

Transportation Planning Committee (TPC) Meeting Summary

Summary of 9 a.m., January 21, 2026, meeting

The meeting can be viewed in its entirety at: <https://www.youtube.com/live/Liq2DFylhMl>

Committee Members

Jose Rodríguez (Virtual)
Town of Oro Valley

Andy Bemis (Virtual)
City of Tucson

Christ Stebe (Virtual)
University of Arizona

Jeremy Moore (Virtual)
ADOT – Southcentral District

Davita Mueller (Virtual)
Sun Tran

Galovale Galovale (Virtual)
Town of Sahuarita

Committee Members Cont.

Josue Licea (Virtual)
City of South Tucson

Kathryn Skinner (Virtual)
Pima County DOT

Natalie Shepp (Virtual)
PDEQ

PAG Staff Lead
Jeanette DeRenne (Virtual)

Ex-Officio
Jamie Brown, PAG/RTA (Virtual)

1. Call to Order and Introductions

The Chair called the meeting to order at 9:00 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 Dec. 17, 2025, Meeting Summary

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Action: A motion to approve the Dec. 17, 2025, meeting summary was made by Andy Bemis, City of Tucson, seconded by Jeremy Moore, ADOT, and passed unanimously.

4. Household Travel Study and Assessment (HTSA) Update

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PAG staff provided members with an update on the Household Travel Study and Assessment (HTSA). PAG Transportation Data Science Coordinator Yunemi Jang gave members an overview of the HTSA and provided a summary of the PAG Household Travel Study data. Members were informed that the survey was concluded in May 2025 and a total of 4,911 households of eastern Pima County and Pinal County, SaddleBrooke area, participated. Ms. Jang indicated that the original target was to collect 4,200 household samples and a total of 4,154 certified household samples were collected. A consulting firm was used to review the household person vehicle and trip diary of each individual record collected, and the team checked for any misinformation or illogical inaccuracies. Ms. Jang explained that once all the records were reviewed that the data was compiled into five separate data files that included: household information, personal information, vehicle information, trip information and GPS information.

This item was for information only.

Presentation can be found here: [Item-4-HTSA-Update-Presentation.pdf](#)

5. RTA Delivery Approach and Cash Flow Assessment – Status Update

[Video Timestamp: 31:59](#)

PAG/RTA staff provided members with an update on efforts to gather RTA project and program information that would be used as a basis for a cash flow assessment. PAG Director of Strategic Planning, Programming and Policy Jamie Brown provided members with presentations regarding potential Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) programming. PAG Director of Transportation Services Rick Ellis informed members that staff currently was working on the detailed cash flow and delivery information that had been received. Additional information from the jurisdictions will be critical moving forward. Mr. Ellis indicated that the information received had been plugged in and showed an unbalanced overall assessment. That will be addressed in the next steps of the exercise.

Mr. Brown informed the members that the RTA plan commits over \$237 million of non-RTA dollars to the Element 1A projects, known as deferred or scope change projects. Of that amount, the budgeted total is composed of approximately five years of HURF 12.6% at \$157 million and almost \$80 million of federal STBG funding. Programming of STBG on a project federalizes it which adds time and cost; the goal is to minimize the number of

federalized projects. Mr. Brown shared with members the potential approach to identify those projects and reprogram funding sources.

Natalie Shepp, Pima County, asked if information would be put together for how the RTA 1 projects would be completed should the RTA Next election not pass. PAG Chief of Staff Dan Gabiou indicated that the current efforts were focused on the RTA Next passing and, should it not, they would consult with the Board and committees to discuss a second option.

Jose Rodríguez, Town of Sahuarita, inquired if consolidating federalized projects was doable as those are time sensitive. Mr. Ellis indicated that the overall goal was to strategically identify which projects make the most sense to receive federal funds for the delivery challenges mentioned.

This item was for information only.

Presentation can be found here:

[Item-5-Draft-Potential-Future-Programming-of-STBG-Presentation.pdf](#)

[Item-5-STBG-in-RTA-Next-and-Rebalancing-Programming-draft-Illustrative-example.pdf](#)

6. Updates related to the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

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PAG staff provided members with updates on items related to PAG TIP-related activities. PAG Director of Strategic Planning, Programming and Policy Jamie Brown provided the members with an update on next steps for the Regional Transportation Alternatives Grant (RTAG) Call for Projects process. Members were informed that a selection panel had been formed and meeting had been scheduled with the project sponsors. Mr. Brown mentioned that there had been discussions with the City of Tucson regarding a funding gap for the 22nd Street Bridge Project and allowed the City to update the committee or wait.

Sam Credio, City of Tucson, informed the members that the City had opened bids for the project which had come in \$17 million above the engineers' estimate. Mr. Credio indicated that to close the gap, ineligible costs were pulled out, and that they were thin on contingency. Members were informed that there was still work to be done within ADOT right-of-way due to the connectivity to state Route 210 and were able to come up with the amount that was going to be constructed within the ADOT right-of-way. This work could potentially be eligible for HURF 2.6 funds. Mr. Credio explained that the conversation would be about how they could help shore up the 22nd Street Bridge using some of the HURF 2.6 funds. Mr. Brown indicated that this decision may go through the committee process as a formal TIP amendment in the coming weeks.

Jose Rodríguez, Town of Sahuarita, inquired if there was capacity for the project within the fund balance. Members were informed that on a conservative level there is about \$22 million of unprogrammed HURF 2.6, so there would be capacity.

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7. Request Future Agenda Items and Announcements

Members of the committee had no requests or announcements.

8. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:10 a.m.