

EXECUTIVE BOARD REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Local Governments and Citizens Working Together

**EXECUTIVE BOARD
Regular Meeting
Thursday, July 29, 2021
1:30 P.M.**

**The Meeting will be held In-Person and/or using
GoToMeeting by Video and/or Teleconference from
the Main Conference Room at the YMPO Office at
230 West Morrison Street, Yuma, Arizona 85364.**

YMPO EXECUTIVE BOARD

Chairman	Matias Rosales, Councilmember, City of San Luis
Vice-Chairman	Martin Porchas, Board of Supervisors, Yuma County
Secretary/Treasurer	Gary Knight, Councilmember, City of Yuma
Member	Martha Garcia, Councilmember, City of Somerton
Member	Cecilia McCollough, Mayor, Town of Wellton
Member	Paul Patane, Southwest District Engineer, ADOT
Member	Lynne Pancrazi, Board of Supervisors, Yuma County
Member	Karen Watts, Councilmember, City of Yuma
Member	Leslie McClendon, Deputy Mayor, City of Yuma
Member	Not Currently Identified

A regular meeting of the Executive Board (the Board) of the Yuma Metropolitan Planning Organization (YMPO) will be held on **Thursday, July 29, 2021**, starting at **1:30 p.m.** **either In-Person and/or using GoToMeeting Video/Teleconferencing** from the YMPO Office at 230 West Morrison Street, Yuma, Arizona, 85364, to discuss, consider, and/or take action with respect to the items listed below. Members MAY attend in person, with the appropriate social distancing, if they wish, but may also choose to participate by video- or teleconference, if they so desire.

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.
Crystal Figueroa, YMPO Accountant II and 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. Title VI Declaration and Call to the Public.

Charles Gutierrez, YMPO Senior Planning Manager, will read a brief message reminding member 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 but are limited to three (3) minutes. Due to the revised nature of the meeting (by video/teleconference), members of the Public are requested to contact YMPO staff with any questions they may have.

4. Consent Agenda.

A. Approval of the June 24, 2021, Board Meeting Minutes.

B. YMPO Income/Expenditure Report for June 2021.

A copy of the draft minutes of the Regular Board meeting from June 24, 2021, and the Income and Expenditure Report for June 2021, are being sent out with the agenda packet. Members will have the opportunity to review, report any changes, and/or approve the minutes of the June 24, 2021, Regular Board meeting, and/or to review, discuss, and acknowledge receipt of the June 2021 financial report.

This item is on the agenda for information, discussion, and possible action to approve the Consent Agenda. Copies of the draft minutes are attached for review as Item 4A and the Expenditure Report as Item 4B.

5. FY 2022-2045 YMPO Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) - Possible Approval and Resolution Adoption.

The FY 2022-2045 YMPO LRTP is finally complete and is being presented to the Executive Board for possible approval. The consultant contract will continue for a month or two longer to finalize and submit the applications for safety projects that will compete for Federal Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) funds later this year. A team from Kittelson and Associates will present the Final Report to the Board. At a special meeting on July 22, 2021, the YMPO Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) unanimously recommended approval of the LRTP. 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 Approve the FY 2022-2045 YMPO Long-Range Transportation Plan and to Adopt the associated Resolution 152. Paul Ward, YMPO Executive Director, will introduce this item and the consultant team leader, Vamshi Yellisetty, of Kittelson and Associates will present to the Board. Further details are shown in an Information Summary which is included as part of this agenda packet as item 5, together with the associated Resolution 152. The referenced document is available for download from the YMPO website and flash drives and hard printed copies will be made available at the meeting for those attending in person and/or will be mailed to members upon request.

6. FY 2022-2026 YMPO Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) - Possible Approval and Resolution Adoption.

In conjunction with development of the LRTP, YMPO has also produced a new version of the TIP, generally covering the first five years of the LRTP. This updated TIP includes more than \$65 million in Federal, State and Locally funded projects. Similar to the LRTP, at a special meeting on July 22, 2021, the YMPO TAC unanimously recommended approval of the TIP. Customarily, 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 Approve the FY 2022-2026 YMPO Transportation Improvement Program and to Adopt the associated Resolution 154. Mr. Gutierrez will present this item and further details are shown in an Information Summary including a draft copy of the TIP document, that is being sent to members with this agenda packet as Item 6, together with the associated Resolution 154. The referenced document is available for download from the YMPO website and flash drives, and hard printed copies will be made available at the meeting for those attending in person and/or will be mailed to members upon request.

7. 2021 Air Quality Conformity Analysis

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. Staff will present the latest status of the 2021 Air Quality Conformity Analysis on the FY 2022-2045 YMPO LRTP and the FY 2022-2026 YMPO TIP.

This item is on the agenda for information, discussion and possible action to Approve the 2021 Air Quality Conformity Analysis on the FY 2022-2045 YMPO LRTP and the FY 2022-2026 YMPO TIP and to Adopt the associated Resolution 153. The Consultant has prepared a presentation on this item and an Information Summary is included as the agenda packet item 7, including a copy of the AQCA and the associated Resolution 153. The referenced document is available for download from the YMPO website and flash drives and hard printed copies will be made available at the meeting for those attending in person and/or will be mailed to members upon request.

8. Regional List of Projects.

Currently, the only officially approved regional project in the YMPO region is to widen US-95 between Avenue 9E and Aberdeen Road, a distance of about 16 miles. The Rural Transportation Advocacy Council (RTAC) Board has called for

regional agencies to identify lists of projects that they would like to conduct and/or construct in their regions over the next few years. The YMPO TAC has put together a List of Potential projects and this is being shared with the YMPO Board. It is proposed to send the list back to the TAC at their August meeting, possibly with some guiding comments from Board members, and then to bring an amended List of Projects back to the YMPO Board at the end of August. Following that meeting, the list will be sent to the RTAC Board as a representation of Potential Regional Projects from the YMPO region.

This item is on the agenda for information, discussion, and comment only, at this stage. Mr. Ward will present this item and further information is contained in an Information Summary that is attached to this agenda packet as Item 8.

9. Appointment of RTAC Representative(s) for YMPO.

As members are already aware, Councilmember Kermit Palmer, the YMPO Executive Board representative for the Cocopah Indian Tribe has, regrettably, left the Board. The late Councilmember Palmer was the alternate member for the Yuma region on the RTAC Board. Currently, the RTAC Board member for YMPO is Mayor Ceclia McCollough. Such vacant positions are generally filled during the change of officeholders and this usually occurs during the January/February timeframe. Due to the importance of the RTAC List of Projects as discussed during the previous agenda item, it might be appropriate to nominate another person to fill the vacant alternate position and/or to adjust the RTAC membership for YMPO prior to the beginning of the year.

This item is on the agenda for information, discussion, and possible action to nominate and appoint another Board member to fill the vacant RTAC Alternate Representative position and/or to adjust the RTAC Membership for YMPO. Mr. Ward will present this item and additional background is included as part of an Information Summary that is being sent to members with this agenda packet as Item 9.

10. Ground-Breaking Event on US-95

As members may already be aware, ADOT will be starting the construction phase of the next segment of US-95 construction, from Avenue 9E to Rifle Range Road. It has been proposed to hold a ground-breaking event at a location on US-95 within the limits stated above. This event is scheduled for 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, August 5, 2021, just over a week away. Currently only six individuals have been nominated to participate in the official ground-breaking, but several other interested parties have been invited to witness the event. All members of the Board are invited to witness the event and further details will be provided during the Board meeting that is the subject of this agenda, on July 29, 2021.

This item is on the agenda for information, discussion, and comment only at this stage. Mr. Gutierrez will present this item.

11. YMPO Personnel Discussion.

As previously notified to members, Mr. Ward would like to discuss a personnel matter and understands that some members might prefer to discuss the matter in Executive Session.

This item is on the agenda for information, discussion, and possible action. Mr. Ward will present this agenda item. Members have already been sent a separate notification from Mr. Ward regarding the personnel matter.

12. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Executive Board may vote to go into Executive Session during the noticed meeting concerning any of the agenda items 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 possible action to go into Executive Session. The Chairman will call for a motion to convene the YMPO Executive Session for the personnel matter mentioned above.

13. Reconvene to Public Meeting

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

14. YMPO Personnel Matter - Open Discussion

This item is a follow up to the previous three agenda items. The Board will have the opportunity to discuss and/or comment on the personnel matter raised by the Executive Director in open session.

This item is on the agenda for information, discussion, and possible action to resolve the personnel matter in open session, as the Board directs.

15. Summary of Current Events/Board Member Reports/Executive Director's Report & Comments by Other Participants.

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 an attached Information Summary.

- A. Staff Reports - Future Meetings.
- B. TAC Minutes.
- C. Conference Updates (AZTA, RTS, and Roads and Streets).
- D. MPO/COG Director/Planner Meetings.
- E. Rural Transportation Advocacy Council activities.
- F. Projects - Economic Development and Transportation.

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

16. Possible Future Agenda Items.

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

- A. 2022 List of Potential Projects - Approval.
- B. Group/Individual photograph(s) of current Executive Board members.

This item is on the agenda for information, discussion, and possible suggestions by members for future agenda items.

17. Progress Reports.

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

- A. Jul 5 - Independence Day Holiday.
- B. Jul 6 - Staff meeting (All).
- C. Jul 6 - LRTP Project List meeting (PW,CG).
- D. Jul 6 - RAISE Grant coordination telemeeting (PW, CG).
- E. Jul 8 - TAC telemeeting (PW, CG, MR).
- F. Jul 8 - RAISE Grant FINAL telemeeting (PW, CG).
- G. Jul 8 - YRBC telemeeting (PW).
- H. Jul 10 - Yuma Mobility Management Committee meeting (CG).
- I. Jul 12 - RTAC Advisory Committee telemeeting (PW).
- J. Jul 13 - ADOT/YMPO Coordination telemeeting (PW, CG).
- K. Jul 15 - Transportation Sales Tax meeting (PW).
- L. Jul 16 - AZSTB telemeeting (PW).
- M. Jul 16 - Arizona Town Hall (PW).
- N. Jul 19 - Arizona STEP Committee telemeeting (PW, CG).
- O. Jul 26 - RTAC Board telemeeting (PW).
- P. Jul 26 - YCIPTA Board telemeeting (PW).

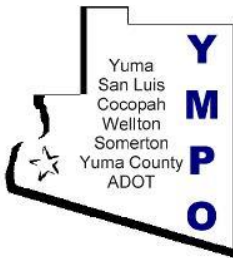
Q. Jul 29 - LPA Training Module 4 (PW, CG).

18. Adjournment

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EXECUTIVE BOARD REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Local Governments & Citizens Working Together

**Executive Board
Regular Meeting
Thursday, June 24, 2021
1:30 P.M.**

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By Video and/or Teleconference from the
Main Conference Room at the YMPO Offices at
230 W. Morrison St, Yuma, Arizona 85364**

1. Call to Order and the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Yuma Metropolitan Planning Organization (YMPO) Chairman, Councilmember Matias Rosales, called the YMPO Executive Board (the Board) meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. and asked the Board to join him in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Roll Call Attendance.

The YMPO Executive Assistant/Accountant II, Crystal Figueroa, called the roll as follows:

YMPO Executive Board Members Present:

Chairman	Matias Rosales, Councilmember, City of San Luis ^
Vice-Chair	Martin Porchas, Board of Supervisors, Yuma County ^
Secretary/Treasurer	Gary Knight, Councilmember, City of Yuma ^
Member	Cecilia McCollough, Mayor, Town of Wellton ~
Member	Paul Patane, ADOT Southwest District Engineer ^
Member	Lynne Pancrazi, Board of Supervisors, Yuma County ^
Member	Karen Watts, Councilmember, City of Yuma ^
Member	Leslie McClendon, Deputy Mayor, City of Yuma ~

^ Attended in person.

~ Participated by teleconference.

Supervisor Pancrazi joined the meeting at 1:52 p.m.

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

YMPO Executive Board Members Absent:

Member	Martha Garcia, Councilmember, City of Somerton *.
Member	Kermit Palmer, Councilmember, Cocopah Indian Tribe *.

Not present but was represented by proxy by another member.

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

YMPO Staff Present:

Paul Ward	Executive Director
Charles Gutierrez	Senior Planning/Mobility Manager
Crystal Figueroa	Executive Assistant/Accountant II

Additional Attendees:

Kevin Adams	RTAC Liaison ~
Mark Hoffman	ADOT Senior Planner ~
Susan Thorpe	Yuma County Administrator~
Jenny Torrez	City of San Luis Economic Development Manager~
Dan Marum	Wilson & Company ~
Douglas Eberhart	Wilson & Company~
Steve Wilks	IBI Group~
Rick Williams	Michael Baker International~
Vamshi Yellisetty	Kittleson & Associates~

Declaration of Votes: As all three members of the City of Yuma were present, the standard votes exercised were as per the default.

3. Title VI Declaration and Call to the Public.
YMPO Senior Planning Manager, Charles Gutierrez, read the YMPO Title VI obligations. No members of the public addressed the Board.
4. Consent Agenda
 - A. Approval of the May 27, 2021, Board Meeting Minutes.
 - B. YMPO Income/Expenditure for May 2021.

MOTION: Councilmember Gary Knight moved to approve the consent agenda with some requested changes. Supervisor Pancrazi seconded, and the motion was unanimously approved.

10. Submitting RAISE Grant(s) – Status and Possible Letter of Support.
Upon a request from YMPO Executive Director, Paul Ward, the Chairman agreed to hear this agenda item out of order, as the consultant team had a conflicting meeting later in the afternoon. Mr. Ward informed the Board about the efforts being made to produce a RAISE grant for construction of the next segment of US-95. He mentioned letters of support have been requested and reported that the City of Yuma and the City of San Luis are also submitting RAISE grant applications. Mr. Ward introduced Mr. Douglas Eberhart from Wilson & Company to provide a brief presentation.

Mr. Eberhart thanked Mr. Ward and the Board for the opportunity to assist and collaborate for the application of the RAISE grant. He reported that the next segment of US-95 that was the subject of this application subject was from Rifle Range Road to the Welton-

Mohawk Canal Bridge. Mr. Eberhart reported that their goal was to narrow their focus to safety improvements, travel-time savings, benefits to agriculture, and the huge economic benefits to the Yuma Proving Grounds (YPG). He reported collaboration with representatives from YPG to confirm the data to be used in calculating the benefits provided by YPG, as part of the overall benefit-ratio and that the application deadline was July 12, 2021.

Mr. Ward mentioned that, aside from the widening of US-95, there were two other applications from the YMPO region, a project is the City of San Luis, the Cesar Chavez Boulevard widening project and a City of Yuma project to seek funds to convert the City of Yuma Hotel Del Sol into a Downtown Regional Transit Center. Mr. Ward reported that both have requested Letters of Support from YMPO regarding their applications.

He reported that the YMPO Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) had considered all three projects and recommended that YMPO should provide individual letters of support for all three projects without prioritizing the projects. Mr. Ward asked the Board for guidance on how these letters of support should be issued.

The Chair called on San Luis Economic Developer Manager Jenny Torres for input regarding their application. Ms. Torrez reported that the Cesar Chavez Boulevard widening project has been in the TIP for several years. She continued by stating that they are requesting \$2 million and the city is willing to match up to seven million dollars in local funds. She added that many of the pre-construction items have already occurred and the city is very close to acquiring the necessary rights-of-way. She reported that Federal funds have been provided in the past, through ADOT, and mentioned 30% of the design has been completed. Ms. Torres requested a letter of support from YMPO and clarified her support for the other two projects competing for the RAISE Grant.

Councilmember Knight recommended that YMPO provide three separate letters of support, tailored to the specific projects, listing the benefits associated with each project. He explained, in this matter, the projects will stand on their own with YMPO supporting all three. Mr. Knight mentioned that his understanding is that up to two RAISE Grants will be awarded, per State, making the process competitive.

MOTION: Supervisor Pancrazi moved to approve three separate Letters of Support stating the benefits to the region, to be signed by the Chairman and the Executive Director. Councilmember Knight seconded, and motion was unanimously approved.

5. Acceptance of the YCIPTA/YMPO Short-Range Transit Plan (SRTP).

Mr. Ward reported the project was carried out by the IBI Group, in collaboration with the Yuma County Intergovernmental Public Transit Agency (YCIPTA), who did most of the review work. Mr. Ward mentioned YMPO financed the project and was happy to be responsible, as the region's MPO and transportation planning agency, to assist the transit

operator. He reported the project was completed and approved by the YCIPTA Board. Mr. Ward introduced Steve Wilks from the IBI Group, who provided a brief summary on the Plan. Mr. Wilks reported the community survey results, people would like more shelters and/or benches at bus stops, better information on how to use transit, a potential mobile app for real time information, and other services to specific destinations. He informed the board on near-term focus on incremental improvements and full system restructuring concepts.

MOTION: Councilmember Knight moved to accept the FY 2021 YCIPTA/YMPO Short Range Transit Plan. Supervisor Porchas seconded, and motion was unanimously approved.

6. FY 2022-2045 YMPO Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) – Status.

Mr. Ward reported that the LRTP is wrapping up and anticipates a copy of the report early next month and will present the document to the TAC. It will be presented to the Board next month on July 29th for possible approval. An Air Quality Conformity Analysis portion will also be included as part of the report.

7. YMPO FY 2022-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

Mr. Gutierrez reported that currently the LRTP and the TIP are being considered through the second phase of the Public Participation Plan. He reviewed the current and new projects in the TIP and funding. Mr. Ward mentioned that currently the region is over-programmed in 2024. However, he suggested this could be easily solved by borrowing a one million dollars in Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Program funds from ADOT or another MPO to repay it in FY 2025, 2026, or 2027.

8. Status of the YMPO Rail/Heavy Freight Alignment Study (R/HFAS).

Mr. Ward informed the Board of that an Request for Proposals had been developed for the YMPO R/HFAS and included in the YMPO Work Program, and that this effort is a follow-up to the original Corridor Study that was completed in March 2013. The current version of the study will identify a multimodal corridor to create an efficient and safe freight transportation network that will provide regional connections between Sonora Mexico, and Yuma County. The goal is to promote and support economic development through the region. Two companies submitted proposals, from Don Breazeale and Associates and Kimley-Horn and Associates, and that both proposals were under the budgeted amount.

Mr. Ward reported the TAC had reviewed and ranked the proposals and recommended selecting the Kimley-Horn and Associates team's submittal as the preferred proposal. The Executive Board had approved the award of a contract to them at the previous Board meeting. He reported the contract is pending and a Notice to Proceed letter is anticipated by the end of June 2021, with project completion by May 2022 (eleven months).

9. Update on Recent Federal, State & Local Legislation on Funding Transportation.

Mr. Ward presented an RTAC Legislative Update showing \$10 million in State funds that were targeted for US-95 improvements and approved by the Arizona Senate. He clarified that he did not know if the House had approved a similar bill - yet. Mr. Ward mentioned that, at the Federal Level, the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee had approved reauthorization of the regular annual funding that the region gets for transportation and, as a result, that the State of Arizona's federal funds would like increase to an average of approximately one billion dollars per year for the next five years.

Mr. Ward mentioned that his understanding on the stimulus package infrastructure bill is that it's going to bring a minimum of \$600 billion over and above the regular transportation authorization legislation. He said there is likely to be a lot of money coming forward in the next four to five years due to the both the transportation reauthorization AND the stimulus legislation.

Mr. Ward also mentioned recent discussions amongst City Managers for a possible local sales tax election, in the future. The Yuma County Administrator, Susan Thorpe, reported that the Cities and County administrators will bring forward a recommendation for a fair distribution of funds, based on an accommodation of both population and revenue generation. She added that the subcommittee is also identifying specific projects for each entity that would be done with that money and that the initiative would include a 20-year sunset. Ms. Thorpe mentioned a possible 2025 starting date and that it would likely bring in about \$20 million, based on the prior past sales-tax history. She also mentioned learning from other counties and other cities that have had success with such a sales-tax and that they, effectively, consider a year and a half to two years in advance to educate every possible person across the county regarding the ballot initiative. Education about what the problem is which is not enough funding and what the needs are for the region and what it will provide for the entities.

11. FY 2020-2024 YMPO Transportation Improvement Program – Amendment #5.

Mr. Gutierrez reported that the Transit portion of the TIP is primarily funded through a Grant mechanism and changes to transit projects often occur as the Grant deadline approaches. He stated that ADOT requested an Amendment to program changes to meet the July 1, 2021, timeline for the State to submit their application to FTA. Mr. Gutierrez mentioned the projects include FTA 5310 Mobility of Seniors & Individual with Disabilities funds; 5311 Rural Public Transportation Program funds; and 5311 Intercity Bus Program funds, including additional funds provided by the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and the Economic Security (CARES) Act and the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) of 2021. He continued by stating that the projects will be programmed in FY 2022. Mr. Gutierrez mentioned the projects or programs are sponsored by YCIPTA, the Arizona Board of Regents, Helping Ourselves Pursue Enrichment Inc., NAZCARE Inc, Saguaro Foundation Living Programs, and YMPO.

MOTION: Councilmember Knight moved to approve Amendment #5 to the FY 2020-24-TIP to include some Federally funded Transit projects in FY 2021. Supervisor Porchas seconded, and motion was unanimously approved.

12. Summary of Current Events/Board Member Reports/Executive Director's Report & Comments by Other Participants.

- A. Staff Reports - Future Meetings.
- B. TAC Minutes.
- C. Conference Updates (AZTA, RTS, and Roads and Streets). Mr. Ward informed the the Board that the usual RTS will not occur do to Covid and instead a proposal to hold a strategic planning session in 2021 is anticipated on Wednesday, October 13, through Thursday, October 14, 2021, and The State Transportation Board meeting on Friday, October 15, 2021.
- D. MPO/COG Director/Planner Meetings.
- E. Rural Transportation Advocacy Council activities. RTAC Liaison Kevin Adams provided a legislative
- F. Projects - Economic Development and Transportation.
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- A. Approval of FY 2022-45 LRTP and FY 2022-26 TIP and AQCA.
- B. Group/Individual photograph(s) of current Executive Board members.

14. Progress Reports.

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

- A. Jun 2 - Meeting with new YC Dev. Services Dir., Alejandro Figueroa (PW).
- B. Jun 2 - Participated in City of San Luis Budget Work Session (PW).
- C. Jun 3 - ITE Public Agency Council telemeeting (PW).
- D. Jun 4 - RAISE Grant telemeeting with Wilson & Co (PW, CG).
- E. Jun 4 - Air Quality meeting with Farmers and YC staff (PW).
- F. Jun 7 - Staff meeting (All).
- G. Jun 9 - LPA Training Module 3 (PW, CG).
- H. Jun 9 - TAC agenda pre-meeting (Chairman, PW, CG).
- I. Jun 9 - LRTP Bi-Weekly status meeting (PW, CG).

- J. Jun 10 - TAC telemeeting (PW, CG, MR).
- K. Jun 11 - COG/MPO's Planner's telemeeting (CG).
- L. Jun 10 - Statewide Mobility Management Committee meeting (CG).
- M. Jun 10 - YRBC telemeeting (PW).
- N. Jun 12 - Ordination (RA).
- O. Jun 14 - ADOT/YMPO Coordination telemeeting (PW, CG).
- P. Jun 17 - Regional Transportation Sales Tax meeting (PW).
- Q. Jun 18 - AZSTB telemeeting (PW).
- R. Jun 21 - Arizona STEP Committee telemeeting (CG).
- S. Jun 21 - RTAC Advisory Committee telemeeting (PW).
- T. Jun 22 - EPA Tribal Public Engagement webinar (CG).
- U. Jun 23 - ADOT CRO Title VI Training (CG).
- V. Jun 24 - EB telemeeting (PW, CG, CF).

15. Adjournment.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 3:18 p.m.

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Preparation and Approval of Minutes:

Minutes prepared by:

Crystal Figueroa, Executive Assistant
and Accountant II, YMPO

Minutes reviewed to form by:

Minutes approved in regular session on
July 29, 2021

Paul D. Ward, P.E., Executive Director
Yuma Metropolitan Planning Organization

Councilmember Matias Rosales, Chair
YMPO Executive Board

Yuma Metropolitan Planning Organization
Revenue & Expense Budget Performance

June 2021

	Jun 21	Jul '20 - Jun 21	YTD Budget	% of Budget
Income				
4000 - ADOT Grant				
4001 - PL	66,454.36	302,543.97	484,677.00	62.42%
4002 - SPR	48,875.36	171,005.65	281,838.00	60.68%
4004 - STBG	90,177.97	182,457.09	265,000.00	68.85%
Total 4000 - ADOT Grant	205,507.69	656,006.71	1,031,515.00	63.6%
4010 - FTA Grant				
4020 - 5303/5305	20,560.94	76,776.37	151,730.00	50.6%
4021 - 5304	9,494.95	59,878.09	65,373.00	91.6%
Total 4010 - FTA Grant	30,055.89	136,654.46	217,103.00	62.95%
4050 - ADEQ Grant	10,000.00	20,000.00	10,000.00	200.0%
4055 - 5310 Funds				
4053 - CARES Act MM	11,198.30	32,366.82	72,902.00	44.4%
4055 - 5310 Funds - Other	12,273.46	54,501.35	62,652.00	86.99%
Total 4055 - 5310 Funds	23,471.76	86,868.17	135,554.00	64.08%
4200 - YMPO UPWP Dues	0.00	46,923.52	80,623.69	58.2%
4400 - Interest Income	296.78	9,430.33	31,000.00	30.42%
4600 - Charges for Services				
4904 - Traffic Count Revenue	0.00	12,402.02	12,402.00	100.0%
Total 4600 - Charges for Services	0.00	12,402.02	12,402.00	100.0%
Total Income	269,332.12	968,285.21	1,518,197.69	63.78%
Gross Profit	269,332.12	968,285.21	1,518,197.69	63.78%
Expense				
5110 - Payroll Expenses				
5111 - Fringe Benefits	2,948.69	26,777.73	29,802.00	89.85%
5112 - Part Time Staff-Salaries				
5133 - Part Time Staff-Salaries- Local	278.60	18,859.06	18,342.00	102.82%
5112 - Part Time Staff-Salaries - Other	4,777.76	37,897.73	67,750.00	55.94%
Total 5112 - Part Time Staff-Salaries	5,056.36	56,756.79	86,092.00	65.93%
5113 - Full Time Staff-Salaries	33,581.93	294,213.96	295,676.00	99.51%
5115 - Health Insurance-ER Portion	3,576.00	51,852.00	53,640.00	96.67%
5116 - ASRS	4,326.74	37,751.51	38,542.00	97.95%
5117 - Workman's Comp Insurance	0.00	1,281.25	1,089.00	117.65%
5118 - FUTA Payroll Expense	3.77	459.10	546.00	84.08%
5120 - Life Insurance	0.00	1,405.16	1,560.00	90.07%
Total 5110 - Payroll Expenses	49,493.49	470,497.50	506,947.00	92.81%
5123 - Consulting Services				
5134 - Contractual-Local	24,518.00	123,672.16	135,824.53	91.05%
5123 - Consulting Services - Other	71,485.41	362,696.91	715,383.00	50.7%
Total 5123 - Consulting Services	96,003.41	486,369.07	851,207.53	57.14%
5124 - Staff Training/Education				
5137 - Staff Training/Edu Reimb-Local	1,920.00	4,800.00	6,000.00	80.0%
5124 - Staff Training/Education - Other	0.00	1,194.00	4,000.00	29.85%
Total 5124 - Staff Training/Education	1,920.00	5,994.00	10,000.00	59.94%
5125 - Audit Services	0.00	21,500.00	22,000.00	97.73%
5126 - Payroll Processing Fees	501.06	4,117.82	4,500.00	91.51%
5128 - Accounting Services	0.00	24,296.25	25,000.00	97.19%
5129 - Public Participation	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	0.0%
5131 - Data Process, Software, Hardware	0.00	8,059.68	8,000.00	100.75%
5132 - Furniture and Equipment	97.56	2,546.94	6,000.00	42.45%
5140 - Legal	1,450.50	9,311.25	7,500.00	124.15%
5150 - IT Support	0.00	1,252.36	1,000.00	125.24%
5151 - Building, Contents Insurance	0.00	6,230.65	6,000.00	103.84%
5152 - Equipment Maintenance	124.49	648.94	1,300.00	49.92%
5153 - Office Supplies	88.86	1,926.22	3,000.00	64.21%
5154 - Postage	110.00	110.00	500.00	22.0%

**Yuma Metropolitan Planning Organization
Revenue & Expense Budget Performance**

June 2021

	Jun 21	Jul '20 - Jun 21	YTD Budget	% of Budget
5155 · Printing	70.55	781.19	800.00	97.65%
5157 · Publications, Subscriptions	0.00	374.84	600.00	62.47%
5158 · Registration Fees	0.00	0.00	6,000.00	0.0%
5159 · Special Meetings	0.00	0.00	4,000.00	0.0%
5160 · Telecommunications	828.88	14,592.11	12,000.00	121.6%
5162 · Vehicle Insurance	0.00	5,459.27	5,000.00	109.19%
5163 · Vehicle Maint., Repairs, Parts	0.00	258.09	2,500.00	10.32%
5164 · YMPO Memberships & Dues	0.00	3,831.02	3,500.00	109.46%
5165 · Finance Charges and Interest	3.50	42.00	250.00	16.8%
5166 · Website Maintenance	162.38	708.72	1,500.00	47.25%
5167 · Miscellenous Consumables	77.09	449.33	2,000.00	22.47%
5169 · Miscellaneous-Expense	0.00	13,146.38	12,549.04	104.76%
5171 · Alarm System	0.00	967.60	1,000.00	96.76%
5172 · Lease	0.00	12,844.80	24,000.00	53.52%
5173 · Electric Bill	613.81	5,513.84	7,500.00	73.52%
5174 · Grounds Maintence	1,450.00	2,730.24	2,700.00	101.12%
5175 · Janitorial	300.00	1,050.00	4,500.00	23.33%
5179 · Office Building Repairs				
5181 · Pest Control	0.00	449.00	500.00	89.8%
5179 · Office Building Repairs - Other	661.67	1,491.05	500.00	298.21%
Total 5179 · Office Building Repairs	661.67	1,940.05	1,000.00	194.01%
5182 · Sewer & Water	247.81	2,516.24	1,300.00	193.56%
5190 · Travel - Local & Outside County	0.00	226.29	20,000.00	1.13%
5191 · T530- Traffic Count Fuel	91.96	3,698.15	4,635.00	79.79%
5630 · T530 Traffic Count Equipment				
5631 · T530-Local COY Materials	0.00	0.00	1,244.00	0.0%
5630 · T530 Traffic Count Equipment - Other	459.58	4,069.39	4,575.00	88.95%
Total 5630 · T530 Traffic Count Equipment	459.58	4,069.39	5,819.00	69.93%
Total Expense	154,756.60	1,118,060.23	1,577,107.57	70.89%
Net Ordinary Income	114,575.52	-149,775.02	-58,909.88	254.24%
Other Income/Expense				
Other Income				
4900 · In-Kind Match Revenue	13,302.41	89,199.13	185,713.00	48.03%
Total Other Income	13,302.41	89,199.13	185,713.00	48.03%
Other Expense				
9200 · In-Kind Match Expenses	13,302.41	89,199.13	185,713.00	48.03%
Total Other Expense	13,302.41	89,199.13	185,713.00	48.03%
Net Other Income	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
Net Income	114,575.52	-149,775.02	-58,909.88	254.24%

10000 - Wells Fargo - YMPO General Account	\$68,276.25
10009 - Wells Fargo - YMPO Payroll Account	\$39,295.41
10100 - Yuma County Treasurer - YMPO Account	\$972,643.89
	<u>\$1,080,215.55</u>

YMPO INFORMATION SUMMARY for Agenda Item 6 FY 2022-2045 YMPO Long-Range Transportation Plan

DATE: July 29, 2021

SUBJECT: Approval of the FY 2022-2045 YMPO Long-Range Transportation Plan.

SUMMARY:

YMPO is required, under federal regulations, to carry out a metropolitan transportation planning process that includes development of a transportation plan of no less than a 20-year planning horizon. The YMPO version of this transportation plan is known as the Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP). The LRTP includes short-, mid-, and long-range strategies/actions that result in a multimodal transportation system for safe and efficient movement of people and goods, which addresses current and future needs of the region.

YMPO needs to review and update the LRTP at least every four years to confirm the transportation plan's validity and consistency with current/forecasted transportation and land-use conditions and trends for the time horizon. The LRTP shall be approved by YMPO and submitted for information purposes to the Governor, with copies sent to the FHWA and the FTA.

YMPO is required to validate data utilized in preparing other existing modal plans for providing input to the LRTP and we base the update on the latest available estimates and assumptions for population, land-use, travel, employment, congestion, and economic activity.

The LRTP includes:

- (1) The projected transportation demand of persons and goods in the region;
- (2) Existing and proposed transportation facilities (including major roadways, transit, multi/intermodal facilities, pedestrian and bicycle facilities);
- (3) Operational/management strategies to improve performance on existing facilities to relieve congestion and maximize safety and mobility of people and goods;
- (4) Assessment of capital investment and other strategies to preserve existing and projected future metropolitan infrastructure and provide capacity increases;
- (5) Design concept and scope descriptions of existing and proposed facilities in sufficient detail for air quality conformity determinations;
- (6) Appropriate environmental mitigation activities;
- (7) Pedestrian walkway and bicycle transportation facilities;
- (8) Transportation and transit enhancement activities, as appropriate; and
- (9) A financial plan that demonstrates how the adopted LRTP can be implemented.

PUBLIC INPUT:

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TECHNICAL & POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

TECHNICAL: Approval of the LRTP is one of three approvals that are all linked. 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 approval of the FY 2022-2045 YMPO Long-Range Transportation Plan, accompanied by Resolution 151.

PRIOR BOARD/COMMITTEE ACTIONS:

The LRTP process was started over two years ago and the major steps in the process are as follows:

- (1) March 2019; FY 2019-2020 YMPO UPWP Approval (with funding for the LRTP);
- (2) June 2020 - RFP was released;
- (3) July 2020 - Three responses, consultant team selected, Notice To proceed sent;
- (4) Jul 2020 to May 2021 - Status Reports to Executive Board on LRTP activities.
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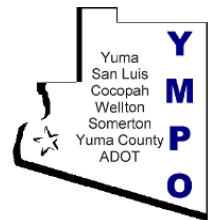
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YUMA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION RESOLUTION NO. 152

A RESOLUTION OF THE YUMA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (YMPO) EXECUTIVE BOARD APPROVING THE FY 2022-2045 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 most recently by the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21) and the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST); 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 production of a LRTP; and

Whereas: The projects in this FY 2022-2045 YMPO LRTP include projects in the FY 2022-2026 YMPO TIP, and the Transportation Policy Framework of goals, objectives, and policies; and

Whereas: The YMPO approved, and FHWA/FTA approved, in cooperation with the Environmental Protection Agency, the 2022 YMPO Air Quality Conformity Analysis which

shows conformity with the FY 2022-2045 YMPO LRTP, the FY 2022-2026 YMPO TIP, and the State Implementation Plan; 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

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 2022-2045 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.

Signed this 29th day of July, 2021:

Attest:

Matias Rosales, Chairman
Yuma Metropolitan Planning Organization

Paul D. Ward, P.E., Executive Director
Yuma Metropolitan Planning Organization

YMPO INFORMATION SUMMARY for Agenda Item 6

FY 2022-26 YMPO Transportation Improvement Program

DATE: July 29, 2021

SUBJECT: Approval of the FY 2022-2026 YMPO Transportation Improvement Program.

SUMMARY:

Similar to the Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP), YMPO is required to develop a Metropolitan, or regional, Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), which effectively coincides with the first few years of the LRTP, except it needs to provide more detail. The YMPO TIP contains five years of Federally funded projects AND any projects that may be regarded as 'regionally significant', **regardless** of funding source. The definition of 'regionally significant' in this case is whether the project will have a measurable effect on regional air quality.

Even though the LRTP is required to only contain projects that are reasonably expected to be funded The general measure YMPO needs to review and update the LRTP at least every four years to confirm the transportation plan's validity and consistency with current/forecasted transportation and land-use conditions and trends for the time horizon. The LRTP shall be approved by YMPO and submitted for information purposes to the Governor, with copies sent to the FHWA and the FTA.

YMPO is required to validate data utilized in preparing other existing modal plans for providing input to the LRTP and we base the update on the latest available estimates and assumptions for population, land-use, travel, employment, congestion, and economic activity.

The LRTP includes:

- (1) The projected transportation demand of persons and goods in the region;
- (2) Existing and proposed transportation facilities (including major roadways, transit, multi/intermodal facilities, pedestrian and bicycle facilities);
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- (8) Transportation and transit enhancement activities, as appropriate; and
- (9) A financial plan that demonstrates how the adopted LRTP can be implemented.

PUBLIC INPUT:

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TECHNICAL & POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

TECHNICAL: Approval of the LRTP is one of three approvals that are all linked. 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 approval of the FY 2022-2045 YMPO Long-Range Transportation Plan, accompanied by Resolution 151.

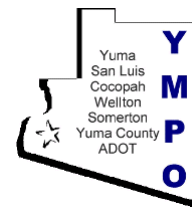
PRIOR BOARD/COMMITTEE ACTIONS:

The LRTP process was started over two years ago and the major steps in the process are as follows:

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CONTACT PERSON:

Paul Ward, Executive Director, 928-783-8911



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YUMA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION RESOLUTION NO. 154

A RESOLUTION OF THE YUMA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (YMPO) EXECUTIVE BOARD, APPROVING THE FY 2022-2026 YMPO TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP).

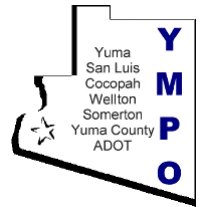
- WHEREAS:** The Yuma Metropolitan Planning Organization (YMPO) has the responsibility for conducting the area-wide continuing, comprehensive, and cooperative transportation system planning process and shall develop a long-range transportation plan and a (short-range) transportation improvement program 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) and further upheld by Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST); 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 annually 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 2022-2026 YMPO TIP, including its 2022 Annual Element, are consistent with the FY 2022-2045 YMPO Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP), and the Transportation Policy Framework of goals, objectives, and policies; and
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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 2022 YMPO Air Quality Conformity Analysis and shows conformity with the FY 2022-2045 YMPO LRTP, the FY 2022-2026 YMPO TIP, and the State Implementation Plan; 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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Yuma Metropolitan Planning Organization does HEREBY APPROVE the FY 2022-2026 YMPO Transportation Improvement Program with its 2022 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 29th day of July 2021.

Matias Rosales., Chairman, Executive Board
Yuma Metropolitan Planning Organization
Council Member, City of San Luis

ATTEST:

Paul D. Ward, P.E., Executive Director
Yuma Metropolitan Planning Organization

YMPO INFORMATION SUMMARY for Agenda Item 7 FY 2021 Air Quality Conformity Analysis (AQCA) - Approval

DATE: July 29, 2021

SUBJECT: Approval of the FY 2021 AQCA.

SUMMARY:

Similar to the Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP), YMPO is required to develop a Metropolitan, or regional, Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), which effectively coincides with the first few years of the LRTP, except it needs to provide more detail. The YMPO TIP contains five years of Federally funded projects AND any projects that may be regarded as 'regionally significant', **regardless** of funding source. The definition of 'regionally significant' in this case is whether the project will have a measurable effect on regional air quality.

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PUBLIC INPUT:

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TECHNICAL & POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

TECHNICAL: Approval of the LRTP is one of three approvals that are all linked. 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 approval of the FY 2022-2045 YMPO Long-Range Transportation Plan, accompanied by Resolution 151.

PRIOR BOARD/COMMITTEE ACTIONS:

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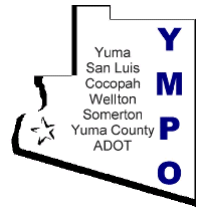
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YUMA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION RESOLUTION NO. 153

A RESOLUTION OF THE YUMA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (YMPO) EXECUTIVE BOARD, APPROVING THE 2022 AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY ANALYSIS

WHEREAS: The Yuma Metropolitan Planning Organization (YMPO) is a multi-agency 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 2022-2045 YMPO Long-Range Transportation Plan and the FY 2022-2026 YMPO Transportation Improvement Program on July 2021; 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 2022 Air Quality Conformity Analysis reports on the results of the contained analyses of the emissions from vehicles due to increase in miles traveled during the period of the FY 2022-2026 YMPO Transportation Improvement Program; and

WHEREAS: The 2022 Air Quality Conformity Analysis Report demonstrated "conformity" between the FY 2022-2026 YMPO Transportation Improvement Program, the FY 2022-2025 YMPO Long-Range Transportation Plan, and the State Implementation Plan

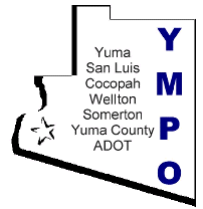
WHEREAS: The YMPO Executive Board approved the 2022 Air Quality Conformity Analysis following a public meeting, by motion, at their regular business meeting on July 29, 2021; and

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Yuma Metropolitan Planning Organization does HEREBY APPROVE the FY 2022 Air Quality Conformity Analysis Report.

ADOPTED AND SIGNED this 29th day of July 2021.

Matias Rosales., Chairman, Executive Board
Yuma Metropolitan Planning Organization
Council Member, City of San Luis

ATTEST:

Paul D. Ward, P.E., Executive Director
Yuma Metropolitan Planning Organization

YMPO INFORMATION SUMMARY for Agenda Item 8

Regional Priority Project List.

DATE: July 29-2021

SUBJECT: Regional Priority Project List.

SUMMARY:

Consistently, allocations of transportation funds programming authority to the YMPO region by the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) is minimal. In FY 2020, the State received approximately \$800 million in Federal funds and approximately \$1.5 billion in Highway User Revenue Funds (HURF). As members are aware, portions of HURF are directly allocated, by legislation, to Arizona Counties and incorporated Cities and Towns and, in FY 2020, the YMPO region received approximately \$25 million in HURF for local transportation uses. Out of the remaining discretionary funds, ADOT generally allocates less than \$10 million to the Greater Arizona region, with approximately \$1 million in Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) funds coming to YMPO.

In programming projects on the State Highway System over the past 25 years, ADOT has allocated an average of less than \$13 million per year to the YMPO region, out of over \$2 billion in discretionary funds available, NOT including the large portions allocated to the Maricopa County and Pima County regions. A straight per-person distribution would lead our region to expect almost \$80 million per year. In other words, the process that ADOT currently uses DOES NOT fairly fund the YMPO region based on our contributions into the State Highway System, regardless of the ADOT definition of 'NEED'. **Rather than simply allow ADOT to program whatever they think is appropriate, it is suggested that YMPO should be more pro-active in proclaiming what our region's needs are.**

Recent budget allocations during the past two years from the Arizona Legislature to transportation projects of \$200 million and \$320 million have indicated that the YMPO region should identify additional projects for possible programming with State funds. The Rural Transportation Advocacy Council (RTAC) has reasoned that, if further State budget allocations are to be forthcoming, a regional list of projects might encourage ADOT to allocate additional programming authority.

Federal transportation reauthorization appears to be centering in on a funding increase for Arizona of between 20 and 30 percent over the current Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act levels and this would be applicable for FYs 2022 through 2026. Also, although estimates of possible future stimulus-based infrastructure funding vary dramatically, it is likely that, during the next four to five years, the amount of federal funds for roads and bridges will increase substantially, between two and ten times the regular, authorized amounts.

Although the RTAC does not directly encourage 'earmarking', such a regional list of priority

projects MIGHT be used as a resource for regional legislators to identify and support earmarks for specific projects, rather than allowing ADOT to guide the allocations.

YMPO, in conjunction with the YMPO Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) has created a draft list of such projects and this is attached for the Board's consideration. It is anticipated that the Board might decide to refer this list back to the YMPO with some guidance regarding additional projects or adjustments to existing projects. It is proposed that the TAC should have a second opportunity to revise the list and bring it back to the Board during the August meeting for approval and forwarding to the RTAC for further distribution Statewide, as appropriate.

PUBLIC INPUT:

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

TECHNICAL & POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

POLICY: Currently, the only regional priority that YMPO has formally approved is to widen US-95, between Avenue 9E and Aberdeen Road, from two lanes to four lanes.

TECHNICAL: As the precise funding source is not yet known, it is difficult to provide guidance for the projects to be submitted. However, a mixture of State funded and/or Federally funded projects might be appropriate.

ACTION NEEDED:

This item is on the agenda for information, discussion, and possible action to approve a Prioritized List of Regional Projects, and/or to provide guidance to the YMPO TAC in developing the final list.

CONTACT PERSON:

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Agency	Project Name	Project Description	Total
City of Yuma	County 14th St: SR 195 to 10E	Construct	\$12,000,000
	40th St: 8E to 10E	Construct	\$8,000,000
	Ave 7E /40th Street / "A" Canal	Construct	\$2,500,000
	Pacific Ave Multi-Use Path: Colorado River Levee to 12th St	construct	\$500,000
	32nd St Multi-Use Path: 3E to Ave 7 1/2 E	Construct	\$3,000,000
	32nd Street: Az Ave to 10E	Design and Construct	\$46,000,000
	Ave B: 8th Street to 1st Street	Design and Construct	\$5,000,000
	Ave C: 24th Street to 32ndStreet	Design and Construct	\$3,000,000
	Ave C: 32nd Street to 40th Street	Design and Construct	\$3,000,000
	Ave D: 24th Street to 32nd Street	Design and Construct	\$3,000,000
	Ave D: 16th Street to 24th Street	Design and Construct	\$3,000,000
	Ave B: 24 Street to 8th Street	Design and Construct	\$3,000,000
	1st Street: 4th Ave to Ave B	Design and Construct	\$2,250,000
Yuma County	US 95: County 22nd St to County 11th St	3" Mill & Overlay	\$16,314,225
	Fortuna Road: I-8 to HWY 95	Reconstruction and widening	\$3,800,000
	8th Street: Ave D to Somerton Ave	Reconstruction and widening	\$5,000,000
	Somerton Ave: Co 11th to Co 14th	Reconstruction	\$2,600,000
	Somerton Ave: Co 8th to Co 11th	Reconstruction	\$2,600,000
	Foothills Blvd: 48th St to Co 14th	Reconstruction and widening	\$4,000,000
	Avenue E/D: Co 23rd to Co 18th	New construction	\$18,000,000
	County 14th St: 10E to foothills blvd	Construct	\$12,000,000
	Bridge No. 9481; Somerton Ave and Co 10 1/4 Street	Reconstruct Bridge	\$1,200,000
	Bridge No. 8515; Ave 3E and County 14 1/2 Street	Reconstruct Bridge	\$1,200,000
	Bridge No. 8795; Ave 1E and County 14 1/2 Street	Reconstruct Bridge	\$850,000
	Foothills Blvd: S. Frontage Road to 48th Street	3" Mill and Overlay	\$3,000,000
	Antelope Palomas Low Flow Crossisngs (I)	Low flow crossings	\$1,307,411
	Antelope Palomas Low Flow Crossisngs (II)	Low flow crossings	\$1,160,000
	Avenue 15E Drainage Improvements	Culvert replacement and road reconstruction	\$612,000
	Highway Pavement Surface Improvements - FY 22/23 Chip Seal	Pavement Preservation - chip seal	\$1,413,000
	Highway Pavement Surface Improvements - FY 23/24 Chip Seal	Pavement Preservation - chip seal	\$1,215,000
	Highway Pavement Surface Improvements - FY 24/25 Chip Seal	Pavement Preservation - chip seal	\$1,015,000
	Avenue 52E: HWY 80 to County 3rd Street	New paving	\$1,800,000
	Avenue 64E: Interstate 8 to Hyder Road	Pavement restoration	\$1,500,000
City of San Luis	Juan Sanchez		\$33,000,000
City of Somerton	Main St. (Hwy 95) & Som. Ave.	Somerton Ave. Traffic Signal Upgrade	\$ 300,000.00

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		Main St. (Hwy 95) to Fern St.	S. Somerton Ave. Pathway Project	\$ 230,000.00	
		Main St (Hwy 95)	New Traffic Signal High School	\$ 700,000.00	
		Somerton Ave. to State Ave.	Downtown Redevelopment Plan Phase 1	\$ 1,500,000.00	
		C.Chavez Ave. & Garvin St.	Cesar Chavez Ave. Pavement Replacement	\$ 135,000.00	
		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	
		City Limits CO.17TH to CO.15TH	Avenue D/E Corridor	\$ 1,000,000.00	\$ 5,565,000
Town of Wellton	1	25E Alignment	Cty 14 to cty 12	\$10,000,000	
	2	County 12th Street; 27E to 29E	Design & Build	\$2,500,000	
	3	Ave 31 E Bridge	TI Construct	\$35,000,000	
	4	County 11th St. 29E to 31 E	Design & Build	\$2,500,000	
	5	County 12th St. 29E to 31 E	Design & Build	\$2,500,000	\$52,500,000
Cocopah Indian Tribe		County 14th and West Main Canal Rd	West Reservation Bridge R&R Project	\$750,000	
		County 14th and Avenue H to Yuma Levee Rd (1.37 miles)	West Reservation Pavement R&R Project	\$1,370,000	
		Salt Cedar Drive (.5 miles)	East Reservation Pavement R&R Project	\$500,000	
		Salt Cedar St. (.25 miles)	East Reservation Pavement R&R Project	\$250,000	\$2,870,000
ADOT Southwest District	1	US 95, Wellton-Mohawk Canal Bridge-Aberdeen Road Widening	Phase 3 Design & Construction	\$100,000,000	
		US 95 & Araby Road Intersection Improvements	Design & Construction	\$3,500,000	
		SR 280 @ Gila Ridge Road Reconstruction & Widening	Design & Construction	\$4,000,000	
		I-8, Avenue 29E TI Ramp Improvements	Design & Construction	\$3,500,000	
		I-8, 16th Street TI Ramp Improvements	Design & Construction	\$3,500,000	
		SR 195 & County 14th Street Intersection Improvements	Design & Construction	\$3,500,000	
		Avenue 3E & 24th Street Roundabout	Design & Construction	\$5,000,000	
		I-8 @ Foothills Blvd, Ramps & South Frontage Rd Intersection Improvements	Design & Construction	\$4,500,000	\$127,500,000
YMPO		ITS Plan Regional		\$120,000	
		CoordinaionPlan		\$40,000	
		Roads of Regional Significance		\$75,000	
		Regional Freight Study		\$150,000	
		Intermodal Freight Study		\$100,000	
		Update DCR 95		\$450,000	
		Regional Cost Estimate		\$35,000	
		Transit Bus Pullout Study		\$40,000	
		I-8 Capacity Long-Term		\$150,000	
		Broadband Regional			
		Congestion Management		\$250,000	
		Off-System Bridge System Management		\$40,000	
		Pavement Management Update		\$85,000	
		Air Quality Responsibiltiy Study		\$30,000	
		Airport Loop Circulator Study		\$75,000	

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					\$1,640,000
Yuma Interantional Airport		ROLLE Airfield Road	Pave 5 miles dirt road	\$10,000,000	
		Construct Taxiway Y	Complete design and begin construction of parallel concrete taxiway to runway 21R/3L connecting to Taxiway H1 and F-1	\$23,000,000	
		40th St/4th Ave Extension Utility Relocation & Turn Lanes	Relocate utilities and install turn lanes	\$3,000,000	
					\$36,000,000
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					\$433,911,636

YMPO INFORMATION SUMMARY for Agenda Item #9

Appointment of RTAC Representative(s) for YMPO.

DATE: February 18, 2021.

SUBJECT: Appointment of RTAC Representative(s) for YMPO.

SUMMARY:

As members are already aware, Councilmember Kermit Palmer, the YMPO Executive Board representative for the Cocopah Indian Tribe has, regrettably, left the Board. The late Councilmember Palmer was the alternate member for the YMPO region on the Rural Transportation Advisory Council (RTAC) Board.

Currently, the RTAC Board member for YMPO is Mayor Ceclia McCollough. Vacant positions are generally filled during the change of office-holders that this usually occurs during the January/February timeframe. Due to the importance of the RTAC Prioritized Regional List of Projects, discussed during the previous agenda item, it might be appropriate to nominate another person to fill the vacant alternate position and/or to adjust the RTAC membership for YMPO prior to the beginning of the year.

Members may contact Chairman Mattias Rosales and/or the Executive Director to make nominations (including self-nominations) prior to the meeting, or they may do so during the meeting when called on by the Chairman.

PUBLIC INPUT: No public comments have been received on this subject, to date.

TECHNICAL & POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

TECHNICAL: It is the Board's decision regarding who represents the Board, especially at outside agencies like RTAC. Appointments usually occur during the January/February timeframe, but may occur during other times, depending on need.

POLICY: YMPO By-Laws are silent, with regard to membership on the RTAC about "how" Officers are chosen, and "when" this should occur.

ACTION NEEDED:

This item is on the agenda for information, discussion, and possible action to elect/appoint a new alternate member to represent YMPO on the RTAC and/or to adjust the current membership, as the Board desires.

PRIOR BOARD/COMMITTEE ACTIONS:

During the regularly scheduled YMPO Executive Board meeting on February 25, 2021, Mayor McCollough expressed her interest to remain as the RTAC Representative for YMPO and Councilmember Palmer indicated his interest to serve as an Alternate. The self-nominations were accepted as stated, Supervisor Porchas seconded, and the motion was unanimously approved.

MEMBERS ATTENDING:

Martha Garcia, Somerton, Chair,
Matias Rosales, San Luis, Vice-Chair
Martin Porchas, Yuma Co., Sec/Treas.
Cecilia McCollough, Wellton, Member
Gary Knight, Yuma, Member

Paul Patane, ADOT, Member
Lynne Pancrazi, Yuma Co., Member
Karen Watts, Yuma. Member
Leslie McClendon, Yuma. Member
Kermit Palmer, Cocopah Tribe, Member

All members of the Board participated, either in person, or by video and/or teleconference.

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