

PAG Management Committee Meeting Summary

Meeting Summary of March 13, 2024, Meeting

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Committee Members Present: Paul Keesler for Jeff Wilkins, Town of Oro Valley
Terry Rozema, Town of Marana
Rod Lane, ADOT
Jan Leshar, Pima County
Beth Abramovitz for Shane Dille, Town of Sahuarita
Mike Ortega, City of Tucson
Jason Bahe, Pascua Yaqui Tribe
Josué Licea, for Veronica Moreno, City of South Tucson

Committee Members Absent: Damascus Francisco, Tohono O'odham Nation

AGENDA

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 8:35 a.m.

2. Approval of January 17, 2024, Meeting Summary

Motion was made by Terry Rozema, Town of Marana, seconded by Michael Ortega, City of Tucson, and unanimously carried that the Management Committee of Pima Association of Governments approve the Meeting Summary of Jan. 17, 2024.

3. Consent Agenda Items for Information

PAG Executive Director Farhad Moghimi reported that these items are in the meetings materials for information and no action is required.

a. Regional Mobility and Accessibility Plan (RMAP) Update

- b. Environmental Planning Advisory Committee (EPAC) Top Environmental Issues List 2024

No discussion or action taken on this item.

4. FY 2025–FY 2029 Transportation Improvement (TIP) Development Process Update and Review of the Draft TIP Project List.

PAG Director of Strategic Planning, Programming and Policy Jamie Brown provided the Management Committee with an update on development of the PAG Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), draft FY 2025–FY 2029 TIP project list and schedule of TIP Open Houses.

The presentation provided to the Management Committee is attached to this meeting summary.

Mr. Moghimi noted that last year the Regional Council agreed to have additional time to develop the TIP to ensure that we have the remaining RTA projects fully programmed, and we're at the point right now where all RTA projects through FY 2029 are programmed and federal and state funds can be used to complete remaining RTA projects. That does not include four RTA projects because based on conversations with the Board, the four projects have to go the voters and are part of the RTA Next discussions. One Pima County project, however, will be fully funded using federal funds. Mr. Moghimi added that it's anticipated the TIP will be adopted in May and staff can respond to questions about the current RTA being fully funded.

Mr. Brown and Mr. Moghimi also detailed and provided clarification on the discussion held at the March 6, 2024, TPC meeting regarding the committee's request for a recommendation on whether to include PAG's OWP items in the draft TIP project list. ADOT has recommended removing OWP TIP IDs and use the approved OWP as the sole source document for distinguishing the difference between planning activities conducted by PAG and the infrastructure projects required to be in the TIP.

Pima County Administrator Jan Leshner asked why we are making a change and does that cause any kind of confusion and perceived lack of transparency or anything else as it relates to taking anything to the voters as we move into RTA Next.

Mr. Moghimi noted that we always try to refine and make sure every document is more accurate, more consistent and clearer. While going through the TIP

development process, a comment was made on how we can reconcile the two documents and eliminate the confusion on how funds are spent.

ADOT's Rod Lane and Mark Hoffman also offered comments. There is no requirement for the work program activities and approved funding to also be included in the regional TIP, but there is no restriction from doing so. There's a required federal action to approve federal aid projects and the funding, and either that is done through the approved regional TIP and then that is entered into the state transportation improvement program or on the planning side, through the federally approved work program.

Mr. Moghimi added that in practice, as soon as the OWP is approved, the TIP information is no longer correct or relevant and that's where the confusion comes in. By keeping the two documents separate, as recommended by ADOT, they stand alone and are a correct snapshot as soon as they are approved.

Sam Credio, City of Tucson, added that at the TPC meeting there was concern of the change without committee discussion which prompted formal action by the TPC to seek further direction from the Management Committee prior to TPC approval of the draft project list.

PAG staff continued to field questions from the Management Committee on this item to further clarify the request. Some other discussion points included concerns on how the change or modifications will be perceived to the voters as we move closer to RTA Next.

Motion was made by Terry Rozema, Town of Marana, seconded by Beth Abramovitz, Town of Sahuarita, and unanimously carried that the Management Committee of Pima Association of Governments concurs with ADOT's recommendation for keeping the OWP elements as a separate source document from the TIP document.

5. Regional Transportation Revenues Update

RTA Budget Coordinator James Towe provided the Management Committee with a report on regional transportation revenue information referenced in the agenda item memo as well as on the summary of year-to-date FY 2023 regionwide Highway User Revenue Fund (HURF) revenues. Detailed financial tables are available within the meeting packet materials.

This was an information item.

6. FY 2022–FY 2026 PAG Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #2022.100

PAG Senior Policy and Program Analyst Adam Ledford provided the Management Committee with information on TIP Amendment #2022.10 as detailed in the meeting materials. TPC recommended approval of this item at its March 6, 2024, meeting.

Motion was made by Terry Rozema, Town of Marana, seconded by Michael Ortega, City of Tucson, and unanimously carried that the Management Committee of Pima Association of Governments recommend approval of TIP Amendment #2022.100 to the PAG FY 2022–FY 2026 Transportation Improvement Program, which makes funding adjustments to transit projects.

7. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:58 a.m.

TIP Development Process Update

Management Committee

March 13, 2024

Jamie Brown | Director of Strategic Planning, Programming and Policy



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Anticipated schedule (subject to change)

- **Sept. – Oct. 2023:** TIP Subcommittee review of updated RTA roadway cost estimates
- **Sept. – Dec. 2023:** TIP Subcommittee review and discussion of RTA roadway element programming of STBG and HURF 12.6%
- **Nov. – Dec. 2023:** TWG review of transit project list
- **Dec. 2023 and Jan. 2024:** Preliminary committee review of draft TIP project lists
- **Feb. and March 2024:** TPC and Management Committee review of draft TIP project list
- **Mid-to-late March:** Convene TIP Open Houses
- **April 2024:** Regional Council review of full draft TIP project list
- **April 2024:** TPC review and recommendation for approval of full draft TIP document
- **April 2024:** Commence 30-day public comment period on draft TIP document
- **May 2024:** Management Committee review and recommendation for approval of draft TIP document
- **May 2024:** Public hearing and Regional Council review and approval of FY 2025–FY 2029 TIP document

»» TIP Open Houses

- Overview of the TIP and TIP development process will be provided
- Opportunity for members of the public to provide feedback on the draft project list and ask questions. **Member agency participation is highly encouraged to assist with project questions.**
- The 30-day comment period will provide the opportunity for public comment on the full draft TIP document.

- Tuesday, March 19, 3 to 5 p.m., at PAG (**in person and virtual**)
- Wednesday, March 20, 4 to 6 p.m., at Abrams Public Health Center (**in person only**)
- Thursday, March 21, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the Wheeler Taft Abbett Sr. Library (Marana) (**in person only**)

»» TPC review of draft TIP project list

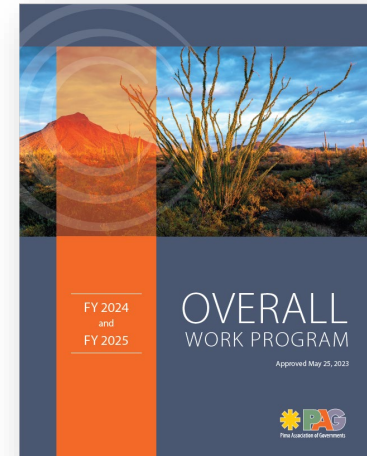
- Comment received about reconciling TIP funding and OWP funding.
- Therefore, ADOT recommended to remove OWP TIP IDs and use the approved Work Program as the sole source document for distinguishing the difference between planning activities conducted by PAG and infrastructure projects required to be in the TIP.
- TPC requested guidance from the Management Committee regarding ADOT's recommendation.



OWP is a separate effort and adopted by the Regional Council

Includes details on purpose, funding, projected outcomes, goals, and strategies for all work elements.

Includes details on revenue and expenditures within 6 tables for each fiscal year



40 – TRANSPORTATION ACTIVITIES



PURPOSE:

As the MPO serving the federally designated transportation management area for Pima County, PAG is required to conduct a regional planning process that is compliant with federal regulations. The purpose is to provide a forum for regional cooperation and to deliver a seamless multimodal transportation network for the citizens of Pima County that complements state and federal systems throughout the region.

FUNDING:

This work element is funded using federal transportation sources such as the State Transportation Block Grant Program (STBGP), Metropolitan Planning (PL), Metropolitan Planning - Increasing Safe and Accessible Transportation Options (PL-ISATO), 5310 and Carbon Reduction Program (CRP). CRP is a new federal funding source. Several planning activities that help reduce carbon emissions outlined below are funded through the new federal transportation bill. ADOT is providing guidance on eligible uses for CRP funding.

The required match for these activities comes from jurisdictional local dues, grants and jurisdictional/community in-kind participation where applicable.

Total expenditures for this program, by fund source, can be found in Table 4 at document.

Capital/equipment and consultants over \$5,000, including pass-through funding for these activities can be found in Table 6 at the end of this document.

PROJECTED OUTCOMES:

Regional Transportation Planning

Projected Outcome	Est.
Conduct meaningful public information, involvement and outreach regarding transportation planning activities and their impact on the community. This includes open houses, public comment notifications, etc.	
Renew Regional Accessibility and Mobility Plan (RMAP)	
Pedestrian and bicycle count program activities	Occ

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Ensure adherence to federal requirements, using processes for ongoing public outreach and including a financial component that matches needs with available revenue sources.

Goal 1: Meet federal mandates for regional transportation planning.

Strategy: Maintain the region's long-range transportation plan known as the Regional Mobility and Accessibility Plan (RMAP).

Goal 2: Establish and Implement a Performance Management Program.

Strategy: Develop data collection and processing workflow to generate timely and useful metrics to monitor progress toward:

- RMAP and Congestion Management Process (CMP) goals and targets
- Federally mandated performance measures and targets per FHWA and FTA regulations and rulemakings (e.g., Transit Asset Management and Public Transportation Safety Action Plans, etc.)
- HURF 12.6 - TABY
- TIP project development and selection
- Linking transportation investments to performance goals and targets of RMAP
- Other demonstrably useful measures

Goal 3: Title VI and Environmental Justice Planning and Compliance.

Strategy: Develop annual Title VI Plan and Report in partnership with ADOT.

Strategy: Continue to address Environmental Justice compliance within PAG's federally required transportation plans.

Goal 4: Develop Multimodal Components of the Long-Range RMAP.

Strategy: Develop regional active modes component of the RMAP. Conduct regional bicycle and pedestrian mileage information, count data and other active modes analysis for input into the RMAP.

Strategy: Continue to promote transportation safety awareness through various communications channels and explore opportunities to partner with other agencies on transportation safety education and outreach.

Strategy: Develop regional roadway, categorical, economic and other modal components of the RMAP.

Strategy: Develop RTA regional transit plan component of the RMAP.

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Table 1 – Funds Available FY 2023-24
(\$ dollars)

Fund Source	Anticipated Revenues		
	Carryforward	New Funding	Available
FHWA - PL	-	1,295,919	1,295,919
FHWA - PL - ISATO	25,551	33,228	58,780
FHWA - STBG	1,400,000	4,485,000	6,085,000
FHWA - Carbon Reduction Program	1,682,807	2,338,257	4,021,064
FHWA - HSP RISA	65,025	100,000	165,025
FTA - 5305d CPG	-	578,278	578,278
FTA - 5305 Transit - Residual Grants	280,000	-	280,000
FTA - 5310 - Mobility Mgmt.*	48,586	-	48,586
Total Federal Revenue	3,501,969		
ADEQ - TRP	-	-	-
ADEQ - Water (1160)	-	-	-
ADEQ - Air (1240)	-	-	-
HURF 12.6 - Operations	-	-	-
HURF 12.6 - TABY	350,000	-	350,000
Total State Revenues	350,000		
PAG Local Share Contributions	-	-	-
Program Revenue	-	-	-
RTA - Annual Distribution	-	-	-
RTA - 4554 Support	-	-	-
RTA - Programs	-	-	-
Third Party	-	-	-
In-Kind	-	-	-
Total Local Revenues	-		
Total All Revenues	3,851,969		

Work Element	Program	Total	Personnel	Employee-related
11	Integrated Watershed	304,668	267,056	3,200
12	Air Quality	92,980	78,084	1,500
44	Economic Vitality	190,116	69,866	2,550
	Integrated Planning and Smart Region	587,764	406,006	7,250
40	Transportation Activities	9,198,113	3,339,065	115,530
41	Safety and Security	175,000	-	-
	Transportation Activities	9,373,113	3,339,065	115,530
36	Regional Partnering	46,520	-	-
38	Travel Reduction Program	192,119	180,745	-
39	Commuter Services	72,000	-	-
61	Orthopedics	626,020	106,114	-
63	Regional Modeling	557,667	483,705	1,000
	Other Programs and Services	1,494,726	817,084	1,000
46	RTA Support	995,133	931,248	3,000
47	RTA Project Mgmt	149,554	140,458	400
	RTA Support	1,144,687	1,071,706	3,400
92	Pvt Mgmt and Sys Data	477,200	-	-
95	Trans Art by Youth	500,000	-	-
	Pass Through Partnerships	977,200	-	-
0191	Non-Federal Admin	174,970	-	2,000
0290	Administrative Overhead	1,348,995	1,199,580	5,700
0990	General and Administrative	987,855	-	41,005
	Administration	2,506,820	1,199,580	48,705
Grand Total		16,084,310	6,833,441	175,885

* Funding and activities are administered under a separate grant agree

Table 6 – Capital/Equipment and Consultants including Pass-Through Funding
FY 2024-25
(\$ dollars)

Work Element	Program	Capital & Equipment	Consulting	Amount	New Process Request
010	Board/Advisory Admin		Advisory Services	\$20,000	
020-080	Administration	Financial Software		\$10,000	
020-080	Administration	Personnel		\$10,000	
020-080	Administration	Travel		\$10,000	
020-080	Administration	Legal Services		\$10,000	
020-080	Administration	Security Services		\$10,000	
020	Commuter Services	Support Software for Riders		\$10,000	
020	Commuter Services	IT/IT Management Services		\$10,000	
400	Transportation Activities	GIS Mapping Project		\$1,800	
400	Transportation Activities	Contract Services		\$60,000	
400	Transportation Activities	Simulation-based and use model development		\$40,000	
400	Transportation Activities	Mobility support services, Data		\$11,000	
400	Transportation Activities	Mobile Analytics Services (e.g.,		\$10,000	
400	Transportation Activities	Transit (GIS, Transportation)		\$10,000	
400	Transportation Activities	GIS Services		\$10,000	
400	Transportation - CDP Program	Regional Services		\$10,000	
400	Transportation - CDP Program	Technical Advice Transportation Plan		\$10,000	
400	Transportation - CDP Program	Regulatory planning and development for projects		\$10,000	
400	Transportation - CDP Program	State model development for regional transportation		\$10,000	Yes
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400	Transportation - CDP Program	State model development for regional transportation		\$10,000	Yes
400	Transportation - CDP Program	State model development for regional transportation		\$10,000	Yes
0100	Transportation Safety and Security	Travel Safety Assessments (TSA)		\$10,000	
0200	Transportation Activities	Public Program Development		\$10,000	
0200	Transportation Activities	State Program Development - Statewide		\$10,000	
020	Personnel Management Program	State contract and training		\$40,000	
	TOTAL			\$274,000	



Questions?



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