

# **Transportation Planning Committee (TPC) Meeting Summary**

Summary of 9 a.m., January 22, 2025, Meeting

The meeting can be viewed in its entirety at: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/live/KOWN3s9M3ms">https://www.youtube.com/live/KOWN3s9M3ms</a>

Committee Members

Jose Rodríguez
Town of Oro Valley

**Natalie Shepp** Pima County

Jeremy Moore

ADOT – Southcentral District

**Fausto Burruel** Town of Marana

**Galo Galovale** Town of Sahuarita

**Josue Licea** (Virtual) City of South Tucson Committee Members Cont.

Davita Mueller (Virtual)

Sun Tran

**Jason Bahe** (Virtual) Pascua Yaqui Tribe

**Chris Stebe** (Virtual) University of Arizona

**Scott Robidoux** (Virtual) Tucson Airport Authority

PAG Staff Lead
Jeanette DeRenne

Ex-Officio

Dan Gabiou, FHWA Jamie Brown, PAG/RTA

#### 1. Call to Order and Introductions

The Chair called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m., and introductions were made.

### 2. In-kind Reporting

Staff informed the participants of the in-kind form, and members were asked to confirm their estimated in-kind time for the meeting.

#### 3. Approval of the Dec. 18, 2024, Meeting Summary

# Video Timestamp: 2:39

**Action:** A motion to approve the December 18, 2024, meeting summary was made by Fausto Burruel, Town of Marana, seconded by Galo Galovale, Town of Sahuarita, and passed unanimously.

# 4. Overview on the "Arizona State Highway-Rail Grade Crossing Action Plan (SHRAP)"

# Video Timestamp: 3:31

ADOT staff provided the members with an overview on the Arizona State Highway-Rail Grade Crossing Action Plan (SHRAP). Heidi Yaqub, ADOT MPD Planner/SHRAP Project Manager, explained to members that SHRAP was a way to improve safety, provide recommendations regarding programming of railroad crossing improvements, and a tool to determine annual budgets needed for funding prioritized projects. Additionally, it is a federal requirement. Ms. Yaqub informed members of the goal and scope of SHRAP. Jane Gauger, ADOT Railroad Program Manager, discussed pedestrian safety at railroad crossings and explained the role that the ADOT Utility and Railroad Engineering (URR) facilitates. Ms. Gauger informed the members that URR was the liaison between ADOT and the railroad companies and managed the Federal Highway-Railroad Grade Crossing Safety Program in Arizona, along with the Statewide Railroad Crossing Inventory.

Presentation can be found here: Item-4-ADOT-SHRAP-Presentation.pdf

#### 5. Update on the Regional Active Transportation Plan (RATP)

#### Video Timestamp: 17:16

PAG staff provided the members with updates on the development of the Regional Active Transportation Plan (RATP), including updates on the RATP Working Group and the plan development. PAG Planning Coordinator Hannah Oden informed members that Kimley-Horn, the consultant, had completed data collection and draft analysis. Members were informed that the RATP Technical Working Group members were given the opportunity to review the analysis through an interactive map and provide comments. Ms. Oden indicated that the consultant was able to respond to the comments received from jurisdictions and updates were made to the analysis map. Members were informed that an active transportation toolbox was being finalized for internal review and would be shared with the Technical Working Group. Ms. Oden shared the next phase of public outreach that was anticipated for March with a final project completion anticipated by the end of the fiscal year.

This item was for information only.

# 6. 2055 Regional Mobility and Accessibility Plan (RMAP) Update

# Video Timestamp: 20:34

PAG staff provided the members with updates on the development of PAG's long-range transportation plan, the 2055 RMAP. Members were informed of the draft document timeline and given RMAP modeling updates. PAG Transportation Planning Director Jeanette DeRenne informed members that the document was anticipated to be completed by May 2025 and a draft document would be ready for internal review within the next few weeks. Ms. DeRenne indicated that the GIS team was in the process of completing the Title VI maps and others that would be included in the document. Members were informed that the Town of Sahuarita requested to add a project for the Phoenix Zoo Access Road, and it had been incorporated into the project list as well as the modeling work.

PAG Data Science Administrator Dr. Hyunsoo Noh updated members on the RMAP modeling. Dr. Noh indicated the land use modeling had been completed, and the draft results had been discussed with the jurisdictional partners. Members were informed that updates were being made to the forecast year 2055 land use model based on those discussions. Dr. Noh shared that the travel demand model with the activity-based model had been updated to include the Town of Sahuarita's Phoenix Zoo Access Road project and anticipated the 2055 forecast year model run to be completed within the next few weeks. Members were informed that activity based model-related performance measures were being updated and reviewed; and once approved, staff would continue the air quality conformity analysis modeling.

This item was for information only.

#### 7. Future agenda items

Natalie Shepp, Pima County Department of Environmental Equality, requested greenhouse gas emissions and climate planning be added to a future agenda for discussion.

\*\*\*Pursuant to Arizona open meeting laws, the committee cannot discuss or take action today on any matters raised under this agenda item. Under this agenda item, committee members are also prohibited from returning to other agenda items which have been previously discussed and acted on earlier in this meeting.

## 8. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 a.m.