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Arizona FY 2010-2013
Statewide Transportation Program (STIP)
Approval of Amendment No. 4

Mr. John S. Halikowski, Director
Arizona Department of Transportation, (100A)
Phoenix, Arizona 85007

Dear Mr. Halikowski:

We have reviewed Ms. Toth's January 26, 2010 request to amend the FY 2010-2013 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) to include the enclosed table of projects which was approved by the Maricopa Association of Governments Regional Council as a TIP Amendment on December 9, 2009.

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 4 into the Arizona FY 2010-2013 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). The Federal Transit Administration has concurred that Federal Highway Administration will issue this approval on their behalf due to the administrative nature of this particular amendment. 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 yours,

Edward S. Stillings
Engineering Development Coordinator

Enclosure





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206 South Seventeenth Avenue Phoenix, Arizona 85007-3213

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January 26, 2010

Mr. Robert Hollis
Division Administrator
Federal Highway Administration
4000 North Central Avenue, Suite 1500
Phoenix, AZ 85012-1906

RE: FY 2009-2012 STIP, Amendment Number 61

Dear Mr. Hollis:

As the Governor's designee, I approve the action taken by the Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG) Regional Council on December 9, 2009, to amend the MAG FY 2008-2012 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). I cordially request Amendment Number 61 of the FY 2009-2012 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) to include the attached table of project modifications.

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 either exempt or are regarded as minor project revisions that do not require conformity determination [40 CFR §93.126]. The funding for the projects in this amendment will not adversely impact the STIP Financial Plan.

Your prompt approval of this request will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

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Jennifer Toth

cc: Ed Stillings John Dickson Don Mauller
 Jerome Wiggins Seth Kaufman
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Attachment



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January 26, 2010

Mr. Leslie Rogers
Regional Administrator
Federal Transit Administration
201 Mission Street, Suite 1650
San Francisco, CA 94105

RE: FY 2009-2012 STIP, Amendment Number 61

Dear Mr. Rogers:

As the Governor's designee, I approve the action taken by the Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG) Regional Council on December 9, 2009, to amend the MAG FY 2008-2012 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). I cordially request Amendment Number 61 of the FY 2009-2012 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) to include the attached table of project modifications.

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Sincerely,

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January 25, 2010



Mr. John Halikowski, Director
Arizona Department of Transportation
206 South 17th Avenue
Phoenix, Arizona 85007

Dear *John* Mr. Halikowski:

The federal guidance for Statewide Transportation Planning; Metropolitan Transportation Planning; Final Rule provides direction on how to program, amend, and administratively modify the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and the Long-Range Transportation Plan, which is known as the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) in our region. The federal guidance defines an administrative modification as: 'a minor revision to a long-range statewide or metropolitan transportation plan, TIP, or Statewide TIP (STIP) that includes minor changes to project/project phase costs, minor changes to funding sources of previously-included projects, and minor changes to project/project phase initiation dates. An administrative modification is a revision that does not require public review and comment, a redemonstration of fiscal constraint, or a conformity determination (in nonattainment and maintenance areas).'

On December 9, 2009, the MAG Regional Council approved the MAG Executive Director to approve and transmit to the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT), the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), as appropriate, administrative modifications to the MAG Transportation Improvement Program that include the following four types of changes:

- 1) Revisions to project description (clarifying how project is described in the TIP not amending the scope)
- 2) Changes in the sources of funding for a project
- 3) Combining/Splitting projects
- 4) Cost decreases

On July 25, 2007, the MAG Regional Council approved the FY 2008-2012 MAG Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The project changes in the attached table are all administrative modifications to current projects in the FY 2008-2012 MAG TIP. These administrative modification includes highway projects and transit projects programmed with ARRA funds in the MAG region. As the Governor's designee for approval of TIPs and TIP modifications, we request your expeditious approval of the modifications of the TIP, which are necessary to ensure the continuation of the projects involved. In addition to approval of the TIP modifications, we also request that ADOT process the necessary changes to the relevant Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) as soon as possible.

Your support and the assistance of your staff in ensuring the timely progression of these projects are 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 Eileen Yazzie at the MAG office if you need any clarification regarding these amendments.

Sincerely,

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Dennis Smith
Executive Director

cc: Ed Stillings, FHWA;
Jerome Wiggins, FTA
John McGee, ADOT MPD
John Dickson, ADOT Local Governments
Lupe Harriger, ADOT MPD

Administrative Modification to the 2008-2012 MAG TIP January 25, 2010

TIP #	Agency	Project Location	Project Description	Fiscal Year	Length	Fund Type	Local Cost	ARRA Cost	Federal Cost	Regional Cost	Total Cost	Requested Change
DOT09-964	ADOT	10: 101 (Agua Fria Fwy) to I-17	Utility relocation	2010	9.5	FARF				\$13,375,000	\$ 13,375,000	Admin Mod: Change project costs from \$13,700,000 to \$13,375,000.
DOT10-815	ADOT	Loop 101 at Olive	TI improvement construction project	2010	0.3	ARRA		\$ 3,000,000			\$ 3,000,000	Admin Mod: Change funding type from all ARRA State/Highway to \$291,395 - ARRA Local/MPO (Peoria) and \$2,708,605 - ARRA State Highway
DOT12-840	ADOT	101 (Agua Fria Fwy) at Union Hills Dr/Beardsley Rd	Construct traffic interchange	2010	0.2	ARRA	\$ 655,870	\$ 5,667,374	\$ 10,850,616		\$ 17,173,850	Admin Mod: Decrease costs (STP & Local) by a total of \$3,962.
CVK07-601	Cave Creek	Townwide	Pave dirt roads program - Construct	2010	0.5	CMAQ	\$ 15,000	\$ -	\$ 250,000	\$ -	265,000	Admin Mod: Delete listing and split into two phases as listed below.
CVK07-601D	Cave Creek	Townwide	Pave dirt roads program - Design	2010	0.5	CMAQ	\$ 4,845	\$ -	\$ 30,155	\$ -	85,000	Admin Mod: Create a design phase from the current listing; delete current listing
CVK07-601C	Cave Creek	Townwide	Pave dirt roads program - Construct	2010	0.5	CMAQ	\$ 10,155	\$ -	\$ 169,845	\$ -	180,000	Admin Mod: Create a construction phase from the current listing; delete the current listing
PEO100-07AC1	Peoria	Beardsley Rte Connection: Loop 101 (Agua Fria Fwy) to Beardsley Rte at 83rd Av/Lake Pleasant Pkwy	Advance construct Beardsley Road extension and bridge over New River	2010		ARRA; STF-MAG	\$ 404,762	\$ 1,169,654	\$ 6,656,318		\$ 8,270,734	Admin Mod: Decrease costs from \$11,489,687 to \$8,270,734
PEO09-801	Peoria	Various Locations	Pavement Preservation: Major arterial mill, overlay, and re-striping	2010	4.7	ARRA		\$ 2,519,402			\$ 2,519,402	Admin Mod: Change funding type from Local & ARRA to ARRA only.
TMP13-903	Tempe	Citywide	Develop ITS and Communications Strategic Plan	2009		CMAQ			\$ 96,041		\$ 96,041	Admin Mod: Decrease cost from \$145,541 to \$96,041.
VMT11-707T	Valley Metro	Arizona Avenue Corridor	Bus Rapid Transit/Arizona Ave BRT construct busway improvements and stations	2009		ARRA-Transit	\$ 9,000,000	\$ -	\$ -		\$ 9,000,000	Admin Mod: Change project costs from \$12.5 million to \$9 million