

**MINUTES OF THE  
STATE TRANSPORTATION BOARD  
STUDY SESSION**

**10:30 A.M., Thursday, February 15, 2007  
The Province Community Center  
20942 North Province Way  
Maricopa, Arizona 85239**

The State Transportation Board met in official session for a Study Session at 10:30 a.m., Thursday, February 15, 2007, with Chairman Joe Lane presiding. Other Board members present included: Bill Feldmeier, Delbert Householder, Bob Montoya, Si Schorr and Felipe Zubia. Also present were Director Victor Mendez; John McGee, Chief Financial Officer, Administrative Services Division; Dale Buskirk, Director, Planning Division; Sam Elters, State Engineer; Jim Dickey; Gail Lewis; Barclay Dick, Division Director, Aeronautics Division and Rick Rice, Attorney General's Office. There were approximately 45 people in the audience.

Chairman Lane welcomed those present, welcomed new Board member Bobbie Lundstrom and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Agenda item added to monthly Board agendas**

Mr. Si Schorr led a discussion regarding the addition of the following agenda item on monthly Board agendas: "Members of the Board may discuss and comment on all items which have appeared on the agenda. Members also may request items for future discussion and action." Items 1, 2, 4 and 8 on the agenda are related and come under the heading of communication. The suggestion, subject to legal concerns are that this is a recurring item on the agenda so there is compliance. This will give Board members the opportunity to comment and suggest future agenda items. Mr. Rick Rice noted that there is no problem. The only issue would be if there is a formal item on the agenda for a vote people will be present and the Board will take action. There is expectation from people present that that item has been taken care of. If you go back to reconsider and revote on an earlier issue, that would be a problem as the public may not be present. It's fine to suggest putting an item on a future agenda.

Mr. Feldmeier stated that clarifies the questions he had at the last meeting regarding I-10 where last month he was not able to discuss the topic. Mr. Rice said that you can set up your own procedures for putting items on the agenda. There is no problem with submitting items to the Chair to put on the agenda. It was stated that this is sound advice. Often conversations on one topic trigger thoughts on another topic. Mr. Mendez stated that right before the consent agenda, there is a standing item on the agenda giving Board members an opportunity to suggest items to be placed on a future Board meeting agenda. Mr. Schorr said that it contains a part of what he is suggesting and relates to future agenda items, however it doesn't relate to the specific concern that Mr. Feldmeier had at the last meeting. Mr. Schorr suggests that we supplement or replace the note currently on the agenda by the suggested note above because it covers both sides of the problem. Mr. Feldmeier said that this allows us to have opportunities throughout the meeting to bring up a thought to be addressed rather than just at the end of the meeting. Mr. Mendez clarified that this will be a note that can be included at the beginning of the agenda, a general comment. He suggested leaving the note at the end of the meeting, if you have held back, so you still have an opportunity to comment. Mr. Schorr felt that this is redundant and by having the suggested note at the end of the agenda is sufficient. They should be permitted the broadest scope to continue with their discussion.

It was suggested that at the next Board meeting, it become an action item.

### **Discussion of the note now appearing on agenda and notices**

Mr. Si Schorr led a discussion regarding the following notation that is now being added to all emails and documents sent to the Board members. "Note: to ensure compliance with the Open Meeting Law, recipients of this message from the Board's secretary, should not forward it to other members of the public body. Members of the public body may reply to this message to the Board Secretary, but they should not send a copy of the reply to other members. (Please do not "reply to all.")" Mr. Schorr feels this note is misplaced. It takes an important objective of compliance with the Open Meeting Law and trivializes it. If you get an agenda, what is the point of saying, don't send this to someone else. Mr. Schorr doesn't see any implications of the Open Meeting Law if this agenda is sent to another Board member. Mr. Rick Rice stated that the Open Meeting Law guides the Board. Sending the agenda without a comment does not violate the Open Meeting Law. There is a formal Attorney General's opinion from July 2005, saying if you send a note lobbying for a position, you are at risk. There is no problem sharing the agenda without comment.

Mr. Mendez recalled that in '05, the Board was directed that all Boards and Commissions should include this language on all communications. Mr. Rice said that it was advised in the past with large Boards and for those with lots of turnover. It is a cautionary note and reasonable to include, however, not a requirement. Mr. Feldmeier said that the statement concerns him because from time to time, there are items of interest he'd like to share with Board members and the advice was to not transmit this information to members. Mr. Rice said the problem is if you are taking a position on something. Otherwise, there is no problem. This disclaimer language is helpful so members have a reminder, a warning sign and a sense of confidence for the public. Mr. Feldmeier asked the chair if referring to the Board, is that the majority? In reply, if you send items out to the Board, if one person responds, there is not a violation, however, if four respond, that is a violation. Mr. Schorr stated that the addition of three words might be helpful to read "To ensure compliance with the Open Meeting Law, recipients of this message should not forward to other members of the public body with any comment." Because they could set into motion a conversation that could violate the Open Meeting Law. The purpose of this agenda item is to discuss the ability to communicate with each other and to understand what is permissible. This suggestion will be brought up at the regular Board meeting.

### **Update on the proposed I-10 Phoenix-Tucson bypass study**

Mr. Victor Mendez updated the Board on the proposed I-10 Phoenix-Tucson bypass study. A work order was completed and sent to three consulting firms on February 6. A proposal was sent asking for their response. A pre-proposal meeting conducted by Dale Buskirk was held February 14 to address questions and clarify the scope. Their proposals are due to ADOT by 5:00 p.m. on February 27. The proposals will be evaluated and ranked by a selection committee. ADOT, MAG and PAG will be on that committee. Stakeholders meetings are being addressed. A recommendation will be made to the Board whether the bypass warrants further study.

Mr. Schorr asked about the timeframe of awarding the contract. In reply, Mr. Mendez feels within two weeks of the 27<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Schorr asked if it will be necessary for the Board to take action. Mr. Mendez stated that it is an administrative action. In terms of keeping the Board informed, will this be part of the agenda or a study session? In reply, Mr. Mendez stated that there was a motion last month that included a quarterly update. Will any Board members be included on the task force? In reply, normally we don't. Board members are welcome to attend stakeholder meetings and if there are questions, Board members can contact staff.

### **Consideration of the adoption of Board bylaws, rules and regulations**

Mr. Si Schorr led a discussion regarding the consideration of the adoption of Board bylaws, rules and regulations. This Board does not have formal bylaws or regulations for the conduct of its business. When you get into questions, you can open the rules and regulations to see what they provide. The Board has policies, but they are online and not as comprehensive as rules and regulations. Mr. Schorr suggested adopting bylaws, rules and regulations. He suggested following the policies and asked for assistance from the Attorney General's office.

Chairman Lane suggested that if it's not broke, don't fix it. There is no need for further bureaucracy. Mr. Schorr stated one of the difficulties he's had is if he wanted to send out an email today and say, are you aware that our policies are online and you can access them, it's arguable that some people would say that might be a violation of the Open Meeting Law. We are beginning to see questions as to how things are done. There was a difference in the policies that were to be sent to the Board members with the ones online. We should know what the rules are, follow them and have a process for changing them. Mr. Rice said it is not a violation to point out to Board members how to get a hold of the policies. If you give advice on a certain policy that is a violation because you are discussing how you want to change something. Mr. Schorr commented that he was told it would. A member noted that on other Board's there is a review to ensure the policies are current and suggested that the Board hold something similar including a Board orientation. Mr. Mendez stated that transportation related policy like rest areas and turnbacks, relate to specific transportation policy. Other policies concern operations. There is a dialogue with the Board every two years. They were updated in '03 with committee involvement. They are up for review again this year. A formal orientation bringing Board members to headquarters has been held in the past. This process transitioned to individual meetings with Board members and is being reconsidered. A formal orientation will be held for new Board member Bobbi Lundstrom. All Board members will be invited to attend. It was suggested to put this on the next Board meeting agenda.

### **Turnbacks**

Mr. Dale Buskirk reviewed the process of turnbacks based upon Statute. The State Transportation Board in early 2001, requested staff to conduct a Route Transfer Study to identify potential candidates for transfer and to develop a program through which those routes would be transferred to other jurisdictions. After a year and a half of study, we presented the findings to the Board at it's July 10, 2003, meeting and based on the presentation, published the report in October 2003. A broad overview of the study was presented to review the purpose of the Route Transfer Study, to describe the findings of the study and to discuss opportunities and issues related to the study. Based upon reaction of local jurisdictions, the Board decided not to pursue route transfers based on the goals of the study. There was concern among local jurisdictions with regard to route transfer. The study purpose was 1) consistent with Arizona Revised Statutes, define formal policy objectives of a program to systematically abandon or transfer routes no longer serving state highway system functions; 2) inventory, rank and prioritize candidate routes for abandonment or transfer; 3) state law gives the Transportation Board authority to accept routes onto the State Highway System and to remove or abandon routes no longer serving a state function. As the State Highway System has developed it has been much easier to add routes than it has been to delete or abandon routes. After inventorying candidate routes, it was time to prioritize them based upon the following criteria, survey only routes, stubs and spurs, parallel routes serving the same destinations and business routes. Other routes were identified in a survey of District Engineers. A technical advisory committee was formed and membership grew due to extreme interest in route transfer. Statute section 28-304 was read and reviewed. When

the Board decided to not develop a systematic program for the transfer of routes to local jurisdictions, the previous process continued which was on an ad hoc basis. Most transfers include intergovernmental agreement with the local jurisdiction. Agreements often include additional improvements over those required by law.

A question was asked about what precipitated the original conversation about route transfers. In reply, the Board addressed the financial situation with more needs than can be address. There was a review to see if any routes did not serve the State purpose. The local jurisdiction's financial ability is stretched and they are leery of transfer except for specific situations. Currently, they are done on an ad hoc basis. There are times when there is a mutual benefit for the substitution of one state route for another. Examples were shared. There was a question about the status of Oracle Road. It is proposed as a turnback. The benefit to the city is more access and control of access. The City of Tucson is willing to allow relinquishment of 77 through the city. The County doesn't have the same motivation yet. A question was asked about conditions or criteria that would cause there to be consideration for turnback routes. In reply, it was the character of the road and the purpose served by that road and whether or not that road served a state highway function. We are in the process of developing a Statewide Access Management Program. The appropriate access levels for state highways are being developed. They will be presented to a technical advisory committee. The classification system and policies for affecting the Access Management will be presented to the Board. As a part of the study, route level development was identified. For the lowest of the levels of development, the maintenance standards are met to make it safe. Mr. Schorr stated that we could identify objective characteristics and describe the maintenance costs and implement a program to transfer the obligations to the local jurisdictions. Board members can contact legislators to get a sense of the need in the districts. Where there was a state route that served interregional, it was not considered a candidate for route transfer even if that route, in a small urban area, serves as a city street because the entire route was reviewed. Route transfer has been an issue for many years and periodically the Board has asked to review the issue and there are about four or five instances over the last 20 to 25 years and the response continues to be the same. The local jurisdictions are opposed to any kind of systematic route transfer. Several next steps were discussed including asking staff to provide detailed information at an upcoming study session, ask staff to develop meaningful objectives and analysis of the subject and get all the stakeholders involved to develop a plan that has consensus. Mr. Mendez recalled that a list of potential candidates with a list of stakeholders was developed. A copy of the Route Transfer Study will be sent to Board members.

#### **Expenditure cap on performing construction/reconstruction by Department engineers**

Mr. Sam Elters briefed the Board on the issue of expenditure caps on ADOT performing construction/reconstruction by Department engineers. Mr. Bob Montoya asked why the Board is capped at \$50,000 when the cities and states are \$200,000. A study of small construction and maintenance project costs was done and presented. The study was from 2002 to 2007 and was divided into construction and maintenance. There were a total of 87 construction projects at a total cost of \$11.1 million for an average project cost of \$128,000. Typical projects include traffic signal installation, turn lanes, drainage upgrades, pavement preservation, slope stabilization and bridge deck rehab and guardrail updates. There were a total of 29 maintenance projects for a total cost of \$2.2 million for an average project cost of \$76,000. There is a Statute that caps the dollar amount on a project cost that can be done by department forces. That is \$60,000 and was passed in 1992. A similar one was passed by the cities and towns and capped at \$50,000. With rising costs, this is outdated. Conversations ensued to try and double this amount. Cities and towns have \$189,000 today; that also will be indexed. There is current legislation HB 2367 that passed the House Transportation committee today.

**Expansion of lanes into median area between 101 North to new river and potential improvements to I-17 from 101 to Flagstaff, plus potential I-17 reliever routes or bypasses**

Mr. Floyd Roehrich made a presentation regarding expansion of lanes into the median area between 101 North to New River and potential improvements to I-17 from 101 to Flagstaff, plus potential I-17 reliever routes or bypasses. Mr. Montoya said I-17 is becoming more of an issue and asked staff to do a presentation on where and how we can do improvements and expansions to I-17 from the 101 north. Mr. Roehrich provided an overview of ADOT plans for improvements along I-17 Corridor, I-10 to I-40. A study will be initiated later this year for widening improvements from McDowell to the Arizona Canal. The area would use \$1.3 billion for improvements including additional lanes and improved and new interchanges. From I-10 to Loop 101, a study in relation to the RTP will look at the funding and widening necessary to provide the improvements. This includes \$1.1 billion and the construction will be in phases. Loop 101 to New River Road includes widening, interchange improvements and freeway widening and improvements to bring the 303 corridor into I-17. From Loop 101 to Carefree Highway, widening projects include adding a third lane and HOV lane. This is currently under design with anticipated construction late this year or early next year at \$182 million. The Jomax Road to Dixileta Drive includes new interchanges, converts 2-way frontage roads to more efficient one-way roads. It goes to bid tomorrow and will come to the Board for awarding. These projects total \$35.3 million for construction to begin in 2007 with completion in 2008. The Lone Mountain Road interchange is constructed in anticipation of Loop 303, providing widening and improvements for \$34 million. Design will begin later this year with completion in late 2009. The Dove Valley interchange has funding advanced from the City of Phoenix. The IGA is being finalized with construction to be complete in 2009. Along the same interchange is the I-17/Carefree Highway interchange for improvements at \$24 million. Approval was received and went to bid yesterday. Construction will begin in 2007 with completion in 2009. The Carefree Highway to Anthem will see a general purpose lane widening as part of the STAN Acceleration. Design will be this year with construction planned for 2010. From Anthem Way to New River, there is environmental work and scoping to programming the design with construction in Phase IV of the RTP. Construction sequencing of segments noted above was discussed. It includes intersection improvements at Jomax and Dixileta, Carefree Highway interchange, Jomax to 74, last segment of Jomax Road, Lone Mountain TI and Dove Valley TI. Continuing north, New River to Black Canyon City, a design concept was completed and environmental document was not done. This is currently not programmed for construction. Black Canyon City to Cordes Junction, environment and design are underway. The study is looking at a minimum of four lanes and climbing lanes. Estimated study completion is spring 2008. Cordes Junction TI is being studied and suggestions include a diamond route with construction programmed for 2008. From SR 169 to SR 260, project assessment is underway and includes a climbing lane and additional improvements estimated at \$26 million. The McGuireville Interchange is from SR 260 to SR 179 and has been under design and is going under development and programmed for 2008. From SR 179 to Interstate 40, a Design Concept Report is underway. The Munds Park Traffic Interchange had a scoping document done that looks at the operation of the interchange. On the Airport Interchange in Flagstaff, additional design work was done. ADOT uses a number of methods to keep the public informed about construction.

A Board discussion began. When working on I-10, there should be parallel and simultaneous discussions with I-17. Have there been studies? We need to look at other ideas of how to handle the flow of traffic and explore alternatives. It was stated that it will not be possible to run the two studies as a single contract because we are expediting the I-10 bypass study. The task order

has been issued, a pre-bid conference was held and consultants are currently working on proposals. We are in the process of doing the I-17 regional profile. Another option would be to do a contract modification of the I-17 corridor profile to include the same kind of highly generalized preliminary look at I-17 bypass. Anticipated is modifying the same task order for the I-10 bypass study to tweak it and make it relevant to I-17. Mr. Mendez stated that we have enough direction on I-10 and can get an answer back to the Board.

### **Communication Process**

Mr. Victor Mendez led a discussion regarding the communication process between the Transportation Board and the ADOT Director's office. Board members provided ideas for this communication discussion including identifying what the Board roles are in concert with the Director's office. Board requests are accommodated within the statutory requirements. What drives the roles and responsibilities of the Board and the Director are the statutes. A review of the statutes was held in particular, Article 1. Transportation Board; Article 2: Department of Transportation; and Article 3. Director of the Department of Transportation. Article 1 outlines how the Board is established, member appointments, geographic balance, qualifications, years of service and compensation, powers and duties of the Board, Chair appointments. Powers and duties with respect to transportation facilities include adopting a long-range statewide transportation plan, adopting uniform transportation planning practices and performance based planning processes, using a performance based approach, establishing a complete system of state highway routes, determine which state routes or portions are accepted into the state highway system, establish open, relocate or alter a portion of a route or highway, turnbacks and potential turnbacks and sell board funding obligations. The Board shall establish and modify the five-year program, including award construction contracts and monitor construction projects. Board responsibilities include considering the Citizens Transportation Oversight Committee's recommendations. The Board shall determine priority program planning. The statute also addresses the Board's involvement with aeronautics. The Board shall not spend any monies, adopt any rules or implement any policies or programs to convert signs to the metric system. Powers and duties of the Board were reviewed in Statute 28-305. In Statute 28-306, the Board shall develop a statewide transportation policy statement. In particular, the Board shall ensure that the future transportation system facilitates, rather than directs future development in the state. Article 2. Department of Transportation outlines how the Department is established, how the Board serves as advisors, the Department divisions, legal counsel, the expenditure of federal money and the comprehensive financial management system. Article 3. Director of the Department of Transportation outlines the Director's appointment, the Deputy Director of the Department, duties including supervise and administer the activities of the Department, appointment assistant directors and general operations of the Department such as cooperate with the Arizona-Mexico commission in the Governor's office, develop a plan to increase use of bypass routes and the director shall not spend any money on the metric system. Powers of the Director were reviewed including provide technical expertise, provide emergency transportation services, use of federal dollars for relocation of facilities, work with the Department of Public Safety and cooperate with the Department of Weights and Measures. The Director shall focus on public transit issues.

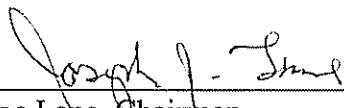
Discussion included the Board reinstating formal orientation sessions. A Board member felt we need to discuss Item 8, communication process. Board member feedback was solicited and shared. The Director's communication with the Board is outlined in the Statute as well as working together on the issues. A Board member feels there is a breakdown in communication when the Director advises others on transportation and doesn't ask for input from the Board.

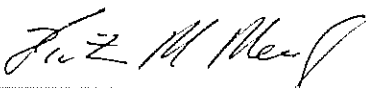
Board members have a duty to respond to complaints and cannot respond unless they know what is happening.

Mr. Mendez continued by addressing Mr. Feldmeier's comment about rest area privatization. The process includes study sessions, meetings and day-to-day communication with Board members. A spreadsheet was prepared and includes all the items Board members asked staff to address at some point in time. The list is used to develop meeting agendas and serves as a tracking device. Mr. Mendez stated that the Department is not allowed legally to privatize rest areas. A letter on this issue was sent to Board members. Mr. Schorr believes it will take remedial legislation to change that and articulated how that could have been communicated to Board members. Mr. Mendez stated that he and no one else expressed interest in pursuing. Board members should ask to keep the dialogue open if that is their interest. Because many Board members do not recall seeing the letter, Mr. Mendez will have it sent again to bring the item back to the table. Other issues discussed and brought to the agenda were I-17 and turnbacks. Involvement with the Governor's Growth and Infrastructure Initiative and mass transit will be discussed. Mr. Schorr asked to hear what the Department's ideas are so that the Board can be advisory. Mr. Mendez said that the Governor created the Governor's Growth Cabinet. Within that process, many other agencies are involved to develop ideas. The advice and overview presented today was appreciated by Board members. Mr. Mendez asked Board members to follow up with him if it appears items are not being addressed.

#### **Adjournment**

No closing comments were made. The meeting adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

  
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Joe Lane, Chairman  
State Transportation Board

  
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Victor M. Mendez, Director  
Arizona Department of Transportation

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**OPENING REMARKS AND PLEDGE**

Chairman Lane led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance, thanked the City of Maricopa for their wonderful hospitality and introduced new Board Member Bobbie Lundstrom.

**DISTRICT ENGINEER REPORT**

Greg Gentsch, District Engineer, provided an update on projects and issues of regional significance. A power point presentation was shared and included the need for corridors. Current projects include from Maricopa Road to the county line, Florence Boulevard TI in Casa Grande, and a corridor by the County Fairgrounds. On the planning side, a feasibility study in downtown Maricopa, Union Pacific Railroad to State Route 247, DCR funding is a priority, Montgomery Road, arterial streets and need for TIs in Maricopa County. Access Routes and funding amounts were highlighted. Efforts have been made to equitably assess the amount of impacts to the system when a developer comes in and wants to do something that would incur additional traffic, for example the Red Mountain TI on I-10, the Val Vista TI, a ranch on I-19, SR 86 Canyon Road and SR 347. One of the five options of the feasibility study was shown.

**CALL TO AUDIENCE**

Kelly Anderson, Mayor, City of Maricopa, introduced staff members and expressed appreciation for hosting the ADOT Board meeting. Unique to Maricopa is State Route 347, a one way in and one way out. Regional routes are being reviewed with neighboring communities. Other ways to mitigate the Broadway curve are being pursued.

Joe Estes, Councilman, City of Maricopa, addressed the City's desire, in partnership with ADOT, to address issues. With beautiful subdivisions and State Route 347 coming into the city, the city has no control over the landscaping because it's a state highway. The city would like to help ADOT landscape, especially in the city limits to enhance the entrance to the city.

Rebecca Molus, citizen, is on the city's Planning and Zoning Commission. There is a transportation concern and a need for ADOT's help in the everyday challenge and worry of fatalities on State Route 347. She is interested in working with the Board on solutions.

Bailey Shaffer, Program Manager, U.S. Civil Service, spoke as a citizen regarding the condition of State Route 347. He would like to see continual movement of traffic. Future growth sees businesses coming and there is a need to get people to those businesses. SR 347 needs widened and additional routes are needed.

David Snider, Pinal County Supervisor, said that Pinal County is a community of people that feel transportation is a shared responsibility. The county is doing their best to put work into the transportation solution. They are active in encouraging the developers to step up to the plate to help alleviate the problems. There are 22 planning initiatives currently underway including a Pinal County Regional Transportation Process to working with the Indian Tribes on creating a transportation study for the Tribes. Many of those include ADOT. The county believes ADOT has an overwhelming task.

Delia Carlyle, Chairman, Ak-Chin Indian Community, read the following for the record: On behalf of the Ak-Chin Indian Community, I would like to take this opportunity to provide information on a very important issue, referred to as "hyper-growth", and its impacts on the existing transportation infrastructure. Our Community land base is South, East, and West of the City of Maricopa. As a result of the residential, commercial, and retail development in the area, local streets, roads, and highways are unable to accommodate the existing traffic volumes. This has made it necessary for the City of Maricopa to look at alternative routes in an attempt to alleviate traffic on these roadways. Some of these proposed routes are within, adjacent to, or surrounding our Community. It is imperative that state, city, and county governments realize that tribal governments must be consulted during the planning process and have a voice in the decision-making process for these roadways within our boundaries. Our Community has had on-going dialogue with the City of Maricopa and the ADOT Tucson District regarding various projects in the area, including the Maricopa-Casa Grande Highway Assessment Project and the State Route (SR) 347 and Union Pacific Railroad Grande Separation Study. We understand that city and county planning documents have identified the need for SR 347 to be expanded to six (6) lanes South to SR 84. This would impact our Community and would require ADOT to initiate discussions with our Community regarding the need for additional rights of way. In addition, we are still awaiting clarification on correspondence previously sent to ADOT regarding rights of way granted along SR 347 and SR 238 through our Community. We are committed to working with the city, county, state, and developers on achieving agreements to issues or problems that are mutually beneficial. We will continue to be vocal about protecting our area, particularly in issues dealing with water, rights of way requests, archaeological and cultural concerns and the sustainability of our farming operation. We appreciate the opportunity to share some of the hyper-growth activities and its impacts on the transportation infrastructure within and surrounding the Ak-Chin Indian Community. We trust that you enjoyed your stay at our Harrah's Ak-Chin Resort and wish you a productive meeting.

Edward Farrell, City Council, City of Maricopa, appreciates ADOT's involvement statewide especially with hyper-growth in Maricopa and the grade separation with SR 347. He asked for continued help in Pinal County.

Five additional individuals could not attend the meeting and sent in comments electronically. They include Myleen Christensen's concern with the intersection at Cobblestone Farms and Rancho El Dorado, Kurt Harless's concern with SR 347 and Maricopa, Lisa Folz's concern with the traffic on SR 347, Michael Hawk's concern with the condition of SR 347, 347's northbound left turn lane at Wild

Horse Pass and the intersection at the railroad tracks and Patrick Kennedy's plea to widen SR 347 as soon as possible.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

Chairman Lane removed Items 40 and 41 from the Consent Agenda. Mr. Schorr recused himself from Items 28, 29, 30, 32 and 35.

### **Director's Report**

Mr. Mendez provided an up to date report regarding current issues and events affecting ADOT. The formal Board orientations will be reinstated as well as a refresher for all Board members. If there is a quorum, the meeting will be posted. Congress and the President authorized commissions to address high level policy issues on a national basis with respect to transportation. Next Friday, Mr. Mendez will testify and address issues in Arizona. Issues include a need for long-term funding and public private partnerships are important. Discussion will include how we better integrate transportation planning. In reply to a question on the status of the transit report, Mr. Mendez stated that we are down to 50 days, meetings have been held with stakeholders, on March 9 a session is scheduled with the Board and a meeting was held with Union Pacific. Program recommendations are due next Tuesday. Information is being gathered to respond to the Governor's Executive Order. Meetings were held with private sector VIPs and with financial representatives to discuss financing options.

### **Legislative Report**

Mr. Biesty provided an update on State and Federal Legislative Issues, including proposed legislation which may affect ADOT. A Federal Legislative Update handout was reviewed. Regarding the FY 07 transportation budget, the House passed a year-long continuing resolution which funds highways and transit at the SAFETEA-LU levels. The Senate should pass the bill this week. Regarding the FY 08 transportation budget, the President proposes a total of \$67.4 billion for transportation, of that \$39.6 billion for highway programs, \$9.4 billion for transit and \$900 million for Amtrak. The budget also includes an initiative to reduce highway congestion. Problems with the budget include: eliminates the Revenue-Aligned Budget Authority (RABA), reduces funding for transit programs which is \$308 million short of the total authorized in SAFETEA-LU for FY 08, cuts back on Amtrak funding and the FAA budget includes \$14.1 billion, down from the \$14.2 billion allocated by Congress for the current fiscal year. The FAA reauthorization was presented to Congress this month and hearings are to be scheduled. ADOT staff will attend an annual briefing in Washington, D.C. and will visit delegates. On the state level, a Board Report document was shared. HB 2152 Driver Licenses; Permits; Minors was amended in the House to create a Roads of Regional Significance Congestion Mitigation Fund to allow a sub account for construction or reconstruction of roads to relieve congestion. HB 2228 Vehicle License Tax: Hybrid Vehicles allows some of the money in the HELP program to be used by entities under 50,000 population to accelerate transit capital projects. HB 2367 Interstate Driver License Agreement regards the ADOT bid requirements allowing for an annual adjustment. HB 2569 Highway Expansion Fund; Growth Cities is similar to the transit bill, allowing \$20 million to be set aside in the HELP program for street improvements. HB 2571 Highway Construction; Appropriation would take \$62.5 million from HURF and \$35.1 from the State Highway Fund and put it into STAN. There is concern with this bill. HB 2612 Transportation Districts states that any county with at least 500,000 persons is entitled to a transportation district comprised of only that county. Currently, only Maricopa and Pima have this; the remainder of the counties are grouped into four districts. SB 1049 Highway Construction Acceleration; Funds would take \$450 million from the Rainy Day Fund. It

failed in the Senate but will be part of the budget discussions. SB 1172 Highway Fund Bonds; Maturity is the Governor's proposal to take bonds from 20 years to 30 years. SB 1478 Transportation Board; Indian Member did not get a hearing and would add an additional Board member representing one of the Native American communities. SB 1538 Transportation Districts; Board Membership did not get a hearing and would extend the Board to ten members. SB 1576 Public Highway Authorities would allow jurisdictions to band together and create a board with authority to oversee and build new roadways. SB 1585 HOV Lane Conversion; Toll Lane would convert the HOV lane on I-17 between Loop 101 and I-10 to an HOV toll lane. SR 51 was added to this bill. SB 1586 Transportation Projects; Unsolicited Proposals require ADOT to accept any unsolicited proposals for evaluation. SB 1587 Transportation; Innovative Partnerships Program addresses public private partnerships. SB 1635 HOV Lane Conversion; Toll Lane; F.A.S.T. states that by July 1, 2008, ADOT must issue proposals to convert existing HOV lanes into lanes operated by private entities which can impose a toll or fee. They would be called FAST lanes.

### **Financial Report**

Mr. McGee provided summary reports on revenue collections for Highway User Revenues and Maricopa Transportation Excise Tax Revenues, comparing fiscal year results to last year's actuals and forecasts, and reported on interest earnings, HELP Fund status, and other financial information relative to the Board and Department. The HURF collections for January total \$120.5 million, an increase of 13.4 percent over January 2006 and 0.3 percent above the forecast. Year-to-date collections total \$787.1 million, an increase of 4.4 percent over the same time period last year and 1.2 percent below the estimate. There was better than average results in Registration and Motor Carrier and lower than expected in Use Fuel Tax and the Other category. December 2006 RARF collections totaled \$31.7 million, an increase of 6.8 percent over December 2005, and 0.3 percent below the estimate. Year-to-date RARF revenues total \$191 million, an increase of 8.5 percent over the same time period last year and even with the estimate. Retail Sales, Rental of Personal Property and the Other category continue to lag the forecast. Interest earnings for December 2006 total \$5.605 million, representing an average investment rate of approximately 4.96 percent. Year-to-date earnings total \$25.341 million for an average investment rate of approximately 4.85 percent. The HELP program as of January 2007 has a balance of approximately \$106 million.

### **Financing Program**

Mr. McGee provided an update on financing issues affecting the Board and the Department, including HURF and RARF Bonding, GAN issuances and Board Funding Obligations. Regarding SB 1172 the Governor's plan to extend the HURF bond term to 20 years, a fair amount of time is being spent with staff to evaluate the bill. A one page information sheet was shared with the Board. Information in regard to the proposed HURF refunding Series 2007A was included in the Board packet. The potential exists to refund some or all of approximately six issues totaling anywhere from \$66 million to \$196 million depending on interest rates. All refunding issues are interest rate sensitive.

### **Resolution Authorizing Issuance of Highway Revenue Refunding Bonds – Series 2007A**

Mr. McGee presented a Resolution authorizing the Board's anticipated issuance of Highway Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2007A, in an amount not to exceed \$200,000,000. This resolution is similar to past refunding resolutions except for one change. A provision delegates to Mr. McGee as chief financial officer the responsibility for selecting the underwriting of the issuance. This will only go forward if the interest rates are doable. This approach is not meant to be a new way of appointing underwriters. The change only impacts this issuance. There is a process to select and develop a pool

of underwriters. Currently there are 16 underwriters in the pool. Selection has to be from among that group. Mr. McGee continued to articulate the process.

**Board Action:** A motion to approve the above Resolution was made by Mr. Feldmeier, seconded by Mr. Zubia and passed unanimously.

**\*MINUTES – APPROVAL**

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**2007 BOARD MEETING & PUBLIC HEARING DATES AND LOCATIONS**  
**STUDY SESSIONS TO BE SCHEDULED AS NEEDED**

February 16, 2007 – Board Meeting – City of Maricopa – 9:00 a.m.  
March 9, 2007 – Study Session – ADOT – 9:30 a.m.  
March 9, 2007 – MAG/ADOT Joint Public Hearing at MAG Office – 12:00 p.m.  
March 16, 2007 – Board Meeting – Sierra Vista – 9:00 a.m.  
April 13, 2007 – Public Hearing – Tucson – 9:00 a.m.  
April 20, 2007 – Board Mtg. & Pub. Hearing – Phoenix/ADOT – 9:00 a.m.  
May 4, 2007 – Public Hearing – Flagstaff – 9:00 a.m.  
May 18, 2007 – Board Meeting – Kingman – 9:00 a.m.  
June 15, 2007 – Board Meeting - Springerville – 9:00 a.m.  
July 20, 2007 – Board Meeting – Payson – 9:00 a.m.  
August 17, 2007 – Board Meeting – Avondale – 9:00 a.m.  
September 21, 2007 – Board Meeting – Sedona - 9:00 a.m.  
October 19, 2007 – Board Meeting – Globe – 9:00 a.m.  
November 16, 2007 – Board Meeting – Lake Havasu City – 9:00 a.m.  
December 21, 2007 – Board Meeting – Tucson – 9:00 a.m.

**Board Action:** A motion to approve the above schedule was made by Mr. Householder, seconded by Mr. Montoya and passed unanimously.

**PRIORITY PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PPAC)**

FY 2008 – 2012 Statewide Transportation  
Facilities Construction Program

(Materials to be provided)

- b. FY 2008 – 2012 Subprogram  
Recommendations

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

- c. FY 2008 – 2012 Statewide Program  
Highway Construction Program

Recommendations  
(Excluding MAG & PAG)

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

- d. FY 2008 - 2012 PAG Regional Highway Construction Program Recommendations

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

- a. FY 2008 – 2012 MAG Regional Highway System / Regional Transportation Plan Recommendations

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

- e. FY 2008 – 2012 Airport Development Program Recommendations

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

**FY 2007 - 2011 Transportation Facilities Construction Program Requested Modifications**

Meeting of February 5, 2007

FY 2007 – 2011 Transportation Facilities Construction Program - Requested Modifications

ROUTE NO:	SR 88 @ MP 195.0
COUNTY:	Pinal
SCHEDULE:	FY 2007
SECTION:	16th Ave. Intersection
TYPE OF WORK:	Construct traffic signal
PROGRAM AMOUNT:	\$536,000
PROJECT MANAGER:	Thomas Tortice
PROJECT:	HX18101C Item # 17307 JPA 05-111
REQUESTED ACTION:	Increase program amount by \$224,000 to \$760,000 in the FY 2007 Highway Construction Program, due to cost increases. <b>See funding sources below.</b>

PROGRAM AMOUNT:	\$536,000
INCREASE AMOUNT:	\$224,000
JPA 05-111 City of Apache Junction	\$201,000
FY 2007 Traffic Engineering #71207	\$23,000
NEW PROGRAM AMOUNT:	\$760,000

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

ROUTE NO:	SR 264 @ MP 322.82
COUNTY:	Coconino
SCHEDULE:	FY 2007
SECTION:	Tuba City - Coal Mine Road
TYPE OF WORK:	Pavement preservation / Rockfall containment
PROGRAM AMOUNT:	\$1,614,000
PROJECT MANAGER:	Steve Mishler
PROJECT:	H557202C Item # 20306
REQUESTED ACTION:	Increase program amount by \$590,000 to \$2,204,000 in the FY 2007 Highway Construction Program, due to unit cost increases. <b>Funds are available from FY 2007 Pavement Preservation Fund #72507.</b>
PROGRAM AMOUNT:	\$1,614,000
INCREASE AMOUNT:	\$590,000
NEW PROGRAM AMOUNT:	\$2,204,000

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

ROUTE NO:	SR 69 @ MP 276.0
COUNTY:	Yavapai
SCHEDULE:	New Project - FY 2007
SECTION:	Poland Jct – Humboldt
TYPE OF WORK:	Pavement preservation
PROGRAM AMOUNT:	New Project
PROJECT MANAGER:	Urso Penalosa
PROJECT:	H657701C
REQUESTED ACTION:	Establish a new pavement preservation project in the FY 2007 Highway Construction Program. <b>Funds are available from FY 2007 Pavement Preservation Fund #72507.</b>
NEW PROGRAM AMOUNT:	\$3,090,000

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

ROUTE NO: SR 101L @ MP 0.0  
 COUNTY: Maricopa  
 SCHEDULE: FY 2007  
 SECTION: Princess Dr. to SR 202L (Red Mountain)  
 TYPE OF WORK: Construct FMS  
 PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$3,553,000  
 PROJECT MANAGER: Farzana Yasmin  
 PROJECT: Item # 40507  
 REQUESTED ACTION: Reduce program amount by \$1,112,00 to \$2,441,000  
 in the FY 2007 Highway Construction Program.  
**Transfer to the FY 2007 RTP Cash Flow.**  
 PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$3,553,000  
 DECREASE AMOUNT: \$-1,112,000  
 NEW PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$2,441,000

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

ROUTE NO: SR 101L @ MP 56.6  
 COUNTY: Maricopa  
 SCHEDULE: FY 2007  
 SECTION: Guadalupe to SR 202L  
 TYPE OF WORK: Construct roadway FMS  
 PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$2,100,000  
 PROJECT MANAGER: Farzana Yasmin  
 PROJECT: H666501C Item # 15906  
 REQUESTED ACTION: Increase program amount by \$700,000 to \$2,800,000  
 in the FY 2007 Highway Construction Program, due  
 to upgrade cost increases. **Funds are available  
 from FY 2007 RTP Cash Flow.**  
 PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$2,100,000  
 INCREASE AMOUNT: \$700,000  
 NEW PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$2,800,000

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

ROUTE NO: Various Locations  
 COUNTY: Maricopa  
 SCHEDULE: FY 2007  
 SECTION: Ramp Meters - Various locations  
 TYPE OF WORK: Construct 29 ramp meters  
 PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$2,500,000  
 PROJECT MANAGER: Farzana Yasmin

PROJECT: H595604C Item # 41207  
REQUESTED Increase program amount by \$412,000 to \$2,912,000  
ACTION: in the FY 2007 Highway Construction Program, due  
to cost increases. **Funds are available from FY  
2007 RTP Cash Flow.**

PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$2,500,000  
INCREASE AMOUNT: \$412,000  
NEW PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$2,912,000

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

ROUTE NO: SR 287 @ MP 116.76  
COUNTY: Maricopa  
SCHEDULE: New Project - FY 2007  
SECTION: I-10 to Mission Road  
TYPE OF WORK: Construct interchange improvements  
PROGRAM AMOUNT: New Project  
PROJECT MANAGER: Robert Miller  
PROJECT: H705901X JPA 06-119 and  
06-120

REQUESTED Establish a new construction project in the FY 2007  
ACTION: Highway Construction Program. **See funding  
sources below.**

JPA 06-119 WP Casa Grande Retail LLC \$2,164,000  
JPA 06-120 WP Casa Grande Retail LLC \$7,000,000  
NEW PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$9,164,000

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

ROUTE NO: SR 90 @ MP 321.0  
COUNTY: Cochise  
SCHEDULE: New Project - FY 2007  
SECTION: SR 92 TI  
TYPE OF WORK: Pavement preservation  
PROGRAM AMOUNT: New Project  
PROJECT MANAGER: Jerry Barnes  
PROJECT: H701401C  
REQUESTED Establish a new pavement project in the FY 2007  
ACTION: Highway Construction Program. **Funding available  
from FY 2007 Minor Pavement Preservation  
Fund #74807.**

NEW PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$210,000

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

FY 2007-2011 Airport Development Program –  
Requested Modifications

AIRPORT NAME: Eloy Municipal  
SPONSOR: City of Eloy  
AIRPORT CATEGORY: Public GA  
SCHEDULE: FY 2007 – 2011  
PROJECT #: E7F76  
PROGRAM AMOUNT: New Project Request  
PROJECT MANAGER: Tammy Martelle  
PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Design and Install Airport Perimeter/Security fence (5,000 LF)  
REQUESTED ACTION: Recommend STB approval.

FUNDING SOURCES: **FAA** \$171,000  
**Sponsor** \$4,500  
**State** \$4,500  
*Total Program* \$180,000

AIRPORT NAME: Bisbee Municipal  
SPONSOR: City of Bisbee  
AIRPORT CATEGORY: Public GA  
SCHEDULE: FY 2007 – 2011  
PROJECT #: E7F77  
PROGRAM AMOUNT: New Project Request  
PROJECT MANAGER: Tammy Martelle  
PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Design and Widen Runway 17/35, Phase 1  
REQUESTED ACTION: Recommend STB approval.

FUNDING SOURCES: **FAA** \$190,000  
**Sponsor** \$5,000  
**State** \$5,000  
*Total Program* \$200,000

AIRPORT NAME: Ernest A. Love Field  
SPONSOR: City of Prescott  
AIRPORT CATEGORY: Commercial  
SCHEDULE: FY 2007 – 2011  
PROJECT #: E5F76  
PROGRAM AMOUNT: Project Change Request

PROJECT MANAGER: Tammy Martelle  
 PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Conduct Runway 12/30 Safety Area Study; Install Airport Perimeter Fence (Approximately 30,000 LF) and Gates (7 Ea)  
 REQUESTED ACTION: Recommend STB approval for an increase of \$1,632 to match FAA Grant Amendment increase.

FUNDING SOURCES:	<b>FAA</b>	\$686,757
	<b>Sponsor</b>	\$18,073
	<b>State</b>	\$18,073
	<i>Total Program</i>	\$722,903

**Board Action:** A motion to approve Items 18, 19 and 20 was made by Mr. Householder, seconded by Mr. Feldmeier and passed unanimously.

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  - Minutes of February 5, 2007
  - Summary of Approved Changes to the FY 2007-2011 Highway Construction Program
  - Highway Program Monitoring Report

**RIGHT OF WAY RESOLUTIONS**

RES. NO: 2007-02-A-015  
 PROJECT: S-087-B-800 / 087MA193H21101R  
 HIGHWAY: MESA - PYASON  
 SECTION: Forest Boundary – Dos “S” Ranch  
 ROUTE NO.: State Route 87  
 ENG. DIST: Phoenix  
 COUNTY: Maricopa  
 RECOMMENDATION: Establish additional right of way as a state route and state highway for lane widening improvements.

RES. NO: 2007-02-A-016  
 PROJECT: N-900-0-700 / 260NA351H555101R  
 HIGHWAY: SHOW LOW – MCNARY - EAGAR  
 SECTION: Yellow Jacket Drive  
 ROUTE NO.: State Route 260  
 ENG. DIST: Globe  
 COUNTY: Navajo  
 RECOMMENDATION: Establish new right of way as a state route and state highway for curb and gutter improvements at Yellow Jacket Drive and State Route 260 to enhance safety for the traveling public.

**Board Action:** A motion to approve Items 22 and 23 was made by Mr. Schorr, seconded by Mr. Householder and passed unanimously.

- \* RES. NO: 2007-02-A-017  
PROJECT: 084PN172H679901R  
HIGHWAY: GILA BEND – CASA GRANDE  
SECTION: Guinn Road Intersection  
ROUTE NO.: State Route 84  
ENG. DIST: Tucson  
COUNTY: Pinal  
RECOMMENDATION: Establish new right of way as a state route and state highway for turn lane improvements at Guinn Road Intersection to enhance safety for the traveling public.
  
- \* RES. NO: 2007-02-A-018  
PROJECT: S-238-805 / 179YV304H341402R  
HIGHWAY: RIM ROCK – SEDONA HIGHWAY (S.R. 179)  
SECTION: Village of Oak Creek – Jct. 89A  
ROUTE NO: State Route 179  
ENG. DIST: Flagstaff  
COUNTY: Coconino  
RECOMMENDATION: Establish additional right of way as a state Route and state highway for widening improvements to enhance safety for the traveling public.
  
- \* RES. NO: 2007-02-A-019  
PROJECT: I-010-C-802 / 010MA146H545402R  
HIGHWAY: PHOENIX – CASA GRANDE  
SECTION: Jct. S.R. 51 – Jct. S.R. 202 Loop  
ROUTE NO: Interstate Route 10  
ENG. DIST: Phoenix  
COUNTY: Maricopa  
PARCEL: 7-10491  
RECOMMENDATION: Establish new right of way as a State Route for Advance Acquisition of Parcel No. 7-10491

**STATE ENGINEER’S REPORT**

Mr. Elters stated there are 71 projects under construction valued at \$999.371 million. During January the Department finalized seven projects valued at \$42.319 million. Year-to-date 65 projects have been finalized.

**CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS**

Non-Interstate Federal-Aid (“A” “B”) 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: January 19  
HIGHWAY: GLOBE – LORDSBURG HIGHWAY (US 70)

SECTION: Duncan – State Line  
COUNTY: Greenlee  
ROUTE NO.: US 70  
PROJECT: 070 GE 378 H614401C STP-070-B(003)A  
FUNDING: 94% Federal 6% State  
LOW BIDDER: Fisher Sand & Gravel Co.  
dba Southwest Asphalt Paving  
AMOUNT: \$2,651,957.00  
STATE AMOUNT: \$2,932,874.00  
\$ UNDER: \$280,917.00  
% UNDER : 9.6%  
NO. BIDDERS: 4  
RECOMMENDATION: AWARD

**Board Action:** A motion to approve the above recommendation was made by Mr. Householder, seconded by Mr. Montoya and passed unanimously. Mr. Schorr recused himself from this Item.

BIDS OPENED: January 11  
HIGHWAY: PARKER CANYON LAKE -  
MOUNTAIN VIEW HIGHWAY (SR 83)  
SECTION: Milepost 7.29 to 12.05  
COUNTY: Santa Cruz  
ROUTE NO.: SR 83  
PROJECT: 083 SC 007 H652701C HES-083-A(003)A  
FUNDING: 94% Federal 6% State  
LOW BIDDER: Granite Construction Company  
AMOUNT: \$ 888,362.00  
STATE AMOUNT: \$ 785,060.00  
\$ OVER: \$ 103,302.00  
% OVER: 13.2%  
NO. BIDDERS: 2  
RECOMMENDATION: AWARD

**Board Action:** A motion to approve the above recommendation was made by Mr. Zubia, seconded by Mr. Feldmeier and passed unanimously. Mr. Schorr recused himself from this Item.

BIDS OPENED: January 26  
HIGHWAY: WHETSTONE TI-JCT SR 80 HIGHWAY  
SECTION: SR 90 at Moson Road  
COUNTY: Cochise  
ROUTE NO.: SR 90  
PROJECT: 090 CH 325 HX17401C HES-090-A(005)A  
FUNDING: 94% Federal 6% State

LOW BIDDER: Royden Construction Co.  
AMOUNT: \$ 1,850,034.96  
STATE AMOUNT: \$ 1,906,225.00  
\$ UNDER: \$ 56,190.04  
% UNDER: 2.9%  
NO. BIDDERS: 4  
RECOMMENDATION: AWARD

**Board Action:** A motion to approve the above recommendation was made by Mr. Householder, seconded by Mr. Montoya and passed unanimously. Mr. Schorr recused himself from this Item.

\* BIDS OPENED: January 19  
HIGHWAY: PAYSON-SHOW LOW HIGHWAY (SR 260)  
SECTION: Show Low Sidewalk and Path  
COUNTY: Navajo  
ROUTE NO.: SR 260  
PROJECT: 260 NA 338 H633601C TEA-260-B(006)A  
FUNDING: 94% Federal 6% State  
LOW BIDDER: Haydon Building Corp.  
AMOUNT: \$562,897.95  
STATE AMOUNT: \$585,198.00  
\$ UNDER: \$22,300.05  
% UNDER: 3.8%  
NO. BIDDERS: 7  
RECOMMENDATION: AWARD

Non-Interstate, Non-Federal Aid

BIDS OPENED: January 26  
HIGHWAY: SUPERSTITION FREEWAY (US 60)  
SECTION: Val Vista Dr. - Power Rd  
COUNTY: Maricopa  
ROUTE NO.: US 60  
PROJECT: 060 MA 184 H680901C RAM-060-C-505  
FUNDING: 100% State  
LOW BIDDER: FNF Construction, Inc.  
AMOUNT: \$ 4,399,999.00  
STATE AMOUNT: \$ 4,998,626.00  
\$ UNDER: \$ 598,627.00  
% UNDER: 12.0%  
NO. BIDDERS: 5  
RECOMMENDATION: AWARD

**Board Action:** A motion to approve the above recommendation was made by Mr. Householder, seconded by Mr. Zubia and passed unanimously. Mr. Schorr recused himself from this Item.

BIDS OPENED: January 26  
HIGHWAY: JUNCTION SR 95-HOPE HIGHWAY (SR 72)  
SECTION: Bouse-Vicksburg Road  
COUNTY: La Paz  
ROUTE NO.: SR 72  
PROJECT: 072 LA 027 H703601C S-072-C-NFA  
FUNDING: 100% State  
LOW BIDDER: Intermountain Slurry Seal, Inc.  
AMOUNT: \$ 516,174.00  
STATE AMOUNT: \$ 639,050.00  
\$ UNDER: \$ 122,876.00  
% UNDER: 19.2%  
NO. BIDDERS: 3  
RECOMMENDATION: AWARD

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

BIDS OPENED: January 11  
HIGHWAY: PRESCOTT-FLAGSTAFF HIGHWAY  
SECTION: SR 89A/SR 89 TI  
COUNTY: Yavapai  
ROUTE NO.: SR 89A  
PROJECT: 089A YV 317 H597501C 89A-A-NFA  
FUNDING: 100% State  
LOW BIDDER: Vastco, Inc.  
AMOUNT: \$ 5,647,747.00  
STATE AMOUNT: \$ 6,980,500.00  
\$ UNDER: \$ 1,332,753.00  
% UNDER: 19.1%  
NO. BIDDERS: 7  
RECOMMENDATION: AWARD

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

BIDS OPENED: January 11  
HIGHWAY: RED MOUNTAIN FREEWAY (SR 202L)  
SECTION: US 60 / 202 TI  
COUNTY: Maricopa

ROUTE NO.: US 60 & SR 202L  
PROJECT: 202L MA 029 H689101C RAM-202-B-512  
FUNDING: 100% State  
LOW BIDDER: FNF Construction, Inc.  
AMOUNT: \$5,637,708.12  
STATE AMOUNT: \$6,882,260.00  
\$ UNDER: \$1,244,551.88  
% UNDER: 18.1%  
NO. BIDDERS: 4  
RECOMMENDATION: AWARD

**Board Action:** A motion to approve the above recommendation was made by Mr. Montoya, seconded by Mr. Householder and passed unanimously. Mr. Schorr recused himself from this Item.

### Comments and Suggestions

Board Members had the opportunity to suggest items they would like to have placed on future Board Meeting Agendas. (unable to hear voices on tape) There was a comment regarding Item 4.

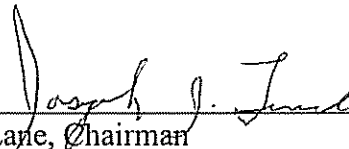
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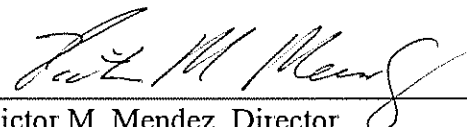
**Board Action:** A motion to approve the Consent Agenda was made by Mr. Schorr, seconded by Mr. Householder and passed unanimously.

### ADJOURN

**Board Action:** A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Schorr, seconded by Mr. Householder and passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

  
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Joe Lane, Chairman  
State Transportation Board

  
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Victor M. Mendez, Director  
Arizona Department of Transportation

\*Denotes items approved in the consent agenda.