,000	\$ 12,500,000	\$ 12,500,000	\$ 12,500,000	\$ 62,500,000
Interest Earnings to Date	\$ 1,229,034	\$ 1,220,149	\$ 1,200,924	\$ 1,228,645	\$ 1,218,844	\$ 6,097,598
Total Revenues	\$ 13,729,034	\$ 13,720,149	\$ 13,700,924	\$ 13,728,645	\$ 13,718,844	\$ 68,597,598
Approvals						
Grant Development		\$ 4,600		\$ 50,000		\$ 54,600.00
Match Awards	\$ 5,371,724	\$ 31,212	\$ 17,180,153	\$ 3,346,000	\$ 4,402,642	\$ 30,331,731
Design & Engineering	\$ 3,750,000	\$ 10,010,257	\$ 7,638,707	\$ 6,260,283	\$ 6,670,000	\$ 34,329,247
1% Program Administration	\$ 100,000					\$ 100,000
Match Released	\$ (1,250,000)	\$ -	\$ (6,277,008)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (7,527,008)
Design Recovered	\$ -	\$ (807,500)	\$ (1,546,772)	\$ (1,204,452)	\$ -	\$ (3,558,724)
Net Approvals	\$ 7,971,724	\$ 9,238,569	\$ 16,995,080	\$ 8,451,831	\$ 11,072,642	\$ 53,729,846
Redistribution						
July Available for Awards	\$ 3,958,547	\$ 3,950,459	\$ 74,058	\$ 3,096,317	\$ 3,788,370	\$ 14,867,752
July Redistribution	\$ (984,997)	\$ (976,909)	\$ 2,899,492	\$ (122,767)	\$ (814,820)	\$ -
Current Available for Award	\$ 2,973,550	\$ 2,973,550	\$ 2,973,550	\$ 2,973,550	\$ 2,973,550	\$ 14,867,752
Pending Requests						
Grant Development		\$ -		\$ -		\$ -
Match Awards	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Design & Engineering	\$ -	\$ 1,303,821	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,303,821
Total Pending Requests	\$ -	\$ 1,303,821	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,303,821
After Approval of Pending Requests	\$ 2,973,550	\$ 1,669,729	\$ 2,973,550	\$ 2,973,550	\$ 2,973,550	\$ 13,563,931

Applications are being accepted based on available funding. If any member agency is applying for the AZ SMART, a letter of approval from YMPO is required as part of the application process. Please request a letter of approval as soon as possible to avoid delays in your application. YMPO will submit an application for reimbursement of \$100,000 of local match for the Safe Streets for All Grant awarded.

PUBLIC INPUT:

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

ACTION NEEDED:

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

CONTACT PERSON:

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YMPO INFORMATION SUMMARY for Agenda Item #10

Gary Kight Memorial Highway Update

DATE: August 14, 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 about the proposal opportunity to honor Gary Knight. Family submitted support, 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. Knight's 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 is 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.

The next steps will include coordinating 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.

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