

Transportation Planning Committee (TPC) Meeting Summary

Summary of 1 p.m., October 23, 2025, Meeting

The meeting can be viewed in its entirety at: <https://www.youtube.com/live/q-vxvL0Ro8c>

Committee Members

Jose Rodríguez
Town of Oro Valley

Andy Bemis
City of Tucson

Galovale Galovale
Town of Sahuarita

Jeremy Moore
ADOT – Southcentral District

John Baskett
Tohono O’odham Nation

Natalie Shepp
PDEQ

Committee Members Cont.

Paul Casertano
Pima County DOT

Fausto Burruel (Virtual)
Town of Marana

Jason Bahe (Virtual)
Pasqua Yaqui Tribe

Tony Bianchi (Virtual)
Tucson Airport Authority

PAG Staff Lead
Jeanette DeRenne

Ex-Officio
Jamie Brown, PAG/RTA

1. Call to Order and Introductions

The Chair called the meeting to order at 1:01 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 Sept. 18, 2025, Meeting Summary

[Video Timestamp: 3:09](#)

Action: A motion to approve the Sept. 18, 2025, meeting summary was made by Andy Bemis, City of Tucson, seconded by Fausto Burruel, Town of Marana, and passed unanimously.

4. Review of requests for Carbon Reduction Program (CRP) Funds

[Video Timestamp: 3:48](#)

PAG staff provided an overview of the federal Carbon Reduction Program (CRP) funding available as described in a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) distributed to PAG members last month. Since the NOFA was released, the carryforward amount was reduced, with the updated total amount available to program at \$2,849,541. Five funding requests were submitted and during the meeting each sponsor provided a brief overview of each project. Based on TPC discussion, the amounts in the table below were recommended for funding. For Pima County's two funded projects, the total recommended funding for both is listed below. The specific amount for each project will be determined later by Pima County staff and shared with PAG staff.

TPC-Recommended Carbon Reduction Program and RTA match (5.7% non-federal) awards

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Jurisdiction	TIP ID	Pop. Area	Project Name	TPC-recommended funding awards		
				Federal (CRP)	Non-federal 5.7% match (RTA)	Total
City of Tucson	5.24	>200k	Blacklidge Bicycle Blvd.	\$1,089,290	\$65,843	\$1,155,133
Pima County	4.23	>200k	Palo Verde Road Sidewalks*	\$1,408,906	\$85,162	\$1,494,068
Pima County	3.24	5k-49k	South Houghton Rd. Multi-Use Path*			
San Xavier District of the Tohono O'odham Nation	79.10	<5k	San Xavier Rd.: Little Nogales to I-19	\$351,345	\$21,237	\$372,582
Total				\$2,849,541	\$172,242	\$3,021,783

*Specific allocation per project not determined during TPC meeting. Based on the total amount in the table, the allocation per project is being considered by Pima County staff and will be shared with PAG staff.

Presentation can be found here:

[Item-4-COT-Blacklidge-Presentation.pdf](#)

[Item-4-PCDOT-Palo-Verde-Sidewalks-Presentation.pdf](#)

[Item-4-PCDOT-S-Houghton-MUP-Presentation.pdf](#)

[Item-4-TO-San-Xavier-Rd-Presentation.pdf](#)

Action: A motion to approve the recommendation outlined above was made by Jason Bahe, Pascua Yaqui Tribe, seconded by Fausto Burruel, Town of Marana, and passed unanimously.

5. PAG Dynamic Traffic Assignment (DTA) Model Development Update

[Video Timestamp: 1:41:56](#)

PAG provided members with an update on the Dynamic Traffic Assignment (DTA) model development. PAG Transportation Data Science Manager James Tokishi gave members an overview of the DTA model and the Static Traffic Assignment (STA) model. Members were informed that the DTA model network was reviewed and updated by PAG in 2021-2023 to create a functional base network, and was then given back to Caliper for calibration, validation in Spring 2025. Mr. Tokishi indicated that PAG was currently working on a review of everything that had been received back from Caliper and updating the earlier network to the current base year.

Members were informed that the model was currently using demands taken from the Activity Based Model outputs that are weighted by the VMT time-of-day metrics (ToD) developed by PAG. Mr. Tokishi shared with members that signal timings of the network were taken from a 2021 City of Tucson Synchro network and additional updates from ADOT. Members were informed that transit was based on the 2024 SunTran network retrieved through the GTFS system model. Mr. Tokishi provided members with an overview of the model components, which included the network structure and signal, drivers and vehicles, transit routing and scheduling and demand. Members were informed of an air quality module that was commissioned as supplemental add-on, which matches the DTA vehicle types to move source types and calculated metrics as the model runs. Mr. Tokishi indicated that future use cases for the model would include enhanced regional and ToD metrics, special event planning, more detailed capacity analysis and project impacts.

This item was for information only.

Presentation can be found here: [Item-5-DTA-Update-Presentation.pdf](#)

6. Update on the Regional Active Transportation Plan (RATP)

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Kimley-Horn Consultant Chris Johannes provided members with an update on the progress of the Regional Active Transportation Plan (RATP) including an overview of the recommended projects, a document tour and the final steps of the project schedule. Members were informed of the project development process and how the Active Transportation Toolbox was utilized. Mr. Johannes provided members with an overview of the document chapters which included the Introduction, Understanding Our Region, Identifying Regional Needs, Building Blocks of a High-Quality Network, Strengthening Regional Connections and Path to Progress. Members were informed that the last round of public engagement had included posting the draft report on a social pinpoint site for the public to review and leave comments; an interactive web map of the recommended projects; and in-person events. Mr. Johannes indicated that the final public engagement round had concluded and was currently processing comments received. He said any pertinent comments would be integrated into the final report.

Presentation can be found here: [Item-6-RATP-Update-Presentation.pdf](#)

This item was for information only.

7. Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) related updates

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PAG staff provided members with updates on items related to PAG TIP-related activities including grants and funding deadlines. PAG Director of Strategic Planning, Programming and Policy shared with members that the Regional Transportation Alternatives Grants deadline would be November 7, 2025, for applications. Mr. Brown mentioned PAG would be reaching out to ask for any willing non-applicants to participate in the competitive selection panel process. Members were informed of federal funding deadline and that there was a use or lose situation with those funds. Mr. Brown indicated that in the TIP policies and procedures, if the amount is \$3 million or greater that is programmed into the TIP to please notify PAG by the end of October.

8. Regional Transportation Revenues Update

[Video Timestamp: 2:10:34](#)

PAG staff informed members that the full Regional Transportation Revenues Report was available in the meeting packet, and staff could be reached for any questions.

9. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:13 p.m.