

Planning Partners Meeting

Thursday, July 25, 2013

1:00 p.m.

Maricopa Association of Governments
Ironwood Conference Room

Meeting Purpose – To update 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 second in a series to conclude the project and a follow up to the April 23, 2013 meeting.

1. Introductions

2. Feedback on Previous Work Products

At the April 23, 2013 meeting, the Planning Partners were given an overview of several project technical memoranda, including the Phase I Summary Report, Assessment of Improvement Strategies, Interstate 10/Interstate 17 "Spine Corridor" Workshop Summary, Freeway System Plan. The technical memoranda were made available to the Planning Partners for their subsequent review and comment. Comments have been assembled in a matrix for each document, with corresponding responses. Revised documents will be posted to the bqAZ website.

3. SR-30 Corridor Extension Alternatives Study

The study team completed a high level study of the extension of 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. An overview of these efforts was provided at the April 23, 2013 Planning Partners meeting. Subsequently, a technical memorandum documenting the effort was prepared and will soon be available for Planning Partner review. An opportunity to discuss and comment on these efforts will be provided.

4. DHOV Locations and System Compatibility

To supplement the preliminary findings documented in the Assessment of Alternative Improvement Strategies, the study team has examined in additional detail potential locations for new DHOV access to the study area freeway system. An overview of the potential locations will be presented.

2. For information and discussion.

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5. Park-and Ride Connectivity

The study team has conducted case studies related to park-and-ride connectivity to DHOV ramps. An overview of findings from San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG), Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT), and the Denver area will be presented.

6. Current Work Efforts

The study team is also preparing documentation for Planning Partner review related to the following topics identified during the 2012 charette:

- 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
- Diverging Diamond Interchange Conversion:
The study team is currently analyzing the feasibility of converting several existing diamond interchanges to diverging diamond interchanges. A list of eighteen potential locations will be evaluated based on the compatibility of traffic volumes, turn movements, and available right-of-way. Conceptual layouts will be prepared for the top performing locations.

7. Next Steps and Assignments

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

- Future Work Efforts
- Contract amendment for additional assignments
- Transportation Policy Committee – August 14, 2013
- Schedule updates for additional Planning Partners meetings

8. Adjournment

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6. For information and discussion.

7. 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.

8. For information and discussion.