

# **Environmental Planning Advisory Committee (EPAC) Meeting**

At or after 9:30 a.m., Thursday, May 1, 2025

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Notice is hereby given to the public and to the Committee members that the Environmental Planning Advisory Committee (EPAC) of Pima Association of Governments (PAG) will meet at the above stated time and date.

SPECIAL NOTICE: Members of the EPAC will attend the meeting remotely. The meeting room will not be open to the public. However, members of the public are invited to attend the meeting via the public access link above. Committee members will be provided with a separate link to participate. Members of the public may submit written comments relating to this meeting to <u>info@pagregion.com</u> within twenty-four hours of the meeting's posted start time. These comments will be filed with the committee's records.

EPAC is a technical advisory committee established by PAG to make regional environmental planning recommendations to the PAG Executive Director. EPAC provides technical review and develops recommendations on studies, reports, plans, programs and submittals in support of continuous, comprehensive and cooperative planning and programming within the PAG planning area and in full compliance with PAG policies and procedures. Committee members are prohibited from interfering with the administrative functions of the organization.

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#### AGENDA

#### 1. Call to Order and Introductions

#### 2. In-kind Form

The participants will be asked to confirm their estimated in-kind time so that the meeting can count as a local match to PAG's federally funded programs.

This is an information item.

#### 3. Approval of EPAC Feb. 6, 2025, Meeting Summary

Action: Approval of the Meeting Summary.

#### 4. EPAC Top Environmental Issues List for 2025

PAG staff will present the updated final draft of EPAC's Top Environmental Issues List for 2025, which will serve as a guide for discussion and coordination topics in the upcoming year. This list

has been revised based on information gathered from 2024 presentations, the fall update process by members and PAG staff, and the goals where EPAC members reached a consensus during the meetings on Dec. 12, 2024, and Feb. 6, 2025. Items that need further review will be discussed for the 2026 list and explored through future presentations for enhanced education and discussion on the topics if needed.

Action: Recommend approval of the final draft of EPAC's Top Environmental Issues List for 2025.

# 5. Wildlife Corridors and Crossing Infrastructure in Pima County Overview

Representatives from the Arizona Game and Fish, Town of Marana, Pima County, Tohono O'odham Nation, ADOT and the Coalition for Sonoran Desert Protection will present on studies, infrastructure investments, upcoming projects and remaining barriers related to maintaining regional wildlife linkages.

This is an information item

### 6. Future Agenda Items

Speaker suggestions for future agenda topics to be considered by PAG may be suggested by committee members.

\*\*\*Pursuant to open meeting laws, the committee cannot discuss or act on any matters raised that are not listed on this agenda.

## 7. Adjournment

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