

**MINUTES
OF THE
STATE TRANSPORTATION BOARD
BOARD MEETING
9:00 a.m., Friday, March 21, 2003
City of Casa Grande
510 East Florence Blvd.
Casa Grande, Arizona 85222**

The State Transportation Board met in official session for a regular meeting at 9:00 a.m., Friday, March 21, 2003, with Chairperson Radicke presiding. Other Board members present included Vice Chairperson Bill Jeffers, Rusty Gant, Dick Hileman, Joe Lane, Jim Martin and S.L. Schorr. Also present were Director Victor Mendez; Debra Brisk, Deputy Director; John McGee, Chief Financial Officer, Administrative Services Division; Bill Higgins, Acting State Engineer; and Dale Buskirk, Director, Transportation Planning Division. There were approximately 65 people in the audience.

OPENING REMARKS AND PLEDGE

Chairman Radicke led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance. He thanked the City of Casa Grande for their hospitality and dinner Thursday night and introduced dignitaries present in the audience.

Charles Dalton, Mayor of Casa Grande, thanked the Board for coming to Casa Grande. He reported Casa Grande has been identified on the National Developers Map as the fastest growing community in the southwest.

CALL TO AUDIENCE

Bob Davis, Pinal County Public Works Director, thanked the Board for all they do, acknowledging the Board's difficult task. He also expressed their appreciation to ADOT, specifically the Globe, Tucson and Phoenix Maintenance Districts. He stated the overpass on US 69 and Highway 79 is going very well and will be a tremendous improvement. He urged the Board to continue work on US 60 to the east, especially at Gonzales Pass. He said widening I-10 between Phoenix and Tucson is also very important because Pinal County's population explosion has brought increased traffic. He reported the Southeast Maricopa/Northeast Pinal County transportation study is currently underway, identifying transportation corridors for the future freeway system.

John Anderson, Executive Director, Regional Transit Association, announced Arizona Transit Association's Annual Conference will be held in Tucson on April 21, 22 and 23. He invited all Board members to attend, noting a transit focus group on Monday morning will discuss rural transit problems.

Mary Anne Moreno, Executive Director, Globe Miami Regional Chamber of Commerce and Economic Development Corporation, expressed appreciation for the passing lanes planned for US 60 between Superior and Miami. She reported FNF is doing a terrific job on Highway 188, stating there have been minimal delays. She asked the Board to keep the DeVore Wash section of Highway 188 on the priority list. She thanked the Board for the Gateway One project which is scheduled to start construction in May and be completed in August. She urged the Board to consider widening the railroad overpass as part of the Highway 70 east of Globe project.

CONSENT AGENDA

No items were taken off the Consent Agenda.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Mendez reported the rock slide project on SR 87 was awarded as an emergency project. He stated two additional projects could be awarded with regard to rock slide abatement, one in Oak Creek and a second in Sedona.

Financial Report

Mr. McGee reviewed the February 2003 Highway User Revenue Fund report, stating February collections totaled \$93,467,000, which is one percent below forecast and 2.4 percent below last year. He said year-to-date collections are still over forecast, totaling \$736,246,000 or 1.6 percent above the forecast and 4.4 percent over last year. He noted every category continues to exceed forecasts and last year's actuals, with the exception of Other which is lower than forecasted because of lower than anticipated interest income.

In response to Mr. Gant's question, Mr. McGee said increased fuel prices will have little impact on collections. He pointed out crude oil prices have already started to drop significantly over the past few weeks. He reported the strike in Venezuela, which also contributed to fuel price increases, is being resolved.

Mr. McGee stated February 2003 RARF collections totaled \$21,080,000, which is 1.6 percent over last year, but two percent below the forecast. He said year-to-date collections total \$178,554,000, .4 percent over last year and 1.6 percent below the forecast. He stated the turnaround in the economy that was anticipated in the monthly forecasts, to date, has not been realized. He said, consequently, they are not seeing the levels of growth originally forecasted for the second half of the year. He stated, therefore, the negative variance forecast will most likely increase over the remaining four months of the fiscal year. He reported only two categories, Restaurant and Bar and Rental of Real Property, currently exceed the estimate, while Contracting and Rental of Personal Property are the only categories that are under last year.

Mr. McGee reported investment income of \$1.777 million on an average invested balance of \$833.7 million, representing a 2.78 percent average yield. He said, to date, earnings total

\$14,269,000, representing a 2.77 percent average yield. He corrected the written report, noting actual interest received for the Highway Fund totaled \$5,471,000 and interest received year-to-date totals \$14,420,000.

Mr. McGee reviewed the HELP Fund Cash Status report, stating the cash balance as of February 28, 2003 totaled \$94,012,447. He said \$9.7 million in loan draws were taken during the month, offset by \$7.2 million in loan repayments and \$300,000 in interest income.

Financing Program

Mr. McGee stated the Board previously approved a resolution directing staff to proceed with a Series 2003 bond issuance, which includes a \$98.5 million refunding component and \$45 million in new money. He said, although they initially considered doing the refunding with a forward agreement, for a number of reasons, they determined it would be best to do the issuance within the 90 day period. He stated they are currently looking at pricing the deal the week of April 21. Kurt Freund reviewed the Financing Plan Summary.

In response to Mr. Jeffers' question, Mr. Freund clarified the first call date is July 1, 2003. He said April 1, 2003 is the earliest they could do the refunding.

Mr. McGee stated they continue to monitor the General Fund situation, noting there is some potential for a call on the BFOs in the April-June timeframe. He explained the issue could be upsized by an additional \$50 million if the BFO's are called.

Mr. McGee noted staff is starting to work on the Series 2003 GAN issue, which he anticipates to total approximately \$205 million. He explained the issue will be used to support the MAG Regional Freeway Acceleration Program. He said they anticipate issuing the GAN during the late-May to early-July timeframe.

Direction to Proceed: Grant Anticipation Notes

Mr. McGee presented and recommended approval of a Resolution directing Department Staff, Financial Advisor and Bond Counsel to take all actions necessary precedent to its planned issuance of Grant Anticipation Notes, Series 2003.

Board Action: A motion to approve the following Resolution was made by Mr. Hileman and seconded by Mr. Gant:

RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA TRANSPORTATION BOARD DIRECTING STAFF, ADVISORS AND BOND COUNSEL IN MATTERS PERTAINING TO ITS PLANNED ISSUANCE OF GRANT ANTICIPATION NOTES, SERIES 2003.

The Board hereby directs Departmental Staff, working with RBC Dain Rauscher, Inc. as Financial Advisor and Squire, Sanders & Dempsey L.L.P. as Bond Counsel to the Board, to take all actions necessary precedent to the Board's planned issuance of its Grant Anticipation Notes, Series 2003.

Dated this 21st day of March, 2003.

The motion passed unanimously.

Legislative Report

Mr. Biesty distributed updates on federal issues and a list of bills of concern to the department. With regard to the federal update, he reported the House and Senate Budget Committee passed separate FY 04 budget resolutions last week. He said the Senate budget resolution includes a highway obligation limitation of \$32.1 billion and is being heard on the Senate floor this week. He stated the House Budget Committee released only an overall figure for transportation of \$65.4 billion. He said the department worked with the Congressional Delegation to identify a list of high priority projects in each of the districts. He stated US 60 at Gonzales Pass was submitted for Congressional District 1, noting they also wrote letters of support for priority projects in Apache and Graham Counties as well as two Indian reservation projects. He said the Hoover Dam project was submitted as the high priority project for District 2 and an I-10 connector distributor road from 40th Street to Baseline was submitted for District 5. He stated SR 85 and the CyberPort were submitted as high priority projects in District 7 and 21 questions and letters of support were submitted on three projects, I-10 widening from Marana to Cortaro, I-10 widening near Marsh Station and US 191, in District 8.

In response to Mr. Mendez's request, Mr. Biesty explained they were asked to prepare for high priority projects and given a list of 21 questions created by the House of Representatives Committee. He noted letters of support were also requested and submitted for projects selected by the Congressmen. He stated their Congressional consultant advised that each Congressional member will be given something for their district, explaining their goal was to ensure every Congressman has the necessary information when opportunities for additional money arise.

Mr. Biesty stated Congress has not started marking up the reauthorization bill and the President's recommendations are still being finalized.

Mr. Biesty discussed bills of concern to the department. He stated, as originally written, HB2364 would have altered an agreement the state has with the FHWA and would have exposed the state to a 10% sanction of federal highway funds. He said the Department and FHWA have worked with the industry to rewrite the bill in order to allow the boards, should the legislature choose to, without jeopardizing federal funds.

Mr. Biesty explained that, should SB 1094 pass, Arizona will be in violation of federal law which would result in sanctions to the state.

Mr. Biesty stated there are four department bills this year, two that deal with MVD, a third that deals with Arizona Highways Magazine and a fourth that clarifies language regarding federal grant and disbursement money that can be distributed to Indian communities. He stated the two Senate bills ran into problems in the house. He said he believes the federal language bill will move forward next week, but he is still working on the Arizona Highways Magazine bill.

With regard to the half-cent sales tax, Mr. Biesty said HB 2292 passed the House. He explained some people within the coalition want the Legislature to include language that would allow for an immediate election, however, the Legislature has refused to do so. He stated they are currently trying to determine if they can move forward with an election, even though the bill would not be officially enacted for 90 days.

In response to Mr. Schorr's question, Mr. Biesty said, in his opinion, the bill will not have ramifications on any counties, other than Maricopa County.

The meeting recessed for a short break.

* **BOARD MINUTES**

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* **2003 BOARD MEETING DATES & LOCATIONS**

April 11, 2003	Public Hearing/Flagstaff	9:00 a.m.
April 18, 2003	Pub. Hearing & Bd. Mtg/Tucson	2:00 p.m.
May 9, 2003	Kingman	9:00 a.m.
June 20, 2003	Douglas	9:00 a.m.
July 18, 2003	Show Low	9:00 a.m.
August 15, 2003	Page	9:00 a.m.
September 19, 2003	Holbrook	9:00 a.m.
October 17, 2003	Wickenburg	9:00 a.m.
November 21, 2003	Parker	9:00 a.m.
December 19, 2003	Globe	9:00 a.m.

PRIORITY PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PPAC)

Revenue Aligned Budget Authority (RABA) Funds and FY 03 Contingency Distribution

ROUTE NO: SR 85 @ MP125.00
COUNTY: Maricopa
SCHEDULE: FY 2004
SECTION: MP 125 - MP 130.45, Project 3
TYPE OF WORK: Construct roadway
PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$11,254,000 Funding Source: STP
PROJECT MANAGER: Chris Dimitroplos
PROJECT: H595503C Item Number; 14804
REQUESTED ACTION: Increase program amount by \$3,469,000 to \$14,723,000. **Funding available from FY 2003 Revenue Aligned Budget Authority (RABA) in amount of \$1,863,000; FY 2003 Highway Contingency Fund #72303 in amount of \$1,606,000.**

PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$11,254,000
INCREASE AMOUNT: \$3,469,000
FY 2003 Revenue Aligned Budget Authority (RABA) \$1,863,000
FY 2003 Highway Contingency Fund #72303 \$1,606,000
NEW PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$14,723,000

ROUTE NO: SR 85 @ MP139.01
COUNTY: Maricopa
SCHEDULE: FY 2004
SECTION: MP 139.01 - MP 142.49, Project 5
TYPE OF WORK: Construct roadway
PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$5,343,000 Funding Source: STP
PROJECT MANAGER: Chris Dimitroplos
PROJECT: H595505C Item Number; 15104
REQUESTED ACTION: Increase program amount by \$1,679,000 to \$7,022,000. **Funding available from FY 2003 Revenue Aligned Budget Authority (RABA) in amount of \$1,500,000; FY 2003 Highway Contingency Fund #72303 in amount of \$179,000.**

PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$5,343,000
INCREASE AMOUNT: \$1,679,000
FY 2003 Revenue Aligned Budget Authority (RABA) \$1,500,000
FY 2003 Highway Contingency Fund #72303 \$179,000
NEW PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$7,022,000

ROUTE NO: SR 85 @ MP142.49
COUNTY: Maricopa
SCHEDULE: FY 2004
SECTION: MP 142.49 - MP 147.6, Project 6
TYPE OF WORK: Construct roadway
PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$10,321,000 Funding Source: STP
PROJECT MANAGER: Chris Dimitroplos
PROJECT: H595506C Item Number; 10705
REQUESTED ACTION: Reduce program amount by program amount by \$1,821,000 to \$8,500,000. **Funds return to the FY 2003 Highway Contingency Fund #72303.**

PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$10,321,000
DECREASE AMOUNT: \$1,821,000
NEW PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$8,500,000

ROUTE NO: SR 85 @ MP130.45
COUNTY: Maricopa
SCHEDULE: FY 2006
SECTION: MP 130.71 - MP 137.0, Project 7
TYPE OF WORK: Construct roadway
PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$7,770,000 Funding Source: NH
PROJECT MANAGER: Chris Dimitroplos
PROJECT: H595503C Item Number; 13306
REQUESTED ACTION: Increase program amount by \$7,895,000 to \$15,665,000. **Funding available from FY 2003 Revenue Aligned Budget Authority (RABA).**

PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$7,770,000
INCREASE AMOUNT: \$7,895,000
NEW PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$15,665,000

ROUTE NO: SR 85 @ MP150.48
COUNTY: Maricopa
SCHEDULE: FY 2005
SECTION: MC 85 - I-10
TYPE OF WORK: Construct roadway
PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$5,582,000 Funding Source: STP
PROJECT MANAGER: Chris Dimitroplos
PROJECT: H595504C Item Number; 14904
REQUESTED ACTION: Increase program amount by \$8,820,000 to \$14,402,000. **Funding available from FY 2003 Revenue Aligned Budget Authority (RABA).**

PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$5,582,000
INCREASE AMOUNT: \$8,820,000
NEW PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$14,402,000

NOTE: An additional increase in amount of \$7,202,000, totaling \$21,604,000, will be needed from the FY 04 – 08 Program Update to fully fund this project, dependent upon availability of funding.

ROUTE NO: I-10 @ MP288.60
COUNTY: Pima
SCHEDULE: FY 2003
SECTION: Pantano RR UP/ Cienega Creek
TYPE OF WORK: Construct structure
PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$2,500,000 Funding Source: IM
PROJECT MANAGER: Bruce Purrier
PROJECT: H239101C Item Number; 10900
REQUESTED ACTION: Increase program amount by \$4,600,000 to \$7,100,000. **Funding available from FY 2003 Revenue Aligned Budget Authority (RABA) in amount of \$2,468,000; FY 2003 Highway Contingency Fund #72303 in amount of \$2,132,000.**

PROGRAM AMOUNT:	\$2,500,000
INCREASE AMOUNT:	\$4,600,000
FY 2003 Revenue Aligned Budget Authority (RABA)	\$2,468,000
FY 2003 Highway Contingency Fund #72303	\$2,132,000
NEW PROGRAM AMOUNT:	\$7,100,000

ROUTE NO: I-10 @ MP236.40
COUNTY: Pima
SCHEDULE: FY 2004
SECTION: Marana Rd. TI - Cortaro Rd. TI
TYPE OF WORK: Reconstruct mainline and structures
PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$15,500,000 Funding Source: NH
PROJECT MANAGER: Laurel Parker
PROJECT: H452801C Item Number; 10404
REQUESTED ACTION: Increase program amount by \$4,032,000 to \$19,532,000. **Funding available from FY 2003 Revenue Aligned Budget Authority (RABA).**

PROGRAM AMOUNT:	\$15,500,000
INCREASE AMOUNT:	\$4,032,000
NEW PROGRAM AMOUNT:	\$19,532,000

NOTE: An additional increase in amount of \$1,768,000, totaling \$21,300,000, will be needed from the FY 04 – 08 Program Update to fully fund this project, dependent upon availability of funding.

ROUTE NO: SR 92 @ MP328.30
 COUNTY: Cochise
 SCHEDULE: FY 2004
 SECTION: Carr Canyon Road - Hunter Canyon
 TYPE OF WORK: Widen to 4 lane with left turn lane
 PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$5,000,000 Funding Source: STP
 PROJECT MANAGER: Robert Mickelson
 PROJECT: H459601C Item Number; 12904
 REQUESTED ACTION: Increase program amount by \$2,542,000 to \$7,542,000. **Funding available from FY 2003 Revenue Aligned Budget Authority (RABA) in amount of \$1,116,000; FY 2003 Highway Contingency Fund #72303 in amount of \$1,426,000.**

PROGRAM AMOUNT:	\$5,000,000
INCREASE AMOUNT:	\$2,542,000
FY 2003 Revenue Aligned Budget Authority (RABA)	\$1,116,000
FY 2003 Highway Contingency Fund #72303	\$1,426,000
NEW PROGRAM AMOUNT:	\$7,542,000

ROUTE NO: SR 95 @ MP168.40
 COUNTY: Mohave
 SCHEDULE: FY 2004
 SECTION: Lake Havasu – South
 TYPE OF WORK: Construct climbing/passing lanes
 PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$1,600,000 Funding Source: State
 PROJECT MANAGER: Paul Sullivan
 PROJECT: H511901C Item Number; 14105
 REQUESTED ACTION: Increase program amount by \$1,100,000 to \$2,700,000. **Funding available from FY 2003 Revenue Aligned Budget Authority (RABA).**

PROGRAM AMOUNT:	\$1,600,000
INCREASE AMOUNT:	\$1,100,000
NEW PROGRAM AMOUNT:	\$2,700,000

ROUTE NO: SR 188 @ MP214.80
 COUNTY: Gila
 SCHEDULE: FY 2004
 SECTION: Wheatfields - US 60
 TYPE OF WORK: Reconstruct roadway
 PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$7,000,000 Funding Source: STP
 PROJECT MANAGER: Bahram Dariush
 PROJECT: H615501C Item Number; 10603
 REQUESTED ACTION: Increase program amount by \$3,000,000 to \$10,000,000. **Funding available from FY 2003**

Revenue Aligned Budget Authority (RABA).

PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$7,000,000
INCREASE AMOUNT: \$3,000,000
NEW PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$10,000,000

ROUTE NO: US 191 @ MP167.10
COUNTY: Greenlee
SCHEDULE: FY 2004
SECTION: Morenci - PDMI Plant Entrance
TYPE OF WORK: Pavement preservation & shoulder widening
PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$1,650,000 Funding Source: State
PROJECT MANAGER: Robert Mickelson
PROJECT: H460201C Item Number; 13304
REQUESTED ACTION: Increase program amount by \$650,000 to \$2,300,000. **Funding available from FY 2003 Revenue Aligned Budget Authority (RABA).**

PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$1,650,000
INCREASE AMOUNT: \$650,000
NEW PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$2,300,000

ROUTE NO: SR 89 A @ MP399.00
COUNTY: Coconino
SCHEDULE: New Project Request
SECTION: Airport Road TI (J.W. Powell Blvd)
TYPE OF WORK: Acquire right of way
PROGRAM AMOUNT: New Project Request
PROJECT MANAGER: Jennifer Livingston
PROJECT: H413401R Item Number; New
REQUESTED ACTION: Add a new right of way project in the amount of \$3,000,000 to the FY 2004 Highway Construction Program. **Funding available from FY 2003 Highway Contingency Fund #72303 in amount of \$3,000,000.**

NEW PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$3,000,000

ROUTE NO: US 191 @ MP368.80
COUNTY: Apache
SCHEDULE: FY 2005
SECTION: Naha' Ta' Dzill Road - Sanders TI
TYPE OF WORK: Reconstruct roadway and bridges
PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$10,828,000 Funding Source: NH/HES
PROJECT MANAGER: Jennifer Livingston
PROJECT: H436001C Item Number; 12303
REQUESTED ACTION: Increase program amount by \$1,854,000 to \$12,682,000. **Funding available from FY 2003**

Revenue Aligned Budget Authority (RABA).

PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$10,828,000
INCREASE AMOUNT: \$1,854,000
NEW PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$12,682,000

Note: Project also includes Title II Safety Funds in the amount of \$1,528,000 for a total project cost of \$14,210,000

Board Action: A motion to approve Items 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21 was made by Mr. Gant, seconded by Mr. Hileman and passed unanimously.

ROUTE NO: I-17 @ MP263.50
COUNTY: Yavapai
SCHEDULE: FY 2007
SECTION: Cordes Jct. TI
TYPE OF WORK: Reconstruct TI
PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$16,400,000 Funding Source: IM
PROJECT MANAGER: John Sterner
PROJECT: H426901C Item Number; 13603
REQUESTED ACTION: Increase program amount by \$2,580,000 to \$18,980,000. **Funding available from FY 2003 Revenue Aligned Budget Authority (RABA).**

PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$16,400,000
INCREASE AMOUNT: \$2,580,000
NEW PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$18,980,000

Board Action: A motion to approve the above recommendation was made by Mr. Hileman, seconded by Mr. Jeffers and passed unanimously.

ROUTE NO: SR 280 @ MP1.30
COUNTY: Yuma
SCHEDULE: New Project Request
SECTION: I-8 - B-8, SR 280 (Ave 3E)
TYPE OF WORK: Reconstruct roadway
PROGRAM AMOUNT: New Project Request
PROJECT: H604201C Item Number; 13504
REQUESTED ACTION: Reestablish project in the amount of \$7,700,000 in the FY 2006 Highway Construction Program. Project was previously deferred from the FY 03 – 07 Construction Program. **Funding available from FY 2003 Revenue Aligned Budget Authority (RABA).**

NEW PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$7,700,000

ROUTE NO: US 191 @ MP62.90
 COUNTY: Cochise
 SCHEDULE: New Project Request
 SECTION: Cochise SPRR OP #157
 TYPE OF WORK: Reconstruct overpass
 PROGRAM AMOUNT: New Project Request
 PROJECT: H416501C Item Number; 14002
 REQUESTED ACTION: Reestablish project in the amount of \$7,000,000 in the FY 2007 Highway Construction Program. Project was previously deferred from the FY 03 – 07 Construction Program. **Funding available from FY 2003 Revenue Aligned Budget Authority (RABA).**
 NEW PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$7,000,000

Board Action: A motion to approve Items 23 and 24 was made by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. Hileman and passed unanimously.

FY 2003 - 2007 Transportation Facilities Construction Program Requested Modifications

COUNTY: Statewide
 SCHEDULE: FY 2003
 SUB PROGRAM: District Minor Design
 TYPE OF WORK: District Minor design
 PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$1,500,000
 PROJECT MANAGER: Mike Bruder
 PROJECT: Item Number; 74603
 REQUESTED ACTION: Increase program amount by \$500,000 to \$2,000,000 to cover District Minor Design needs for remainder of fy 2003 **Funds from Statewide Engineering Development #70703.**
 PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$1,500,000
 INCREASE AMOUNT: \$500,000
 NEW PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$2,000,000

Board Action: A motion to approve the above recommendation was made by Mr. Hileman, seconded by Mr. Gant and passed unanimously.

ROUTE NO: SR 202 L @ MP 38.50
 COUNTY: Maricopa
 SCHEDULE: FY 2003
 SECTION: Ray Road / Union Pacific RR UP
 TYPE OF WORK: Construct utility
 PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$3,000,000
 PROJECT MANAGER: Jim Romero
 PROJECT: H633801C Item Number; 87303
 REQUESTED ACTION: Increase program amount by \$3,250,000 to \$6,250,000 for utility relocation and related cost. **Funds available in the amount of \$750,000 from the RARF cashflow, and funds from 3rd parties in the amount of \$2,500,000. See funding sources below.**

PROGRAM AMOUNT:	\$3,000,000
INCREASE AMOUNT:	\$3,250,000
RARF Cashflow	\$750,000
Town of Gilbert	\$1,400,000
City of Mesa	\$750,000
Qwest	\$120,000
Cox	\$100,000
Southwest Gas	\$130,000
NEW PROGRAM AMOUNT:	\$6,250,000

Board Action: A motion to approve the above recommendation was made by Mr. Lane, seconded by Mr. Gant and passed unanimously.

ROUTE NO: SR 101 L @ MP 17.00
 COUNTY: Maricopa
 SCHEDULE: New Project Request
 SECTION: 51st Ave – 75th Ave
 TYPE OF WORK: Construct auxillary lanes (WB)
 PROGRAM AMOUNT: New Project Request
 PROJECT MANAGER: Ronald McCally
 PROJECT: H603502C
 REQUESTED ACTION: Add a new district minor project in the amount of \$920,000 to the FY 2003 Highway Construction Program. **Funds from Disrict Minor # 73303.**
 NEW PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$920,000

Board Action: A motion to approve the above recommendation was made by Mr. Hileman, seconded by Mr. Lane and passed unanimously.

ROUTE NO: I-17 @ MP 199.56
COUNTY: Maricopa
SCHEDULE: New Project Request
SECTION: Jefferson Street UP #554
TYPE OF WORK: Repair bridge girders
PROGRAM AMOUNT: New Project Request
PROJECT MANAGER: Clifton Guest
PROJECT: H626101C
REQUESTED ACTION: Add a new emergency bridge repair project in the amount of \$80,000 to the FY 2003 Highway Construction Program. **Funds from Bridge Inspection and Repair Fund #71403.**
NEW PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$80,000

Board Action: A motion to approve the above recommendation was made by Mr. Lane, seconded by Mr. Gant and passed unanimously.

ROUTE NO: I-10 @ MP 136.00
COUNTY: Maricopa
SCHEDULE: New Project Request
SECTION: 75th Ave - 51st Ave
TYPE OF WORK: Construct channel repair
PROGRAM AMOUNT: New Project Request
PROJECT MANAGER: David Harmon
REQUESTED ACTION: Add a new district minor project in the amount of \$204,000 to the FY 2003 Highway Construction Program. **Funds from District Minor # 73303.**
NEW PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$204,000

Board Action: A motion to approve the above recommendation was made by Mr. Gant, seconded by Mr. Lane and passed unanimously.

ROUTE NO: I-17 @ MP 193.00
COUNTY: Maricopa
SCHEDULE: New Project Request
SECTION: Maricopa TI (I-10 / I-17), by Airport
TYPE OF WORK: Construct slope paving repair
PROGRAM AMOUNT: New Project Request
PROJECT MANAGER: David Harmon
REQUESTED ACTION: Add a new district minor project in the amount of \$72,000 to the FY 2003 Highway Construction Program. **Funds from District Minor # 73303.**
NEW PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$72,000

Board Action: A motion to approve the above recommendation was made by Mr. Lane, seconded by Mr. Gant and passed unanimously.

ROUTE NO: US 60 @ MP 147.00
COUNTY: Maricopa
SCHEDULE: New Project Request
SECTION: Grand Ave; New River - 107th Ave
TYPE OF WORK: Landscape irrigation renovation
PROGRAM AMOUNT: New Project Request
PROJECT MANAGER: David Harmon
REQUESTED ACTION: Add a new district minor project in the amount of \$165,000 to the FY 2003 Highway Construction Program. **Funds from District Minor # 73303.**
NEW PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$165,000

Board Action: A motion to approve the above recommendation was made by Mr. Gant, seconded by Mr. Lane and passed unanimously.

ROUTE NO: SR 143 @ MP 2.53
COUNTY: Maricopa
SCHEDULE: New Project Request
SECTION: Van Buren St./ SR 143
TYPE OF WORK: Retrofit irrigation sleeve
PROGRAM AMOUNT: New Project Request
PROJECT MANAGER: David Harmon
REQUESTED ACTION: Add a new district minor project in the amount of \$45,000 to the FY 2003 Highway Construction Program. **Funds from District Minor # 73303.**
NEW PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$45,000

Board Action: A motion to approve the above recommendation was made by Mr. Lane, seconded by Mr. Gant and passed unanimously.

ROUTE NO: I-40 @ MP 152.00
COUNTY: Coconino
SCHEDULE: FY 2003
SECTION: Welch OP - Devil Dog
TYPE OF WORK: Pavement preservation
PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$4,147,000 Funding Source: IM
PROJECT MANAGER: Mohamad Jowar
PROJECT: H524501C Item Number; 19203
REQUESTED ACTION: Reduce program amount by \$747,000 to \$3,400,000 due to reduction in scope. Scope and funds will be transferred to the I-40 Williams – Ashfork climbing lane construction project. **Funds to FY 2003**

Pavement Preservation Fund #72503.

PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$4,147,000
DECREASE AMOUNT: \$747,000
NEW PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$3,400,000

ROUTE NO: I-40 @ MP 153.0
COUNTY: Coconino
SCHEDULE: FY 2003
SECTION: Williams - Ash Fork, EB
TYPE OF WORK: Construct uphill climbing lane
PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$4,700,000 Funding Source: IM
PROJECT MANAGER: Michael Andazola
PROJECT: H434501C Item Number; 10303
REQUESTED ACTION: Increase program amount by \$947,000 to \$5,647,000 due to the addition of scope from the I-40 Welch OP – Welch Dog pavement preservation project . **See funding sources below.**

PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$4,700,000
INCREASE AMOUNT: \$947,000
FY 2003 Highway Contingency Fund #72303 \$200,000
FY 2003 Pavement Preservation Fund #72503 \$747,000
NEW PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$5,647,000

Board Action: A motion to approve Items 33 and 34 was made by Mr. Jeffers, seconded by Mr. Hileman and passed unanimously.

ROUTE NO: I-19 @ MP 58.70
COUNTY: Pima
SCHEDULE: New Project Request
SECTION: Valencia TI
TYPE OF WORK: Construct artistic noise wall murals and landscaping.
PROGRAM AMOUNT: New Project Request
PROJECT MANAGER: Bruce Cannon
REQUESTED ACTION: Add a new enhancement project in the amount of \$355,000 to the FY 2003 Highway Construction Program. **Funds from State Enhancement fund #75603.**
NEW PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$355,000

Board Action: A motion to approve the above recommendation was made by Mr. Schorr, seconded by Mr. Martin and passed unanimously.

- * Priority Planning Advisory Committee (PPAC)
 - Minutes – February 6, 2003
 - Highway Program Monitoring Report.

- * Priority Planning Advisory Committee (PPAC) Meeting Schedule
 - Transportation Board Room
 - 206 S. 17th Ave
 - Phoenix, AZ 85007**
 - April 3 , 2003
 - April 24, 2003
 - June 5, 2003
 - July 3, 2003
 - July 31, 2003
 - September 4, 2003
 - October 2, 2003
 - November 6, 2003
 - December 4, 2003

RIGHT OF WAY RESOLUTIONS

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RES. NO:	2003-03-A-011
PROJECT:	NH-10-4(139) R/W / 010PM250H318601R
HIGHWAY:	CASA GRANDE - TUCSON
SECTION:	Orange Grove Rd. – Prince Rd.
ROUTE NO.:	Interstate Route 10
ENG. DIST:	T
COUNTY:	Pima
PARCEL:	D-T-041 / 10-1034
RECOMMENDATION:	Disposal by abandonment to the City of Tucson

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RES. NO:	2003-03-A-012
PROJECT:	NH-10-4(142) R/W / 010PM258H318901R
HIGHWAY:	CASA GRANDE - TUCSON
SECTION:	Congress St. – 29 th St.
ROUTE NO.:	Interstate Route 10
ENG. DIST:	T
COUNTY:	Pima
PARCEL:	D-T-040
RECOMMENDATION:	Disposal by abandonment to the City of Tucson

* RES. NO: 2003-03-A-013
PROJECT: I-10-B-700 / 010MA116H554901R
HIGHWAY: EHRENBERG - PHOENIX
SECTION: Watson Road T.I.
ROUTE NO.: I-10
ENG. DIST: M
COUNTY: Maricopa
RECOMMENDATION: Establish additional right of way for traffic interchange improvements

* RES. NO: 2003-03-A-015
PROJECT: 017MA209H602001R
HIGHWAY: PHOENIX – CORDES JUNCTION
SECTION: Peoria Ave. Pump Station
ROUTE NO.: Interstate Route 17
ENG. DIST: M
COUNTY: Maricopa
RECOMMENDATION: Establish additional right of way for improvements to existing Pump Station, and Concrete Channel

* RES. NO: 2003-03-A-016
PROJECT: U-070-A-700 / 070GI252H591601R
HIGHWAY: GLOBE - LORDSBURG
SECTION: McMillen Wash – Jct. S.R. 77
ROUTE NO.: U.S. Route 70
ENG. DIST: G
COUNTY: Gila
RECOMMENDATION: Establish additional right of way for widening improvements

* RES. NO: 2003-03-A-017
PROJECT: S-077-A-700 / 077PM072H600001R
HIGHWAY: TUCSON-ORACLE JCT.-GLOBE
SECTION: River Rd. – Ina Rd.
ROUTE NO.: State Route 77
ENG. DIST: T
COUNTY: Pima
RECOMMENDATION: Establish additional right of way for widening improvements

STATE ENGINEER'S REPORT

* Report on construction and projects completed in February, 2003.

* Right of Way Acquisition Report for February, 2003.

CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS

Non-Interstate, Non-Federal Aid

BIDS OPENED: February 14
HIGHWAY: MULE CREEK HIGHWAY (SR 78)
SECTION: Murder Camp Wash
Milepost 162.9 – Milepost 163.1)
COUNTY: Greenlee
ROUTE NO: SR 78
PROJECT: S-078-A-501 078 GE 162 H523501C
FUNDING: 100% State
LOW BIDDER: Show Low Construction, Inc.
AMOUNT: \$ 685,071.70
STATE ESTIMATE: \$ 807,498.00
\$ UNDER: \$ 122,426.30
% UNDER: 15.2%
NO. BIDDERS: 10
RECOMMENDATION: AWARD

Board Action: A motion to approve the above recommendation was made by Mr. Jeffers, seconded by Mr. Martin and passed unanimously.

Si Schorr announced a conflict of interest and recused himself from Consent Agenda Items 47, 51, 53, 55 and 58.

* BIDS OPENED: March 6
HIGHWAY: PAYSON-WINSLOW HIGHWAY (SR 87)
SECTION: Intersection SR 87 and SR 260
COUNTY: Gila
ROUTE NO: SR 87
PROJECT: F-053-1-544 087 GI 252 H456401C
FUNDING: 49% State 51% City of Payson
LOW BIDDER: Combs Construction Company, Inc.
AMOUNT: \$ 402,782.50
STATE ESTIMATE: \$ 412,796.00
\$ UNDER: \$ 10,013.50
% UNDER: 2.4%
NO. BIDDERS: 7
RECOMMENDATION: AWARD

* BIDS OPENED: February 28
HIGHWAY: PICACHO-COOLIDGE-CHANDLER
MESA HIGHWAY (SR 87)
SECTION: Sacaton Road – Junction SR 587
COUNTY: Pinal
ROUTE NO: SR 87
PROJECT: S-087-A-501 087 PN 152 H612301C
FUNDING: 100% State
LOW BIDDER: Granite Construction Company
AMOUNT: \$ 531,053.00
STATE ESTIMATE: \$ 613,204.00
\$ UNDER: \$ 82,151.00
% UNDER: 13.4%
NO. BIDDERS: 10
RECOMMENDATION: AWARD

BIDS OPENED: February 14
HIGHWAY: SAN LUIS – YUMA – QUARTZSITE
HIGHWAY US 95
SECTION: Castle Dome Annex Road
COUNTY: Yuma
ROUTE NO: US 95
PROJECT: U-095-B-501 095 YU 059 H558201C
FUNDING: 100% State
LOW BIDDER: Tanner Companies (Yuma) Inc.
AMOUNT: \$ 176,400.00
STATE ESTIMATE: \$ 260,248.50
\$ UNDER: \$ 83,848.50
% UNDER: 32.2%
NO. BIDDERS: 6
RECOMMENDATION: AWARD

Board Action: A motion to approve the above recommendation was made by Mr. Hileman, seconded by Mr. Gant and passed unanimously.

* BIDS OPENED: February 28
HIGHWAY: HOLBROOK-SPRINGERVILLE HIGHWAY
US 180
SECTION: Milepost 367.50 – Milepost 368.60
COUNTY: Apache
ROUTE NO: US 180
PROJECT: U-180-B-502 180 AP 367 H627501C
FUNDING: 100% State
LOW BIDDER: Hatch Construction & Paving, Inc.

AMOUNT: \$ 73,385.50
STATE ESTIMATE: \$ 69,182.50
\$ OVER: \$ 4,203.00
% OVER: 6.1%
NO. BIDDERS: 4
RECOMMENDATION: AWARD

* BIDS OPENED: March 6
HIGHWAY: SAFFORD-SPRINGERVILLE HIGHWAY
US 191
SECTION: Milepost 163.69 to 164.68, Clifton
COUNTY: Greenlee
ROUTE NO: US 191
PROJECT: U-191-C-503 191 GE 163 H632901C
FUNDING: 100% State
LOW BIDDER: Combs Construction Company, Inc.
AMOUNT: \$ 258,450.00
STATE ESTIMATE: \$ 289,300.00
\$ UNDER: \$ 30,850.00
% UNDER: 10.7%
NO. BIDDERS: 8
RECOMMENDATION: AWARD

* BIDS OPENED: March 6
HIGHWAY: SAN LUIS-YUMA HIGHWAY SR 195
SECTION: Avenue E ½ - Avenue B
COUNTY: Yuma
ROUTE NO: SR 195
PROJECT: S-195-A-501 195 YU 002 H566101C
FUNDING: 100% State
LOW BIDDER: Desert Road Builders, Inc.
AMOUNT: \$ 393,541.00
STATE ESTIMATE: \$ 446,341.00
\$ UNDER: \$ 52,800.00
% UNDER: 11.8%
NO. BIDDERS: 9
RECOMMENDATION: AWARD

* BIDS OPENED: February 28
HIGHWAY: COTTONWOOD-CAMP VERDE- MOGOLLON
RIM HIGHWAY (SR 260)
SECTION: Milepost 210.10 – Milepost 217.42
COUNTY: Yavapai
ROUTE NO: SR 260
PROJECT: S-260-A-501 260 YV 210 H625201C

FUNDING: 100% State
 LOW BIDDER: FNF Construction, Inc.
 AMOUNT: \$ 261,710.00
 STATE ESTIMATE: \$ 303,410.00
 \$ UNDER: \$ 41,700.00
 % UNDER: 13.4%
 NO. BIDDERS: 9
 RECOMMENDATION: AWARD

(Non-Interstate Federal-Aid ("A" projects do not need FHWA concurrence, but must comply with DBE regulations; other projects are subject to FHWA and/or local government concurrence and compliance with DBE regulations)

* BIDS OPENED: February 14
 HIGHWAY: GLOBE-SHOW LOW HIGHWAY (US 60)
 SECTION: Cedar Canyon-Forestdale
 COUNTY: Navajo
 ROUTE NO: US 60
 PROJECT: STP-060-E(006)A 060 NA 322 H557301C
 FUNDING: 94% Federal 6% State
 LOW BIDDER: LaFarge North America Inc.
 AMOUNT: \$ 1,840,822.02
 STATE ESTIMATE: \$ 2,100,200.00
 \$ UNDER: \$ 259,377.98
 % UNDER: 12.4%
 NO. BIDDERS: 8
 RECOMMENDATION: AWARD

* BIDS OPENED: February 28
 HIGHWAY: JACOB LAKE-GRAND CANYON
 HIGHWAY (SR 67)
 SECTION: Jacob Lake – North Rim
 COUNTY: Coconino
 ROUTE NO: SR 67
 PROJECT: STP-067-A(001)A 067 CN 579 H499102C
 FUNDING: 94% Federal 6% State
 LOW BIDDER: Meadow Valley Contractors, Inc.
 AMOUNT: \$ 1,611,111.00
 STATE ESTIMATE: \$ 1,752,600.00
 \$ UNDER: \$ 141,489.00
 % UNDER: 8.1%
 NO. BIDDERS: 8
 RECOMMENDATION: AWARD

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BIDS OPENED: February 28
HIGHWAY: ORACLE JUNCTION- FLORENCE
HIGHWAY (SR 79)
SECTION: Junction SR 77 – Cadillac Wash
COUNTY: Pinal
ROUTE NO: SR 79
PROJECT: STP-079-A(002)A 079 PN 092 H610301C
FUNDING: 94% Federal 6% State
LOW BIDDER: The Ashton Company, Inc.
Contractors & Engineers
AMOUNT: \$ 537,469.00
STATE ESTIMATE: \$ 609,485.00
\$ UNDER: \$ 72,016.00
% UNDER: 11.8%
NO. BIDDERS: 11
RECOMMENDATION: AWARD

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BIDS OPENED: March 6
HIGHWAY: PRESCOTT-FLAGSTAFF HIGHWAY (SR 89A)
SECTION: Cottonwood, Black Hills-Junction 260
COUNTY: Yavapai
ROUTE NO: SR 89A
PROJECT: STP-A89-A(001)A 089A YV 351 H556401C
FUNDING: 94% Federal 6% State
LOW BIDDER: FNF Construction, Inc.
AMOUNT: \$ 1,535,205.20
STATE ESTIMATE: \$ 1,378,702.00
\$ OVER: \$ 64,141.50
% OVER: 11.9%
NO. BIDDERS: 4
RECOMMENDATION: Reject the bid submitted by Dar-Hil Corporation and award the contract to FNF Construction, Inc.

COMMENTS: At the bid opening, Dar-Hil Corporation was read as the apparent low bidder with a bid of \$1,282,334.00. The second low bidder, FNF Construction, Inc., bid \$1,535,205.20. In its bid documents, Dar-Hil Corporation failed to acknowledge receipt of Addendum No. 1. The

addendum increased the Davis-Bacon wage rates and fringes for certain classes of workers.

Subsection 102.10(A) of the Standard Specifications states that proposals may be considered irregular and may be rejected if there is a submission of any kind which may tend to make the proposal indefinite or ambiguous as to its meaning. The addendum involved matters of a type which were likely to affect the amount of the bid. The failure to acknowledge receipt of the addendum issued for this project makes the submittal indefinite or ambiguous as to its meaning.

Staff recommends the rejection of the bid submitted by Dar-Hil Corporation and award to FNF Construction, Inc.

Board Action: A motion to approve the above recommendation was made by Mr. Hileman, seconded by Mr. Jeffers and passed unanimously (Si Schorr recused himself due to a conflict of interest).

* BIDS OPENED: February 14
HIGHWAY: PRESCOTT-ASH FORK HIGHWAY (SR 89)
KINGMAN-ASH FORK HIGHWAY (I-40)
KINGMAN-ASH FORK HIGHWAY (I-40)
SECTION: Little Hell Canyon-Ash Fork
I-40 EB, Seligman – Crookton)
I-40 WB, Crookton TI)
COUNTY: Yavapai
ROUTE NO: SR 89, I-40
PROJECT: STP-089-B(005)A 089 YV 353 H556501C
I-40-B-504 040 YV 136 H626501C
I-40-B-505 040 YV 139 H626601C
FUNDING: 94% Federal 6% State
LOW BIDDER: FNF Construction, Inc.
AMOUNT: \$ 2,567,509.20
STATE ESTIMATE: \$ 2,729,968.50
\$ UNDER: \$ 162,459.30
% UNDER: 6.0
NO. BIDDERS: 5
RECOMMENDATION: AWARD

* BIDS OPENED: March 6
HIGHWAY: WHETSTONE T.1. – JUNCTION SR 80
HIGHWAY (SR 90)
SECTION: Sierra Vista – San Pedro River
COUNTY: Cochise
ROUTE NO: SR 90
PROJECT: NH-090-A(002)A 090 CH 323 H556701C
FUNDING: 94% Federal 6% State
LOW BIDDER: Southern Arizona Paving & Construction, Co.
AMOUNT: \$ 1,020,121.90
STATE ESTIMATE: \$ 1,035,382.00
\$ UNDER: \$ 15,260.10
% UNDER: 1.5%
NO. BIDDERS: 7
RECOMMENDATION: AWARD

BIDS OPENED: February 14
HIGHWAY: SPRINGVILLE-HOLBROOK HIGHWAY
(US 180)
SECTION: US 180, St. Johns
COUNTY: Apache
ROUTE NO: US 180
PROJECT: TEA-180-B(001)A 180 AP 367 H573801C
FUNDING: 94% Federal 6% State
LOW BIDDER: Anncole Contracting Corp.
AMOUNT: \$ 214,797.25
STATE ESTIMATE: \$ 285,255.65
\$ UNDER: \$ 70,458.40
% UNDER: 24.7%
NO. BIDDERS: 8
RECOMMENDATION: AWARD

Board Action: A motion to approve the above recommendation was made by Mr. Jeffers, seconded by Mr. Martin and passed unanimously.

* BIDS OPENED: March 6
HIGHWAY: PAYSON-SHOW LOW HIGHWAY (SR 260)
SECTION: Junction 277 - Overgaard
COUNTY: Navajo
ROUTE NO: SR 260
PROJECT: NH-TEA-260-B(002)A 260 NA 305 H460401C
FUNDING: 94% Federal 6% State
LOW BIDDER: Show Low Construction, Inc.
AMOUNT: \$ 5,841,807.12
STATE ESTIMATE: \$ 6,466,000.00

\$ UNDER: \$ 624,192.88
% UNDER: 9.7%
NO. BIDDERS: 8
RECOMMENDATION: AWARD

* BIDS OPENED: February 14
HIGHWAY: COCHISE COUNTY
SECTION: Bisbee Junction Bridge
COUNTY: Cochise
ROUTE NO: N/A
PROJECT: BR-CCH-0(004)A 0000 CH CCH SB36101C
FUNDING: 80% Federal 20% Cochise County
LOW BIDDER: Show Low Construction, Inc.
AMOUNT: \$ 689,232.00
STATE ESTIMATE: \$ 633,770.00
\$ OVER: \$ 55,462.00
% OVER: 8.8%
NO. BIDDERS: 8
RECOMMENDATION: AWARD

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BIDS OPENED: March 12
HIGHWAY: CITY OF MESA
SECTION: Traffic Management Center
COUNTY: Maricopa
ROUTE NO: N/A
PROJECT: CM-MES-0(019)X 0000 MA MES SS47601C
FUNDING: 65% Federal 35% City of Mesa
LOW BIDDER: AVAZ, Inc. DBA Audio Video Resources
AMOUNT: \$ 549,006.00
STATE ESTIMATE: \$ 690,000.00
\$ UNDER: \$ 140,994.00
% UNDER: 20.4%
NO. BIDDERS: 5
RECOMMENDATION: AWARD

Board Action: A motion to approve the above recommendation was made by Mr. Gant, seconded by Mr. Martin and passed unanimously.

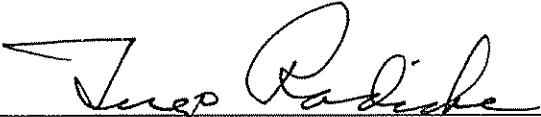
CONSENT AGENDA

Board Action: A motion to approve the Consent Agenda was made by Mr. Hileman, seconded by Mr. Lane and passed unanimously.


ADJOURN

Board Action: A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Jeffers, seconded by Mr. Martin and passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 10:45 p.m.



Ingo Radicke, Chairman
State Transportation Board



Victor Mendez, Director
Arizona Department of Transportation

*Denotes items approved in the consent agenda.