

MINUTES
STATE TRANSPORTATION BOARD MEETING
9:00 a.m., Friday, August 8, 2014
Page City Hall
Council Chambers
697 Vista Avenue
Page, AZ 86040

Roll call by Board Secretary Mary Beckley

In attendance: Steve Christy, Kelly Anderson, Joe La Rue, Deanna Beaver and Jack Sellers.

Absent: William Cuthbertson

Pledge

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Board Member Kelly Anderson.

Opening Remarks

Chairman Christy welcomed everyone in attendance and thanked Colorado River Discovery for the hospitality and buffet dinner on Thursday evening. He thanked the community and especially Cory, host of the event, on helping in various ways with the landslide crisis of SR 89. By conducting the Board meeting in Page, the Board shows its support to the community. The Board gets periodic updates of the renovations of SR89 by the State Engineer. He added that Page is an ambassador of the State for travelers from around the world. Mrs. Beaver recommended visiting the Powell history museum.

Call to the Audience

The following member of the public addressed the Board:

1. Darryl Bradley, Principal Civil Engineer for the Navajo Nation Division of Transportation, re: welcome and appreciation for the teamwork/collaboration/funding on the SR89T and also for landslide repairs. He added that better roads allow tourists to come back to support the area.

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1 (Beginning of excerpt.)

2 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: With that, we'll go to the
3 first agenda item, which is a district engineer's report.

4 We'll hear from the Holbrook District Engineer, Lynn Johnson.

5 MR. JOHNSON: Thank you, Mr. Chairman, members
6 of the board and ADOT staff. I appreciate the opportunity to
7 be here today.

8 My name is Lynn Johnson. I'm the Holbrook
9 district engineer, and it's been awhile since the board has
10 been in our district, and I really do appreciate the
11 opportunity to come and let you know what's been happening in
12 the district and maybe talk a little bit about what's to be
13 anticipated for the future.

14 I really appreciate the opportunity to come to
15 Page. I was -- I did a lot of work here in my previous year
16 before I went to Holbrook. I've got a lot of fond memories
17 from the community, and I spent a lot of time in motels here
18 and on the roads out there.

19 MR. ROEHRICH: Lynn, if I could I -- one kind
20 of introductory comment. I want to make sure that the board
21 -- you're not in the Holbrook district. You're in the
22 Flagstaff district, but as part of the previous board meetings
23 when we were doing the public hearings, we had a meeting in
24 Flagstaff, and Audra Merrick had given the district engineer's
25 report for Flagstaff. So in talking with the state engineer,

1 we decided we -- since we didn't have a meeting in Holbrook,
2 we wanted to make sure that you got an update from the
3 Holbrook district,

4 So you're going to see a lot of his report,
5 which is not in this immediate area, because it will be in the
6 district, but we did want to make sure that he had the
7 opportunity to share with that. You've got a report from
8 Audra. Now, if you've got specific questions about the 89
9 project or anything else, Audra is here to maybe handle that.
10 But I wanted to make sure that the board didn't understand
11 we're in the Holbrook -- or Flagstaff district, but we're
12 giving a Holbrook --

13 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: Maybe we could invite Audra
14 after Lynn's presentation just to see if there's anything in
15 particular she wants to add to it.

16 MS. MERRICK: Sure.

17 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Great idea.

18 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: Go ahead, Lynn, please.

19 MR. JOHNSON: Thank you, Floyd.

20 I'll just briefly let you know a little bit of
21 the statistics for the Holbrook district. We take care of the
22 northeastern part of the state and our -- we take over the
23 entirety of 264. We have six maintenance (inaudible) outlined
24 there with the red diamonds, 108 full-time employees.
25 (Inaudible) one construction work to take all of our

1 construction needs, the district will have over 2,800 miles of
2 road.

3 Recently, like within the last 18 months, we've
4 completed about -- many projects throughout the district.
5 Most of those were pavement preservation and bridge deck and
6 bridge replacements, and I won't go over all of those
7 individually.

8 We did also complete some passing lanes up on
9 1650 near Kayenta. Those are complete. The Sanders traffic
10 interchange, we're very happy to say, has been completed.
11 There's three new bridges on that project that are now
12 complete, and it's very much improved the situation for the
13 community and especially for the pedestrians. For the school
14 on each side of the freeway and the river, a lot of pedestrian
15 traffic (inaudible) there are a lot of school buses use that
16 route.

17 Several bridge deck replacements along I-40.
18 We also had the opportunity to reconstruct the Chevelon Canyon
19 Bridge, which was for the Navajo County. It's on a historic
20 route, a territorial road, and that was a very good project
21 for us. I'll turn -- I'll show you a picture of that in a few
22 minutes.

23 Lots of pavement preservation on 168, 264 and
24 I-40, including four bridges over the Lithodendron Washes.
25 Those had many challenges, but I'm happy to say that those are

1 now complete, and they turned out very well.

2 Scour protection projects on I-40. We now have
3 a digital message systems on -- our boards on 87 south of
4 Winslow on -- another one on 77 south of Holbrook in place.

5 We've done several pavement preservation
6 projects along I-40, also, in the last couple years.

7 Currently, under construction as we speak,
8 we're widening the section near Window Rock, between Window
9 Rock and Ganado. First phase is completed, and we'll do a
10 pavement preservation project and overlay the entire road
11 after the widening is complete.

12 We've got four bridge deck replacement projects
13 in Winslow (inaudible), and we're on the second phase of that
14 project (inaudible) went well. Limestone Wash Bridge is being
15 replaced, south of Winslow on 87, and a similar project on 77
16 north of Snowflake is being built right now, and it's probably
17 about 40 percent complete.

18 Concrete box culvert extension on 77, and the
19 east flag -- east Holbrook traffic interchange, a small bridge
20 repair project is yet to be started, which has actually been
21 bid.

22 And lastly, we've got overlay on 191, up by
23 Round Rock, north of Chinle, about 50 percent complete, and a
24 widening project, a small widening project in the community of
25 Chinle, which is also about 50, 60 percent complete.

1 A couple of photographs of the Sanders traffic
2 interchange.

3 This bridge right here is the railroad bridge
4 that's under construction. (Inaudible) on each side.

5 This bridge here is the interstate bridge over
6 the 40, I-40.

7 This bridge here is over the peripheral river.
8 The contractor got in there and really went to work quickly to
9 get that done. He got the bridge completed with the exception
10 of removing his scaffolding before the monsoon or flooding
11 hit. So there were some issues there, but we did get the
12 bridge complete, and it really accelerated the construction
13 project.

14 This is a photo of the removal of the old
15 railroad bridge. The contractor took that out in chunks and
16 did a nice job (inaudible), and that was done very quickly.

17 Just another shot of the (inaudible) peripheral
18 bridge prior to deck replacement.

19 This is the Limestone Wash Bridge south of
20 Winslow. Like I say, we're a little bit more than 50 percent
21 complete with that.

22 And this is the Cross Canyon (inaudible)
23 project near Window Rock. This is the widening project just
24 prior to being paved.

25 This is a shot of the superstructure

1 replacement we did for the petrified forest TI. It was fun to
2 swing those big girders in place and set those back down, and
3 that is now 100 percent complete.

4 A couple of pictures of the Chevelon canyon
5 bridge rehabilitation. This is the old structure, very
6 historic structure over the Chevelon Creek. The paint was all
7 removed from the bridge and then it was repainted. The deck
8 was removed and a new lightweight deck was put back on it, and
9 as well as the abutments were reconstructed.

10 For 2014, actually, the 191 (inaudible) project
11 has not been bid yet. That's going to happen shortly.

12 Keams Canyon Trading Post turning lane's
13 project is advertised right now, and I want to give a shout
14 out to the Hopi tribe and the BIA. We had some issue with an
15 IGA and water lines, and that IGA has been signed. It's in
16 place and ready to go. So I thank them for that.

17 Future projects, we've got a lot of bridge
18 replacements and deck replacements. The second phase of the
19 264 project near Window Rock will be bid next year and
20 continue to -- the widening, and then there's a bridge
21 replacement project with that, also. You can see we have got
22 a lot of bridge deck projects in the future, and we appreciate
23 those.

24 There again, we've got several other pavement
25 preservation, bridge deck projects. In 2016 will be the final

1 phase of the 264 widening project, which will also include the
2 Ganado wash bridge, which is in dire need of replacement.

3 And we have a rock fall project between Joseph
4 City and Holbrook, also scheduled for 2016.

5 And 2017, we will be adding to this list as we
6 continue to prioritize and find funding, but like I said,
7 bridge replacement and bridge rehabs are kind of the things
8 that's keeping us going right now.

9 Same with 2018, pavement preservation and
10 bridge rehabs. We'll also be doing a rest area rehabilitation
11 also in 2018 (inaudible).

12 Local government projects, there's three
13 scheduled right now in the Town of Winslow. The transcom lane
14 project will be combined with a pavement preservation next
15 year, and then we'll be rehabilitating the Lavasato (phonetic)
16 railroad station.

17 And lastly, we've got two more local government
18 projects in Holbrook, in the City of Holbrook, and another one
19 for the Navajo County under bridge rehab over the Little
20 Colorado River (inaudible).

21 And lastly, I'd just like to thank the board
22 and our staff for everything you do to support us in our
23 mission to try to keep our ADOT roads in good condition and
24 safe for the public. I really appreciate the support, because
25 we are keeping up with it. May not be keeping up with it

1 sometimes as well as we think we should, but we're making some
2 progress, so thank you very much.

3 Any questions?

4 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: Thank you, District Engineer
5 Johnson. Do you -- anybody have questions of the district
6 engineer? Thank you.

7 Michelle, are you there?

8 MS. KUNZMAN: I'm here.

9 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: Would it be all right if we
10 allowed the Flagstaff district engineer to make any comments
11 regarding her district?

12 MS. KUNZMAN: I think that would be fine.

13 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: Thank you. Is Audra here?

14 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Yes, sir. Audra's
15 right here.

16 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: Oh, there she is.

17 Don't want to put you on the spot. I just
18 thought maybe it would be a good time if you wanted to make
19 any additions to any kind of reporting you'd like to bring us
20 up-to-date on.

21 MS. MERRICK: Oh, no problem. Can you hear me
22 well?

23 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: Uh-huh.

24 MS. MERRICK: I'm a little on the shorter side
25 versus Lynn.

1 First I'd like to thank you for -- the board
 2 for awarding that GMP at the July board meeting. It was
 3 (inaudible). The teams that were brought together from the
 4 construction standpoint, FNF standpoint were similar in
 5 nature, not quite as large, so we have the same team
 6 essentially that came together, and it worked really together
 7 on N20, and I anticipate that same cooperation for the
 8 landslide as well.

9 As you all know, you awarded that GMP at the
 10 July board meeting. It was that Friday after that following
 11 week, we already started with the preconstruction meeting that
 12 we had with FNF in the 4th Street office in Flag. The week
 13 after that, FNF was already starting (inaudible) equipment and
 14 starting to construct part of an access road that we needed to
 15 construct.

16 Last week was really the first full week where
 17 they started the mass excavation and also the whole
 18 (inaudible) they're still working on. So this is really their
 19 second full week that they're working on that construction.

20 There is an incentive in this contract, and FNF
 21 intends to try to reach that incentive. So as a result, we're
 22 -- that incentive is if they're open to traffic by essentially
 23 March 20th, they would receive that full incentive, with the
 24 exception of four components, which is friction course,
 25 because we can't put the friction course down during the March

1 time frame because of the temperature constraints. So that
 2 would be an exception. Also, permanent striping, obviously
 3 because it's on top of the friction course, along the rumble
 4 strip, and then there's, like, a 40-day seed establishment
 5 period. Those would all (inaudible). So they're aiming to
 6 reach that full incentive, and as a district, we're supporting
 7 them in those efforts.

8 So other than that, it's really just a huge
 9 excavation project. We're taking the material from the top
 10 and putting it at -- making a buttress throughout. So that's
 11 all I have as far as...

12 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: Any questions of the
 13 Flagstaff district engineer from the board?

14 Thank you very much for participating in the
 15 discussion on such a short notice. Thank you.

16 MS. MERRICK: Oh, no. Thank you.

17 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: Appreciate it.

18 We'll move on to the director's report. We'll
 19 hear from the deputy director for policy, Mr. Floyd Roehrich.

20 MR. ROEHRICH: Good morning, Mr. Chair and
 21 members of the board. I actually think this is a great segue
 22 from -- if you look at Lynn's presentation when he talks about
 23 the future projects up into '17 and '18, and they're pretty
 24 much pavement preservation, that's where our whole program is
 25 basically going, preservation, unless we can address funding

1 as an opportunity for transportation revenues coming into the
2 state, either at a national level or local level.

3 So what I'd like to talk about is the kind of
4 transition as far as what efforts ADOT is working on in
5 conjunction with the board and keeping the board informed. In
6 looking at transportation improvements in the future, and
7 that's the Transportation Trade Corridor Alliance, the road
8 map, a final report that was presented to the board last month
9 by the director, and he had a few comments on it. I just want
10 to follow up with a little bit more overview and as well as
11 any comments or questions that the board may have regarding
12 the -- that final report.

13 It was identified in the final report -- this
14 is really one of the most comprehensive efforts at the state
15 level to look at not just the transportation needs from a
16 regular mobility aspect or connectivity aspect, but really the
17 economic development opportunities. How can transportation
18 fit into Arizona's growth and economy -- growth and impact in
19 the economic recovery of the state? And it brought together
20 the opportunities from the Arizona Commerce Authority, ADOT,
21 as well as Arizona-Mexico Commission looking at our
22 opportunities south of our international border as well as
23 other opportunities through commerce that are internationally,
24 regionally and also globally, as they continue to reach out
25 into the other international markets.

1 So the TTCA had a steering committee that spent
2 the two years looking at where the opportunities exist. It
3 brought together the three state agencies as identified. The
4 committee was chaired by our director as well as a former
5 Congressman, Jim Kolbe, and along with the other two state
6 agencies, Commerce Authority and Arizona-Mexico Commission, it
7 brought together representatives from local governments, from
8 COGs and NPOs, from private industry, people associated with
9 manufacturing, transportation of goods and services, freight,
10 and the railroads within the state and business leaders, as
11 well as academic leaders and economists to really look at
12 where transportation, an investment of transportation, where
13 transportation could go that would help us with this economic
14 development, realizing that our intent for this state's
15 economy to grow is to go into those base manufacturing
16 industries that allow us to bring product in, assemble that
17 product, do some added value work to it, and then export it
18 out in order to bring wealth back into the state.

19 It's not a movement of freight or product
20 within the state which ships the wealth around. It really
21 have the reach to national and international markets to get
22 product out there and to bring the economic benefit back to
23 the state to help our economy grow.

24 One of the issues that we really looked hard on
25 with our economic folks and the commerce authority folks is

1 the advantage Arizona has right now in the road map itself.
2 On page 7 and 8 is the graphic that we referred to as the
3 bubble map. But it really shows the area where Arizona being
4 centered basically between California to the west, which is a
5 trillion dollar economy, and 16-and-a-half million consumers
6 in southern California, and it's a truck haul day away,
7 basically, from central Arizona region, the Phoenix, Sun
8 Corridor area, Phoenix, Tucson region. To -- Texas to the
9 east of us, which is about a day-and-a-half, at most two-day
10 truck haul away, which is another trillion dollar economy, and
11 13 plus million consumers.

12 And then you look at the emergence of Mexico
13 south of us, which just in that northwestern region of Mexico
14 has about 10 million consumers, but it's a growing middle
15 class. It's a growing economy that right now is not consuming
16 a lot, but it will continue to consume as it goes forward, and
17 that's an opportunity for us to take advantage of that.

18 So looking at that opportunity, the
19 connectivity of the west coast into the freight lines and into
20 the shipping ports from there, an opportunity to then reach
21 internationally, they really looked at -- this group has
22 looked at recommendations that are outlined in that report
23 that really looks at investment infrastructure of key commerce
24 corridors for the state. It's about a 20-billion-dollar
25 investment over a 20-year opportunity that hits major routes,

1 our interstate routes, some of the routes that connect into
2 some of the regional network in the MAG/PAG region, the
3 emergence of what's going on in Pinal County, as well as an
4 investment along our international border, our ports of entry
5 and our ports of entry on our national borders as well, our
6 bordering states as well.

7 It looks at an investment in that
8 infrastructure as a way to tie our markets from the local
9 areas. When businesses come to Arizona, they may say they're
10 moving to Arizona, but they're moving to the cities. They're
11 moving to Glendale. They're moving to Chandler. They're
12 moving to Mesas. They're moving to the Pinal County region
13 and there, whether it's just outside Florence or Cooley. So
14 they're moving to a specific site.

15 They have to get from that site, from the
16 regional site into the state system, transportation system,
17 and from there it has to get into the global system, and
18 that's what this key commerce corridors effort is. It's an
19 investment in these key corridors that tie to the regional
20 level into our national transportation network and attaches us
21 to the international markets in order to give us that
22 competitive flow through the -- through transportation into
23 the direct business link.

24 The intent of this is a separate investment
25 opportunity, as I said, the 20 billion over 20 years, above

1 what we currently have programmed. What we have programmed
 2 will continue to stay focused on the preservation as well as
 3 the connectivity into those. Preservation, modernization and
 4 connectivity into those local markets and regional markets,
 5 that investment would continue on, and we'd be able to work
 6 with the board and the local governments to continue to look
 7 for the prioritization of those projects.

8 But with this additional investment into these
 9 key commerce corridors, it allows us to attract the businesses
 10 that need that connectivity nationally and internationally in
 11 order to make it attractive to move and relocate here or move
 12 and grow here in Arizona.

13 So the intent over the rest of this year is to
 14 basically continue to get this report distributed. It has
 15 been given to the governor staff. It's been given to all the
 16 legislators. It's been given to our Congressional delegation.
 17 All members have it.

18 We -- the director's reached out to the
 19 candidates who are running for governor and have talked to a
 20 few of them. Others have said, I'm going to wait until after
 21 the primary before I come back and discuss it. But the intent
 22 is as we finish out this year and roll into the start of
 23 legislative session, we really use this as a base opportunity
 24 to start educating the state leadership, local government
 25 leadership and other business professionals in the importance

1 of a transportation investment for economic development
 2 opportunity, and then to start moving forward the discussion
 3 of possible revenue options.

4 And I know, Mr. Sellers, you'd asked before
 5 about coming back and holding a session to talk about that.
 6 We intend to look to that later this year into the fall as we
 7 get closer to ramping up the discussion with the new
 8 administration coming on and the new legislation --
 9 legislature starting after the first of the year, in order to
 10 take this as an education year.

11 If there's the political will and the public
 12 acceptance to look at an additional revenue source for this
 13 economic benefit, then we would be looking at hopefully taking
 14 something to the voters in 2016. So that's a rough time line
 15 of what the purpose of this report is. Some of the
 16 recommendations and components of the report may be a
 17 generalized time line about trying to move forward with an
 18 implementation strategy.

19 So with that, Mr. Chair, board members, I'll
 20 either entertain any questions or we will bring this subject
 21 back again later this year as we continue to have further
 22 discussions on the TTCA's final report.

23 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: Questions from the board?
 24 Mr. Sellers?

25 MR. SELLERS: Yeah. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

1 And I'd just like to let everyone know that as
2 a part of this and the work that ADOT and others have done, we
3 are going to have this general topic as an Arizona town hall
4 topic, I think in the spring of next year. And so any of you
5 that would be interested in participating or being involved
6 with that Arizona town hall, I think that will be a great
7 opportunity for us to continue this educational effort, and
8 I'm pretty excited about the opportunity to do that myself.

9 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: Thank you, Mr. Sellers. Any
10 questions or comments from the other board members?

11 Mr. La Rue?

12 MR. LA RUE: Yeah, Mr. Chair. Thank you.

13 And this is more of a suggestion for Floyd and
14 other staff members to think about is, you know, I did a quick
15 scan of this road map, and I see in the goals where ADOT
16 really plugs in to some of those, and as I was reading that,
17 it's a lot of heavy lifting and heavy education early on. So
18 I guess the question that pops into my mind is what can we do
19 differently as a board, or how can we change up what we've
20 been doing differently as a board to support the efforts under
21 the road map to try to get some of this to move forward, and
22 is there some change that we can do in the way we conduct
23 business annually that would help support the effort that's
24 going into this road map, which is significant? So don't need
25 to answer that here, I know it's catching a cold, but just

1 giving that thought.

2 MR. ROEHRICH: Mr. Christy, Mr. La Rue, I do
3 have a couple comments on that, I think, move forward. I
4 think the past, this board maybe has not been maybe as vocal
5 either in the (inaudible) setting where a lot of you sit as
6 representatives as well as a board member, or with the role of
7 advising towards a legislature, even the governor.

8 I mean, I think it's been -- this board has
9 conducted that kind of through the agency. If the board would
10 want to become more active, I think as we roll out the
11 educational component of this and we start trying to raise the
12 discussion on it, I can see, you know, board members through
13 your other organizations that you sit in to as well as
14 possibly even communicating to the elected -- the state
15 elected officials and other people, again, as well as
16 expanding maybe your voice in that need.

17 And again, they hear from the department when
18 we come and we talk about basically all we're going to be able
19 to do for you is preserve the existing system, and even that
20 we're not keeping up with when you look at the increase of
21 volume and you look at the expectations of the state is going
22 to continue to grow, but our funding is not projected to grow,
23 and you know, you've heard Ms. Ward say that month after
24 month. And I know it's a little repetitive, but it is the
25 accurate picture of what's happening.

1 So, again, I think the more you can do to help
2 communicate this when you're out, you continue to talk about
3 -- about it, you know, there's talking points within that.
4 There's other points that we can bring in that can help that.
5 You know, again, and your role is not just overseeing the
6 five-year program and ensuring the prioritization and the
7 balance of that program, but advocating as well as advising on
8 certain other transportation issues. The board can have a
9 voice in that.

10 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: That's an excellent
11 (inaudible).

12 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: Mr. Sellers?

13 MR. SELLERS: Yeah. And I'd just like to say
14 to Floyd's point that the candidates for governor that have
15 not expressed an interest in hearing this presentation or
16 being involved in this presentation is a major frustration to
17 me. If -- how are we supposed to decide who's going to do the
18 job we need to do in this state if they're not willing to
19 discuss it during their campaign? So political comment.

20 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: I would only add to
21 what Mr. La Rue and Mr. Sellers and Mr. Roehrich have said,
22 and that is that I think this board as a whole and on an
23 individual basis would welcome the opportunity to do any kind
24 of involvement purposes regarding this road map and be willing
25 to be utilized in any capacity to that end.

1 We are faced obviously with always a budget
2 issue and money issue, but I think also some of that might be
3 mitigated if we helped in the development of state priority
4 process building. I think many of the citizens of our state
5 think that maybe our priorities of budgeting and financing
6 and --

7 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Yeah.

8 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: -- the money and
9 the economic end, the priorities are skewed, and that maybe a
10 refocus of where our priorities should be, particularly in the
11 areas of transportation and infrastructure and commerce and
12 trade, that those two elements lead to, I think this board
13 would want to take a very active role in that.

14 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: Any other questions of
15 Mr. Roehrich? Thank you very much, Mr. Roehrich.

16 We'll move on with the consent agenda. If
17 there are any items on the consent agenda that any board
18 members would like to take out and discuss, now is the time to
19 so move. If there are no such requests from the board members
20 to do so, the Chair would entertain a motion to approve the
21 consent agenda items as presented.

22 MR. ANDERSON: So moved.

23 MR. LA RUE: Seconded.

24 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: There's a motion by
25 Mr. Anderson and a second by Mr. La Rue to approve the consent

1 agenda. All those -- is there any discussion? Hearing no
2 request for discussion, all those in favor of approving the
3 consent agenda as presented signify by saying aye.

4 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKERS: Aye.

5 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: Opposed? Hearing no
6 opposition, the motion passes.

7 We'll move on to Item 4, the legislative
8 report, again, from our deputy director for policy,
9 Mr. Roehrich.

10 MR. ROEHRICH: Thank you, Mr. Chair.

11 One item to update the board on here is that
12 the -- Congress just this week, both the House and the Senate
13 have passed HR -- Bill HR-5021, which is the Highway
14 Transportation Act of 2014.

15 Effectively what they did is extend a
16 re-authorization of a short period of time, until May of 2015,
17 and provide additional funding, 10.9 billion or nearly 11
18 billion dollars in the Highway Trust Fund to keep it solvent
19 and to keep the highway and transit programs moving forward,
20 at least until May 2015. That is not through the full fiscal
21 year, so that means obviously next spring when the new
22 Congress is in place, they're going to have to continue to
23 address the re-authorization of Map-21 or whatever highway
24 build they move forward with.

25 But they did extend it at least until May, so

1 we got a partial extension with additional funding necessary
2 to keep the whole program solvent. What that does effectively
3 for us mean, previously Ms. Ward has briefed this board about
4 some cash management practices that the FHWA may have to
5 implement if they don't get sufficient funding. That is now
6 off the table. They're not going to have to implement any of
7 those. We continue to move forward with the development of
8 the federal aid program, and then reimbursements will continue
9 on as they have, at least until we get closer to May, and then
10 they have to debate what is the extension after that.

11 So there's a short-term extension. It kept the
12 highway bill solvent, and it does allow us to continue to move
13 forward with our program at least in the near term, for about
14 whatever that is, 10 months or whatever it is that they
15 extended the highway bill for.

16 That is up to the President. As of yesterday,
17 I haven't heard of him being signed (sic), but it is expected
18 that he will sign it, because it is in line with what has been
19 agreed upon in previous discussions with the administration
20 and Congress. So we expect it to be signed, and then that
21 will be in effect, the short-term extension.

22 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: Mr. Roehrich, would this
23 activity, if you will, is this considered a continuing
24 resolution?

25 MR. ROEHRICH: Mr. Chair, that's basically what

1 it is. It's a continuing resolution of an existing
2 legislation, Map-21, for that period of time until May of next
3 spring.

4 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: I just want to take a --
5 just a real quick aside here and mention an incident with
6 Mr. Roehrich when the secretary of transportation visited in
7 Tucson, Secretary Foxx. Mr. Roehrich made the very insightful
8 point that the funding at best has been extended for maybe six
9 to eight months for our transportation nationwide, for our
10 infrastructure nationwide, maybe seven, eight months, but the
11 regulations surrounding that funding have been implemented for
12 another seven years. So we have six to eight months of
13 funding, but seven years of regulations. So I think we talked
14 a little bit earlier about priorities. This might be a very
15 good indication of where our priorities should be.

16 Anything further regarding your legislative
17 report, Mr. Roehrich?

18 MR. ROEHRICH: That's all I have, Mr. Chairman.

19 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: Anybody else have any
20 questions to him regarding the legislative report? Hearing no
21 requests, we'll move on. Thank you, Mr. Roehrich.

22 To the financial report. We'll hear from our
23 chief financial officer from the department, Ms. Kristine
24 Ward.

25 MS. WARD: Good Morning.

1 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKERS: Good morning.

2 MS. WARD: All right. We'll start with our
3 HURF update. HURF is doing well. We just completed -- we've
4 got July numbers in and we're a little above forecast. Gas
5 had moderate growth, about 1.3 percent. The diesel and the
6 BLP numbers are (inaudible) a little off. Some are
7 overstated, some are understated. It's merely a cash flow --
8 it's merely a flow issue. Some payments came in early, some
9 refunds went out, you know, came in under and will likely wrap
10 up next month. So we'll see a smoothing of those numbers as
11 we go forward, but overall, HURF is .7 percent above forecast.

12 Just to let you know, we start our forecasting
13 process next week for the next fifth year. It's a very --
14 what we call the risk analysis process, and the economists
15 will gather next week, and we'll start getting their feedback
16 as to what they estimate over the next 20-some-odd years in
17 terms of revenues going into HURF. Given previous forecasts,
18 I have a great deal of confidence in the forecasting process.
19 So we all -- we consistently remain within our targets.

20 If anyone would like to attend, I'll get a -- I
21 know you all love the financial reports, but if anyone would
22 like to attend that forecasting process, that meeting, we can
23 send that --

24 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: Where does the line begin?

25 MS. WARD: Well, given it (inaudible) probably

1 start to circulate around (inaudible).

2 Moving on to YARK (phonetic), well, we've got
3 our -- well, we'll try moving on to YARK. We finally got the
4 closeout. We've got to final closeout numbers for the year,
5 and revenue came in at 7 percent overall broke. That is one
6 percent above forecast. We took in \$365 million in revenues.
7 Retail, 7.8 percent over the last year, and 1.4 percent above
8 forecast. Contracting had 14 percent growth, and that is a
9 positive thing; however, it started diminishing in the last
10 few months. We were a little concerned because the permits
11 being issued were diminishing. So we're kind of keeping an
12 eye there.

13 Moving on to the federal aid program, and Floyd
14 gave away my happy news --

15 MR. ROEHRICH: Sorry.

16 MS. WARD: I know. (Inaudible) the one happy
17 thing I get to report, that Congress actually acted. Now we
18 just need the President's signature to get us through May.

19 I would like to also let you know that we
20 submitted our -- last week, maybe a week-and-a-half ago,
21 submitted for August redistribution, and what that is is
22 where -- at the end of -- towards the end of the federal
23 fiscal year, states' moneys that are released back into the
24 federal aid program get redistributed -- redistributed.

25 So each state sends in their request for -- to

1 receive a part of those moneys, we submitted a request for
2 approximately 53 million dollars. We never get how much we
3 request. Last year we requested 106 million dollars. We got
4 30. This year we requested 53, because we can only request
5 that which we can utilize, immediately utilize. So we hope to
6 get something over which we have already estimate. So built
7 into the numbers right now, we estimate getting 15 million
8 dollars from that request. If we get anything above that,
9 that would be a very nice thing and would roll into the
10 program and would be distributed through the rack distribution
11 process.

12 As far as the debt financing program and cash
13 management program, I have nothing of significance to report.

14 So that concludes my presentation. If you have
15 any questions, I'd be happy to answer them.

16 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: Are there any questions of
17 the chief financial officer? From the board? Hearing no
18 requests, thank you, Ms. Ward.

19 MS. WARD: Thank you.

20 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: Appreciate your report.

21 Moving on to Multi-Modal Plan Division report,
22 we'll be hearing from the assistant director for Multi-Modal
23 Planning, Mr. Scott Omer.

24 MR. OMER: Thank you, Mr. Chair. At your
25 pleasure, the state engineer and myself are going to sit here

1 today, if that's okay.

2 So I don't have a lot for the NPD report. Our
3 standing item on here is the I-11 corridor profile study
4 update. As I talked to you about last month, the project is
5 now wrapping up. I talked to Mike Keys earlier in the week,
6 and our comments have been incorporated into the final
7 document. The draft report's been on the web page for quite
8 awhile now.

9 We're basically in the process of the document
10 being finalized. As soon as it is, we'll get that out to the
11 transportation board, and I'm hoping that in the September
12 meeting, if we can fit it in the schedule, we'll give that
13 detailed presentation on the I-11 update, but we'll talk about
14 it in our planning for the next meeting if that's the board
15 and Chair's pleasure.

16 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: No objection. That would be
17 fine.

18 MR. OMER: That's all I have for I-11. If
19 there's any questions, I can answer them.

20 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: Are there any questions of
21 the deputy regarding the I-11? Hearing none...

22 MR. OMER: Two other small issues on the NPD
23 update. As the board and Chair knows, the Tucson modern
24 streetcar was opened at the end of July. Fantastic
25 attendance. I think what I heard, there were 60,000 people

1 that rode it over the first weekend. So phenomenal for the
2 City of Tucson and for the entire region.

3 We're very proud of the fact that, you know,
4 our involvement in the modern streetcar, not only with the
5 department's involvement, but specifically all the safety
6 inspections were done, and the state safety oversight is done
7 out of the department. So it's a fantastic partnership
8 between not only the Federal Transit Administration, but ADOT
9 and the PAG region in total. So it's a win for the community.
10 It's a win for the State of Arizona.

11 And then follow up a little bit on -- I
12 actually thought about mentioning anyway, starting this month
13 in Yuma, I'll be going around to all the NPOs and COGs in the
14 next, it seems like forever, presenting the department's key
15 commerce corridors initiative to the NPOs and COGs. Most of
16 them have heard it in general, but a little more detailed
17 presentation. And as you know, that feeds directly up into
18 the TTCA report. That's what builds the framework for the
19 road map on transportation purposes.

20 So the first one will be this month, and I
21 appreciate the board's comments about how you could be
22 involved. Active engagement from the board would be, you
23 know, very important to the future success of not only this
24 initiative, but transportation in general. So that's all I
25 have for the NPD report.

1 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: Thank you also for reminding
2 us of the modern streetcar in Tucson. On behalf of the Pima
3 County Regional Transportation Authority, we want to thank
4 ADOT and staff for their participation in that. It was a
5 smashing success. The district engineer, Ms. Toth, was there
6 for the ribbon cutting, the grand opening. I haven't seen
7 that many people congregated in one place other than a
8 sporting event in Tucson my entire life.

9 I think with the five or six stops of -- along
10 the streetcar route, which is about five miles worth of route,
11 and then the final grand opening down at -- down in the heart
12 of downtown Tucson, there probably were 5,000 people, and very
13 well received, very enthusiastic, and as a result of that
14 streetcar line being constructed and implemented in Tucson,
15 it's been verified that there's been over a billion dollars in
16 economic development along that streetcar line in downtown
17 Tucson.

18 So the City's very excited about it, and riding
19 it first thing in the morning, seven o'clock along the
20 five-mile route, Tucson really never looked more beautiful.
21 And if you come down to Tucson, I encourage you to hop onboard
22 and ride it, because you'll see Tucson in a very positive and
23 much different light than you're used to, as well as with all
24 the substantial development and buildings that have been
25 constructed in downtown. Downtown five years versus the

1 downtown today is like night and day. So again, thanks to the
2 department for their involvement in that. We appreciate it.

3 MR. LA RUE: Mr. Chair, if I could.

4 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: Mr. La Rue.

5 MR. LA RUE: You know, first kind of an aside,
6 I didn't know Tucson had that many people to show up at an
7 event. Just teasing. You know, we're a little myopic.

8 (Speaking simultaneously.)

9 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: All right.

10 MR. LA RUE: Scott, you know, you mentioned the
11 -- your visits with the NPOs and COGs. Would it be beneficial
12 to have a board member attend with you to talk about the, you
13 know, TTCA? So I throw that out as while I don't really
14 relish traveling all over the state, but maybe those that are
15 pretty close to my home base, I would volunteer to participate
16 in those type of meetings.

17 MR. OMER: Mr. Chairman, Mr. La Rue, I think
18 it's a good idea. We can send you out the agenda when they're
19 finalized, the locations, whatever board members in the area
20 would be appropriate. I do know Ms. Beaver will be in
21 attendance at the one in Yuma at the end of the month. So she
22 will be at that one. As the other ones come out and they're
23 scheduled, I'm trying to work them in with the NPO schedules
24 now. We'll make sure that we can send that to the appropriate
25 board member that represents the area. So we appreciate that.

1 Thank you.

2 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: I'd also like to just add to
3 that that if there's anything at the state capitol that would
4 be helpful for our presence, please let us know that, too,
5 because I'm sure we'd be willing to do that.

6 Any other questions regarding Item 6 on Multi-
7 Modal Planning?

8 We'll move on to Item 7, Priority Planning
9 Advisory Committee (inaudible), and again, we'll hear from our
10 assistant director, Mr. Scott Omer.

11 MR. OMER: Mr. Chair, Items 7A, as in alpha,
12 through 7E, as in Edward, are project modification. At the
13 board's pleasure, we could take those individually, or if you
14 would like to take those all together.

15 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: With no objection from the
16 board members, please proceed collectively with all the
17 modifications as a whole. And we -- based on that, we would
18 need --

19 MR. LA RUE: So moved.

20 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: -- a motion to accept and
21 approve the product modification 7I through 7E as presented.
22 There's been a motion to approve them from Mr. La Rue. Is
23 there a --

24 MR. ANDERSON: Second.

25 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: Second from Mr. Anderson.

1 MR. OMER: Actually, 7A. I think you said 7I,
2 7I.

3 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: I'm sorry. 7A. Any
4 discussion on the motion? Hearing no request for discussion,
5 all those in favor of the motion to accept and approve the
6 project modifications as present signify by saying aye.

7 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKERS: Aye.

8 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: Opposed? Hearing no
9 opposition, the motion passes.

10 New projects, Mr. Omer?

11 MR. OMER: Mr. Chair, the new projects, the
12 department (inaudible) Item 7F, as in Frank, through 7L, as in
13 Larry. We can take those individually as well, or if you'd
14 like to take those together collectively, it's the board's
15 preference.

16 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: If there's no objection, the
17 board will take them as a whole, and the Chair will entertain
18 a motion to do so, to accept and approve new projects Item 7F
19 through 7L as presented.

20 MR. ANDERSON: So moved.

21 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: Motion by Mr. Anderson.

22 MR. LA RUE: Second.

23 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: Second by Mr. La Rue.
24 Discussion? All those in favor of the motion to accept and
25 approve new projects Items 7F through 7L as presented signify

1 by saying aye.

2 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKERS: Aye.

3 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: Opposed? Hearing no
4 opposition, the hearing carries.

5 Moving on to Item 8, the state engineer's
6 report, we'll hear from the deputy director of transportation,
7 our state engineer, Ms. Jennifer Toth.

8 MS. TOTH: Thank you, Mr. Chairman, members of
9 the board.

10 First off, I just want to say that myself and
11 Todd Emery, the deputy state engineer, have toured the
12 Flagstaff district and the Holbrook district this entire week,
13 and I just want to give a big shout out to Lynn and Audra and
14 their staff. They do an amazing job with the limited
15 resources that they have. So thank you for that opportunity.

16 We have 111 projects under construction,
17 totaling about 735 million as of August -- as of the end of
18 July, actually. Four projects finalized in July totaling 40.2
19 million dollars, and those are the four that have closed for
20 this fiscal year to date.

21 That concludes the state engineer's report, and
22 I'd be happy to entertain any other questions.

23 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: Do any board members have
24 any questions to the state engineer?

25 Hearing no questions, we'll move on to Item 9,

1 construction contracts. Again, Ms. Toth.

2 MS. TOTH: I want to thank the board for
3 approval of the six consent contracts that you already
4 approved, and then we have six non-consent contracts that
5 we'll be talking about.

6 So moving on to Item 9A, this is a bike lane
7 project. It is a local project with the City of Flagstaff,
8 and the reason for the price difference on this project is it
9 is located in an urban, high traffic location which requires
10 multiple phasing as piecemeal work, removal items and extra
11 costs for mobilization and demobilization several times for
12 the different pay items. Based on this, we do recommend award
13 to J & J Engineering Construction in the City of Flagstaff is
14 in concurrence with the price increase.

15 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: This is in district five,
16 which momentarily is vacant. The Chair would entertain a
17 motion to accept and approve staff's recommendation to award
18 the contract for Item 9A to J & J Engineering Construction,
19 Incorporated.

20 MR. SELLERS: Second.

21 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: Is there a motion?

22 MS. BEAVER: So moved.

23 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: There's a motion by
24 Ms. Beaver, and seconded by Mr. Sellers to accept the motion.
25 Discussion? All those in favor of the motion as presented

1 signify by saying aye.

2 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKERS: Aye.

3 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: Opposed? Hearing none, the
4 motion carries.

5 Ms. Toth.

6 MS. TOTH: Thank you.

7 Moving on to Item 9B, this is a bridge repair
8 project, and the reason for the price difference is the start
9 -- the structural concrete is also in small quantities and
10 requires multiple phasing, making the repair cost a lot higher
11 than estimated. And that's the same with the sealer. You
12 have to do that in small quantities for the two bridges at
13 different times. So cost to mobilize and demobilize were
14 higher than anticipated. Based on that, we do recommend award
15 to FNF Construction.

16 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: Again, this district is not
17 represented today. The Chair would entertain a motion to
18 accept and approve staff's recommendation to award the
19 contract for Item 9B to FNF Construction, Incorporated.

20 MR. SELLERS: So moved.

21 MR. ANDERSON: Second.

22 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: There's a motion by
23 Mr. Sellers, seconded by Mr. Anderson to accept the motion as
24 presented. All those -- any discussion? Hearing none, all
25 those in favor of the motion as presented signify by saying

1 aye.

2 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKERS: Aye.

3 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: Opposed? Hearing no
4 opposition, the motion carries.

5 Ms. Toth.

6 MS. TOTH: Thank you.

7 Moving on to Item 9C, you'll see a trend of in
8 my discussion there, but this is a bridge repair project on 66
9 between Kingman and Seligman, and again, in general, the
10 prices are higher than estimated because of the work is
11 divided over three different locations, and it requires
12 intensive hand work to remove and replace small amounts of the
13 structural concrete that's been deteriorated. So it requires,
14 again, multiple mobilizations and demobilizations to the three
15 different bridge locations. Based on this, we do recommend
16 award to FNF Construction.

17 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: Board Member Beaver, this is
18 your district. Do you have any comments or questions?

19 MS. BEAVER: No.

20 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: Hearing no comments or
21 questions from Board Member Beaver, the Chair would accept a
22 motion to accept and approve staff's recommendation to award
23 the contract for Item 9C to FNF Construction, Incorporated.

24 MR. ANDERSON: So moved.

25 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: Motion by Mr. Anderson.

1 MR. SELLERS: Second.

2 MS. BEAVER: Second.

3 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: Second by Mr. Sellers. All
4 those in favor -- any discussion? All those in favor of the
5 motion signify by saying aye.

6 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKERS: Aye.

7 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: Opposed? Hearing no
8 opposition, the motion carries.

9 Ms. Toth.

10 MS. TOTH: Thank you.

11 Moving on to item 9D, this is an interesting
12 project that's a pavement preservation project with multiple
13 different test sections of different asphalt designs, and that
14 is the reason for the increases. Because of the number of
15 different asphalt mix designs, they leave the higher cost in
16 setting up the plant for each of those different mixes.

17 The department also estimated rail bank cost
18 based on historic prices, but that was not adequate for the
19 rail bank protection item. The remote location of that work
20 site also contributed to the costs that were -- higher costs
21 than anticipated. We do recommend award to FNF Construction.

22 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: The Chair would accept --
23 entertain a motion to accept and move staff's recommendation
24 to award the construction for Item 9D to FNF Construction,
25 Incorporated.

1 MR. ANDERSON: So moved.

2 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: There's a motion by
3 Mr. Anderson.

4 MR. LA RUE: Second.

5 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: A second by Mr. La Rue.
6 Discussion? Hearing none, all those in favor of the motion as
7 presented, signify by saying by aye.

8 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKERS: Aye.

9 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: Opposed? Hearing no
10 opposition, the motion carries.

11 Ms. Toth.

12 MS. TOTH: Thank you.

13 Moving on to Item 9E, this is a pavement
14 preservation project along US-160. The department did
15 estimate a smaller crew size, less equipment and a higher
16 production rate than the low bidder, leading to a lower
17 estimate for the aggregate. We do recommend award to
18 Southwest Slurry Seal.

19 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: The Chair would entertain a
20 motion to accept and approve staff recommendation to award the
21 contract for Item 9E to Southwest Slurry Seal, Incorporated.

22 MR. ANDERSON: So moved.

23 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: Motion by Mr. Anderson.

24 MR. LA RUE: Second.

25 MS. BEAVER: Second.

1 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: Second by Mr. La Rue.
 2 Discussion? All those in favor of the motion as presented
 3 signify by saying aye.

4 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKERS: Aye.

5 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: Opposed? Hearing no
 6 opposition, the motion carries.

7 Ms Toth.

8 MS. TOTH: Thank you.

9 Moving on to the last item, 9F, this is a
 10 striping project on I-17. It's an interesting project,
 11 because it's the first time where we are actually grooving the
 12 striping down to deal with the snow plow aspect of what we do
 13 to maintain our roads during the winter. So the department
 14 has no historical pricing for this, and thus we overestimated
 15 the costs for doing this work. We do recommend award to
 16 Pavement Marking.

17 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: The Chair will entertain a
 18 motion to accept and approve.

19 MR. SELLERS: So moved.

20 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: There's a motion by
 21 Mr. Sellers.

22 MS. BEAVER: Second.

23 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: Second by Ms. Beaver to
 24 award the contract for Item 9F to Pavement Marking,
 25 Incorporated.

1 All those in favor of the -- any discussion?
 2 All those in favor of the motion as presented signify by
 3 saying aye.

4 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKERS: Aye.

5 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: Opposed? Hearing no
 6 opposition, the motion carries.

7 Thank you, Ms. Toth.

8 MS. TOTH: Thank you.

9 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: And we'll move to our final
 10 item, agenda item, is suggestions for future board items at
 11 future meetings. Anyone from the board wish to contribute at
 12 this time?

13 Joe, did you want to talk about the PPC?

14 MR. LA RUE: Yeah. You know, thank you, Chair.

15 One of the things we've had discussion on, and
 16 I -- I'd like to have further discussion is on our P3 type
 17 policies. I know -- I think there's been some information out
 18 where the department's looking at it for the South Mountain,
 19 and we know that going forward, especially with this new
 20 report we got on the trade and commerce corridors, we're going
 21 to need to find other revenue streams, and so we think the --
 22 I think the P3 is one of those opportunities.

23 So I know we've had discussion at the board
 24 level before, and I'd probably like to bring back discussion
 25 to see how the board can get a little more educated and

1 involved in that -- in that sector and policy, and maybe so
 2 far as I know, there's working groups. I don't think there
 3 are any board members that are members of any of those working
 4 groups, but how does the board get a little more involved so
 5 that they can help shape and influence going down that P3
 6 path, and that would be my suggestion.

7 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: Mr. Roehrich, could you
 8 respond to that?

9 MR. ROEHRICH: Mr. Chair, Mr. La Rue,
 10 absolutely, we'll schedule that. And matter of fact, I'm
 11 thinking that the October study session would be a great time
 12 to bring that in there. We can have staff come in. We can go
 13 over -- because we are continuing to look for those
 14 opportunities. Can't get into it now, obviously, it's not
 15 agendaed, but I absolutely think we can put that on, whether
 16 it's at a board meeting, a study session, we can do that,
 17 Mr. La Rue, and Mr. Chair, and we'll coordinate to get that
 18 set up.

19 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: And to that end,
 20 Mr. Roehrich, give us, if you could, another bird's eye view
 21 of what we might be expecting at the study sessions as topics
 22 in October.

23 MR. ROEHRICH: Mr. Chair, board members, right
 24 now I really think there's three items that we've been
 25 tracking. One has been the request of Ms. Beaver to talk

1 about the DPS, and then the incident management and clearing.
 2 I think that that -- we want to do that closer to the central
 3 area where we can get the DPS commander out here for that. So
 4 I'm thinking maybe the October -- if not the September board
 5 meetings, the October study session might be a good
 6 opportunity to do that.

7 Mr. Sellers had asked for us to talk about the
 8 transportation funding issue. As I said, rolling out, now the
 9 TTCA report and kind of moving forward with key commerce
 10 initiatives, I'm thinking that we can maybe agenda and have a
 11 discussion at the October board meeting, and now this third
 12 item will be the P3 item at the October board meeting.

13 So that's what I'm -- or study session. That's
 14 what I'm thinking for the study session. It gives us an
 15 opportunity to have a more broader discussion on these topics
 16 without the formal setting of a board meeting, although if the
 17 board -- Chair and the board recommends or prefers it in a
 18 board meeting, we will do that. But those are the three
 19 topics I see for -- right now as a potential study session or
 20 brought into a board meeting.

21 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: Okay. Ms. Beckley and
 22 Mr. Roehrich, any more information you want to share with the
 23 board at this time?

24 MR. ROEHRICH: I do not have any more
 25 (inaudible).

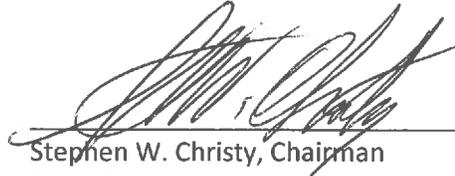
1 CHAIRMAN CHRISTY: Anything else from any of
2 the board members?

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Adjournment

A motion to adjourn the public hearing was made by Kelly Anderson and seconded by Deanna Beaver. In a voice vote, the motion carries.

Meeting adjourned 10:00 a.m. MST



Stephen W. Christy, Chairman
State Transportation Board



Floyd P. Roehrich, Jr., Deputy Director for Policy
Arizona Department of Transportation