

ARIZONA STATE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

Douglas A. Ducey, Governor

Jesse Thompson, Chairman
 Gary Knight, Vice Chairman
 Richard Searle, Member
 Jenn Daniels, Member
 Jackie Meck, Member
 Ted Maxwell, Member
 Steve Stratton, 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 or 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.

PUBLIC INPUT

Members of the public 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 third Friday of each month. Meetings are held in locations throughout the state. **Due to the risks to public health caused by the possible spread of the COVID-19 virus at public gatherings, the Transportation Board asks that people attending Board meetings in person take safety precautions they feel appropriate to protect themselves and others. In addition, for the time being the Transportation Board will conduct concurrent telephonic/WebEx virtual meetings.** In addition to the regular business meetings held each month, the Board may conduct at least one 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) 712-4259.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SPECIAL BOARD 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 TELEPHONIC/WEBEX CONFERENCE Study Session open to the public on Thursday, October 6, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. 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 by telephone or video conference call. The Board may modify the agenda order, if necessary.

EXECUTIVE SESSION OF THE STATE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

Pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the Arizona State Transportation Board and to the general public that the Board may meet in Executive Session for discussion or consultation of legal advice with legal counsel at its meeting on Thursday, October 6, 2022, relating to any items on the agenda. Pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.03 (A), the Board may, at its discretion, recess and reconvene the Executive Session as needed, relating to any items on the agenda.

CIVIL RIGHTS

Pursuant to Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), ADOT does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, sex or disability. Persons that require a reasonable accommodation based on language or disability should contact the Civil Rights Office at (602) 712-8946 or email

CivilRightsOffice@azdot.gov. Requests should be made as early as possible to ensure the state has an opportunity to address the accommodation.

De acuerdo con el título VI de la Ley de Derechos Civiles de 1964 y la Ley de Estadounidenses con Discapacidades (ADA por sus siglas en Inglés), el Departamento de Transporte de Arizona (ADOT por sus siglas en Inglés) no discrimina por raza, color, nacionalidad, edad, género o discapacidad. Personas que requieren asistencia (dentro de lo razonable) ya sea por idioma o por discapacidad deben ponerse en contacto con 602.712.8946. Las solicitudes deben hacerse lo más pronto posible para asegurar que el equipo encargado del proyecto tenga la oportunidad de hacer los arreglos necesarios.

AGENDA

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

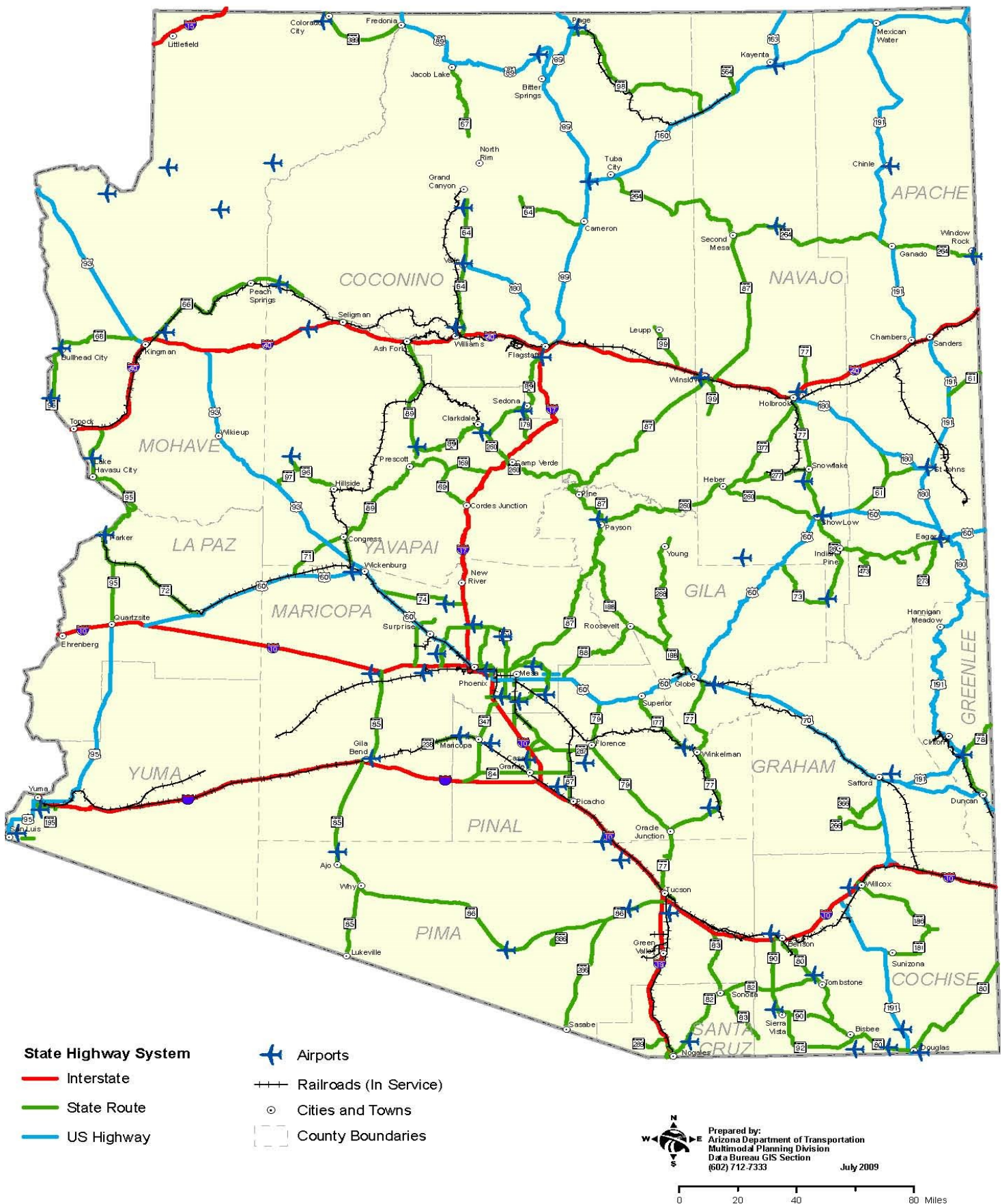
ORDER DEFERRAL AND ACCELERATIONS OF AGENDA ITEMS, VOTE WITHOUT DISCUSSION

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 items to discuss 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 ADOT Staff, at 206 South 17th Avenue, Room 135, Phoenix, Arizona 85007, or by phone (602) 712-4259. Please be prepared to identify the specific agenda item or items of interest.

Dated this 29th day September, 2022

Arizona Highways, Airports, and Railroads



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TELEPHONIC/WEBEX MEETING

STUDY SESSION

9:00 a.m., Thursday, October 6, 2022

NO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WILL BE ALLOWED TO ATTEND IN-PERSON

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Public Participation Members of the public who want to observe or participate in the Transportation Board meeting can access the meeting by using the WebEx meeting link at www.aztransportationboard.gov. Join the meeting as a participant and follow the instruction to use your telephone to enable audio.

EXECUTIVE SESSION OF THE STATE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

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PLEDGE

The Pledge of Allegiance led by Floyd Roehrich, Jr.

ROLL CALL

Roll call by Board Secretary

OPENING REMARKS

Opening remarks by Jesse Thompson

TITLE VI OF THE CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1964, as amended.

Reminder to fill out survey cards by Floyd Roehrich, Jr.

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CALL TO THE AUDIENCE (information only)

VIRTUAL:

An opportunity for citizens to discuss items of interest with the Board . To address the Board please fill out a Request for Public Input Form and email the form to boardinfo@azdot.gov. The form is located on the Transportation Board's website <http://aztransportationboard.gov/index.asp>. Request for Public Input Forms will be taken until 8:00 AM the morning of the Board Meeting. Since this is a telephonic/WebEx conference meeting everyone will be muted when they call into the meeting. When your name is called to provide your comments, you will indicate your presence by virtually raising your hand using your phone keypad or through the WebEx application.

To raise your hand over the phone:

If you have joined us using your telephone, raise your hand by pressing *3 on your phone keypad. You will be unmuted by the meeting moderator and asked to make your comments. When you have finished speaking or when your time is up, please lower your hand by pressing *3 on your phone keypad.

To raise your hand using the WebEx computer or internet browser application:

If you have joined us using the WebEx computer or internet browser application, open your participant panel located on the menu on the bottom left of your screen. When the participant panel opens, click on the hand icon on the right side of your name on the participant panel. You will be unmuted by the meeting moderator and asked to make your comment. When you have finished making your comment, the moderator will mute your line and we ask that you please lower your hand by clicking on the hand icon again.

To raise your hand using the WebEx iPhone or Android application:

If you have joined us using the WebEx iPhone or Android application, select the three dot menu icon on the bottom of the screen. When it opens, select "Raise Hand" at the top of the menu screen. You will be unmuted by the meeting moderator and asked to make your comment. When you have finished speaking, the moderator will mute your line and we ask that you please lower your hand by clicking on the hand icon again.

A three minute time limit will be imposed.

BOARD MEETING

ITEM 1: Arizona State Match Advantage For Rural Transportation Fund Program (AZ SMART)

Staff will present an overview of the SMART Fund Program.

(For information and discussion only—Paul Patane, Division Director, Multimodal Planning)

ITEM 2: Update to State Freight Plan

Staff will present an update to the State Freight Plan.

(For information and discussion only—Paul Patane, Division Director, Multimodal Planning)

ITEM 3: ADOT Tribal Coordination Program

Staff will present an overview of the ADOT Tribal Coordination Program.

(For information and discussion only — Paul Patane, Division Director, Multimodal Planning)

ITEM 4: Board Member Email Communications and Public Records Request

Staff and Board Members will discuss email communications with Board Members related to public record requests. Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03, the Board may vote to go into executive session for discussion or consultation for legal advice with legal counsel.

(For information and discussion only - Floyd Roehrich, Jr, Executive Officer)

ITEM 5: Suggestions

Board Members will have the opportunity to suggest items they would like to have placed on future Board Meeting agendas and any topics for the next board meeting. Staff will remind everyone of the location for the next board meeting.

***Adjournment**

*ITEMS that may require Board Action