Planning Partners Meeting

Tuesday, April 23, 2013 1:30 p.m. Maricopa Association of Governments

Ironwood Conference Room

Meeting Purpose – To brief the Planning Partners on the continuing effort by the study team to deliver the Central Phoenix Transportation Framework Study project and receive review, comments, and direction. This meeting is the first in a series to conclude the project and will include time to discuss the absence of planning partner activity on the project in the recent months. Directions for downloading the background materials covering the following items are provided to the Planning Partners in the Email transmitting this agenda.

1. Introductions

2. Why Are You Here?

A brief overview of the Central Phoenix Transportation Framework Study, work items that have been delivered, and study efforts that are underway to complete the project. In addition, discussion will be provided on the importance of this framework study in the development of MAG's NexGen Regional Transportation Plan, as well as its relationship to other projects MAG has underway or recently completed.

- 3. Phase I Summary Report and Executive Summary
 Following the Framework Study design charette in 2012,
 the study team completed a study report and executive
 summary on the first phase. A summary of that report
 and its findings will be presented.
- Assessment of Improvement Strategies

From this study's 2012 charette, the Planning Partners identified more than 350 ideas and concepts for addressing future travel demand in Central Phoenix. These projects were categorized into the following service areas: freeways, arterials, transit, and bike/ped. Since the charette, the study team has conducted additional analysis to refine these concepts into the recommended framework. As part of their progress, the study team will present information and recommendations on incorporating the charette ideas for the freeway service area.

5. <u>Interstate 10/Interstate 17 "Spine Corridor" Workshop</u>
On October 31, 2012, the study team, in conjunction with
ADOT and FHWA, conducted a workshop for formulating

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a direction for future efforts to address travel demand along Interstates 10 and 17 between the North Stack (SR-101L), Pecos Stack (SR-202L) and the west SR-101L system interchanges. Given the relationship of the Central Phoenix Transportation Framework Study and the importance of this freeway spine on the study area, MAG asked this project's study team to facilitate this workshop. The study team issued a report on the workshop in December 2012 and in response, MAG, ADOT, and FHWA have met to follow-up on the recommendations and identify the next steps to provide a long-term plan for the Spine corridor. A report on these efforts will be provided.

6. Freeway System Plan

At the conclusion of the October 31, 2012 Interstate 10/Interstate 17 "Spine Corridor" Workshop, a recommendation was reached by the participants to develop a method for "capping the footprint" along the regional freeways system. The study team has completed technical studies of the freeways within the Central Phoenix study area and has developed a white paper to identify a "capped footprint" system. A report will be provided.

7. SR-30 Corridor Alternatives Study

A product of the 2012 charette included the recommendation for extending the SR-30 (Interstate 10 Reliever) Freeway corridor from its present proposed terminus at the SR-202L/South Mountain Freeway to the Interstate 17/Black Canyon Freeway in the vicinity of the Durango Curve. The study team has completed a high level study of this extension and will report on its findings.

8. Upcoming Work Efforts

In addition to the efforts presented at this meeting, the study team is also examining other recommendations from the 2012 charette to determine how these will be summarized in the project's final recommendation. These include:

- Final DHOV Locations and System Compatibility
- Park and Ride Lot Connectivity
- Diverging Diamond Interchange Conversion Strategies

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8. For information, discussion, and possible recommendation for manner of product distribution and discussion. The recommendation may include suggestions from the Planning Partners for additional coordination and consensus meetings to effectively deliver these work products.



- Advanced Traffic Management System Deployment Strategies (in coordination with recommendations from the MAG Managed Lanes Network Development Strategy and the Interstate 10 Integrated Corridor Management System)
- Roadway Preservation and Maintenance: Report and Strategies
- Framework Study Summary Report and Poster

Next Steps and Assignments

Action items from this meeting will be summarized and assignments made for delivering this project's products.

10. Adjournment

The next meeting of the Central Phoenix Transportation Framework Study Planning Partners will be Thursday, May 23, 2013 at 1:30 p.m. in the Ironwood Room at the MAG offices.

9. For information and discussion.