#### STATE TRANSPORTATION PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES

9:00 a.m., Friday, March 16, 2018 Town of Sahuarita Council Chambers 375 W. Sahuarita Center Way Sahuarita, AZ 85629

### Pledge

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Board Member Hammond.

# Roll call by Board Secretary Linda Priano

In attendance: William Cuthbertson, Jack Sellers, Mike Hammond, Jesse Thompson and Sam Elters. Steve Stratton called in and Deanna Beaver was not present. There were approximately 35 people in the audience.

#### **Opening Remarks**

Chairman Cuthbertson gave a special thanks to the Pima Association of Governments (PAG) and Southern Arizona Leadership Council (SALC) for hosting the reception and dinner Thursday evening. He also thanked the Mayor and Town of Sahuarita for hosting the board meeting. Chairman Cuthbertson introduced the newest Board Member, Gary Knight, representing District 6. Board Member Sellers stated that he felt the discussion at the dinner was beneficial and is also encouraged by the quality of people who are serving on this board. Board Member Hammond and Board Member Thompson also thanked PAG and SALC for the reception and dinner.

### Title VI of the Civil Rights Act

Floyd Roehrich reminded all attendees to fill out the optional survey cards to assist our Civil Rights Department.

Call to the Audience for the 2019-2023 ADOT Tentative Five Year Transportation Facilities Construction Program:

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- 2. Kee Allen Begay, Jr., Navajo Nation Council
- 3. Chris Bridges, Central Yavapai Metropolitan Planning Organization
- 4. Mike Smejkal, Tucson Airport Authority & Arizona Airports Association
- Mike Humphrey, Tucson Resident
- 6. John Hansen, Kingman Mohave Manufacturing Association
- 7. Travis Lingenfelter, Kingman City Councilman

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10	Steve Stratton, Board Member (by telephone)
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CHAIRMAN CUTHBERTSON: Okay. We'll now move on to the call to the audience for the public hearing meeting.

This gives the citizens an opportunity to discuss items of interest for the Board regarding the tentative five-year program. So to speak, you should fill out a yellow Request For Public Input form and return it to Secretary Priano to address the Board.

If you have comments on general transportation items or items on the board meeting agenda, you'll have the opportunity to address the Board at the start of that meeting, and you'll have a white form that you'll fill out, so...

In the interest of time, and in fairness to those wishing to speak, a three minute time limit will be imposed on each speaker. You'll receive an audio signal when the end of your five minutes is -- your three minutes is approaching, and that will be your cue to wrap up your comments.

So we'll begin -- and actually, I'll invite Mayor

Tom Murphy to come up and do some opening remarks. Those -
Tom, those remarks won't count against your three minutes for

the public hearing comments.

So Mr. Mayor.

TOM MURPHY: Thank you, and thanks for being here. I will still try to talk fast.

Good morning, and welcome everybody to the Town of Sahuarita. I especially want to thank the State

Transportation Board member Mike Hammond for representing our region, and I'd also like to thank the Board and ADOT's South

Central District engineer, Rod Lane, and his team for current and upcoming construction projects in the district, especially the improvements on I-19 from Canoa rest area to Duval Mine Road and Pima Mine Road Bridge.

We appreciate all the efforts as we move forward working with the Federal Highway Administration on the Sonoran Corridor and all of the efforts that we've been able to work together on. As you all may know, the only east -- west-east connector right now is Sahuarita Road. So we think that will be a good advancement on there.

And I'll move to my public hearing remarks. As a member of the Regional Transportation Authority Board, I appreciate the collaborative efforts of ADOT on State Route 210 project, which will ultimately serve as a cross town alternative route that will provide critical relief to I-10.

The voter-approved RTA plan will provide design and right-of-way funding for this corridor, and RTA funds have also contributed to the construction or planned construction of traffic interchanges along I-10, at Twin Peaks, Ina Road, Ruthrauff Road, and RTA regional funds would have contributed over \$100 million to these projects on the ADOT system over the

20-year life span of the RTA plan.

I appreciate, again, all of your efforts working with the RTA as a state and considering our region, and we'll continue the collaboration as the years go on. Thank you very much.

CHAIRMAN CUTHBERTSON: Thank you, Mr. Mayor.

Next, Mr. Kee Allen Begay, from the Navajo Nation Tribal Council.

KEE ALLEN BEGAY, JUNIOR: Good morning, everyone.
UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Good morning.

KEE ALLEN BEGAY, JUNIOR: My name is Kee Allen Begay, Junior. I'm the tribal council for the Navajo Nation.

I've been attending the board meeting for several years now. I think it's just a matter for me to continue to voice my request for support of Highway 191 on the northeast part of the Navajo Nation and all those state right-of-ways on the Navajo Nation. As a tribal council, such as board members, we continue and seek support for all the road improvement for our communities and those that travel through these state right-of-ways.

During the summer, we do have high traffic due to several national parks that we have within the Navajo Nation.

The Four Corners, the Canyon de Chelly, Window Rock, Grand

Canyon and Monument Valley and -- so many views that we know that really becomes a bottleneck in some certain areas,

1 especially through the community between Chinle and Many Farms. 2 So with the new board member on board, welcome. 3 Again, and also to the mayor of the community here, I appreciate 4 their hospitality, and I just hope and wish to continue to seek 5 for your support. And I did send a letter to the Board, board 6 members. I requested for written update of all the requests of 7 the progress that we've been asking or requesting for on 191 8 between Many Farms and Chinle and the other area. 9 So with that, I again thank you very much, and 10 you all have a wonderful day. 11 CHAIRMAN CUTHBERTSON: Thank you. 12 Chris Bridges from CYMPO. 13 CHRIS BRIDGES: Good morning, Mr. Chair, members 14 of the Board. I'm very happy to be here. I'm here to thank you 15 for the inclusion of State Route 69 in the draft tentative plan. 16 And on behalf of our board and our entire area, we very much appreciate your partnership, and we look forward to continuing 17 18 that in the future. 19 I did have a conversation with ADOT design staff, 20 and it appears that our design is going to get ramping up here 21 soon. So it looks like we're right in line for a fiscal year 22 '21 delivery, so thank you very much. 23 CHAIRMAN CUTHBERTSON: Mike Smejkal -- Smejkal, 24 Vice President, Planning and Engineering, TAA. Sorry if I 25 mispronounced your name, Mike.

1 MIKE SMEJKAL: It's all right. Everyone does. 2 Good morning, Mr. Chairman, members of the Board. 3 My name is Mike Smejkal with the Tucson Airport Authority, Vice 4 President of Planning and Engineering, and I also serve on 5 Arizona Airports Association Board of Directors. So I wanted to 6 speak on both behalfs. 7 And first off, just again, thank you for the 8 program this year, you know, on the roadway side. Certainly the 9 airport's very excited about the Sonoran Corridor and the 10 continued progress that is making. 11 And then on the aviation side, the airport fund 12 -- development group's work in certainly reinstating or -- the 13 planned reinstatement of the state program and the APMS program, 14 it's been a tough couple years with the aviation sweep, but we 15 certainly appreciate Greg and his staff's work and commitment to 16 get that fund solvent again and moving forward. 17 So both -- again, it's been a -- those programs 18 have been very important to Tucson International Airport, Ryan 19 Airfield, but also the state as a whole, and many of the 20 airports rely very heavily on those funds. So we're glad to see 21 that they are -- appear to be back on schedule and back in the 22 program. So thank you again for your support. 23 CHAIRMAN CUTHBERTSON: Thank you. 24 Mr. Mike Humphrey. 25 MIKE HUMPHREY: Thank you for allowing me the

opportunity to speak. My name is Mike Humphrey. I live at 3760

North Camino Sinuoso in Tucson.

I am writing and speaking today in support of the installation of cable median barriers with between Milepost 201 and 230 on I-10 as part of the highway renovation currently underway. The Picacho section of I-10, Milepost 201 to 230, has experienced a significant number of cross-median events.

According to data provided by the Arizona

Department of Public Safety, from 2001 to 2011, there were 56

cross-median events which involved a vehicle departing its lane
of travel and entering opposing lanes of travel. Eighteen
involved collisions with oncoming traffic. Six of those

collisions involved fatalities. The installation of cable

median barriers would significantly reduce these numbers. The
positive impact of cable median barriers has been well
documented.

According to the Federal Highway Administration, today many states, including Arizona, Colorado, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Carolina, Utah and Washington state are installing cable median barriers in medians originally built without barriers. New data suggests that cable median barriers are an effective mechanism for preventing fatal and disabling crashes. In Washington, for example, annual cross-median fatality crashes declined from 3 to .33 fatalities per 100 million miles of vehicle travel, while annual disabling

accidents went from 3.6 to 1.76. The overall benefits of cable median carriers were calculated to be \$420,000 per mile annually.

These conclusions are echoed by Malcolm Ray in his review of cable median use throughout the United States. He states in his 2007 report to the Washington state DOT: Most states have experienced significant cross-median fatal crash reductions and high levels of effectiveness when using cable median barriers. Typical cross-median crashes -- reductions have been on the order of 95 percent.

Drivers and passengers on Arizona's interstate highways should be afforded the additional safety protection provided by cable median barriers. Cable median barrier efficacy and cost effectiveness is beyond dispute. I strongly encourage ADOT to take immediate action to include these barriers in the Picacho/I-10 renovation.

Thank you very much.

CHAIRMAN CUTHBERTSON: Thank you.

John Hansen, a Kingman businessman, Kingman and Mohave Manufacturers Association.

JOHN HANSEN: Good morning. I'd like to welcome Mr. Knight from Mohave County, a welcome face here. I'd also like to thank the Board for the work that you've done. I was able to join you in Yuma, and I want to talk about the same thing, because I think it's really important.

Up in Kingman, we're the northern gateway on the west side of Arizona, where the 93 comes into the I-40. It's a huge issue right now, because to get onto the I-40, you have to come into the west side of Kingman and go through a traffic light, which doesn't sound like a big deal. When you've got hundreds of cars per hour trying to go through a traffic light, what that results in is a backup all the way out into Golden Valley. That's called a closed gate.

So our northwestern gateway into our state has a closed gate on several days of the week where we have high traffic between Las Vegas and Kingman. So I really want to encourage and thank the Board, the Department of Transportation for the work that's been done so far. We do have it on the plan. I would like to see us put a higher priority on it.

Kingman is working hard to try and develop a means for funding and a way to borrow the money to be able to help us get that done and move that up on the priority list, but right now, I believe that we are not looking at actually doing that work until 2023. So that's a huge problem for not only our state, but particularly for our area in Kingman and our economic development. So I encourage the Board to continue your great work, and thank you very much for the chance to speak.

CHAIRMAN CUTHBERTSON: Thank you.

Travis Lingenfelter. Sorry, Travis. I couldn't quite read your name, but -- Lingenfelter, from Kingman, Kingman

City Council member.

TRAVIS LINGENFELTER: Yes. Good morning. Thank you. Oh, okay. (Inaudible) problems. Sorry about that.

Thank you for the opportunity to speak to you all this morning. I come to you from Kingman, Arizona, as one of the council members, and really to sort of coattail onto what John Hansen, who just spoke. He's the president of our regional manufacturing association up in Kingman and in Mohave County.

We've been working for almost a year now on a project we're calling the I-11 East Kingman Connection Project, and what I'm here to speak to the Board and ask the Board to consider this morning, City of Kingman is actually looking at constructing two new interchanges in the area of Kingman along the alignment of the new future Interstate 11. One of them is called the Rancho Santa Fe Project. One's called the Kingman Crossing. We're bundling those together.

And really, we're asking the State to partner with us to come up with -- or just to include maybe 27 percent state funding, or around \$20 million in a five-year plan. The City of Kingman is coming up with over 77 percent of the funding. We're anticipating that the project is going to be in the neighborhood of \$85 million.

So with this project, when we look at safety and mobility in the area, right now there's a stretch of Andy

Devine, Route 66, so this project will divert in excess --

excess east Kingman traffic from Andy Devine Avenue in excess of 100,000 trips per day at build-out. It will provide direct route for our commercial truck traffic to the Kingman industrial park, eliminating existing truck traffic at 20 street intersections and over 50 access driveways along Route 66 and Andy Devine Avenue.

The 4.7-mile segment of Route 66, Andy Devine

Avenue, that currently connects the Interstate 40 to our

industrial park currently experiences triple the state average

rate of fatalities per 100 million vehicle miles. So we're

looking at increased -- dramatically increased public safety.

The Kingman Crossing interchange would also provide safer and more direct access for our school children, our students at a school called Desert Willow Elementary School and a middle school, White Cliffs Middle School. They currently cross the interstate.

We've been working very hard with a company out of Phoenix called Applied Economics, Sarah Murley. She's done a lot of work with various state agencies, cities, towns, also with the ACA. And by her projections — just get to that slide really quick — and so we're looking at, from her projections, a 30-year build-out of this total project area, which is roughly 6,300 acres. Within that 30-year build-out, the annual economic — the total economic impact would be 5.9 billion. It could support 36,000 new direct jobs in the region, 6,700 indirect

1 jobs, and 7,300 induced jobs throughout Mohave County. Through 2 -- over that 90 -- 30-year period, we're looking at an 3 additional 9.6 billion construction impact over the development 4 period, 259 million in one-time construction sales tax to the 5 state over that 30-year period. 6 CHAIRMAN CUTHBERTSON: Mr. Lingenfelter. 7 TRAVIS LINGENFELTER: Yes. 8 CHAIRMAN CUTHBERTSON: That's it, please. 9 TRAVIS LINGENFELTER: Time? 10 CHAIRMAN CUTHBERTSON: Yes. 11 TRAVIS LINGENFELTER: Okay. Well, thank you for 12 your time. Hopefully -- I've been told that we're going to be 13 hopefully getting in front of you next month and the month 14 after, so thank you for your time. 15 CHAIRMAN CUTHBERTSON: Okay. Thank you. 16 Having no more yellow cards before me, the call 17 to the audience is concluded, and we'll begin the public hearing 18 portion of our meetings. 19 So this is the first of three consecutive 20 hearings on the 2019 to 2023 Tentative Five-year Transportation 21 Facilities Construction Program recommendation, and so today we're meeting in the PAG region. We'll meet in Flagstaff in 22 23 April, and in May in Phoenix. 24 So just as board members, when we've had an 25 opportunity to review this plan and actually we approved it for

presenting it to public hearing. So while we always are welcome to make questions and comments, it's important that we present this package consistently in the three different — to the three different regions. So I'll remind you that, you know, it's not really the time for recommending changes to the plan at this point. We'll have plenty of ample time to do that in our May study session and — so that we can all come together for the June to finalize the plan.

So any questions from board members on that?

Okay. Okay. Greg Byres, Division Director of

Multimodal Planning Division will present us with staff's

recommendation for the fiscal year 2019 to 2023 ADOT Tentative

Five-Year Transportation Facilities Construction Program

recommendations. Greg.

MR. BYRES: Thank you, Mr. Chairman, board members.

This presentation will go through Items A through E, as posted in the agenda. So I'm just going to go through a quick background, the overview of assets, the -- a real short presentation on our P2P process, as well as the tentative five-year highway delivery program, the MAG tentative program, PAG tentative program, the airport program, and then, of course, our next presentations that we have through our public hearing process. So -- here we go.

Just as the overview of the asset conditions that

we currently have on our system. The system itself in its

current condition is -- roughly has a value of \$21.5 billion.

That's just the current value. Without commitment to

preservation, the system would cost \$200 billion to replace,

so...

As far as the conditions go, this is just a quick condition of the -- our bridges across the state. We've got 57 percent of them in good condition, 42 percent of them in fair condition, and it's actually a little less than 1 percent in poor condition.

Looking at our pavements across the state, these are the interstate highway systems. We've got 67 percent of those in good condition, less than 1 percent in poor condition, and 32 percent in fair condition.

The non-interstate system, again, it's pretty much the same: 52 percent in good condition, 46 percent in fair condition, and 2 percent in poor condition.

So as I go through this presentation, one of the big things that we go through is the different investment categories. So I just kind of wanted to give the definition of what these are. So if you look at this, preservation is the investment to keep pavement smooth and maintain bridges.

Modernization is non-capacity investment that improved safety and operations, basically by adding shoulders and smart technology. And expansion is investment that adds capacity to

the highway system either through new roads, added lanes, or new interchanges. So those -- those three investment categories are going to get mentioned several times during the rest of this presentation. So I just want to make sure that everybody's clear on what that -- what the definitions are.

So here we go with the -- this is the existing -or the tentative plan that we have. One of the big things to
notate on this, the long range transportation plan that was
approved by this board has a target of \$320 million per year set
for preservation. So this is the first program that we're
actually utilizing those recommendations. So -- but we have a
current -- our current program that we have to make its way
through. So this kind of lays out -- shows that we have still
have expansion that's occurring. We still have modernization
projects that are going through, along with the preservation.
But as you can see as we go through this, the arrows indicate
that the discrepancy we have between that \$320 million per year
set aside for preservation and what's programmed, as we have to
complete all of these modernization and expansion projects that
were already programmed, so...

As far as how projects get into our program, we -- one of the big things we start off with is our P2P process.

Just kind of going through this real quick, we have projects that come in or recommendations for projects that come in. They come in through our profile corridor studies. They come in from

the districts. They come in from multiple areas. We take all of those projects in. If you look at -- on the -- basically on the vision side, we take those and categorize each of those projects into the different investment categories, whether it's modernization, expansion, preservation, or the highway modes.

Once we do that, we take and actually rank each one of those projects in each of those different investment categories, take and run that all the way through, and then we prioritize each of those projects as they come through those different rankings and through those different investment categories. So that's kind of what the P2P process does. This is a very simplistic means of it. I'll kind of get into a little bit more.

As we go through the scoring, in putting together each one of these projects, we have four major categories in which we score. We use a technical score, a policy score, a safety score, and the district scores as we go through each one of these projects, taking it through the process. Each of these is evenly weighted at 25 percent. One of the things that we're —— I'll get into it later, but we're making —— looking at doing some revisions to this, but this is how this current program was put together.

As -- once we get all that done, again, like I said, we categorize each of those into the different investment categories. We take and compare them in and set the percentages

for each one of these utilizing the long range transportation plan recommendations, and then we take and actually roll those into the tentative program, so...

This is a comparison of our previous program, the 2018 through 2022 program versus the 2019-2023 program. If you look at it, there's very little change. We had 36 percent in preservation, 52 percent expansion, and 12 percent modernization in the '18-'22 program. The only thing that has really changed is our preservation and expansion, which is 1 percent different going into the 2019-2023 program. The main reason for that is because, again, we already have our programs going. We have all the projects that are in the current program. We're rolling those through, maintaining consistency as we go.

So looking at this tentative program, if you look at it in the Greater Arizona area, we're looking at 63 percent preservation, 17 percent expansion, and 20 percent modernization.

So if we're specifically on the FY '19 side, we've got \$89 million in expansion projects. Just a couple of those projects. We have the 189 project in which it was announced that a TIGER grant is coming on for that project from Federal Highway. That's set up -- right now it was in the program for 69 million. That's going to be potentially changing with the TIGER grant coming through. But also in that program, we also have US-93, which is that \$5 million for the West

Kingman TI. That design is set for FY '24. And Interstate 17 projects with 17 million going into the Anthem to Sunset Drive design, and also the \$10 million from Anthem to New River, which is the MAG portion for the I-17 project.

So going on to FY '20, in this case we've got \$61.2 million that we're looking at in expansion projects.

Again, this is all tentative, but we have \$10.2 million in the program for design and construction of the 4th Street Bridge in Flagstaff. That's a 50/50 partnership between ADOT and the City of Flagstaff. We also have 10 million in the program for 93, again, for the West Kingman TI, and 41 million for the US-93 gap project, so...

In FY '21 and FY '22, again, we still have a considerable amount of expansion. 82 million in FY '21, 65 million in FY '22, and those projects -- just some of those projects include 69, 21 million set aside for Prescott Lakes Parkway. On 93, we have the Cane Springs design project with construction going in FY '23. On 260, we have 5 million set aside for the Lion Springs design, and again, the I-17 projects going from Anthem to Sunset Point with, again, \$40 million that's in there for the widening portion from Anthem to -- from -- north of Anthem that is part of the MAG contribution to that.

So just kind of a -- this gives you an overall of what we're doing on 17. Currently in the tentative program, we've got \$178.3 million. That runs all the way from Anthem,

1 through to Sunset Point. That little table on the bottom shows 2 an ultimate development of I-17 if it went from Anthem all the 3 way to -- that runs all the way to Cordes Junction, and that's 4 \$447 million, which is considerable compared to what we have 5 programmed right now. 6 There is a -- just to bring that back, there is a 7 INFRA grant that we currently -- or an INFRA grant application 8 that's currently in for the I-17 project for \$160 million. And 9 I believe the announcement on the INFRA grants is supposed to be 10 coming out -- or the selections are supposed to be coming out 11 within the next couple of months. 12 MR. HALIKOWSKI: Mr. Chair. 13 CHAIRMAN CUTHBERTSON: Yes. 14 MR. HALIKOWSKI: I just wanted to ask you a 15 question pertaining to the grant. Greg, if we were to get that 16 INFRA grant, is there a state fund match there? 17 MR. BYRES: Yes, there is. 18 MR. HALIKOWSKI: Can you tell us what that 19 percent or amount is? 20 MR. BYRES: I believe that's a 20 -- I can't 21 believe -- remember if it's 20 or 25 percent match. 22 MR. HALIKOWSKI: I just wanted to point out to 23 the Board that the grants aren't free. 24 CHAIRMAN CUTHBERTSON: Right. 25 MR. HALIKOWSKI: There's still a state fund match

that has to come out of the program somewhere. Thank you.

MR. BYRES: Yes.

So on this one, on the FY '23, we have \$85 million. And again, we've got projects on 93 and 260 as well coming through on that.

In our outer years, which is 2024 through 2028, again, we have expansion projects, but as you'll see, these are dwindling down to 20 -- we actually hit our goal for preservation in 2026 that we're carrying through from that point forward, but we still have expansion that's carried out throughout, including 93, I-19, and I-10 projects.

In the MAG region, MAG is going through and working on several of their projects. Again, we have an entire listing. We have I-10 projects, I-17 projects, SR-24, SR-30, US-60, SR-85, Loop 101, Loop 202, and State Route 303 that are all in MAG's program. MAG's planning is done by MAG, not by ADOT. We take and roll their planning into our program.

In the PAG region, they have several projects as well, on I-10, I-19, SR-77, SR-86 and 210. We've been meeting with PAG. They've actually come through and have some tentative changes. These are represented in red at this point, and as the final comes through, when we're done with all of our hearings and everything, these changes will be represented to the Board so that you can see what the difference was in the original program, tentative program that we brought in and any changes

1 that we're looking at through the comments from all of our
2 hearings as well as from MAG and PAG, so forth.

On the Airport Capital Improvement Program, the current program that we have only utilizes our FSL program, which was funded at \$3.5 million. Again, that's well short of what we've done in past years, but due to the sweep, this is the maximum that we could do. Those moneys have all been distributed for fiscal year '18.

For the current -- or this tentative program, again, the FSL is coming through. It's being expanded to a little over \$5 million. We're bringing back our Airport Management Preservation, our APMS program, at \$5 million, and of course, Grand Canyon gets funded, as well as the airport development group gets funded as well out of the -- our aviation funds.

As far as next steps go, again, we have this hearing. We also have public hearings planned for Flagstaff and in Phoenix. We will have a study session with the Board June 5th in Phoenix with the final program to the Board scheduled for June 15th in Globe. The program must be delivered to the governor June 30th, and the fiscal year, again, begins July 1st, 2018.

That concludes my presentation of the tentative program. Thank you very much.

CHAIRMAN CUTHBERTSON: Questions from board

1 members? 2 I had one question. I might have missed it. You 3 might have said. So the INFRA grant that you discussed, when 4 will we hear back on whether we're successful in getting that? 5 MR. BYRES: They're supposed announce it within 6 the next couple -- it should be within the next couple of 7 months. 8 CHAIRMAN CUTHBERTSON: And -- sorry. Okay. So 9 the next couple of months. Is there a window that we have to 10 use that grant that has to be applied? MR. BYRES: I'm not -- there is. 11 12 CHAIRMAN CUTHBERTSON: Okay. 13 MR. BYRES: There is a window --14 MR. ROEHRICH: Mr. Chair, they usually come with 15 a window. Some of them have been two years. Some of them have 16 been three years. 17 CHAIRMAN CUTHBERTSON: Okay. Okay. 18 MR. ROEHRICH: But the money has to be obligated 19 and the project started within that time. 20 CHAIRMAN CUTHBERTSON: Okay. Okay. 21 MR. BYRES: There's --22 CHAIRMAN CUTHBERTSON: But it wouldn't 23 necessarily be within the next year or two, but it might be in a 24 three year frame? 25 MR. ROEHRICH: Well, within the next year or two.

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     remembering, but there is actually a requirement in the INFRA
     grants that they're -- from the date of obligation, construction
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     has to start within 18 months.
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                    CHAIRMAN CUTHBERTSON: Okay.
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     the award date.
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     information. Okay.
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                    MR. HALIKOWSKI: So Mr. Chairman, I'd like to
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     (inaudible) that point. Greg, could you say what the amount of
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     the grant is that we're requesting?
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                    MR. BYRES: $160 million.
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     expectations, do we anticipate getting that amount? I don't
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     know if that amount's ever been awarded. It (inaudible).
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                    MR. BYRES: It could be anything from nothing to
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     $160 million.
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                    MR. HALIKOWSKI: Thank you.
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                    CHAIRMAN CUTHBERTSON: Okay. Any other
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                    MR. THOMPSON: Chairman.
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                    MR. THOMPSON: Greg, when you do your project
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     cost estimate, is this -- the grants that you talk about, is
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     that included in that estimate, or do you wait for the grant to
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     never taken into account in programming until it's physically
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     been awarded to us.
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                    MR. THOMPSON: Thank you, Chair.
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                    MR. ROEHRICH: Mr. Chair, if I could just break
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     in for a second.
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                    CHAIRMAN CUTHBERTSON: Yes.
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                    MR. ROEHRICH: We heard the beep on the phone.
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     wanted to check. Is -- Mr. Stratton, are you still on the
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     phone?
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                    Excellent. He's not there. So we picked the
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     project from his district (inaudible).
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                    CHAIRMAN CUTHBERTSON: Okay.
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1	MR. ROEHRICH: No. Don't put that in the
2	meeting.
3	UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Too late.
4	CHAIRMAN CUTHBERTSON: Okay. All right. Any
5	other questions?
6	Okay. Mr. Byres, thank you.
7	Having completed the items on the agenda for the
8	public hearing, do I have a motion to adjourn the public hearing
9	for the 2019-2023 Tentative Five-Year Transportation Facilities
10	Construction Program?
11	MR. SELLERS: So moved.
12	MR. THOMPSON: Second.
13	CHAIRMAN CUTHBERTSON: Okay. A motion by Board
14	Member Sellers, second by Board Member Thompson.
15	All in favor?
16	BOARD MEMBERS: Aye.
17	CHAIRMAN CUTHBERTSON: Okay. The motion passes.
18	(Public hearing adjourned.)
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# <u>Adjournment</u>

A motion to adjourn the March 16, 2018 State Transportation Board Public Hearing was made by Board Member Sellers and seconded by Board Member Thompson. In a voice vote, the motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:43 a.m. MST.

William F. Cuthbertson, Chairman

State Transportation Board

Floyd Roehrich, Jr., Executive Officer

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