



# Minutes

**Multimodal Technical  
Advisory Committee (M-TAC)  
Thursday, February 4, 2010  
8:00 A.M.**

**Prescott City Council Chambers  
201 S. Cortez Street  
Prescott, AZ 86303**

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## **AGENCY VOTING M-TAC MEMBERS PRESENT**

Chairman	Craig McConnell, City of Prescott
Vice-Chairman	Ron Gritman, Town of Chino Valley
Member	Norm Davis, Town of Prescott Valley
Member	Cynthia Moody, U.S. Forest Service
Member	Joel Berman, Town of Dewey-Humboldt
Member	Charla Glendening, ADOT MPD
Proxy	Alvin Stump, ADOT Prescott District (For Greg Gentsch)
Proxy	Mike Willett, Yavapai County (For Phil Bourdon)

## **AGENCY VOTING M-TAC MEMBERS NOT PRESENT**

Member	Greg Gentsch, ADOT Prescott District
Member	Phil Bourdon, Yavapai County

## **CYMPO STAFF**

Administrator	Jodi Rooney
Program Manager	Vicky McLane
Program Coordinator	Jean Knight

## **ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES**

ADOT	Don Cassano
Yavapai County	Supervisor Springer, Chris Bridges
Fann Contracting	Mike Fann
Town of Chino Valley	Vice-Mayor Ron Romley
AZ Game and Fish	Trevor Buhr
RTAC	Kevin Adam
Rockwell Engineering	Karl Rockwell

### **1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL AND/OR INTRODUCTIONS**

Chairman McConnell called the meeting to order at 8:00 AM. Roll call was performed by CYMPO Program Coordinator Jean Knight.

- 2. PUBLIC COMMENT:** This item is to provide an opportunity for presentation of comments by the public on subjects ***not on the agenda***. Individuals wishing to address the M-TAC need not request permission in advance and are limited to three (3) minutes. The public may also comment on individual agenda items, as each item is considered by the M-TAC, subject to a time limit of three (3) minutes.

There were no comments from the public.

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Regular meeting of January 7, 2010**

**MOTION**

Vice-Chairman Gritman presented a Motion to approve the January 7, 2010, M-TAC regular meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Member Davis.

**VOTE ON THE MOTION**

The vote passed unanimously.

**4. TRANSPORTATION INVESTMENT GENERATING ECONOMIC RECOVERY (TIGER) DISCRETIONARY GRANT**

*Chris Bridges, Yavapai County*

The TIGER grant application was completed and submitted by Chris Bridges, Yavapai County, in September 2009. Project selections will be announced no later than February 17, 2010. Mr. Bridges announced that to date no information has been received. It is possible that information will be received prior to the next Executive Board meeting.

**5. AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT (ARRA II) JOBS FOR MAIN STREET ACT, 2010**

*Jodi Rooney, CYMPO Administrator*

Jodi Rooney, CYMPO Administrator related that in anticipation of a second round of stimulus, the regions have been asked to bring forward eligible projects that can be under contract in 90 days. She discussed the list of criteria for eligible projects.

Thus far, Yavapai County has identified Pioneer Parkway, which consists of a 3.5 mile long rehabilitation. Dewey-Humboldt may have a sign improvement project. The M-TAC will need to determine which project(s) to recommend that the Executive Board include in the Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (MTIP); subsequently, amendment would be needed.

Alvin Stump, ADOT Prescott District, stated that he would like to see infrastructure projects and one of them could be the Highway 69 Median Barrier project. Additionally, as some of the STP funds are going away, he would like to see some of those funds applied toward the signals and the tribal connector road, if possible. Vice-Chairman Gritman questioned if the environmental has been done for the Highway 69 project. Mr. Stump responded that yes it has been completed. Chairman McConnell asked about the status of the tribal connector road and does the tribe have the remainder of the funds. Mr. Stump indicated that he has a call into Chris at the tribe.

Member Davis asked if the Highway 69 project can be funded by ADOT. Alvin Stump responded that he thought it is a possibility. Member Davis then questioned if ADOT has their list of projects finalized; Mr. Stump indicated that is not done yet.

Member Berman presented a project for the Town of Dewey-Humboldt that consists of sign post rehabilitation and replacement. It is small but a very important project. Some are the regular signs and some are the regulatory signs. (Warning signs, stop signs, etc.) The estimated cost is \$45,000. The environmental regulations are not applicable as long as the signs are placed in the same location as they were previously. Chairman McConnell reminded Member Berman that should they need to hire out to put up the signs, Davis-Bacon wages would need to be used. Member Berman stated this would be a good project for safety. Vice-Chairman Gritman stated that environmental would still be an issue if the signs did not go back into the same spot.

Chris Bridges, Yavapai County, indicated that at a NACOG meeting yesterday, signs were discussed extensively.

Mike Willett, Yavapai County, briefly discussed the Pioneer Parkway project.

The consensus was to take no action at this time. Further discussion would occur when the amount of the ARRA II funds has been determined.

**6. PROGRAMMING OF FY-11 SURFACE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM (STP) FUNDS**

*Jodi Rooney, CYMPO Administrator*

Jodi Rooney, CYMPO Administrator, related this discussion is being brought back to this committee. Due to the federal rescissions we need to program down approximately 30%. There is concern for the FY-11 as well as the FY-10 project funding, which is the SR69 Median Barrier Project. We need to look at some other form of funding to supplement this project.

Alvin Stump, ADOT Prescott District, stated as far as the Robin Drive signal, ADOT could assist with this funding. The cost estimate would have to be looked at. Chairman McConnell suggested leaving the Highway 69 Median Barrier project in the TIP, and allocating 30% less to it. This is an ADOT project and if they do not have the money it won't be built. Mr. Stump indicated that ADOT should be able to pick up the difference in costs with the 30% reduction.

Member Davis expressed concern about the public meeting next week regarding the Highway 69 project. Mr. Stump responded that they have a handle on this issue.

**7. BUDGET CYCLE – UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM (UPWP)**

*Jodi Rooney, CYMPO Administrator*

CYMPO Administrator Jodi Rooney stated it is time to begin review of the FY-10 UPWP and determine if there are any needed changes for upcoming FY-11. The budget component will be updated in conjunction with the budget preparation for the City of Prescott. A couple of items for consideration would be Title VI/Environmental Justice and the State-wide Long Range Plan Update, and, third party In-Kind contribution.

Chairman McConnell asked about the most recent Planning Boundary map and it was noted that it was included. He also discussed the importance of having each jurisdiction review their respective general plans, have internal discussions and determine to what extent we can reflect updated future land use information into the CYMPO long range plan.

Trevor Buhr, Arizona Game and Fish, requested that as we move forward planning or revising general planning efforts, the Arizona Game and Fish department would like input of natural resources and environmental issues that might be at stake. He would like an opportunity to share some of the guidelines that have been discussed in previous meetings. His request was duly acknowledged.

**8. PROPOSED FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

*Jodi Rooney, CYMPO Administrator*

- ARRA II
- MTIP Amendment
- MTIP Annual Cycle
- UPWP
- Programming FY-11 STP funds
- TIGER Grant Funding

**9. AGENCY UPDATES**

Agency updates were provided by: Alvin Stump, ADOT Prescott District; Norm Davis, Town of Prescott Valley; Mike Willett, Yavapai County and Charla Glendening, ADOT MPD. Member Davis announced that the Bison Lane Multi-Use Path Ribbon cutting is to be changed to February 16<sup>th</sup>, with a time to follow.

Kevin Adam, Rural Transportation Advocacy Council (RTAC), gave a brief update of where the legislative issues are. He began with federal issues, starting with the Jobs Bill that the House passed in December 2009, which is another round of the stimulus funding, noting an accelerated time frame as far as having projects under contract. (At least the first 50%) The complicated issues begin with the Senate having their plans to pursue. They want to break off the Jobs Bill into separate pieces of legislation. He described some of the different aspects of the potential legislation. Additionally the Senate is discussing reduced levels.

Mr. Adam also related that the most growing issue is the rescissions. This has been going on since the end of the last federal fiscal year (the past five-months). All federal transportation programs are reduced by approximately 30%. He stated that in the previous Continuing Resolution, the Senate has been more amenable to address this issue than the House has. It is hopeful that the House will pass legislation to go back to the previous levels.

The last thing he discussed was the State of Arizona lottery funds. There currently is a proposal to bond lottery revenue which would require the use of all the lottery funds for the next 20-25 years. All of the current lottery funding would probably go away. This would affect the transit, specifically the LTAF funding. This vote is to occur Monday.

**10. MISCELLANEOUS ANNOUNCEMENTS & CYMPO UPDATES**

CYMPO Administrator Jodi Rooney announced that the State Transportation Board meeting in July will be held in Chino Valley.

**11. UPCOMING SCHEDULED MEETINGS**

- T-TAC Meeting: **Thursday, February 11, 2010, 8:00 AM**, Prescott Valley Town Hall, 7501 E. Civic Cir, Prescott Valley, Conf. **Room #433** (*CYMPO Transit Technical Advisory Committee monthly meeting*)
- State Transportation Board: **Friday, February 19, 2010, 9:00 AM**, Bisbee, AZ
- Executive Board Meeting: **Wednesday, February 17, 2010, 6:00 PM**, Yavapai County Board of Supervisors' Room, 1015 Fair St., Prescott (*CYMPO Executive Board monthly meeting*)
- M-TAC Meeting: **Thursday, March 4, 2010, 8:00 AM**, Prescott City Hall, Council Chambers, 201 S. Cortez, Prescott (*CYMPO Multimodal Technical Advisory Committee*)

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

Chairman McConnell adjourned the meeting at 9:05 AM.