

Environmental Planning Advisory Committee (EPAC) Meeting

At or after 9:30 a.m., Thursday, December 11, 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 info@pagregion.com 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 Management Committee and 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.

Pima Association of Governments is committed to maintaining high standards of conduct and prohibits harassment and retaliation against all employees pursuant to PAG's Policy Against Discrimination, Harassment and Retaliation. It is the responsibility of all committee members to comply with and to report violations or suspected violations of the Rules of Conduct, PAG policies, federal or state laws and regulations.

AGENDA

1. Call to Order and Introductions

2. In-kind Form

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

This is an information item.

3. Approval of EPAC May 1, 2025, and October 23, 2025, Meeting Summaries

Action: Approval of the Meeting Summaries.

4. ADOT Transportation Project Environmental Review Process

Representatives from the Arizona Department of Transportation will present the environmental review process including the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), biological, cultural, air quality, hazardous materials, water and other requirements and considerations.

Environmental planning staff will present on topics pertaining to highway noise at the source, noise sensitive areas, wildlife, pavement performances, and measurement methodologies.

Traffic engineering staff will present guidelines for roadway lighting.

This is an information item.

5. Hard to Recycle Plastics

A representative from the ByFusion program will present recent changes and accomplishments from the private side of the partnership with the City of Tucson and regional opportunities.

This is an information item.

6. EPAC Top Environmental Issues List for 2026

PAG staff will present the final draft of EPAC's Top Environmental Issues List for 2026 for review and approval.

Action: Approval of Top Environmental Issues List for 2026 and distribution to PAG Management Committee, Regional Council and Executive Director.

7. Nomination and Election of EPAC Chair and Vice Chair

According to the EPAC bylaws, the terms of office for the committee Chair and Vice Chair shall be for two years. PAG staff will request nomination of eligible voting members as nominees to fill these positions.

Action: Nomination and election of the committee Chair and Vice Chair two-year terms.

8. Request Future Agenda Items

Members of EPAC may request items to have considered for discussion on future meeting agendas.

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

9. Adjournment

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