

Regional Council Meeting

At or after 12:00 p.m., Thursday, January 29, 2026

Pima Association of Governments
1 E. Broadway Blvd., Suite 401, Tucson

Public Access to Meeting Audio/Presentations (if technologically available):
[Live YouTube Video Link](#)

Notice is hereby given to the public and to the Council's members that the Regional Council of Pima Association of Governments will have a meeting at the above stated time and location. The following is an agenda of the matters to be considered, discussed and acted upon. The sequence of the agenda may be changed by the Chair. Action may be taken on any item.

The Regional Council may vote to go into Executive Session pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3) for discussion or consultation for legal advice with the attorney or attorneys of the public body regarding any item specifically listed on this agenda.

PAG is a private, nonprofit {501(c)4} organization designated as the federally required metropolitan planning organization for Pima County.

PAG meeting agendas requiring public notice are posted at the official address referenced above and are available for public review during official PAG business hours, excluding weekends and legal holidays.

The meeting room will be open to the public. Members of the public are invited to attend the meeting via the public access link above if technologically available. Members of the Council may attend the meeting in-person or remotely. Regional Council members will be provided with a separate link to participate remotely, as needed.

Members of the public may submit written comments relating to this meeting to info@PAGregion.com within 24 hours prior to the posted start time of the meeting. These comments will be filed with the meeting's records.

Alternatively, a virtual call-in option subject to technological availability may be available for comments under the Call to the Audience item on the PAG Regional Council meeting agenda. Interested members of the public must email info@PAGregion.com or call (520) 792-1093 at least 24 hours prior to the start of the meeting to confirm your interest in participating in the virtual Call to the Audience.

A quorum of the Regional Transportation Authority's Board of Directors is present. However, in compliance with state open meeting laws, no issues related to the RTA will be discussed or acted upon during the Regional Council meeting.

Council Description: *Develop, adopt and/or endorse policies, plans, reports and other submittals related to regional problems and needs that require action on an areawide or regional basis, including air quality, water quality, transportation, land use and human services. Involve local and state governments in a voluntary and cooperative manner to develop regional solutions. Act in its capacity as the federally required and state-designated metropolitan planning organization and as the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency-designated lead agency for air, water quality and regional solid waste planning for the greater Tucson region.*

"We encourage and uphold the importance of regional collaboration as the PAG Regional Council addresses regional priorities and pursues regional solutions."

To view the full Regional Collaboration and Unity Pledge, visit PAGregion.com/pledge

AGENDA

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Call to the Audience (Remote Access Option)**

Speakers are limited to a three-minute oral presentation, subject to technological availability, and may submit written comments of any length for the Council's files. The Call to the Audience is limited to 30 minutes. Those wishing to address the Council should follow the instructions above under the Special Notice prior to the meeting to specify the topic to be addressed. Individual Council members may respond to criticism made by those individuals who have addressed the Council and may ask staff to review a matter. However, the Council will not discuss or act on a matter raised during a Call to the Audience that is not already on the agenda.

Prior to making comments, we ask speakers to disclose if they are representing or speaking on behalf of another person or entity.

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4. **Meeting Summary Approval**

The Regional Council will consider corrections and may amend the draft meeting summary of Dec. 4, 2025, during the meeting prior to approval.

Action: The Regional Council will be asked to approve the meeting summary of Dec. 4, 2025.

STAFF MEMO	ATTACHMENT(S):
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Meeting Summary of Dec. 4, 2025

5. **Consent Agenda Items**

All items listed under the Consent Agenda are for information purposes only. Staff are available to report on any of these items if the Regional Council elects to remove an item for discussion and possible action.

Items a - c: Informational

a. Program Highlights Report

STAFF MEMO	ATTACHMENT(S):
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">OWP Monthly Report for November 2025OWP Monthly Report for December 2025

b. Contracts and Agreements Report

STAFF MEMO	ATTACHMENT(S):
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">CAR Report

c. 2026 Top Environmental Issues List - Environmental Planning Advisory Committee (EPAC)

The Top Environmental Issues List is compiled by Pima Association of Governments (PAG) in coordination with its Environmental Planning Advisory Committee (EPAC) and its subcommittees.

Distribution is for informational purposes and for your awareness of focus area topics at EPAC meetings this year.

STAFF MEMO	ATTACHMENT(s)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">EPAC 2026 Top Environmental Issues List

6. Transportation Planning Initiatives Presentation from Mexican Officials on High-Speed Passenger Rail and the Port of Guaymas

The following items were at the request of Supervisor Matt Heinz:

Discussion/Direction/Action: The Regional Council will be provided a presentation on the items listed below and may be asked to provide feedback and direction.

(a) Plan Mexico 2030, including High-Speed Passenger Rail Initiatives on Both Sides of the Border

Plan Mexico 2030 and specifically, the Sheinbaum administration's plans to invest in high-speed passenger rail throughout various corridors of the nation, including connecting Mexico City to Nogales, Sonora and regarding ADOT's current planning process for the development of high-speed passenger rail between Tucson and the Phoenix valley.

Presenters:

- **Fernando Sánchez Roldán**
Head Consul of Mexico in Tucson
- **Carlos Lopez**
Contract Project Manager, ADOT

STAFF MEMO	ATTACHMENT(s)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Memos from Supervisor Matt Heinz regarding Plan Mexico 2030, including High-Speed Passenger Rail Initiatives on Both Sides of the Border– January 22, 2026

Discussion/Direction/Action: The Regional Council will be provided a presentation on the items listed below and may be asked to provide feedback and direction.

(b) Port of Guaymas Expansion and Upgrades, Implications for Cross-Border Trade and Commerce with Pima County, Arizona

Mexico's ongoing and future planned upgrades to the Port of Guaymas in the state of Sonora, anticipated effects on exports and imports from/to northern Mexico and the southwestern and western United States, and implications for the Nogales Port of Entry, the I-19 corridor, Pima County, and the Port of Tucson.

Presenters:

- **Guillermo Von Borstel Osuna:**
Port of Guaymas, representing Commercial Manager ASIPONA (National Administration of the Guaymas Port System)
- **Francisco Acuna Mendez:**
Representing President, CODESO
(Council for Sustainable Development of Sonora)
- **Juan Francisco Salcido Burruel:**
Director of Regional Projects, CODESO
(Council for Sustainable Development of Sonora)

STAFF MEMO	ATTACHMENT(s)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Memos from Supervisor Matt Heinz regarding Port of Guaymas Expansion and Upgrades, Implications for Cross-Border Trade and Commerce with Pima County, Arizona – January 22, 2026

7. FY 2025–FY 2029 PAG Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #2025.030

Staff will provide details on TIP Amendment #2025.030 as provided in the meeting materials.

Action: The Regional Council will be asked to recommend approval of an amendment to the PAG FY 2025–FY 2029 Transportation Improvement Program.

STAFF MEMO	ATTACHMENT(s)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposed Formal Amendment No. 2025.030 to the PAG FY 2025 – FY 2029 TIP

8. Draft FY 2027-FY 2030 Coordinated Public Transit - Human Services Transportation Plan

The Coordinated Public Transit - Human Services Transportation Plan is the federally required coordinated human services transportation plan for the PAG region. Staff will provide details on the draft plan for FY 2027-FY 2030.

Action: The Regional Council will be asked to approve the Draft FY 2027-FY 2030 Coordinated Public Transit - Human Services Transportation Plan

STAFF MEMO	ATTACHMENT(s)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> FY-2027-FY-2030-Coordinated-Public-Transit-Human-Services-Transportation-Plan-DRAFT.pdf

9. Pima Association of Governments' (PAG) Role in Providing Planning Support for Transportation Safety Regionwide

This item is at the request of Mayor Regina Romero. The Regional Council will be asked to discuss how to address improving safety for our most vulnerable users of the transportation system such as people walking and biking.

Possible Action/Direction: The Regional Council may provide direction to PAG staff.

STAFF MEMO	ATTACHMENT(s)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Memo from Mayor Regina Romero dated Dec. 4, 2025

10. Expanding Voting Membership on the PAG Regional Council to Include Officials of Public Agencies Administering Major Transportation Systems in Pima County

This item is at the request of Supervisor Matt Heinz to discuss the possibility of expanding membership to include representation from other public entities engaged in transit activities.

Discussion/Direction/Action: Expanding PAG's voting membership to include officials of public agencies that administer or operate major modes of transportation in the metropolitan area, including representation by providers of public transportation.

STAFF MEMO	ATTACHMENT(s)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Memo from Supervisor Matt Heinz dated Jan. 15, 2026

11. Request for Future Agenda Items

Members of the Regional Council may request items to have considered for discussion on future meeting agendas.

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12. Election of Officers

Article VII, Section 1, of the bylaws of Pima Association of Governments (PAG) and Section VIII of the Articles of Incorporation state that the following officers shall be elected annually: Chair, Vice Chair and Treasurer. Therefore, it is necessary to elect these officers to serve until January 2027.

Action: The Regional Council will be asked to elect the suggested slate of officers for 2026 as detailed in the meeting packet materials.

STAFF MEMO	ATTACHMENT(S):
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• History of Regional Council Membership

13. Executive Session

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03 (A)(3) (discussion or consultation for legal advice with the attorney or attorneys of the public body) and (A)(4) (discussion or consultation with the attorneys of the public body in order to consider its position and instruct its attorneys regarding the public body's position regarding contracts that are the subject of negotiations, in pending or contemplated litigation or in settlement discussions conducted in order to avoid or resolve litigation), the Regional Council will meet in a joint executive session with the RTA Board of Directors for legal advice and possible instructions regarding a Notice of Claim from the former executive director and related matters.

Possible Action: The Regional Council may provide direction to the Executive Director and legal counsel regarding the matters discussed in executive session.

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14. Adjournment

The Regional Council meeting packet containing material related to the meeting is available at: <https://pagregion.com/get-involved/events/> for public review. In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), those requiring special assistance, such as large typeface print, sign language or other reasonable accommodations, may request those through the administrative offices at: (520) 792-1093, at least two business days before the meeting.

PAG operates its programs without regard to race, color and national origin in compliance with [Title VI](#) of the Civil Rights Act. We invite you to complete our voluntary self-identification survey ([English/Spanish](#)).

If you need translation assistance, please call (520) 792-1093 and ask for Zonia Kelley. Si necesita ayuda con traducción, llame por favor al (520) 792-1093 y comuníquese con Zonia Kelley.
