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Arizona FY 2011-2014
Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)
Approval of Amendment No. 18
HPM-AZ

Ms. Jennifer Toth, Assistant Director
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Dear Ms. Toth:


We have reviewed your July 5, 2011 request to amend the FY 2011-2014 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) to include the enclosed table of projects adopted by the Maricopa Association of Governments Regional Council Executive Committee on June 29, 2011 as a Transportation Improvement Program Amendment.

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 determination [40 CFR §93.126]. The conformity finding that was issued by the Federal Highway Administration with the concurrence of the Federal Transit Administration on January 19, 2011 remains in effect.

This letter constitutes approval and inclusion of Amendment 18 into the Arizona FY 2011-2014 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). Our approval is based upon the Arizona Department of Transportation's assurance that the funding for the projects in this amendment will not adversely impact the STIP Financial Plan. Please note that this letter constitutes approval of the amendment with the understanding that FTA funding on individual projects is subject to the grantees meeting the administrative and statutory requirements.

Sincerely yours,


For Leslie T. Rogers
FTA Regional Administrator


Karla S. Petty
FHWA Division Administrator

Enclosure



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RE: FY 2011-2014 STIP, Amendment Number 18

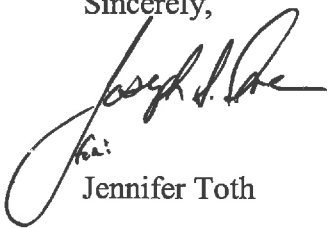
Dear Ms. Petty and Mr. Rogers:

As the Governor's designee, I approve the action taken by the Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG) Regional Council Executive Committee on June 29, 2011 to amend their FY 2011-2015 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). I cordially request Amendment Number 18 of the FY 2011-2014 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). This amendment includes both highway projects and one transit project in the MAG region.

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). All of the projects on the table 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,



Jennifer Toth

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Attachment

June 30, 2011

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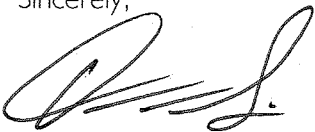
JENNIFER
Dear ~~Ms. Toth~~:

On July 28, 2010, the MAG Regional Council approved the FY 2011-2015 MAG Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Since then, MAG Regional Council has approved six project change sheets to amend and administratively modify the TIP. On June 29, 2011, the MAG Regional Council approved the seventh amendment and an administrative modification to the FY 2011-2015 MAG TIP. This amendment and administrative modification includes both highway and transit projects in the MAG region. Details of these project changes are shown in the attached table. As the Governor's designee for approval of TIPs and TIP amendments, we request your approval of the amendment and modification of the TIP, which are necessary to ensure the continuation of the projects involved. In addition to approval of the TIP amendment and modification, we also request that ADOT process the necessary amendment to the relevant Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) as soon as possible:

All of the above mentioned projects are regarded as either exempt for air quality purposes or are regarded as minor project revisions that do not require conformity determinations. The conformity consultation process on these projects concluded on June 29, 2011 with no specific comments regarding the projects being received.

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 if you need any clarification regarding these amendments.

Sincerely,



Dennis Smith
Executive Director

cc: Ed Stillings, FHWA;
Paul Page, FTA
John McGee, ADOT MPD
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Project Changes for the FY2011-2015 MAG TIP - Approved by MAG Regional Council June 29, 2011

Agency	TIP #	Project Location	Project Description	Fiscal Year	Length	Lanes Before	Lanes After	Fund Type	Federal Cost	Regional Cost	Local Cost	Total Cost	Requested Change
ADOT	DOT11-121	SR303L: Camelback Rd - Glendale Ave	Utility Relocation	2011	2	n/a	n/a	RARF		\$ 12,500,000		\$ 12,500,000	Amend: Increase utility relocation budget by \$4,500,000. Proposed cost is now \$12,500,000; it was previously \$8,000,000.*
ADOT	DOT11-127	101 (Agua Fria & Pima Fwy): 67th Ave - 51st Ave & 27th Ave - 19th Ave, EB Frontage Road)	Pavement Preservation (Micro-surfacing)	2011	2.1	n/a	n/a	NHS	\$ 216,890	\$ -	\$ 13,110	\$ 230,000	Amend: Delete existing pavement preservation project.
ADOT	DOT11-140	MAG Regionwide	Safety Improvements (Replace BCT)	2011	n/a	n/a	n/a	HSIP	\$ 1,650,250		\$ 99,750	\$ 1,750,000	Amend: Add a new safety improvements project in Federal FY 2011 for \$1,750,000
ADOT	DOT11-142	71: US60 to Yavapai County Line	Pavement Preservation (Chip Seal)	2011	5.1	n/a	n/a	STP-AZ	\$ 377,200		\$ 22,800	\$ 400,000	Amend: Add a new pavement preservation project in Federal FY 2011 for \$400,000.
ADOT	DOT11-141	60 (Grand Ave): Vulture Mine Rd to Los Altos Dr	Construct Multi-use Path and Dual Turning Lane	2011	1.4	n/a	n/a	HSIP & TEA	\$2,652,659		\$160,341	\$ 2,813,000	Amend: Add a new construction project in Federal FY 2011 for \$2,813,000 (HSIP: \$1,796,415; TEA: \$856,244 & Match: \$160,341)
ADOT	DOT11-831	MAG Regionwide	Improve traffic interchanges	2012	n/a	n/a	n/a	STP-AZ	\$ 3,000,000			\$ 3,000,000	Admin Mod: Defer this item to FY 2012 from FY 2011.
Buckeye	BKY11-108	Yuma and Watson Rd and Miller and Warner intersections	Advanced Dilemma Zone Detection for high speed approaches	2011	n/a	n/a	n/a	HSIP	\$ 35,500	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 35,500	Amend: Increase HSIP funding from \$27,599 to \$35,500
Chandler	CHN11-111	Ray, Elliot, Dobson, connecting at Arizona back to TMC	Design ITS project for fiber communications from signals to the TCM	2011	n/a			CMAQ	\$ 150,000	\$ -		\$ 150,000	Amend: Advance Design Project from 2014 to 2011
Chandler	CHN14-102	Ray, Elliot, Dobson, connecting at Arizona back to TMC	Construct ITS project for fiber communications from signals to the TCM	2014	n/a			CMAQ	\$ 589,477	\$ -	\$ 224,657	\$ 814,134	Admin Mod: Modify Costs
Chandler	CHN13-901	Various Locations in the City of Chandler	Paving dirt alleys	2011	10.0			CMAQ	\$ 774,379		\$ 164,621	\$ 939,000	Admin Mod: Increase federal funding from \$350,000 to \$774,379.
Chandler	CHN130-08C	Ray Rd at Alma School Rd	Construct intersection improvement	FY2012, starting July 1, 2011	0.3	4	6	HSIP	\$ 6,362,319		\$ 652,886	\$ 7,015,205	Amend: Change funds from RARF & Local to HSIP & Local

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El Mirage	ELM09-802	125th and 127th Ave: Varney Rd to Peoria, and Dysart Ranchettes area: Varney Rd, Peoria Ave, Dysart Rd, and El Mirage	Pave unpaved roads	2011	4.5			CMAQ	\$ 2,075,431		\$ -	\$ 2,075,431	Admin Mod: Increase federal funding from \$1,631,031 to \$2,075,431.
Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation	FTM11-101	Phase 1 of 2; Various Locations on Fort McDowell, additional environmental clearance, design and monitoring	Additional environmental and design work on paving of unpaved roads project	2011	4.7			CMAQ	\$23,500	\$0	\$1,500	\$ 25,000	Amend: Add new project related to the deleted funds from FTM09-903C, FTM11-801, FTM11-802, and FTM13-901.
Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation	FTM09-903C	Various Locations on Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation	Construct Pave dirt road	2011	2.5			CMAQ	\$ 375,000	\$ -	\$ 24,000	\$ 399,000	Amend: Delete project, funds have been reprogrammed to other locations.
Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation	FTM11-801	Hiawatha Hood Rd, SR-87 to 3 miles north	Pave Unpaved Road	2011	2.7			CMAQ	\$ 936,731	\$ -	\$ 56,622	\$ 993,353	Amend: Delete project, funds have been reprogrammed to other locations.
Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation	FTM11-802	Mustang way, 1.5 miles north of Fort McDowell Rd, 4 miles north to the northern boundary (Rio Verde)	Pave Unpaved Road	2011	4.0			CMAQ	\$ 1,187,709	\$ -	\$ 71,792	\$ 1,259,501	Amend: Delete project, funds have been reprogrammed to other locations.
Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation	FTM13-901	Various Locations on Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation	Paving dirt roads	2011	4.7			CMAQ	\$ 700,000	\$ -	\$ 1,650,000	\$ 2,350,000	Amend: Delete project, funds have been reprogrammed to other locations.
Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation	FTM11-201	Various Locations on Fort McDowell, including: Hiawatha Hood Rd (central and south), Harquahala Rd, Ironwood Rd, Sha Hee Rd, Gu Mah Rd, Fort Loop Rd and Rodeo Rd (north)	Pave Unpaved Road	2012	4.9			CMAQ	\$2,480,000	\$0	\$150,000	\$ 2,630,000	Amend: Add new project related to the deleted funds from FTM09-903C, FTM11-801, FTM11-802, and FTM13-901.
Fountain Hills	FTH11-701	Fountain Hills Blvd: Cholla Drive to Crystal Point Dr.	Design and construct new sidewalk	2013	0.6			CMAQ	\$ 300,000		\$ 130,000	\$ 430,000	Admin Mod: Defer from 2011 to 2013
Gilbert	GLB04-205	Gilbert Rd: US-60 to Guadalupe Rd; and US-60: Dobson Rd to Gilbert Rd	Install fiber & conduit along Gilbert Rd, fiber only along US-60 (joint with Mesa to link ATMS)	2012	7.0			CMAQ	400,660	-	59,840	\$ 460,500	Admin Mod: Defer from 2011 to 2012
Gilbert	GLB11-806	Ryan Road: Greenfield Rd to 164th St.	Pave Unpaved Road	2013	0.5			CMAQ	162,760	-	9,840	\$ 172,600	Admin Mod: Defer from 2011 to 2013
Gilbert	GLB13-905	Guadalupe Rd, Higley Rd, Williams Field Rd	Gilbert ATMS Fiber East Ring Project - Phase I (Design)	2013	6.5			CMAQ	122,234	-	63,000	\$ 185,234	Admin Mod: Defer from 2011 to 2013

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Gilbert	GLB13-906	Higley Rd, Recker Rd, Guadalupe Rd, Elliot Rd, Warner Rd, Ray Rd, Williams Field Rd	Gilbert ATMS Fiber East Ring Project - Phase II (Design)	2013	9.5			CMAQ	122,234	-	63,000	\$ 185,234	Admin Mod: Defer from 2011 to 2013
Litchfield Park	LPK05-101C	Litchfield Rd at Wigwam Blvd	Construct Multi-Use Underpass	2011	0.2			CMAQ	1,980,300		119,700	\$ 2,100,000	Admin Mod: Increase Fed Funds
Maricopa County	MMA11-724	Forrest Rd: McDowell Mountain Rd to Rio Verde Dr	Add paved dirt shoulder and bike lane on both sides	2011	2.2			CMAQ	\$ 530,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 530,000	Admin Mod: Increase federal funding from \$400,000 to \$530,000.
Maricopa County	MMA11-109	17th Avenue, Maddock Rd to Joy Ranch Rd	Pave unpaved road	2011	0.5			CMAQ	\$ 314,580		\$ -	\$ 314,580	Admin Mod: Decrease Local costs. Project is 100% federal funded.
Maricopa County	MMA11-111	88th Avenue, Deer Valley Rd to Williams Rd	Pave unpaved road	2011	0.5			CMAQ	\$ 376,420		\$ 134,700	\$ 511,120	Admin Mod: Increase local costs to cover project components not eligible for CMAQ
Maricopa County	MMA11-801	87th Avenue, Deer Valley Road to Peoria CL (Via Montoya Rd)	Pave Unpaved Road	2011	0.3			CMAQ	\$ 194,253		\$ 3,145	\$ 197,398	Admin Mod: Increase federal funding from \$186,146 to \$194,253.
Mesa	MES12-815	ITS Signal Conversions - Phase 5 (Brown Rd and Lindsay Rd.)	Establish fiber optic links to traffic signals	2011	n/a			CMAQ	\$ 921,887		\$ 1,672,513	\$ 2,594,400	Advance from 2012 to 2011, increase funds based on Priority #2
Mesa	MES13-905	Consolidated canal: Lindsay Road to Baseline	Construct of a 10-foot wide concrete pathway, including lighting, paving and traffic signals	2011	2.5			CMAQ	\$ 2,166,600	\$ -		\$ 2,166,600	Advance: Increase federal funding from \$1,099,000 to \$2,166,600.
Mesa	MES11-703	Various Locations	Install fiber-optic communications and upgrade traffic signal controllers	2012	n/a			CMAQ	\$ 961,893	\$ -	\$ 238,107	\$ 1,200,000	Admin Mod: Defer from 2011 to 2012
Mesa	MES11-106CZ	Dobson Rd at Guadalupe Rd: Intersection Improvements	Construct roadway widening	2011	0.5			RARF		\$ 1,462,796	\$ 626,913	\$ 2,089,708	Admin Mod: Decreased total costs from \$3,489,027 to \$2,089,708. Reallocated project savings/regional funds to MES120-08CZ.
Phoenix	PHX09-619	19th Ave at Greenway Rd	Construct multi-use path and bridge (phase 2)	0				CMAQ	1,010,000		1,424,100	\$ 2,434,100	Amend: Delete project, funds have been reprogrammed to other locations.
Phoenix	PHX14-102	ITS Strategic Plan	Develop the City of Phoenix's first ITS Strategic Plan.	2011	n/a			CMAQ	\$ 239,880	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 239,880	Admin Mod: Advance from 2014 to 2011, and increase federal funding from \$167,916 to \$239,880.
Phoenix	PHX09-871	Various locations	Pave unpaved alleys	2011	18.0			CMAQ	\$ 753,557		\$ 111,288	\$ 864,845	Admin Mod: Increase federal funding from \$446,667 to \$753,557.

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Phoenix	PHX13-904	Various Locations in the City of Phoenix: 44 miles of dirt alleys	Paving dirt alleys	2011	44.0			CMAQ	\$ 1,893,290		\$ 268,934	\$ 2,162,224	Admin Mod: Increase federal funding from \$1,200,000 to \$1,893,290.