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Mr. Robert Hollis
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RE: FY 2004-2007 STIP, Amendment Number 8

Dear Mr. Hollis:

As the Governor's designee, I approve the action taken by the Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG) Regional Council on November 25, 2003, to amend the MAG FY 2004-2007 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). I cordially request Amendment Number 8 of the FY 2004-2006 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) to include the projects listed on the attached sheet.

This amendment is in accordance with 23 CFR 450 and was developed based on a continuing, cooperative and comprehensive transportation planning process in accordance with 23 USC 134 and section 5303 of the Federal Transit Act (49 USC 53). The changes made to the program by this amendment are exempt from the requirements that a conformity determination be performed. The funding for these projects is already within the approved STIP Financial Plan and therefore does not adversely impact the STIP Financial Plan.

Your prompt approval of this request will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Victor M. Mendez

VMM/ags

cc: Dale Buskirk
Ed Stillings
Hymie Luden
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Mr. Victor M. Mendez, P.E., Director
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Victor
Dear ~~Director~~ Mendez:

In recent actions, the MAG Regional Council approved amendments and administrative adjustments to the FY 2004-2007 MAG Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). As the Governor's designee for approval of TIPs and TIP amendments, we are requesting your approval of these amendments. We are also requesting that ADOT process the necessary amendment to the relevant Statewide Transportation Improvement Program. Details of the administrative adjustments are being forwarded for information purposes and no action on your part is needed at this time.

Following approval of the TIP by the Regional Council on November 25, 2003, the TIP was approved by you, in a letter to the Federal Highway and Transit Administrations, on January 22, 2004. It is necessary to amend and/or make an adjustment to projects in the TIP to include these changes so that the projects may proceed to implementation, and further details are shown in the following paragraphs and in the attached tables.

In separate actions between February 23, 2005 and May 25, 2005, the Regional Council approved amendments to the above TIP, to make changes as shown below:

1. Add six State-funded ADOT design, maintenance and right-of-way acquisition projects to the State Highway system in the region to FY 2005 and Re-add to FY 2005 a Peoria Enhancement funded project on the Loop 101 Trail, from Peoria Avenue to Grand Avenue that was incorrectly listed as "underway" in the previous program;
2. Add two Phoenix Hazard Elimination System funded projects (STP-HES) on Indian School Road at 67th Avenue and on McDowell Road at 43rd Avenue to FY 2005; and
3. Add a Phoenix High Priority funded design project for the Rio Salado Parkway to FY 2005;

All of the above projects are regarded as exempt for air quality conformity analysis purposes, or as minor changes for which conformity determinations are not required and the conformity consultations on these projects have all successfully concluded.

4. Add five new regionally significant projects in Maricopa County and one in Apache Junction to FY 2005.

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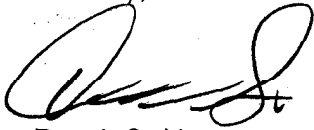
The above regionally significant projects have been included in an updated air quality conformity analysis on the complete TIP that was successfully concluded on May 25, 2005.

Within the same time frame, the Regional Council also approved an administrative adjustment to the TIP for the following funding increase:

5. Utilizing a further \$1.5 million in STP-MAG funds for the Special Census in FY 2005, thereby increasing the total amount from \$3.0 to \$4.5 million over a three year period;

Your support and the assistance of your staff in ensuring the timely progression of these projects is much appreciated. We look forward to a continuing close relationship with the State in meeting the transportation needs of our region. Please contact me or Paul Ward at the MAG office if you need any clarification regarding this amendment.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Dennis Smith', written in a cursive style.

Dennis Smith
Executive Director

cc: Ed Stillings, FHWA;
Hymie Luden, FTA;
Andy Smith, ADOT TPD

Table 1 - Amendment to the FY 2004-2007 MAG TIP for City of Peoria and State Highway Projects (TIP Amendment Number 6)
 NONE of the listed projects involve FTA funds or the transfer of FHWA funds to FTA

ID#	FY	Description	Length	Fund Type	Local Cost	Federal Cost	Total Cost
Add the following State Highway projects:							
DOT05-515	2005	10 at Bullard Ave TI: Design TI	0.2	State	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$1,000,000
DOT05-516	2005	17 at Jomax Rd TI: Design TI	0.2	State	\$1,800,000	\$0	\$1,800,000
DOT05-517	2005	93: Wickenburg By-pass: Additional funds for acquisition of ROW for by-pass	3.0	State	\$5,000,000	\$0	\$5,000,000
DOT05-518	2005	101 (Agua Fria Fwy) at Bethany Home Rd TI (North Half): Design TI	0.2	State	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$1,000,000
DOT05-519	2005	MAG Systemwide: Preliminary engineering (Management consultants)	0.0	State	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$2,000,000
DOT05-520	2005	MAG Systemwide: Maintenance (landscape, litter and sweeping)	0.0	State	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$2,000,000
DOT05-514D	2005	101 (Pima Fwy) at 64th St: Design TI	0.2	State	\$1,800,000	\$0	\$1,800,000
Re-add the following City of Peoria Enhancement Fund project:							
PEO02-203	2005	Loop 101 Trail: Peoria Ave to Grand Ave: Construct multi-use path	1.0	STP-TEA	\$23,240	\$376,760	\$400,000
					Funds being added to the FY 2004-2007 MAG TIP	\$376,760	\$15,000,000

Table 2A - Amendment to the FY 2004-2007 MAG TIP for City of Phoenix Highway Projects (TIP Amendment Number 7)
 NONE of the listed projects involve FTA funds or the transfer of FHWA funds to FTA

ID#	FY	Description	Length	Fund Type	Local Cost	Federal Cost	Total Cost
Add the following Phoenix projects:							
PHX05-410	2005	Indian School Rd at 67th Ave: Installation of street lighting, bus bay and re-paving of intersection	0.25	STP-HIES	\$26,647	\$391,205	\$417,852
PHX05-411	2005	McDowell Rd at 43rd Ave: Installation of street lighting, bus bay and re-paving of intersection	0.25	STP-HIES	\$31,176	\$515,775	\$546,951
					Funds being added to the FY 2004-2007 MAG TIP	\$906,980	\$964,803

Table 2B - Administrative Adjustment to the FY 2004-2007 MAG TIP for Regional Special Census Project (TIP Admin Adjustment Number 7)
 The listed project DOES NOT involve FTA funds, nor the transfer of FHWA funds to FTA

ID#	FY	Description	Length	Fund Type	Local Cost	Federal Cost	Total Cost
Increase the Funds for the Special Census Project As Shown:							
MAG05-129R	2005	Regionwide: Transportation planning and air quality support and studies (additional funding for Special Census program)	0	STP-MAG	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000	\$3,000,000
Funds being added to the FY 2004-2007 MAG TIP							
					\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000	\$3,000,000

Table 3 - Amendment to the FY 2004-2007 MAG TIP for a City of Phoenix Highway Project (TIP Amendment Number 8)
 The listed project DOES NOT involve FTA funds, nor the transfer of FHWA funds to FTA

ID#	FY	Description	Length	Fund Type	Local Cost	Federal Cost	Total Cost
Add the following High Priority funded City of Phoenix project:							
PHX05-501	2005	Rio Salado Pkwy: 7th St to Loop 202 (South Mountain Fwy): Design new roadway	5.0	HPS	\$846,667	\$1,653,333	\$2,500,000
Funds being added to the FY 2004-2007 MAG TIP							
					\$846,667	\$1,653,333	\$2,500,000

Table 4 - Amendment to the FY 2004-2007 MAG TIP for Maricopa County and City of Apache Junction Highway Projects (TIP Amendment Number 9)
 NONE of the listed projects involve FTA funds or the transfer of FHWA funds to FTA

ID#	FY	Description	Length	Fund Type	Local Cost	Federal Cost	Total Cost
Add the following Privately and Locally funded Maricopa County projects:							
MMA05-408	2005	Olive Ave: Perryville Rd to Citrus Rd: Reconstruct existing roadway to one lane in each direction	1.0	Private	\$331,535	\$0	\$331,535
MMA05-409	2005	Peoria Ave: Perryville Rd to Citrus Rd: Construct new two lane roadway	1.0	Private	\$212,351	\$0	\$212,351
MMA05-410	2005	Citrus Rd: Olive Ave to Peoria Ave: Construct new two lane roadway	1.0	Private	\$346,693	\$0	\$346,693
MMA05-411	2005	Perryville Rd: Olive Ave to Peoria Ave: Construct new two lane roadway	1.0	Private	\$248,223	\$0	\$248,223
MMA05-412A	2005	Cotton Lane: MC-85 to Estrella Pkwy (Private funds): Construct new four lane roadway and bridge over the Gila River	3.3	Private	\$14,000,000	\$0	\$14,000,000
MMA05-412B	2005	Cotton Lane: MC-85 to Estrella Pkwy (Local funds): Construct new four lane roadway and bridge over the Gila River	3.3	Local	\$10,000,000	\$0	\$10,000,000
MMA05-413	2005	Kings Ranch Collector (East): Cotton Lane to Estrella Pkwy: Construct new two lane roadway	2.4	Private	\$480,000	\$0	\$480,000
MMA05-414	2005	Kings Ranch Loop Collector (West): Cotton Lane (North) to Cotton Lane (South): Construct new two lane roadway	3.0	Private	\$600,000	\$0	\$600,000
Add the following Privately/Locally funded Apache Junction project:							
APJ05-501	2005	Ironwood Rd: US-60 (Superstition Fwy) to Ocotillo Rd: Widen roadway from two lanes to four lanes	9.5	Private	\$20,000,000	\$0	\$20,000,000
Funds being added to the FY 2004-2007 MAG TIP							
					\$46,218,802	\$0	\$46,218,802