

Janice K. Brewer, Governor John S. Halikowski, Director

Victor Flores, Chair Stephen W. Christy, Vice Chair Kelly Anderson, Member Hank Rogers, Member Joseph E. La Rue, Member Deanna Beaver, Member William Cuthbertson, Member

Welcome to a meeting of the Arizona State Transportation Board. The Transportation Board consists of seven private citizen members appointed by the Governor, representing specific transportation districts. Board members are appointed for terms of six years each, with terms expiring on the third Monday in January of the appropriate year.

#### **BOARD AUTHORITY**

Although the administration of the Department of Transportation is the responsibility of the director, the Transportation Board has been granted certain policy powers in addition to serving in an advisory capacity to the director. In the area of highways the Transportation Board is responsible for establishing a system of state routes. It determines which routes are accepted into the state system and which state routes are to be improved. The Board has final authority on establishing the opening, relocating, altering, vacating or abandoning any portion of a state route of a state highway. The Transportation Board awards construction contracts and monitors the status of construction projects. With respect to aeronautics the Transportation Board distributes monies appropriated to the Aeronautics Division from the State Aviation Fund for planning, design, development, land acquisition, construction and improvement of publicly-owned airport facilities. The Board also approves airport construction.

The Transportation Board has the exclusive authority to issue revenue bonds for financing needed transportation improvements throughout the state. As part of the planning process the Board determines priority planning with respect to transportation facilities and annually adopts the five-year construction program.

#### **CITIZEN INPUT**

Citizens may appear before the Transportation Board to be heard on any transportation-related issue. Persons wishing to protest any action taken or contemplated by the Board may appear before this open forum. The Board welcomes citizen involvement, although because of Arizona's open meeting laws, no actions may be taken on items which do not appear on the formal agenda. This does not, however, preclude discussion of other issues.

#### **MEETINGS**

The Transportation Board typically meets on the second Friday of each month. Meetings are held in locations throughout the state. In addition to the regular business meetings held each month, the Board also conducts three public hearings each year to receive input regarding the proposed five-year construction program. Meeting dates are established for the following year at the December organization meeting of the Board.

#### **BOARD MEETING PROCEDURE**

Board members receive the agenda and all backup information one week before the meeting is held. They have studied each item on the agenda and have consulted with Department of Transportation staff when necessary. If no additional facts are presented at the meeting, they often act on matters, particularly routine ones, without further discussion.

In order to streamline the meetings the Board has adopted the "consent agenda" format, allowing agenda items to be voted on en masse unless discussion is requested by one of the board members or Department of Transportation staff members.

#### **BOARD CONTACT**

Transportation Board members encourage citizens to contact them regarding transportation-related issues. Board members may be contacted through the Arizona Department of Transportation, 206 South 17th Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona 85007; Telephone (602) 712-7550.

## NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE STATE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

Pursuant to A.R.S. Sec. 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the State Transportation Board and to the general public that the State Transportation Board will hold a special meeting open to the public on Tuesday, June 25, 2013 beginning at 10:00 a.m., at the Arizona Department of Transportation Administration Building, Auditorium Room 107, 206 S. 17th Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona 85007. The Board may vote to go into Executive Session to discuss certain matters, which will not be open to the public. Members of the Transportation Board will attend either in person or by telephone conference call.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION OF THE STATE TRANSPORTATION BOARD**

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#### **CIVIL RIGHTS**

Pursuant to Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), the Arizona State Transportation Board does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, gender or disability. Citizens that require a reasonable accommodation based on language or disability should contact ADOT Civil Rights at (602) 712-7761 or <a href="mailto:civilrightsof-fice@azdot.gov">civilrightsof-fice@azdot.gov</a>. Requests should be made as early as possible to ensure the state has an opportunity to address the accommodation.

Personas que requieren asistencia o una adaptación razonable por habilidad limitada en inglés o discapacidad deben ponerse en contacto con la Oficina de Derechos Civiles de ADOT al (602) 712-7761 or <a href="mailto:civilrightsoffice@azdot.gov">civilrightsoffice@azdot.gov</a>. Las solicitudes deben hacerse tan pronto como sea posible para asegurar que el estado tiene la oportunidad de abordar el alojamiento.

#### **AGENDA**

A copy of the agenda for this meeting will be available at the office of the Transportation Board at 206 South 17th Avenue, Room 135, Phoenix, Arizona at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting.

#### ORDER DEFERRAL AND ACCELERATIONS OF AGENDA ITEMS, VOTE WITHOUT DISCUSSION.

In the interest of efficiency and economy of time, the Arizona Transportation Board, having already had the opportunity to become conversant with items on its agenda, will likely defer action in relation to certain items until after agenda items requiring discussion have been considered and voted upon by its members. After all such discussional items have been acted upon, the items remaining on the Board's agenda will be expedited and action may be taken on deferred agenda items without discussion. It will be a decision of the Board itself as to which items will require discussion and which may be deferred for expedited action without discussion.

The Chairman will poll the members of the Board at the commencement of the meeting with regard to which items require discussion. Any agenda item identified by any Board member as one requiring discussion will be accelerated ahead of those items not identified as requiring discussion. All such accelerated agenda items will be individually considered and acted upon ahead of all other agenda items. With respect to all agenda items not accelerated. i.e., those items upon which action has been deferred until later in the meeting, the Chairman will entertain a single motion and a single second to that motion and will call for a single vote of the members without any discussion of any agenda items so grouped together and so singly acted upon. Accordingly, in the event any person desires to have the Board discuss any particular agenda item, such person should contact one of the Board members before the meeting or Lila Trimmer, located at 206 South 17th Avenue, Room 135, Phoenix, Arizona 85007, or by phone (602) 712-7550. Please be prepared to identify the specific agenda item or items of interest.

Dated this 21st day of June 2013 STATE TRANSPORTATION BOARD By: Lila Trimmer

### Arizona Highways, Airports, and Railroads





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#### **Pledge**

The Pledge of Allegiance

#### **Roll Call**

Roll call by Lila Trimmer

#### Call to the Audience (Information and discussion)

An opportunity for citizens to discuss items of interest with the Board.

Please fill out a Request for Public Input\_form and turn in to the Secretary if you wish to address the Board. <u>Time limits</u> may be imposed.

## ITEM 1: Overview of Department's Study of Board's Proposed Modifications to the Five Year Program and Department's Recommendation

(For information and discussion only — Scott Omer, Assistant Director, Multimodal Planning Division)

Staff will present and discuss the Department's review of the Board's proposed changes of the FY 2014 - 2018 Statewide Transportation Facilities Program. On June 14th, the Board approved a motion directing the Department to study proposed changes to the ADOT recommended program Scenario C and make a recommendation based upon appropriate regulations and policy. The Board requested the following changes be reviewed:

#### **BOARD AGENDA**

Defer the U.S. 93 Carrow to Stephens project out of the program and move the \$22 million to pavement preservation in FY14.

Accelerate the \$45 million U.S. 60 Silver King project from FY16 to FY15.

Add S.R. 260 Thousand Trails improvements from Camp Verde to Cottonwood for \$35 million in FY16.

Reduce and delay S.R. 260 Lion Springs from \$40 million to \$5 million in FY18 limiting the scope of the project to design and move the saved \$35 million to pavement preservation.

Add S.R. 347 railroad grade separation within the City of Maricopa for \$35 million in FY16.

(See ITEM 1 Attachment)

#### \*ITEM 2: Final Approval of the FY 2014 - 2018 Statewide Transportation Facilities Program

(For Information and Possible Action–Scott Omer, Assistant Director, Multimodal Planning Division and Kristine Ward, Chief Financial Officer)

The Board will review, discuss, and approve a final FY2014 - 2018 Transportation Facilities Program.

Staff will present and discuss funding for and proposed changes to the FY2014 - 2018 Five Year Transportation Program. <a href="http://azdot.gov/FiveYearProgram">http://azdot.gov/FiveYearProgram</a> (The website for the Five Year Program has been updated with the final draft program(s) incorporating proposed changes and modifications.)

Staff presentation will include an overview of FY 2014 - 2018 Statewide Transportation Facilities Construction Program Financial Plan, Statewide Subprograms, Statewide Highway Construction Program (Excluding Pima Association of Government (PAG) & Maricopa Association of Government (MAG)), PAG Regional Highway Construction Program Recommendations, MAG Regional Highway Construction Program Recommendations, and Airport Development Program Recommendations.

The Board will consider the following alternative scenarios:

**Board's Modified Scenario C -** This program includes the Department's Modified Scenario C with the following modifications:

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**Department's Modified Scenario C** — Combination of Preservation and Major Projects. This program focuses on some investment in major projects that are programmed in greater Arizona with less investment in keeping existing highways in good repair. There would be four major projects from 2014 to 2017, 39 bridge projects from 2014 to 2018, and 524 miles in pavement projects. An average of \$149 million per year in preservation from 2014 to 2018 would be allocated. Arizona's interstate system is projected to fall below federal performance measures for pavement quality in 2021 with this scenario. **(Department Recommendation Presented at the June 14, 2013 Board Meeting)** 

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\*ITEMS that may require Board Action

Attachment: ITEM 1 Board Member Kelly Anderson's motion dated June 14, 2013

June 14, 2013

Dear Chairman Flores,

Per state statute, any changes to a proposed 5 year state wide construction plan shall be in writing for the director's review. Below are the explanations for my motion and changes to the plan which passed by a 7 - 0 vote at our June 14, 2013 board meeting.

It is an honor to serve on the ADOT transportation board and I was humbled when Governor Brewer called a few years ago to say that she was putting my name forth to the State Senate for confirmation.

One thing which I have learned is that the plan is organic, in that it changes almost every board meeting. For example the PPAC recommendation for board approval today we are advancing project, identifying new projects, increasing project costs and deleting projects from the FY2013 – 2017 construction program. My changes to the draft plan has been a combination of:

- the hearing process
- communication with local elected officials and stakeholders
- my perspective on economic development

#### US 93 CARROW TO STEPHENS: DEFER OUT AND MONEY GO TO PRESERVATION

I saw minimal support or opposition for the project.

#### **SILVER KING: MOVE TO FY 15 FROM FY 16**

This has been in the plan for many years and I believe that it needs to move ahead due to the prospects of the mining sector advancing in the region.

#### ALLOCATE \$35,000,000.00 TO SR 260 TO THOUSAND TRAILS

I had the opportunity to drive this section last weekend and see the need. In fact, in the local Maricopa paper there was an advertisement for the Out of Africa park.

There is one thing which does concern me with the project is that the reason is was not completed along with the rest of 260 was access issues. I still see the fragmented voice which was evident at the public hearing in Flagstaff when Chairman Flores asked if there were many to speak on the same topic if there could be one spokesman. All of you chose to speak.

If there is not a clean and documented access management plan a year from now, then I would not hesitate to move the project out. You have some great leadership in the area, so I would use it.

## MOVE THE \$3,500,000.00 ALLOCATED TO LION SPRINGS IN FY 16 TO FY 18 AND INCREASE TO \$5,000,000.00

I would like to see the project continue, and think the money will help Gila county in its grant applications.

#### LION SPRINGS \$40,000,000.00 IN FY18 DEFER OUT AND ALLOCATE TO PRESERVATION

With the \$5,000,000.00 in FY 16 to help with grant I think this money should go to preservation.

#### **SR 347 GRADE SEPARATION AT THE UNION PACIFIC RAIL ROAD**

Many in this room are very familiar with this project. In fact the city of Maricopa hosted the board in February of 2007 and again in November of 2012. Last November Ak Chin Vice Chairman William Antone talked about their aggressive economic development projects one of which is their entertainment complex which had its grand opening this same evening as the board reception.

The city of Maricopa has \$10,000,000.00 in its CIP program allocated for the separation project and have spent countless hours lobbying the state's congressional delegation for federal aid.

I also had a meeting last week with Maricopa Mayor Price and Ak Chin Chairman Manual about the project and their commitment to working together on the project. The Ak Chin community recently donated \$10,000,000.00 to the city and the Maricopa Unified School district to advance a city park project and help with school budget issues. The chairman wanted the board to know that they are financially committed to at least the \$10,000,000.00 and probably greater to the grade separation project.

Chairman Flores thank you for the time to speak to my changes to the plan.