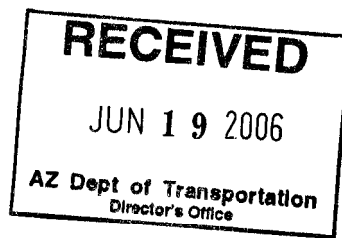




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Arizona FY 2006-2008
Statewide Transportation Program (STIP)
Approval of Amendment No. 12

Mr. Victor M. Mendez, Director
Arizona Department of Transportation, (100A)
Phoenix, Arizona 85007

Dear Mr. Mendez:

We have reviewed your June 13, 2006 request to amend the FY 2006-2008 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) to include the projects in the enclosed tables. These changes to the Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG) TIP were approved by the MAG Regional Council on May 24, 2006.

We accept this Amendment in accordance with 23 CFR 450 and find that this STIP amendment was developed based on a continuing, cooperative and comprehensive transportation planning process in accordance with the 23 USC 134 and Section 5303 of the Federal Transit Act (49 USC 53). The changes made to the program by this amendment are either exempt or are regarded as minor project revisions that do not require conformity determinations [40 CFR §93.126].

This letter constitutes approval, and inclusion of Amendment 12 into the Arizona FY 2006-2008 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). Our approval is based upon the Arizona Department of Transportation's assurance that the funding for the project in this amendment will not adversely impact the STIP Financial Plan.

Sincerely,

Edward S. Stillings
Engineering Development Coordinator

Enclosures





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June 13, 2006

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RE: FY 2006-2008 STIP, Amendment Number 12

Dear Mr. Hollis:

As the Governor's designee, I approve the action taken by the Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG) Regional Council on May 24, 2006, to amend the MAG FY 2006-2010 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). I cordially request Amendment Number 12 of the FY 2006-2008 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Victor M. Mendez", written over a white background.

Victor M. Mendez

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cc: Dale Buskirk
Ed Stillings
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Attachments



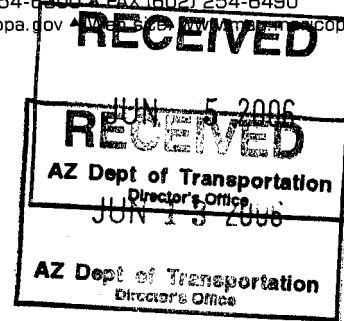
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May 31, 2006

Mr. Victor M. Mendez, P.E., Director
Arizona Department of Transportation
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Dear Director Mendez:

On May 24, 2006, the MAG Regional Council approved an amendment to the FY 2006-2010 MAG Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). As the Governor's designee for approval of TIPs and TIP amendments, we are requesting your approval of this amendment. We are also requesting that ADOT process the necessary amendment to the relevant Statewide Transportation Improvement Program.

Following approval of the TIP by the Regional Council on July 27, 2005, the TIP was approved by you, in a letter to the Federal Highway Administration, on November 28, 2005. Since approval of the TIP, two RARF funded environmental studies on I-10 have been identified that need to be added to the TIP and a TIP amendment is necessary to carry out these additions. These two studies are regarded as exempt for air quality conformity analysis purposes. In addition, four locally funded freeway interchange projects have been identified that have been requested to switch to federally funded. As they are already listed in the current TIP as Locally or State funded, these projects are being forwarded for information as part of an Administrative Adjustment and no approval is required at this time.

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,

Dennis Smith
Executive Director

cc: Ed Stillings, FHWA;
Hymie Luden, FTA;
John Pein, ADOT TPD

A Voluntary Association of Local Governments in Maricopa County

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Table Two - Administrative Adjustment to the FY 2006-2010 MAG TTP for Highway Projects (Admin Adjustment Number 2)
 The listed projects DO NOT involve FTA funds, NOR the transfer of FHWA funds to FTA.

Proj #	Agency	Description	FY	Length	Fund Type	Local Cost	Federal Cost	Regional Cost	Total Cost
Replace the following State funded freeway interchange construction project:									
DOT02-003R	ADOT	10 at Bullard Ave TT: Construct ramps, crossroads & traffic signals	2006	0.2	State	\$10,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$10,000,000
With an Interstate Maintenance funded project as follows:									
DOT02-003R	ADOT	10 at Bullard Ave TT: Construct ramps, crossroads & traffic signals	2006	0.2	IM	\$627,000	\$10,373,000	\$0	\$11,000,000
Replace the following two Local and State funded freeway interchange construction projects:									
DOT06-604	ADOT	17 at Dixileta Rd: Advance construct new traffic interchange (Phoenix funds) for repayment in 2012	2006	0.4	Local	\$8,200,000	\$0	\$0	\$8,200,000
DOT06-606R	ADOT	17 at Jomax Rd: Construct new traffic interchange	2006	0.4	State	\$14,800,000	\$0	\$0	\$14,800,000
With a new, combined, Interstate Maintenance funded project as follows:									
DOT06-6	ADOT	17 at Dixileta and Jomax Rds: Construct new traffic interchanges	2006	0.4	IM	\$8,200,000	\$21,500,000	\$0	\$29,700,000
Replace the following State funded freeway interchange construction project:									
DOT05-514	ADOT	101 (Pima Fwy) at 64th St: Construct new interchange	2007	0.2	State	\$18,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$18,000,000
With a National Highway System funded project as follows:									
DOT05-514R	ADOT	101 (Pima Fwy) at 64th St: Construct new interchange	2007	0.2	NHS	\$1,311,000	\$21,689,000	\$0	\$23,000,000
Total added to (or deleted from) the FY 2006-2010 MAG TTP:						(\$40,862,000)	\$53,562,000	\$0	\$12,700,000

Table One - Amendment to the FY 2006-2010 MAG TIP for Highway Projects (Amendment Number 07-03)

The listed projects DO NOT involve FTA funds, NOR the transfer of FHWA funds to FTA.

Proj #	Agency	Description	FY	Length	Fund Type	Local Cost	Federal Cost	Regional Cost	Total Cost
Add the following two regionally funded environmental studies:									
DOT06-6C61ES	ADOT	I-10: Loop 101 (Agua Fria Fwy) to Loop 303; Environmental Study	2006	9.25	RARF	\$0	\$0	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
DOT06-6C62ES	ADOT	I-10: Loop 303 to SR-85; Environmental Study	2006	11.8	RARF	\$0	\$0	\$2,500,000	\$2,500,000
Total added to (or deleted from) the FY 2006-2010 MAG TIP:						\$0	\$0	\$3,500,000	\$3,500,000